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FOR THE PUBLIC RECORD

Amidy Fuson  
Resource Specialist Sr., Navigable Waters  
Idaho Dept. of Lands  
Mica Supervisory Area  
3258 W. Industrial Loop  
Coeur d' Alene, ID 83815

Dear Ms Fuson,

I am concerned that the North Idaho Maritime/John Condon's application for a Commercial Navigational Encroachment Permit on Wolf Lodge Bay (ERL 9551378b) is not in compliance with the conditions cited by IDL under Idaho's Public Trust Doctrine.

The proposed commercial/industrial development is proposed for a shallow bay which is a spawning area for Kokanee Salmon. Following the spawning season, the area is extremely popular during the winter months as a refuge for eagles who feed on the dead salmon. It also provides an attraction for the many people who come to view the eagles. The spawning area will be lost to the disturbance from boat traffic in the shallow bay. It will also have a negative impact on the return of the bald eagles to this uniquely diversified habitat which is also a highly valued part of what makes our community special.

Another consideration is the impact of additional traffic on the adjacent road and the need for the heavily used Mineral Ridge and Wolf Lodge recreational sites as turnarounds for the users of the proposed site. This will create a safety hazard on the narrow existing thoroughfare.

This proposal will serve just a few individuals while providing an industrial operation (dock building) which will further degrade the natural attributes unique to the area at the expense of the current best and highest use. It would appear to be a situation which cannot be mitigated adequately to avoid the loss of fish and wildlife habitat and the degradation of a portion of the lake with no apparent redeeming contribution commensurate with the existing efforts of Idaho Dept of Lands to manage our valued natural resources in a way that best serves the public trust.

I ask you to deny a Commercial Navigational Permit to North Idaho Maritime/John Condon.  
Thank you.

Sincerely,

  
Gerald Gospodnetich

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