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Comprehensive Plan Text/SJC Code* Amendment Request

*San Juan County Code Titles 15, 16 & 18
(Annual Docket)

APPLICANT INFORMATION:
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This request is for a text amendment to the Comprehensive Plan or development regulations, not a comprehensive plan map amendment. I understand that this request will be reviewed according to the County's annual docket process.
Signature: [Handwritten Signature]
Printed Name: Todd Nicholson
Date: 1/05/2022

Please Describe the Proposed Amendments (attach additional pages if you need more space):

1. Comprehensive Plan amendments (if applicable). Describe proposed amendment and/or attach proposed text changes. List Comprehensive plan section, page numbers, title and policies proposed for amendment.

2. San Juan County Code Title 15, Title 16 or Title 18 amendments (if applicable). Describe proposed amendment and/or attach proposed text changes. List code sections proposed for amendment.
San Juan Co. Code
18.50.240.B.6
"6. New or relocated boathouses and covered moorages are prohibited on boating facilities except as allowed for railway systems in SJCC 18.50.290(E)."
Recommend change to:
"6. New or relocated boathouses and covered moorages are prohibited on boating facilities except as allowed for railway systems in SJCC 18.50.290(E), provided that existing boathouses within a marina may be reoriented or adjusted within the marina to cover less environmentally sensitive areas."

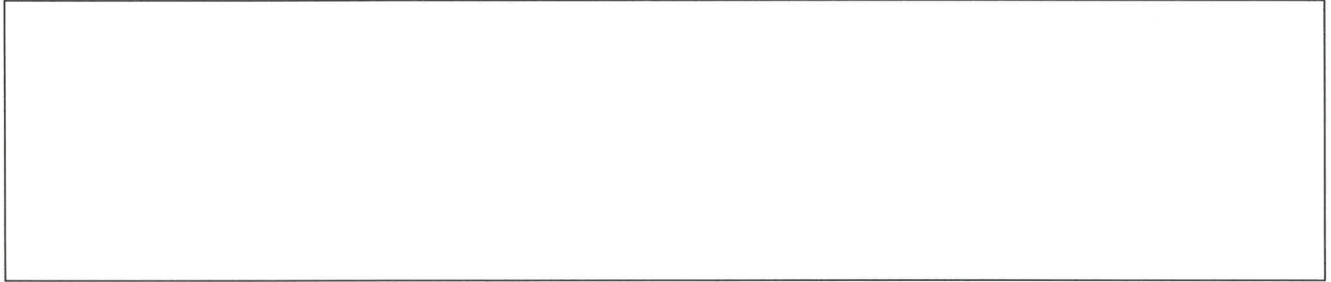


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3. Why is the amendment being proposed?

The current language prevents new boathouse construction but also forces existing grandfathered boathouses to remain in exactly the same footprint. The unintentional result is that a code intended for environmental protection is preventing the the Port from an action to designed for environmental protection. Specifically, the Port wants to shift some existing grandfathered boathouses into less environmentally sensitive deeper water and away from existing eel grass beds.

The requested change would continue to prevent new boathouse introduction or the relocation of boathouses from one facility to another, but would allow for environmental protection actions within a marina.

4. How is the proposed amendment consistent with the Growth Management Act (RCW 36.70A), Comprehensive Plan and development regulations?

This proposed code change does not impact any element of the Growth Management Act or Comprehensive Plan.

5. Does this proposal impact an Urban Growth Area (UGA)? Lopez Village, Eastsound and the Town of Friday Harbor are the only UGAs in the County.

Yes, indicate UGA _____

No

6. Does this proposal increase population or employment capacity?

No

