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MEMO

REPORT DATE: May 24, 2021

TO: San Juan County Council

FROM: Sophia Cassam, Planner I

SUBJECT: 2021 Annual Docket
Public Comments on Requests 21-0002, 21-0003, 21-0005, 21-0008

BRIEFING: May 25, 2021

ATTACHMENTS: A. Public Comments on Docket Request 21-0002 (Indoor Recreation Facilities)
B. Public Comments on Docket Request 21-0003 (Build-Out Analysis)
C. Public Comments on Docket Request 21-0005 (Trees)
D. Public Comments on Docket Request 21-0008 (Stormwater)

PURPOSE: Transmittal of public comments on the 2021 Docket received between May 17-24, 2021.

Sophia Cassam

From: DONNA LASLO <orcasislandtennisclub@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 8:13 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Cc: Rick Hughes; Mary Schulman; George Larson; Heidi Hudlet
Subject: Comments and requests regarding B.2 Request 21-0002: Orcas Tennis Club.

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Comments and requests regarding B.2 Request 21-0002: Orcas Tennis Club.

As the Orcas Tennis Club President representing our member, I urge you to support our request to create a covered court for year round, indoor tennis play.

Right now in order to play tennis in the winter islanders must travel off island to play, the closest indoor tennis facility is Bellingham.

We have needed an indoor court on the island for many years. Our goal is to build an indoor tennis court that is a barn like structure which will be consistent to the land use around our property and will have very low impact on neighbors.

Benefits of this are many. Having year round tennis supports the health of our island families. Indoor tennis will allow for youth to develop their skills and have a facility like this can open for the possibility for a high school tennis team. Which can lead to college scholarships. Having indoor, year round tennis will also lead to inter island tournament play.

Lopez pool is an example of indoor recreational facility in a rural area. This is the same use we are asking for.

Please don't make us wait until 2025 for this to be approved! We need to move on this now. We have the support and momentum.

Thank you for your consideration.

Donna Laslo
Orcas Tennis Club President
360-378-7527

Sophia Cassam

From: Jonathan White <jonwhite@rockisland.com>
Sent: Friday, May 21, 2021 8:59 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: Covered Tennis Courts

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Hello Planning Commissioners,

I believe this issue is on your docket for discussion today. As a tennis player and twenty-five-year resident of Orcas Island (and Planning Commissioner for six years in the 1990s!), I hope you will decide not to wait three or four years to consider whether to allow indoor tennis courts to be built on the island. We have at least 50 avid players on Orcas alone, and the numbers are growing. As you know, we are unable to play in the winter due to weather. Allowing indoor courts would open the possibility of serving this growing population of players, including many of our youth.

Thank you for your good work and dedication to this county!

- Jonathan White
Orcas Island

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:07 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Letter in support of Docket Request 21-0003
Attachments: PCdocketrequestletter2021.pdf

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below and attachment in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: joe symons <joesymons@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 15, 2021 12:01 PM
To: Matthew Ellingson <matthewe@sanjuanco.com>; Sheila Gaquin <sheilag@sanjuanco.com>; David Kane <davidk@sanjuanco.com>; Nicholas Knoellinger <nicholask@sanjuanco.com>; Michael Pickett <michaelp@sanjuanco.com>; Dale Roundy <daler@sanjuanco.com>; Steven Rubey <stevenr@sanjuanco.com>; Steve Smith <steves@sanjuanco.com>; Camille Uhlir <camilleu@sanjuanco.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: Cindy Wolf <cindyw@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: Letter in support of Docket Request 21-0003

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I attach a letter in support of Docket request 21-0003. Please take the time to read some of the links referenced in the request to give yourselves background as to the history of density decisions in San Juan County. I would be happy to answer any questions that you might have with regard to this topic.

Thanks

Joe Symons
Olga
c: 360 378 7577

KeepSanJuansWild.org

From: Joe Symons, Olga WA
To: SJC Planning Commission
Date: 14 May 2021
Re: Docket request 21-0003

I write to request that you support the docket request 21-0003 as your fellow Planning Commission members did in 2000 and again in 2018.

