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To: Burien City Council
Burien Planning Commission
Re: Proposed Shoreline Management Plan
To Whom It May Concern:

We are property owners on SW 172nd St (Three Tree Point). We are very concerned about the proposed Shoreline Management Plan and how it would affect Lake Burien and the Three Tree Point area. The "Plan" involves changes that could negatively impact private property or the safety of residents. By increasing traffic ie: public access to the shorelines that are now privately owned, it appears the negatives far outweigh the positives.

We would assume the Shoreline Management Plan's ultimate goal would be to not do anything that puts this area at risk for property destruction, littering, vandalism and other crimes, as well to not jeopardize the integrity of the beach/shoreline. We have been told over and over by local law enforcement personnel that they don't have the manpower to address even the current issues in this community, where will we be when the issues multiply?

The City of Burien already has the large, beautiful, Seahurst Park, Eagles Landing, and at least 3 public access points to the TTP beach area. Why is there a need for more than those? The areas proposed would take large amounts of funding to develop and maintain for the proposed intent. (We are already maintaining and improving the above mentioned existing parks)

We are requesting, as THE TAX-PAYERS on this property affected, that the Shoreline Management Plan include language that assures that before any changes are made that affect our neighborhood communities (Lake Burien and Three Tree Point specifically, since they are at the greatest risk of being destroyed by irresponsible decisions), the residents of those areas must be given:

1. Notice of any specific plans that the City may already have and adequate opportunities to respond and express concerns about the impact of those plans on the community.
2. Opportunity to be involved in decisions affecting our communities BEFORE specific plans are made.
3. Opportunity to offer alternative ideas or suggestions to reduce the impact of any such plans on the residents of affected communities, their private property, and their safety and well-being.

In addition, the document should read clear, assuring that restrictions placed on property owners related to building or construction in the affected areas, 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.

Sincerely,
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