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**Transparency and Outreach**

How can property owners communicate directly with city council about the impact of regulations on property owners?

How are public comments incorporated into the planning process?

What is the timeline of the SMP process?

What is the outreach process for public comment?

What other chances will the public have to comment?

Why does the permit process take so long?

What is the end goal of the SMP?

What are the changes being proposed? More clarity is requested.

This process has not been transparent, how has the scope of the process changed?

No representation from lakeside property owners in the planning process till now.

Code and proposed changes are hard to understand, can the changes be simplified?

Why are these regulations changing?

What is the point of the SMP regulation? What is the rational of regulating the shoreline and taking private property?

**Bulkheads and Erosion**

Why are bulkheads allowed on public property if they aren’t allowed to be maintained on private property?

Bulkheads protect property, have planning staff considered the impacts of erosion caused by the removal of bulkheads on private property?

Property owners concern with protecting property from erosion.

Bulkheads keep boats and shoreline safe.

Has the effect of erosion been considered with the requirement to remove bulkhead?

**Boathouses**

What is the scientific reason for removal of boathouses?

Boathouses are needed to keep boats out of the water. It is a too difficult to park boats on trailers due to terrain and roadway/driveway slopes.
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**Buoys**

Buoy regulations are not consistent around the lake.

Buoy regulations protect property and docks from boats on the lake.

Is there evidence of the positive impacts of buoys on boat safety and the lake?

What are the negative effects of buoys?

**Jurisdiction**

Would like customized rules based on annexation history.

Why can we not grandfather existing uses in?

How does Kirkland shoreline regulation differ from previous county regulation?

Is there consistency between shoreline regulations between jurisdiction on the lake?

Has there been an analysis of the consistency of shoreline regulation between jurisdictions on the lake?

What are the effects of different jurisdiction regulations?

**Piers**

Why are there pier regulations? What is the scientific reasons for regulation number of piers and pier length?

Do boats really hit long piers? What is the true public danger of this rational?

What is the rational for changing pier length?

**Shoreline habitat**

Is the mitigation required by regulation proven to work in application?

Shoreline maintenance and city regulation are a financial hardship on the property owner

Do these regulations help salmon habitat? What is the scientific proof?

What is the use of denying the property owner the ability to build a pier/boathouse/bulkhead, as long as they mitigate the effects?

What is the scientific rational for the changes proposed?

Why is “leafy” shade different then shade from a dock?
General Complaints

Milfoil regulations are complicated, how to make regulations less of a financial hardship on homeowners.

Rational of regulation does not represent the thoughts of lakeside owners.

Code and planning process do not consider the needs of those who live on the lake.

Is the scientific reasoning sound for regulations?