DCD has once again determined that the docket request should be rejected. See: <https://www.sanjuanco.com/DocumentCenter/View/22943/2021-Docket-Initial-Briefing-Staff-Report---May-6-2021?bidId=> (page 5)

I request that you look carefully at my docket request which you can read at <http://doebay.net/sunshine/Docketsubmission2021.pdf> . In particular, note the FDO (Final Decision and Order) by the WWGMHB (Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board) excerpt in section one of the docket request. The FDO points out that the county's failure to address this topic led directly to the finding of "substantial interference" which was the criterion for the invalidity order on SJC's CP imposed by the Western Board.

There are precious few individuals who know the history of land use activities in San Juan County. I have lived in the county for about 50 years; I have been an active participant in land use affairs, having been chosen by Council in 1992 to be the chair of the Orcas committee to rewrite the county's comprehensive plan (CP) under the guidance of the state's Growth Management Act (GMA).

I and a few other residents challenged SJC's CP in 1999 as being in egregious violation of GMA; several years of litigation ensued. In almost all cases, SJC lost. A settlement occurred in ~2007 which ended the county's status as being GMA non-compliant.

The elephant in the living room is the undiscussed and, more importantly, unknown population potential currently baked in to the land use density designations for the county. The docket request asks the county to determine this population potential and comment on how this potential meets the county's GMA-mandated Vision Statement.

Comprehensive background information about this topic is available at <http://doebay.net/bigpicture.pdf>, a document created after I gave a presentation to a variety of interested locals, including Cindy Wolf, in January 2021.

Based on the following excerpt from an email to me from Cindy Wolf, one can infer that DCD has at least done a preliminary calculation on this population potential.

Regarding the buildout population (134,000) that I calculated from GDLI data as shown in the excel spreadsheet [summary of information](#), an email from Cindy Wolf, County Council member from District 2 (Orcas/Waldron), dated 10 May 2021, stated:

“Erika explained this to me and that there were few remedies short of vacating the platt and potentially bankrupting the county with lawsuits. Everyone believes you because you are correct. No one seems to know what to do about it. My head is still swimming from figuring this out three weeks ago.”

Note that the buildout calculations shown in the GDLI spreadsheet are based exclusively on SJC data. Such calculations do not reflect any personal bias.

There is no question that this topic puts the county and its residents between a rock and a very hard place. That situation, however, is not grounds for pretending that it doesn't exist.

As you will see, the docket request asks for an impact analysis to show the impact of what this population would have on the county. In addition, the impact of visitors needs to be included.

As residents, we deserve to know the implications of our growth potential on our collective future. We deserve to know whether this growth potential is consistent with the Vision Statement, which is described by SJC as the “north star” of the CP, i.e., upon which the CP and UDC are designed to fulfill. The Vision Statement is the foundation for the plan.

Please take the time to learn more about the evolution of this situation. While no one can know the future in any detail, we deserve to know the likely growth trajectory and its implications for carrying capacity, community values, tax burdens, and our stated desire to become sustainable.

Thank you.

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:08 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jamie Donatuto <jdonatuto@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 16, 2021 8:01 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Hello,
I believe that a “truth in planning” addition to the comp plan is needed and necessary. I urge you to support it.

Respectfully,
Jamie Donatuto
Full time Orcas Island resident since 2012

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From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:09 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

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From: Naomi Aldort <naomi@aldort.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:05 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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To: SJC planning commission,

Please support the docket request 21-0003 as your fellow Planning Commission members did in 2000 and again in 2018. The vision statement says that these islands are to stay rural and protective of beauty, quiet and the natural environment.

We are already above the residential and tourists capacity to fit the vision statement.

In addition to limited water, our quality of life depends on limited roads, clean air and rural quiet lifestyle. We do not wish to expand any more.

This problem cannot be ignored. The official projection is the destruction of this county. Please support the docket request 21-0003.

Thank you,
Naomi

"Transforming parent-child relationship from reaction and struggle to freedom, power and joy." - Naomi Aldort

To discuss your parenting and other concerns with Naomi: <https://www.naomialdort.com/about-naomi-aldort/parenting-guiding-sessions.html>

Naomi Aldort

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From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:10 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

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From: David Turnoy <davidgeri@rockisland.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 16, 2021 10:34 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Hi Planning Commission,

I totally support a truth-in-planning document. We need to know how many people our county can hold without degrading the environment and the quality of life.

