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To: Eastin, Darryl
Subject: Point Wells EIS

Darryl – I am writing to you to remind you of a study done in January 2011 by BSRE Point Wells, LP Development Project – Critical Area Report. (This was prepared by David Evans & Associates, Inc., 415 – 118th Ave SE, Bellevue, 98005).

There were many species of significant importance discussed in section 5.12 of the report. Some of the fish that are threatened are: Chinook, coho, chum and sockeye salmon; steelhead and cutthroat trout; surf smelt, herring. Also, Killer Whales and humpback whales, bald eagles, marbles murrelet, harbor seal, great blue heron, common loon are all species of concern to either the Federal or State agencies or both.

We have lived on 27th Ave NW (right on the beach at Richmond Beach) since 1982 and LOVE living here. We have avidly watched the changes along “our” waterfront. When it comes to the fishing, it used to worth it to go salmon fishing – now there are very few boats out there salmon fishing for most of the year. We also used to see huge schools of herring when we did go fishing or crabbing – how they are hard to find at all. We do still enjoy crabbing occasionally and have many seagulls and occasionally an eagle following our boat. We’ve even had an eagle swoop down to our bulkhead to eat our crab bait – right on our property. Many times when we are walking past the BSRE property on the beach, we will see harbor seal pups (especially this time of year). Unless you are very quiet, they will go back into the water for safety.

I can’t imagine any of the above-mentioned species will be better off with an additional 3500 condominiums right in their breeding ground. (This applies to seagulls, cormorants, and Canadian geese. Also, according to WSGA data, there are potentially 75 other bird species that could nest in this area.) Of course, all these condos will eventually have residents who will be flocking to our nice pristine beaches and further disrupting the wildlife. The additional cars on the Richmond Beach Road will cause pollution and harm our environment too.

There is no way that BSRE can mitigate all the problems that will occur when approximately 3500 condos will be built at Point Wells. The only solution is to reduce the size of the project way back – to something that actually fits into our residential neighborhood.

Thank you for reading my comments.

Sincerely,
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