



February 26, 2004

Rick Kimball, Manager
Environmental Review
Kitsap County DCD
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Port Orchard, WA 98366

RE: Kitsap County Critical Areas Ordinance Best Available Science Review

I am submitting the article written by Richard Stoll, with his permission, per attached email dated February 7, 2004. In the article, he expresses much of the beliefs of our organization as well.

For example:

- 1) the degradation of our natural resources is often done "for the sake of short-term personal economics and to increase corporate bottom lines."
- 2) "Adequate constraints do not exist here in Kitsap County."
- 3) "Like most everywhere else, we manage our environment by politics."

Therefore, we, too, urge the Kitsap County Staff to update the Critical Areas Ordinance in such a way that the "best available science" is applied so that the sustainability and protection of our natural resources will be a reality rather than a political appeasing process for those who do not realize the property rights of all members of society to a healthy lifestyle.

Further, we also concur wholeheartedly with the statements addressed to Rick Kimball dated February 3, 2004 from Ted Labbe, Biologist for the Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe in which he provides specific details of how the CAO is implemented. In addition, he asks questions that must be answered if we are truly sincere about upgrading the current CAO. We urge the Environmental Review Committee to take his comments very seriously and consider the philosophical and holistic approach that he suggests.

Sincerely,

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Subj: **RE: An Angler's Perspective**
Date: 2/7/04 4:04:49 AM Pacific Standard Time
From: rkstoll@earthlink.net
To: BCChums@aol.com
Sent from the Internet (Details)

Mary,

Since I am in DC this week, and then off to East Timor for an extended mission, it would be nice if you could submit the same to Rick and the DCD staff.

Thanks much,

Richard

----- Original Message -----

From:
To: rkstoll@earthlink.net
Sent: 2/6/2004 3:08:22 PM
Subject: An Angler's Perspective

Richard,

Thank you for your insights and the column on the environment in the West Sound Sun on 2/5/04. I hope that you will submit it to Rick Kimball, Environmental Review to be included in the Critical Areas Ordinance Review process. It's this type of philosophy that hopefully will make a difference. There will certainly be a lot of statements from property rights folks on record...I was going to submit it but then realized that it should be the "author" who submits it...Good stuff!!!!!!

Mary Bertrand