Thank you,
David Turnoy
Eastsound

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:10 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
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-----Original Message-----

From: Kiki Roumel <kikiroumel@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 6:06 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Dear Friend,

I do not support population growth in San Juan county without a rigorous evaluation of our resources, especially water. With the water table shrinking globally, we need to preserve what we have and prepare to have a lot less. Already when tourists come they use astonishing amounts of water which we as a county cannot afford.

I am not against tourists or against more residents. I want a more inclusive and diverse island population. I just want the growth to be carefully planned so that we do not exacerbate our drought and other resources in scarcity.

Thanks,
Kiki

Kiki Roumel
Orcas Island
503-756-7844

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:11 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
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From: Gregory Oaksen <gregoaksen@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 7:06 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Dear Planning Commission,
I am writing to support the Truth in Planning Docket Request. We need to be clear about the implications of the Comprehensive Plan.
Thank you,
Gregory Oaksen
Eastsound

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:12 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Docket request to validate build-out numbers

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: jbeeman haller-beeman.com <jbeeman@haller-beeman.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 8:32 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: mattewe@sanjuanco.com; Sheila Gaquin <sheilag@sanjuanco.com>; David Kane <davidk@sanjuanco.com>; Nicholas Knoellinger <nicholask@sanjuanco.com>; Michael Pickett <michaelp@sanjuanco.com>; Dale Roundy <daler@sanjuanco.com>; Steven Rubey <stevenr@sanjuanco.com>; Steve Smith <steves@sanjuanco.com>; Camille Uhler <camilleu@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: Docket request to validate build-out numbers

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Dear Ms. Guernsey,

I would like to support the notion of a better, and public, San Juan County buildout plan. The islands are particularly finite when it comes to transportation, energy, garbage... support of all kinds. Given our ferry-based transportation system, all services are particularly susceptible to limits. Specifically, the notion that the population could grow to 134,000 (plus visitors) is particularly unrealistic. I would strongly support a much lower number and also support a SJC-specific study of island carrying capacity. Please let me know if there is anything the residents of SJC can do to help make this study happen.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Beeman

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:39 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Joseph Bettis <joseph@northwestcaptain.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 9:26 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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We are way over due in obtaining this information so that transparent and democratic decisions can be made.

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 10:23 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
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-----Original Message-----

From: Stephen Shubert <islandhome61@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 10:02 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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It is of critical importance that the human carrying capacity of humans be realistically calculated. We are an island, surrounded by water and distant from the mainland. We must be able to rely on ourselves and the resources we create to survive the coming catastrophes forecast by global warming and consequent shortages of water, electricity, and food. We must also be very concerned about wells going dry, septic systems overflowing, noisy Air B&B crowds, and noxious living conditions caused by overcrowding. Plus island life has its own pace and level of comfort, which I enjoy and want to keep. I do not want to live in a "Vacation Mecca" filled with tourists, hustle and bustle, crowded recreations and shopping sites. The long term viability of my property is directly contingent on how crowded you allow the island to become. Enough!

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 11:13 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the second email below from Mr. Bettis in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Joseph Bettis <joseph@northwestcaptain.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 10:22 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: joe symons <islandstewards@gmail.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Lynda,

Please forward this email to the planning commission:

In support of docket request 21-0003

I urge positive action on this request.

I understand that the request is not supported by the planning department and this is exactly why the request is so important and should be approved.

Planning and development in the islands is moving ahead without direction or control at present. Responsible, thoughtful development and transparent planning are nowhere to be found. Our precious island home is being rapidly destroyed by irresponsible and uncontrolled run-away growth. We need planned and transparent development that preserves our fragile environment and at the same time insures sustainable development.

Please approve docket 21-0003 as a first step in gaining control before it is too late. Transparent practices must begin now.

Joseph Bettis

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:16 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: support for docket request 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
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From: John Clancy <jclancy1949@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, May 17, 2021 4:47 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: support for docket request 21-0003

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Lynda,

I am grateful that you will forward this to all the members of the Planning Commission. Thank you.

