

Holcombe, Candice (ECY)

From: JJNM@aol.com
Sent: Monday, December 22, 2008 9:28 AM
To: Lund, Perry (ECY)
Cc: Dohrmann, John (ECY); Clingman, Tom (ECY); Holcombe, Candice (ECY); Manning, Jay (ECY)
Subject: Re: SARC Website/Public Involvement

Thanks Perry. It is very peaceful with the snow outside and the wood burning inside.

Regarding keeping the public aware of this process through an updated web site, especially during the most important time of this process, it is deeply disappointing. To not have a backup for Candice when she was out ill is difficult to understand. Providing the link to the web site on the near final paper under "Background Materials" was only more frustrating. From our past involvement of the prison siting in Grays Harbor and the wetland clearing in Mason County I know you understand and appreciate my feelings about this.

My best wishes to you and your family for a peaceful holiday time.

Jules

In a message dated 12/21/2008 3:11:47 P.M. Pacific Standard Time, plun461@ECY.WA.GOV writes:

Hi, Jules. I hope you are hanging in there with all the snow! I can hardly imagine anything more beautiful .

I realize that we let these pieces of our geoduck effort slip, but we should be back on track quickly. John and I have really been focused on getting the report to the legislature done. November's meeting notes are done and should be posted in the next day or so; October's notes will follow soon. We did not have a meeting in December. Candice and Jackie will get the past comments posted quickly, too. I hope that you can understand that we simply do not have the staffing capacity to fill all the holes for all of the things we need to get done, but I honestly believe that we are doing the best we can.

Thanks for your vigilance on this, we'll get there.

I hope you have a great holiday and I hope you have the opportunity to enjoy the beautiful weather we're having!

Perry

From: JJNM@aol.com [mailto:JJNM@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, December 12, 2008 10:21 AM
To: Manning, Jay (ECY)
Subject: SARC Website/Public Involvement

Dear Mr. Manning:

Last year you asked how I felt about SARC dealing with concerns expressed about geoduck aquaculture in the tidelands of Puget Sound. Meetings attended lead me to feel the public process was being executed as it should be, with transparency, through which the public in general could see what was happening and provide additional input if needed.

This changed in the summer of 2008. Apparently due to Candace Holcombe becoming ill, meeting summaries were not posted; meeting agendas for October, November and December were not posted; public comments via letters and mail after May 2008 were not posted; and, during the most critical phase of this process the development of the "guideline" document, no public comments submitted were posted nor was the evolving document posted. In short, the transparency made available through the web site ended.

Ms. Holcombe being ill is unfortunate. Ecology not being aware of the critical role she played is more unfortunate. I hope you will reinforce the fact that this process is a public process and to shut off this critical conduit of information is not appropriate.

Jules Michel

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From: JJNM@aol.com
Sent: Friday, December 26, 2008 9:37 AM
To: Manning, Jay (ECY)
Cc: Dohrmann, John (ECY); Lund, Perry (ECY); Mraz, Richard A. (ECY)
Subject: SARC/DNR Lease Public Involvement

Mr. Manning:

I have written to you regarding the short fall in the public process as it relates to Ecology's role in implementing HB2220. Copied below is an email sent by DNR requesting that Mr. Dohrman and/or Mr. Lund distribute the link to the DNR/Taylor Shellfish SEPA page, relating to the proposed lease between Taylor and DNR (a separate issue).

DNR's intent is understandable. What is not understandable is why Mr. Dohrman's request to Ms. Chandler to distribute this email to "the SARC list" did not include myself nor other citizens who have been closely tied to this process and who, until recently, had been receiving meeting agendas, summaries, and other information relating to this public process, nor why there was no comment about the industry funded studies associated with DNR's decision process.

The rush to complete this project should not be done in a manner which may be perceived by some as selectively choosing which part of the public is kept informed of the information being used to help make decisions with. There is no question that people who received this link will perceive there being some level of endorsement to the studies and opinions included with this SEPA process before they have been vetted. That was not the intent of HB2220 and is why the University of Washington through Sea Grant is performing an independent study on the environmental impacts of geoduck aquaculture.

Jules Michel

From: REEVES, BLAIN (DNR)
Sent: Tue 12/23/2008 8:53 AM
To: Dohrmann, John (ECY); Lund, Perry (ECY)
Subject: DNR geoduck aquaculture proposal

John/Perry,

I've been busy this past week. If you have not heard or gotten this notice, here you go. Our final distribution list was huge and included most of the SARC in some manner. In case we missed anyone, you may want to zap this link out to SARC distribution list. We certainly want to be completely transparent and we want a diverse review of project.

http://www.dnr.wa.gov/ResearchScience/Topics/SEPAAquaticResources/Pages/amp_sepa_aqr_totteninlet_feb.aspx

Happy Holidays!

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Holcombe, Candice (ECY)

From: Kkris47@aol.com
Sent: Monday, December 29, 2008 9:08 AM
To: Dohrmann, John (ECY)
Cc: Lund, Perry (ECY); Drew, Kathleen (GOV); Manning, Jay (ECY);
laura.l.hendricks@gmail.com
Subject: Aquaculture regulations

Dear John

My name is Kris Mansfield and I live in Olympia and also own a home on Harstine Island which has been in my family since 1960. I am writing you to help us Protect and Restore our beautiful Puget Sound. Please help us by considering all of Laura Hendricks recommendations regarding aquaculture in our State. I truly believe her to have the vision, knowledge and courage to help change an industries practices that are destroying our shorelines and beyond. I sat in on several SARC meetings and witnessed what we are up against. I believe the Shellfish Industry is clearly an Industry that has been allowed to set its own rules in our State. Decisions have to be based on science and facts not on pressures from Industry. Our Public Beaches should never be used for Aquaculture for profit and especially Geoduck farming which I recommend should be stopped now. Thank you for your time!

Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

Kris Mansfield
Concerned Citizen for Puget Sounds Survival
Olympia and Harstine Island

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