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To: Planning & Development Services

Subject: Skagit County CP Amendment: PL11-0250 (Lake Erie Trucking)

Planning and Development Services:

As a resident of South Fidalgo and as an active volunteer on behalf of wildlife habitat, I urge you to deny Bill Wooding¹s request to change a 35-acre parcel from Rural Resource to Rural Reserve. This proposed increase in rural density should only be allowed in conjunction with the development and completion of the South Fidalgo subarea plan.

I agree with the staff's docket recommendation: "Based on initial review, the Department does not necessarily agree that the property warrants removal from RRc-NRL designation."

It became very clear several years ago that the residents of South Fidalgo Island do not look favorably upon any efforts to increase density by upzoning rural island lands to allow increased development. South Fidalgo residents want to keep the rural character and wildlife habitat of the place that they love so much. For wildlife to thrive there needs to be large tracts of land that isn't broken up into smaller parcels by driveways, buildings and lawns.

The county needs to uphold the current zoning.

Sincerely,

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