I stand in full support for Joe Symons' docket request 21-0003, which requests that the Planning Commission create a "Truth in Planning" component to the Comp Plan. This component would put in layperson's language the implications of our growth potential (e.g. the maximum buildout population) on our collective future. We would become clearly aware of this currently sanctioned buildout population on our county's carrying capacity, on its effects on our taxes and, extremely importantly, its effects on our desire to become a sustainable island culture.

Our species is devouring the world. And should intelligent and caring people like yourselves not make a significant and sustained effort to help the county populace become extremely aware of the impacts of our current trajectory, then we will continue to devour the world our corner of the world. I imagine that you are all under a great deal of pressure. I ask you, as I ask myself, to make a strong stand and operationalize the Vision Statement, holding that as the standard by which decisions are made. By accepting docket request 21-0003, by integrating its request into the CP, and thus making it easier for islanders to comprehend the effects of our growth, I believe you will experience a collective support for planning activity that embraces and manifests our Vision Statement.

Thank you.

John Clancy
161 Rosehip Rd.

Eastsound, Washington 98245

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:13 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
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From: walt cooter <walter@rockisland.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:38 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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please limit the buildout of the islands to maintain environmental health

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 11:17 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Planning Commission Consideration and Study of Residential and Tourism Carrying Capacity

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: Steve Snowden <snow1157b@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 10:39 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: snow1157b <snow1157b@gmail.com>
Subject: Planning Commission Consideration and Study of Residential and Tourism Carrying Capacity

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Dear Ms. Guernsey,

I am writing to express my concern that San Juan County and the Planning Commission through the Comprehensive Plan lack a coherent response to address the ramifications of an allowed total build-out population of 134,000 for the county, over seven times the current level. It should be readily apparent to any resident of the San Juans that such a population is well beyond the carrying capacity of the potable water resources, schools, and transportation infrastructure, most notably the ferries. It should also be clear that such a build-out population would have extremely deleterious effects on the natural environment and scenic quality of the Islands, the reasons that so many people are drawn to live here. In my opinion the Planning Commission has an obligation to seriously consider what is the actual carrying capacity for residents and tourists for our Islands that can at least maintain the current quality of life. Such a study is obviously vital for land-use planning and the goal of a responsible and positive future for our neighbors.

Sincerely,

Steve Snowden
4997 Center Road
Lopez Island

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:41 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

Hi Sophia,

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:35 PM
To: Camille Uhlir <camilleu@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Camille,

David and I are owners of the 269 Main Street building in Eastsound. We have 2 retail tenants on the first floor and manage Eastsound Suites vacation rental condos on the 2nd level.

We are writing to ask you to adopt a Truth in Planning docket for information transparency and community engagement.

Our understanding is that there is no restriction on the number or location of building permits issued by the county-- and no information on the county's carrying capacity.

We feel strongly it is crucial the Planning Commission 1) adopt a docket for timely publication of information and 2.) actively engage islanders for their input on these topics and conversation.

Please let us know if you will adopt the docket as proposed by Joe Symons on Feb 24, 2021.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you,

Leslie and David Brazeau

114 Pt. Lawrence Rd.
Olga

269 Main St.
Eastsound

Eastsound Suites, Orcas Island
eastsoundsuites.com
360.376.2887

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:32 PM
To: Steve Smith <steves@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
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We are writing to ask you to adopt a Truth in Planning docket for information transparency and community engagement. We believe that as a community we need to define the carrying capacity of the San Juan Islands.

Our understanding is that there is no restriction on the number or location of building permits issued by the county-- and no information on the county's carrying capacity.

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We look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you,

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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:37 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:20 PM
To: Steven Rubey <stevenr@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Steven,

David and I are owners of the 269 Main Street building in Eastsound. We have 2 retail tenants on the first floor and manage Eastsound Suites vacation rental condos on the 2nd level.

We are writing to ask you to adopt a Truth in Planning docket for information transparency and community engagement. We believe that as a community we need to define the carrying capacity of the San Juan Islands.

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Please let us know if you will adopt the docket as proposed by Joe Symons on Feb 24, 2021.

We look forward to hearing from you.

