

## **PSC Testimony on the Draft Comprehensive Plan, 10-14-14**

- More than a year ago, the PSC “got it right” in examining all of the testimony from expert witnesses and the well-informed public. But, now, a year later, the Draft Comprehensive Plan does not!
- You recognized that carving out 300 acres from the heart of WHI’s 825-acre total area exposes wildlife to unsafe and unsupportive “fringe habitat.” So, you mitigated for that; but, DCP does not!
- You recognized the development of a marine terminal and related industrial complex would negatively impact juvenile fish along the shallows around WHI, and mitigated for that; but, the DCP does not!
- You recognized an expanded freeway and interstate bridge with more effective access to and from the island would be essential for any successful marine development on WHI; but, the DCP does not!
- You recognized much heavier industrial truck traffic across Hayden Island would bring extensive pollution to the area, threatening the health of residents, and you mitigated for that; but, the DCP does not!
- You recognized this much greater truck traffic through new retail developments on Hayden Island would negatively impact the local economy, and you mitigated for that, but, the DCP does not!
- You recognized these critically important things, and voted seven to three to send them on with these mitigations to City Council for its further consideration, while the DCP recognized none of these things!
- You recognize that in the last year no new evidence has reduced these mitigations, but has increased the need for these mitigations. Only the political pressure to eliminate them has increased.
- Believe in the evidence, believe in your original votes, stand for your facts and convictions, and require the Draft Comprehensive Plan to include every last one of your mitigations for Hayden Island.

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