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First I urge you to not be overly influenced by the real estate and developers - they will say anything to get their way - their main concern is just making money for themselves in the current timeframe and to heck with ecology, the future or other people.

Second, current land owners have to be reasonable - yes its their property but that does not mean they have rights to do whatever they want to it. They made the choice to get that property so they are required to go along and follow any regulations and laws affecting it. Despite what some say they still have a strong effect on these shorelines with things like runoff, use of pesticides and fertilizers, increased erosion, debris etc.

I do not want to see our shorelines developed more than absolutely needed. Its an ugly scar seeing all these developments all along our shorelines. Visual quality must be an issue that is addressed too. Exclusive development rights should not be always a given. Visual quality also effects other people, tourism and thus jobs.

These shorelines are critical for wildlife and natural ecological functions. I favor large setbacks. I favor development restrictions. We are not going to get more shoreline but we are going to get more people. Enough has already been developed. We need to protect and maintain what we have. We do not need to look like California and have all of their associated shoreline problems. This is common sense - it doesnt take a genius to figure this at. Again the real estate agents and developers dont really care about this - to them its just the all mighty dollar in their pocket today at the cost of tomorrow. Please be sure that the shoreline plan protects the shorelines for the future