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To: Whatcom County Planning Commission

From: Kathy Berg, Birch Bay

RE: Public Participation Plan

Regarding 2.4 Comp Plan & Development Regulation Appeals found on page 2-5

a.. 1st bullet - include unincorporated UGAs (like Birch Bay & Columbia Valley who have planning organizations) in the notification process,

b.. 3rd bullet - for unincorporated UGAs - hold a public workshop prior to the hearing so that the public can be educated and knowledgeable for participation in the hearing.

As the drive thru on Birch Bay Drive experience last Tuesday evening at County Council illustrates, at least some council members understand, appreciate and make decisions based on the value of letting people have a say in the issues that will directly effect where they live.

Your consideration of this matter will be greatly appreciated.

-Kathy