

From: [dan gatchet](#)
To: [Public Comments](#)
Subject: Proceed with the Development of Herb Beck Marina RV Campgrounds
Date: Monday, September 25, 2023 1:55:50 PM

As a resident of Quilcene and a boater that moors my 21' vessel at the Herb Beck Marine, I encourage the Commission to proceed ahead with the design and construction of a RV Campground on the Marina grounds. There are not that many avenues for a small marina to generate the necessary income to maintain and keep the marina a vibrant asset for the community. Generating upwards of \$43,000 per year would help offset some of the expenses associated with the campground and the marina. And it furthers the Port's mission of developing property to promote economic growth and provide community access.

It appears the Port & community missed an excellent opportunity to provide temporary accommodations to the PUD broadband team. Let's not miss another opportunity. Please continue to engage the Quilcene community so there are no "surprises" and the foundation of trust can continue to be developed.

Thank you for continuing to care about our community and small marina.

Dan Gatchet

From: [Mark Knudsen](#)
To: [Public Comments](#)
Subject: Agenda Item VII. A, Herb Beck Marina RV Campground
Date: Wednesday, September 27, 2023 10:06:16 AM
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Commissioners;

I would like to voice my support, and urge you to vote yes on the funding of the planning and design of the proposed RV Campground at the Herb Beck Marina. Attached are my comments for the record.

Thanks,
Mark Knudsen
District 3 Resident

From: [Tom Ehrlichman](#)
To: [Public Comments](#)
Cc: [Eron Berg](#)
Subject: Public Comment on Today's Commission Meeting: Resolution No. 797-23 (Short Farm)
Date: Wednesday, September 27, 2023 10:17:27 AM

Dear Port Commissioners,

First, I would like to applaud you and the Port staff for taking the next step in developing a steering committee and plan for future uses of the Short Farm, including a decision to enlist the help of Rick Seppler who is now teaching classes at UW's urban design school. As you know, I am a down-wind landowner on a small farm a short distance from the Short Farm. As plans roll forward, I have three main concerns: (a) transparency; (b) downwind and downstream impacts related to water and air; and (c) noise and light pollution in an otherwise dark and quiet valley.he

I offer the following suggestions as you consider Resolution No. 797-23.

1. Transparency. Please ensure that all of the steering committee meetings are open and observable to the community at large; while us "non-steering committee members" are not necessarily invited to speak at those meetings, we would have the opportunity to comment in writing prior to their next meeting on topics discussed. The alternative (a few "managed" meetings by facilitators to poll the broader public) is not conducive to broad acceptance of the plan by your neighbors (us!). Please allow feedback during the steering committee work. Alternatively, you could make the steering committee membership much broader and include any landowners within two or three miles who want to participate. I would like to participate under any of these suggested alternatives to what is proposed in the Resolution.
2. Downstream Water Quality. Please make sure that the environmental investigation includes a full airing of the listed hazardous waste sites directly adjacent to the Short Farm. Rather than make a cursory determination that groundwater contamination is not a concern (as staff appeared to do in the discussion concerning the purchase) based on a thin Phase I report, please ensure there is groundwater monitoring on the Short Farm to make sure contamination is not migrating to the Chimacum Creek water table. Its expensive but necessary to protect all downstream owners and users (of which salmon are one).
3. Need for Disclosure of Air, Noise and Light Impacts. Please require that the range of alternatives include an assesment for each alternative of potential pollution from air emissions, noise and glare/lights, which can have a direct effect on us landowners within view and located directly downwind. Currently, the valley is dark at night, the air is clean, and it is very very still.
4. Update? In closing, it would be helpful to hear at the meeting tonight a presentation from staff on the current status of the purchase (anticipated closing date, terms of continued use by the Shorts, and the name of the legislature's fund/amount/date to be paid).

Thank you for your consideration, and again congratulations on taking this next step.

Your neighbor,

Tom

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