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Sophia Cassam

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To: Sophia Cassam
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Hi Sophia,

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:18 PM
To: Dale Roundy <daler@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Dale,

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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:35 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:15 PM
To: Michael Pickett <michaelp@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Mike,

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Sophia Cassam

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Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:33 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:13 PM
To: Nicholas Knoellinger <nicholask@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Nicholas,

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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:32 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

Hi Sophia,

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:12 PM
To: David Kane <davidk@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>; David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear David,

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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:30 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:10 PM
To: Sheila Gaquin <sheilag@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Sheila,

David and I are owners of the 269 Main Street building in Eastsound. We have 2 retail tenants on the first floor and manage Eastsound Suites vacation rental condos on the 2nd level.

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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:19 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

Hi Sophia,

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From: Eastsound Suites <info@eastsoundsuites.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 12:08 PM
To: Matthew Ellingson <matthewe@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: David Brazeau <brazeaux@msn.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: As Eastsound business owners, we ask you to respond re: TRUTH IN PLANNING

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Dear Matt,

David and I are owners of the 269 Main Street building in Eastsound. We have 2 retail tenants on the first floor and manage Eastsound Suites vacation rental condos on the 2nd level.

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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:30 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Mustard <susanmustard7@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 7:02 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Please pass the Docket Request 210003.

We are at a tipping point. It is time to develop a plan for the future of our fragile islands.

My home town, Austin, TX was a lovely place to live. AND then it wasn't a lovely place to live. Many of us who now live in the San Juan's have fled overdevelopment, poor planning and regulation elsewhere. So we moved here. It is time to get answers to serious questions such as water and sewage needs.

Susan Mustard, Orcas Island

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:28 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Leslie Quenell <mossknitter@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 3:57 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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I understand that there is currently no “Truth in Planning” component to the Comprehensive Plan for San Juan County. We love our island home; it’s peace and quiet and minimal traffic. The rural character of our islands must be maintained and protected from development and becoming a community of second homes for the wealthy. Development needs to be focused on urban areas to curtail the suburban sprawl that is starting to overtake many areas. Limiting building permits would help. I want to continue to ride my horse through the woods and walk on quiet beaches. To be able to do that we need a Truth In Planning component in the Comprehensive Plan.

Leslie Quenell
Lopez Island

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 11:30 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: Jill Boyce <jillcboyce@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 11:25 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Hello,

I am a part time homeowner on Orcas Island and want to add my voice to the need for the "Truth in Planning Commission" as SJC Planning Commission attempts to plan for our island's future. I am very concerned about unrestricted or unplanned for growth on all the SJ islands, which is what I see happening now.

Please know that our future depends upon complete disclosure of what IS happening and what are the likely consequences of various actions or lack of taking action.

Thank you.
Best,
Jill

Jill Chamberlain Boyce
39 Headland Rd
Deer Harbor, WA 98243

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 3:58 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Susan Monaco <angelfare9@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 3:55 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>; San Juan County Council <councilvm@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Re: The accelerating Population Growth & Development currently underway in San Juan County.

As grateful stewards and voting residents of Orcas since the early 70s we, among many, plead with this commission to recognize Truth in Planning is urgent & justified.

The residents of our county have entrusted this commission with protecting these fragile islands from over-development. Please proceed clear-eyed, flanked by published truth in planning for all county residents to know & consider.

The impact of growth & development on comparative communities has been documented. To ignore these studies at this pivotal crossroad would be forever regrettable.

As we all are witnessing (as the fastest growing county in Washington) many are coming. Countless tourists just here for a spring or summer weekend will be back to buy & build. And the quiet skies above us will be rarely silent, and the traffic on these roads will be relentless, the water tables diminished, dumps overwhelmed. The reasons for everyone who has ever revered these islands will be...memories.

Thank you for considering the urgency of Docket 21-0003.

Susan Monaco
Victorian Valley, Orcas

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 10:17 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Docket Request from Joe Symons Feb. 2021

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
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From: Ann Palmer <apalmer123@msn.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:52 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>; San Juan County Council <councilvm@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: Jamie Stephens <jamies@sanjuanco.com>; joesymons@me.com; Matthew Ellingson <matthewe@sanjuanco.com>; Sheila Gaquin <sheilag@sanjuanco.com>; David Kane <davidk@sanjuanco.com>; Nicholas Knoellinger <nicholask@sanjuanco.com>; Michael Pickett <michaelp@sanjuanco.com>; Dale Roundy <daler@sanjuanco.com>; Steven Rubey <stevenr@sanjuanco.com>; Steve Smith <steves@sanjuanco.com>; Camille Uhler <camilleu@sanjuanco.com>; Cindy Wolf <cindyw@sanjuanco.com>; Christine Minney <christinem@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: Docket Request from Joe Symons Feb. 2021

