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Comment:

I am writing in opposition to Encroachment Permit Application No. ERL-95-S-1378B, the application made by North Idaho Maritime to operate a commercial dock building and maintenance facility in Wolf Lodge Bay after constructing docks for this purpose. I am opposed for three reasons:

- 1) The picturesque nature of Wolf Lodge Bay, being as it is the gateway to Coeur d'Alene (to the West) and Harrison (to the South), would be negatively impacted by the presence of the cranes, barges and tug boats that are listed on the application as equipment that will be used and / or stored there.
- 2) Idaho Fish and Game has verified that Kokanee and Native Westslope Cutthroat Trout spawning occurs in this area and upstream in Wolf Lodge Creek. The proposed NIM operation could impact the availability of clean spawning beds, resulting in population declines of these species.
- 3) The commercial truck traffic on a dangerous curve in the road with limited visibility has very high potential to result in accidents. The Mineral Ridge boat launch, the intended place for trucks to turn around after being forced to exit only to the right out of the NIM property, will not function well for this purpose when filled with vehicles / trailers during high use periods.
- 4) Inasmuch as NIM owns much land stretching out into the bay, might we expect customer docks to be placed there for winter storage in the future? The sight of docks sitting in the mud at winter pool would further add to visual blight.

Wolf Lodge Bay is a natural treasure and the scenic Eastern gateway to Lake Coeur d'Alene. I feel commercial exploitation as proposed by John Condon / North Idaho Maritime is not in the best interest of area residents.