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To: San Juan County Council and all concerned

From: Jeff Dyer, Lopez Island resident

Thank you for reviewing the Vacation Rental capacity countywide.

I strongly recommend you adopt the Planning Commission recommendation of October 15, 2021 setting the vacation rental permits at 650 and passing a county ordinance that establishes a cap on vacation rentals.

These are just a few of the reasons for capping vacation rental permits

- Lack of year long rentals for people who want to work and be part of the community
- Loss of sense of community without fostering stewardship for visitors and tourists
- Stress on existing resources such as food services, emergency medical services, and fire departments, law enforcement, and others.
- Impact on watersheds and beaches
- Excess trash taxing capacity of solid waste facilities
- Inappropriate behavior that leads to noise and fire hazards without proper oversight.

Thank you again for your work and consideration to become a resilient county fostering a sense of stewardship with respect to growth and impact on the environment.

Sincerely,

Jeff Dyer