

Rec'd from San Olson
at the 8/17/18 CC/PC mtg re SMP

I want to speak to issues not directly associated with the matters before you, but none-the-less flow straight from the county's SMP work.

I wish to speak about the plight of our SRKW.

Tahlequah and Scarlet are speaking as clearly as they can. to expose their precarious state and that of all other southern residents to us.

For years the Friends has been trying to help the county to understand the inadequacies of protections for Forage Fish spawning beaches, eel-grass meadows, kelp beds, and shoreline buffers. Forage Fish depend on healthy spawning beaches and are critical food for out migrating Chinook salmon along with insects and small crustaceans.

The inadequacies over time have had an impact on the Chinook population which in turn reduces the available food for resident Orca.

We no longer have the luxury of time to change the trajectory of the decline in our iconic Orca. We must take bold, uncomfortable and even heretical measures to reverse the peril our actions have imposed on our

Orca. Suggestions are needed, I have some, but no time to provide

them now, they can be found in my written comments already

submitted.

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