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We are writing in opposition to the Ward Cove Cruise Ship Dock Project application submitted by Solstice Alaska Consulting, Inc. as an unlisted Adjoining Property Owner.

Although we are not listed in the above mentioned application "List of Addresses of Adjoining Property Owners," our home is at the mouth of Ward Cove (5765 N Tongass Hwy - Lat 55.39 Lon -131.73), and we would like our comments included.

Our specific objection pertains to the "Potential Impacts" to protected and endangered marine mammals as listed on page 11 of the application. In the first paragraph on page 12 it states that "humpbacks have been spotted transiting Ward Cove on one occasion in recent years."

We have lived on this point at the south side of the mouth of Ward Cove since 2005, and we have seen humpbacks entering the cove every year at various times. Last year we observed humpbacks bubble feeding along the shore and well into the cove over a period of five months from July and into December. The following link to my humpback youtube playlist shows them here on a regular basis.

Blockedhttps://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLKa3EtfydEaju9sH_b-Z0CW0WoSBdJm-u

This photo was taken in November of 2010 showing two humpbacks entering the cove close to shore.

We strongly oppose any construction or large ship activity that would disrupt these wonderful creatures.

Thank you for your time,
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