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BY HAND DELIVERY

Mike Ahmer and Amidy Fuson
Idaho Department of Lands
3284 Industrial Loop
Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

Re: Objection to Application No. L95S6163A — River's Edge Apartments,
LLC Community Dock Proposal

Dear Mr. Ahmer and Ms. Fuson:

I write on behalf of Concerned Citizens Against Additional 100 Boat Slips Added to Templins Resort on Spokane River, Inc. ("Concerned Citizens"), a nonprofit membership organization with hundreds of members who reside on or near the Spokane River and who regularly recreate on its waters. We respectfully object to the above-referenced application for a community dock associated with River's Edge Apartments, LLC and urge the Idaho Department of Lands to deny the requested permit.

The proposed dock system—consisting of more than 11,000 square feet of overwater structure extending as much as 154 feet into the Spokane River—is the latest in a series of excessive expansions in one of the most heavily used and environmentally sensitive stretches of the river. The River's Edge project lies in a narrow and active wake zone. The stretch is already congested, with limited room for safe navigation. Additional docks and boat traffic will exacerbate safety risks, increase the likelihood of collisions, and further degrade the river's ecological and recreational value .

This is not a hypothetical concern. The Kootenai County Sheriff's Office has already publicly opposed this project, citing specific threats to public safety from the congested conditions, floating debris, inexperienced boaters, and limited maneuvering room that would be further strained by additional docks .

For all these reasons, the Department should deny the application. Concerned Citizens also respectfully requests a public hearing be held pursuant to IDAPA 20.03.04.030.02.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.



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Sincerely,

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A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "P. Smith IV", with a stylized flourish at the end.

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