From: Bryan Johnston
To: Sonja Cady

Subject: testimony related to Johnson Point industrial permit

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Dear Examiner Rice,

I am writing as a citizen commenting on the recent hearing regarding goeduck industrial permit application on Johnson Point. Weather and related technical difficulties contributed to preventing my comment during the hearing itself.

Johnson Point is one of the most serene and beautiful areas not only in the south sound, but anywhere I have been in the world. Low levels of human development allow nature to thrive in a way that nourishes the sound in so many ways, and also citizens who find their way there. I recently visited my parents who live on the point, and introduced my 4 year old daughter to the beach, for one of the first times. I was heartened to see her falling in love with the same spots that I had, the birds, the shells, the crabs, the many beautiful stones, the sounds, smells, the vastness and richness of life there.

Please prioritize and protect the sound, nature, and serene beautiful spaces over the whims of industrialization and business. We have so few of these spaces left.

My daughter and I dream of returning to that same beach we fell in love with the next time we visit. Please don't allow it to be destroyed.

Sincerely, Bryan Johnston bejohnston@gmail.com