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Dear Lynda Guernsey, the San Juan County Council, and the San Juan County Planning Commission:

I am a long time resident of Lopez Island (since 1984, purchased property in the early 70's). I have read the articles published by Joe Symons and Island Stewards and I agree that it is essential that the County get involved in this discussion and realistically consider the carrying capacity of the islands (in natural resources such as water as well as infrastructure and transportation limitations) in all planning decisions.

This is an excerpt from their document at <http://doebay.net/bigpicture.pdf>:

There is no restriction on the number or location of building permits issued by the county. There is no information on the county's carrying capacity. There is a substantial inconsistency between the official Vision Statement for the county and the buildout potential baked in to the current density map. None of these topics has benefited from public exposure and conversation.

We cannot allow uncontrolled growth and development in these islands if we have any hope of preserving their unique rural and natural environment. As evidenced by the discussion about vacation rentals the time is NOW to make sure we have all the discussions and planning that are necessary to prepare for the future in such a way that the islands'

character and beauty are preserved.

I totally support the adoption of the Docket Measure as proposed:

<http://doebay.net/sunshine/Docketsubmission2021.pdf>. It is critical that we have these discussions about the issues raised so that we can go forward into the future better prepared for the decisions that will need to be made along the way with respect to development and growth.

Thank you for considering and APPROVING this docket issue.

Ann Palmer, Lopez Island

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| (360) 466-8589 (cell phone - used only when traveling)
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Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 3:50 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: County Planning

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: Cindi Lund <cindilund56@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 3:47 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: San Juan County Council <councilvm@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: County Planning

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Dear Planning Department,

Please include a Truth in Planning statement in the Comprehensive Plan. People need to know the truth. The islands have limited resources and house unique and fragile natural ecosystems. The effects of climate change may be worsened by population growth.

I am especially concerned about water. From what I understand, underground fresh water supplies are limited. We must be very careful to keep the population at a level that our water supplies can sustain. Another concern of course is the ferry system which can barely handle the population we have now. It seems like building permits must be restricted to control population growth.

Thank you for your attention,
Cindi Lund, Lopez Island

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:33 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

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Lynda

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From: Jack Pedigo <pedigojack@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 8:21 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Honoring our shared vision.

Just found out about this issue and am horrified. Why do counties and contractors constantly feel this area is ripe for the pickings and it's full steam ahead for development? Why do these people never seem to take into account externalities and how it affects the local populations? Why does it always seem to be about the economy and not the natural ecology that is the basis for that economy?

My late partner and I bought property on Lopez in 2008. At the time there were four persons living on the property. One daughter married a local and the parents, with a daughter, moved to N. Washington. Two us replaced three and since my partner died now one is living where three once were, so a lowering of the population. We sublet the property for 3 years and moved in in 2011. The existing home was remodeled and, aside from a new 10' X 16' sunroom, we made an effort of replacing a derelict two car garage and mudroom with a new building which stayed in the existing footprint. I installed a water harvesting system in order to preserve the well for emergency use only.

We must desperately look to a truly sustainable growth management plan (constant growth is not sustainable under any circumstance). I would ask, does the county ever take into account such things as the quality of life, ferry service, water availability, forest destruction and a plethora of other resources necessary for sustaining LIFE (writ large) in it's plans or is economics the sole concern?

Jack M. Pedigo
Lopez Island, WA 98261

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 8:26 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Limiting Growth

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Lyman Griswold <lymang314@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 11:00 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: Sharon Abreu <sharmuse@gmail.com>
Subject: Limiting Growth

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I have lived on Orcas for nearly thirty years. I have occasionally heard talk of limiting growth to make this a more livable place but have seen very little put into law to define that objective. If we are going to have livable islands in the future, we are going to have to define what "buildout" is and stick to it. If we do not control this now we are simply kicking the can down the road and leaving our future as a livable place to profit making interests.

Please act now to define "buildout" and control growth.

