

RECEIVED

JAN 21 2010

CITY OF BURIEN

January 21, 2010

To: Burien City Council
Burien Planning Commission

Re: Proposed Shoreline Management Plan

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a property owner, resident, and tax-payer on SW 172nd St. I am writing to express my concerns about the proposed Shoreline Management Plan. Since the plan directly references and impacts Lake Burien and the Three Tree Point area, residents of those areas are understandably concerned about any plan that involves changes that could negatively impact private property or the safety of residents. While everyone agrees that protection of the shoreline's ecology is a worthy goal, there are concerns about the potential negative impact that increasing public access to these shorelines may have.

One of my objections to the document is that there is no assurance that the people directly affected by this plan will be involved in decisions and/or changes that occur as a result of the SMP. There needs to be language in the document that specifically assures that the residents directly affected by this plan (Lake Burien and Three Tree Point residents) will be involved in decision making and implementation of any changes that occur in their communities because of the SMP. This means that the City of Burien needs to provide multiple opportunities for residents to get their concerns on the public record and to be directly involved in decision-making about issues that may affect their welfare, safety, and property rights. In addition, there needs to be some language in the document that assures that restrictions placed on property owners related to building or construction in the affected areas also apply equally to the City. If indeed the restrictions are in place for the good of the shoreline, then they apply to everyone, including the City of Burien.

Thank you for your consideration of my concerns.



Carol Jacobson
3324 SW 172nd St.
Burien, WA 98166
(206) 246-8700

CFTR: 02/01/10

