

1507 4th Street
Bellingham, WA 98225

June 2, 2003

Ms. Patricia Decker
Port of Bellingham
1801 Roeder Avenue
Bellingham, WA 98225

Dear Ms. Decker,

At present I see Bellingham resting on an unstable plateau that can tilt in either direction if sound, unbiased decisions are not made. Our area has so much to offer and work with if broad judgment is used that provides us with pride, progress and happiness far into the future.

We view the year round snow-capped Coast Range Mountains. In two hours drive we can visit our good neighbors to the North and enjoy their beautiful terrain, or a short drive over the Cascade Mountains you are enjoying a different scenic area.

1. I look out at our beautiful Bellingham Bay and it tells us you have nearly destroyed nature's beauty, dredge out the contamination.
2. There must be a 50' paved promenade from Squaticum Harbor to Boulevard Park for people only. From the people's promenade, a wide set back for building, and only buildings with marine style and imagination. Firm zoning, not just any box type to put dollars in someone else's pockets. The Bellingham City Council is trying very hard to up grade the downtown. An attractive waterfront will also vitalize the downtown. In the 5/20/03 Herald I see we are finally getting some progress on the Taylor Avenue Pier. The walkway should continue to the Cruise Terminal.
3. At the end of Cornwall is the old city garbage dump and land fill which extends down near Boulevard Park. Complete the extension, up grade this questionable fill, would add greatly to public enjoyable recreation.

Access to waterfront cannot be stolen from the people. This is our last chance to save the shoreline for generations to come.

Sincerely,


George O. Lamb