Lyman W. Griswold
314 Terrill Beach Rd.
Eastsound, WA

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 8:23 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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-----Original Message-----

From: Ed Suij <edsuij@rockisland.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:07 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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To the San Juan County Planning Commission,

We, the people who live in these Islands, should be the Stewards of these incredible important and delicate ecosystems, millions of years in the making. One of the truly amazing places on the planet.

It is our solemn duty to preserve, protect and enhance what we cherish. Our survival and the wellbeing of future generations depend on it.

Our children will never forgive us if we let it all deteriorate in just one generation.

So I strongly support the Docket Request 21 0003.

We have to know what is coming at us, so we can take appropriate action.

If we don't act now, all we hold dear will be lost.

Just go visit Whidbey Island and you will know what I mean.

I have lived on Orcas for 37 years and have seen the rapid loss of rural character, natural beauty, wetlands, ecosystems and have seen the livability nosedive.

We HAVE TO stop the hemorrhaging.

Thanks for listening,
Ed Suij

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 8:28 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
Lynda

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From: MJ <nohealani@rockisland.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 11:04 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: San Juan County Council <councilvm@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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I write to state my overwhelming support for Docket request 21-0003. Please make this comment part of the official record.

I have participated in planning meetings since 1919, was one of a very few active participants in the hearings before the Growth Management Hearings Board, where I filed appeals, motions and briefs in support of the invalidation of the Comprehensive Plan (CP), which occurred. Many if not most of the claims made by those appealing the CP for its extreme failure to comply with GMA were upheld after years of litigation. From the first meetings in 1991 throughout the litigation the county failed to clarify the issue of population and refused all requests to do so. It is ludicrous to claim to have a rational planning document when one does not obtain and present accurate data on the population that is potential under the proposed plan. Impacts of a population of unknown size on water availability, housing, traffic, resource lands, quality of life and much much more that GMA mandates be carefully considered, cannot possibly be evaluated.

I have previously requested the Truth in Planning Application of Joe Symons be added to the docket and I do so again now.

I have lived in the county for nearly 40 years and have seen a terrible degradation of these beautiful islands, loss of wetlands, pollution of ground water, the quality of rural life and loss of livability. We absolutely must have the basic facts, which means a buildout population study.

Sincerely,

Maile Johnson
Orcas

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 4:14 PM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

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From: Kate Yturri <kyturri52@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 20, 2021 3:48 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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Good afternoon,

Please implement a "Truth in Planning" document and conduct a proper, verifiable, public buildout analysis.

Please make decisions and act in accordance with our county vision statement.

We do not have the natural resources (water etc), infrastructure, health care or space to continue to grow and grow our county.

Thank you,
Katherine Yturri
Orcas

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 7:57 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: comments related to fresh water in the San Juan Islands and the relation to population sustainability, build out and protection of the natural ecosystem of the islands

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

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From: Pam Jenkins <pamelajenkins@centurytel.net>
Sent: Saturday, May 22, 2021 12:24 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: comments related to fresh water in the San Juan Islands and the relation to population sustainability, build out and protection of the natural ecosystem of the islands

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To the San Juan County Planning Commission and San Juan County Commissioners,

First, I would like to thank you for your commitment to serve in government for the benefit of our island communities and this beautiful environment we live in here.

I have been a resident of Orcas Island for 38 years. I have known Joe Symons for those past decades and his long expressed concern that we must determine what build out is sustainable on each island in our country, especially in determining how much fresh water we have to support that population and the forests, farms and wildlife here. He has asked the that county create a "Truth in Planning" document or buildout analysis, as the basis for planning and permitting in San Juan County. Unfortunately the county's Department of Community Development turned it down.

I can't believe we are still not making this the top priority for planning in our county. How can we plan for building sustainable communities on our islands without knowing the limitations we have

on fresh water, and the impacts of allowing buildout beyond what is environmentally sustainable here?

I urge you to please make this your top priority now.

Sincerely,

Pam Jenkins

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 8:57 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
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From: Lorna Rhodes <rhodes.lorna3@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 22, 2021 11:30 AM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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I want to let you know that we support 'Truth in Planning' for San Juan County. We, as citizens, need to know the implications of both current and planned-for population growth. It is already apparent that the infrastructure, social support systems, communities, and ecosystem of the islands are being damaged and undermined by runaway development. It's past time for realistic planning and ultimately, regulation--and neither are possible without information.

