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**From:** pearl hewett [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Saturday, May 12, 2012 12:01 PM  
**To:** zSMP; earnest spees; Jay Petersen; harry bell  
**Cc:** Lois Perry; Marv Chastain; Sandy Rains; **Judy Miller**; Vi; don  
**Subject:** COMMENT ON FORKS SMP PUBLIC FORUM MAY 10,2012

**My comment on the West End-WIRA 20  
FORKS SMP PUBLIC FORUM MAY 10, 2012  
Pearl Rains Hewett Trustee  
George C. Rains Sr. Estate  
Member SMP Advisory Committee**

My first impression?

About 20 private property owners attended the meeting, mostly men.

The tables in the meeting room were strewn with big (like 36 by 48 inches) maps.

The maps were all on just **one tiny insignificant portion of Clallam County's west end.**

The big maps were created by the Federal, FEMA, state, county, University of WA, the fish people, the water people, the forestry people, the zoning, setback, buffers, you name it and there was a map, with colored symbols, lines, dots, and areas.

Several men shuffled through the maps with me. They were looking for their property and how it was affected.

Several men lined up at the main display map to ask site specific questions?

**The main display map erroneously identified ownership of the Rains Trust Sol Duc 40 acre piece of property. The color, pinkish purple, on the map indicated that DNR owned the our property.** I asked that the map be corrected?

University of WA maps cannot be corrected by by Clallam County.

**Interesting fact, I didn't know FEMA does it's own map on all flood plains.**

**Presentation by Steve Gray**, Deputy Director/Planning Manager, he introduced Cathy Lear, Rod Fleck and Robert Knapp.

I was introduced as an SMP Advisory Committee member, with disclaimers on the powers of the committee. Steve mentioned the lack of representation for the west end WIRA 20. One person thought Katie Kruger was their SMP representative. I responded, Katie Kruger only represents the Quileute Tribe. Steve asked anyone interested in representing WIRA 20 to contact him.

Steve Gray did a good job on the his presentation.

The maps were included on screen and able to be enlarged

There was one question asked about non-conforming/grandfathered permitted uses, including, What if it burns down?

The answer was, generic, view corridor, may, could, depending on, apply for, allowances may be made for, common line setback, and mitigation, ect.

I made comments and asked questions.

**My comment**, If you own a 100 foot lot you are allowed 20% view corridor that takes 80% of your view and value of, away from your property.

Steve said they are working on the view issue, and you are allowed to trim up within your corridor to improve your view. generic answer,

**My comment**, TRUTH, you are allowed to trim up 30% for your view every ten (10) years.

Several questions were asked on Lake Pleasant SED'S.

Several questions on rural WRIA site specific, remote area SED'S, on incised rivers and flood plains?

**FEMA does it's own mapping on all flood plains.**

My question "Why do we need these setbacks and buffers? For public safety? protection of single family dwellings? to protect ecological functions?

Answer, protection of single family dwellings and to protect ecological functions. Rod, suggested I read Chapter 11 on the SMP (I already have, it's outrageous)

Steve commented on the need for another SED, Shoreline Environment **Rural Freshwater Designation.**

Steve mentioned a **NEW SMP REQUIREMENT? Include Stormwater Management into the SMP?**

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Presentation by Forks City Attorney Ron Fleck. I was very impressed with the Forks attorney. He may legally represent Forks, **but he is working for the best interest of the people. A very well done presentation of their UGA, as it is called, on a \$40,000.00 budget.**

**Pearl Rains Hewett**

**May 10, 2012 Email Comment to me by Ed Bowen**

Thanks for the trip out this afternoon....I hope it was worth your time and gas. It was valuable to have you there. I think there is at least two folks that are interested in participating in the Advisory Committee...at least for one meeting.

I heard something tonight I don't like the sound of, **including Stormwater Management into the SMP**; who thought of that, what requires it to be in there and **is this just more stuff to really make the recorded deed look like an encyclopedia of restrictions and encumbrances for future sales?** Just like Steve pointed out that a restoration plan isn't a required component of the SMP; however, he surely made it sound like Clallam Co wants' it mandated in what it produces....now they get to explain why.

**Cathy Lear may have additional comments?**

BELOW some additional Public Comments found on SMP website (read on if you are interested)

**I would be really interested in knowing what portion of the population actually has even an elementary understanding of what's going on with this planning process, the decisions being made and how those will effect the common citizen. There's no doubt this is a very thorough and elemental approach to trying to include as many people as possible but one needs a lot of time and analytical concentration just to begin to understand the relationships of all this data, maps, strategies, etc. Public process and community understanding of these issues is going to need to evolve into more "hands on" techniques and approaches to sharing all this information. When I look at the graphics and presentation of this material I can only imagine how difficult it is the most people to comprehend what it really means.**

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**From:** Jay Petersen PE [REDACTED]

**Sent:** Wednesday, May 18, 2011 11:18 AM

**To:** zSMP

**Subject:** Consistency review.

**Hannah,**

**One of the items that should be addressed in the new shoreline program is the relative inaccuracy of the Critical Areas maps in regards to Meander Hazard Zones. Many areas, especially in the west end of the county are shown in the meander hazard zone, while they are not really. An up dated layer and definition of meander hazard area would be prudent as part of the update.**

Regards,

Jay S. Petersen

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**We are still suffering under the Good Ole Boys mentality out here because in Clallam bay one property owner is using his lands for staging a scrap metal yard right next to Charlie creek and the county has never sent their consult out for a community meeting to discuss that ecological mess. On this first point I feel it's time the county consider kicking itself a little harder and don't expect anything other than hearing what several of us have to put up with on the West End.**

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