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Estella Campellone

I would like to express my opposition to the proposed Permit submitted for the Ward Cove development.

I am concerned about disturbance to the sand cap by construction of the proposed dock and ship's propellers and thrusters. Disturbance to the sand cap will create environmental degradation and allow contaminates into the area.

There are no upland improvements for the 4-8,000 passengers that would be disembarking at the proposed dock. Construction on the old mill site will expose hazardous wastes and spills from the old pulp mill. There is no sewer treatment plan for the much needed bathroom facilities that could accommodate 4-8,000 people.

The developer plans on using smaller ships to shuttle passengers to Ketchikan's downtown docks. Transportation by boat will greatly increase congestion for other vessels and hazards to floatplanes in the Narrows.

The developer also plans on bus transportation to the Ketchikan 's downtown area. This will greatly increase congestion and traffic hazards on the North Tongass Highway. The increase traffic will degrade the road. There is no plan for where the estimated 20+ buses will disembark their passengers once in Ketchikan downtown.

The proposed plan by the Permittee is flawed and lacks the necessary upland infrastructure and improvements. This permit needs to be denied.

Thank you for your attention.

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