Thank you for your consideration,
Lorna Rhodes and Jerry Weatherman
Olga

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 8:59 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: "Truth in Planning"

Hi Sophia,

Please see the email below in regard to the Docket.

Regards,
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From: stolenblue <stolenblue@yahoo.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 23, 2021 12:35 PM
To: Matthew Ellingson <matthewe@sanjuanco.com>; Sheila Gaquin <sheilag@sanjuanco.com>; David Kane <davidk@sanjuanco.com>; Nicholas Knoellinger <nicholask@sanjuanco.com>; Michael Pickett <michaelp@sanjuanco.com>; Dale Roundy <daler@sanjuanco.com>; Steven Rubey <stevenr@sanjuanco.com>; Steve Smith <steves@sanjuanco.com>; camilleu@sanjuanci.com; Erika Shook <erikas@sanjuanco.com>; Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Cc: San Juan County Council <councilvm@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: "Truth in Planning"

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I'm writing in support of docket request 21-0003 and urge positive action. Without it any talk about wanting to protect the environment is an empty buzz phrase.

If mistakes have been made in the past they need to be addressed and discussed openly. Not wanting to look at the issue because it seems too overwhelming or threatening is no longer an option, especially in light of the recent building boom on the islands.

Government is failing all people by allowing or supporting uncontrolled growth. Issues like water shortage, noise and light pollution, traffic and ferries come to my mind to name a few.

Please approve docket 21-0003 to start a culture of transparency. Please don't let people get caught unaware.

I understand that the Department of Community Development doesn't support the docket. Uncontrolled, rapid growth is not community development, IT LEADS TO COMMUNITY DESTRUCTION like in many other places. We have much to lose.

Gabriele Beyer
San Juan Island

Sent from my Galaxy

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Monday, May 24, 2021 9:00 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: I support Docket 21-0003

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From: loren johnson <dr.demand@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 23, 2021 4:33 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: I support Docket 21-0003

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We barely have enough water to support our current population. Wells are empty or salinating by late summer and need to be monitored.
We need a comprehensive water study before making any further planning decisions.
Loren Johnson, MD
Friday Harbor

Sophia Cassam

From: Miles Becker <beckermiles6@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:39 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: Annual Docket Initial Briefing - Tree Protection Code comment

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Hi Sophia,

Thanks for sending the information about the Planning Commission meeting this Friday to introduce the requests on the Docket Review. I wanted to call in during the Public Access Time, but I will be in the Land Bank Commission meeting held at the same time in my role as a commissioner.

In place of a phone call, I would like to reiterate the importance of expanding tree protection to land outside critical areas and the SMP. The county shoreline and existing critical areas cover a very small percentage of land with canopy cover. Conserving trees and canopy at a much broader scale is necessary to meet the long-term goals of the county, including climate resiliency and water security. A new section of code that could be adopted by 2024 would help achieve those goals and preserve the character of the islands.

I would also like to suggest the formation of a Tree Board at the county level that is composed of three to five volunteers with local expertise in tree and forested land management. The Tree Board would serve an advisory role to the Planning Commission and County Council during adoption of new code, as well as review updates and measure the efficacy of the code.

Thanks again for your consideration and cooperation.

Miles

Sophia Cassam

From: Lynda Guernsey
Sent: Wednesday, May 19, 2021 9:32 AM
To: Sophia Cassam
Subject: FW: Support of docket request

Hi Sophia,

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From: David Turnoy <davidgeri@rockisland.com>
Sent: Tuesday, May 18, 2021 8:57 PM
To: Lynda Guernsey <LyndaG@sanjuanco.com>
Subject: Support of docket request

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To the Planning Commission,

I am writing to support the docket request of Alexandra Gayek related to stormwater. Her proposed changes will

- keep water from precipitation (“stormwater”) on the land and in the body of water on which it falls, to percolate into the soil
- reduce pollution of our surface and groundwater
- cause less harm to natural hydrology than development currently does
- increase the amount of native vegetation, including trees and shrubs
- increase responsibility to all property owners, not just new permit holders, and thus have impact county-wide.

Thank you,
David Turnoy