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From: John Davidson <jrd22@rockisland.com>
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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Comp Plan.

My wife and I have lived here on Blakely Island since 2002, and my wife's family bought a house here in the 1960's. Living on a non ferry served island is a challenge at times but we wouldn't choose to live anywhere else and accept that there will be hardships and inconveniences. We are independent people and enjoy our privacy and our small community here

That being said, we are also members of San Juan County even though we quite often feel like the county doesn't recognize that fact (although they gladly accept our property taxes). We know that we are a small minority of the total county population but considering that there are dozens of non ferry served islands with full time residents it seems that our needs and concerns should at least be worthy of consideration on issues that pertain to us. Some of those would be; 1- county docks for access to medical care, post offices, shopping, etc 2- adequate long term parking (permit?) at county docks 3- some kind of provision for overnight docking at county docks in case of emergency or dangerous weather conditions (currently you can be fined) 4- barge ramps and associated infrastructure. I don't recall ever being asked for input on any of these and would really appreciate the opportunity in the future.

We realize that our concerns and needs differ from those of most county residents, but it only seems logical that the county seek input from those who use these facilities prior to any projects that involve them. One case in point is the Obstruction Pass county dock that was replaced not long

ago. The dock size has been terribly inadequate for the use it gets for a long time and yet it wasn't increased at all. The parking lot was also just repaved but no additional spaces were added.

Thank you,
John Davidson