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Regarding: Formal Comment on the Proposed Dungeness Water Management Rule

Dear Ann,

Please consider this as a formal comment. Thank you.

I would like to add more substance to Marguerite Glover's comment that there is a lack of community buy-in for the proposed rule and the process that created it.

During the 1990's I formed a property owners association for individuals who owned river-front property along the Dungeness River. Its stated purposes were to protect their civil rights, property, and the environment from the programs that were being formed and implemented by the Dungeness River Management Team.

The name of that association was the "Dungeness Valley Association." We had slightly over one hundred members. That was a substantial proportion of the total community of river front property owners.

We were offered a seat on the DRMT only if we allowed them to appoint our representative. However, the members of the Dungeness Valley Association voted unanimously not to accept that seat, unless we elected our representative. Thus, they chose to be excluded from the process instead of allowing themselves to be mis-represented.

The suggestion that the various quasi-governmental committees, such as the DRMT, WRIA18, the Local Leaders Group, etc... in any way represent the public or have much public support, is very far from reality.

Sincerely
Dr. Robert N. Crittenden