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To: zSMP
Subject: FW: Shoreline Master Plan - Dungeness Bay bluffs

From: Mel White [REDACTED]
Sent: Saturday, October 20, 2012 9:28 AM
To: Gray, Steve
Subject: Shoreline Master Plan - Dungeness Bay bluffs

Dear Mr. Gray,

Having lived at [REDACTED] Marine Drive in Sequim for 14 years, we understand that our property here is to be reclassified as "priority feeder bluff". Please consider the following before making any decision:

- 1- The bluffs around Dungeness Bay are not "feeder bluffs", as there is very little wave or current action on them due to the protection from the Spit. We assume "feeder bluffs" to mean actively eroding bluffs like those SW of Dungeness Spit which continue to "feed" the Spit. The designation "bluffs above a bay" would more nearly describe our bluffs, and a 50 foot setback would be adequate.
- 2- Having a designation of "priority feeder bluff" would mean a setback of 150 feet, which would be impossible for most homeowners along Marine Drive. Not only lack of space to "setback" to but the cost would be prohibitive. It would put an unfair monetary burden on many who are retired.
- 3- Being unable to comply with new regulations, so being "nonconforming", our property values would fall, and our houses would be harder to sell.
- 4- You hold our future in your hands. PLEASE reconsider the classification of "priority feeder bluff" for the bluffs around Dungeness Bay.

Thank you.

Melvin G. and Gloria G. White