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Wednesday 20 July 2011 Todd Ordloft of KONP did an excellent interview of Cathy Lear - DCD Habitat Biologist et al on the Shoreline Master Plan Update (SMP Update). Todd asked some extremely insightful questions. Cathy did a very good job of presenting the history and structure of this policy. I certainly have a new respect for Cathy's ability to articulate a governmental policy.

What was missing is: What the hell does NNL (No Net Loss of ecological function) mean? What is the plan for the amount of setbacks? What is the basis of this vague indefinable policy? What amount of our public monies have been squandered on this surreptitious attempt at Big Government taking? What is the economical impact/damage of this perverted cross of politics and science? Cathy did not create this insane attempt to take rights and liberties from property owners thru the pretext of environmental issues. One should not shoot the messenger.

Mike Chapman, County Commissioner bravely subjected himself to the questioning. The take-away message from Mike is: This should be a bottom up process but it is being imposed on us by an unelected central government agency which can reject our ideas of implementation of this policy. (The DoE is shoving their plan down our throats - my words.) There are multiple uncertainties about where this will go.

Jim Jones, County Administrator appropriately discussed the cost benefit of this partially funded (Big Government) mandate.

The DoE has given a slug of our money 1.5 something million dollars complete with strings to the County, to push their agenda. My impression was that this money is only the tip of the iceberg of costs of all the DoE meddling.

Reading between the lines to create a bottom line is: The DoE has created a God-awful mess!

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