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RE: Opposition to Application ERL95S1741Q Southern Marinas Hayden Lake LLC - Commercial Marina Expansion

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to express my opposition to the proposed commercial marina expansion by Southern Marinas Hayden Lake LLC (Application ERL95S1741Q) and to support the objection being submitted by Robert Krcmarov on behalf of affected residents.

My wife and I are homeowners and full-time residents at 4549 East Hayden Lake Road, approximately one half mile from the Hayden Lake Marina. The proposed expansion from 206 to 240 boat slips represents a 15% increase in commercial activity in our predominantly residential neighborhood.

I share the concerns outlined in Mr. Krcmarov's objection, particularly regarding:

- Traffic and safety impacts at the marina entrance/E Tobler Road merge area
- Inadequate parking plan leading to overflow on residential streets
- Light pollution from commercial LED lighting with no specifications
- Lack of current traffic study
- Inappropriate scale for limited access area
- Application deficiencies and missing information

**SPECIFIC IMPACT ON MY PROPERTY:**

The addition of 32 boat slips, which are being built to accommodate larger modern watercraft is concerning. We have seen an increase in wakeboard style boats since we purchased our home in 2017. When most of the boats leave the Hayden Lake Marina, they increase speed as they travel past our dock and increase their wake, which negatively affects our dock and watercraft. For example, the wake from passing boats and their subsequent waves have broken a cleat on our watercraft and an attachment point on our dock. We also have a neighbor whose dock is being repaired due to wake damage. The wake put out by modern wake board boats is particularly significant.

We have additional concerns regarding the lack of parking and traffic problems. I do not believe that there is sufficient parking for boaters, daily watercraft rental customers, restaurant patrons and the proposed VIP lounge service. We have frequently observed the Marina parking lot filled to capacity; this results in customer overflow parking along the narrow shoulder of East Hayden Lake Road; this lack of parking is without the additional 32 proposed slips. We have friends who currently dock their boat at the Marina. On several occasions last year, they asked to park on our property because there was not enough parking at the Marina. Currently, the lack of parking causes customers who are searching for parking to unsafely cross from the lake adjacent parking lot to the parking lot on the other side of the street. This often creates unsafe traffic situations for Marina customers and drivers on East Hayden Lake Road. The addition of 32 additional slips will make a bad traffic situation worse. I understand that there is a proposal for a shuttle, however it is not a requirement. Once the slips are constructed, what is to prevent the shuttle from being canceled for a variety of reasons. The area of the proposed shuttle parking lot is currently impacted by the overflow from the congested Honeysuckle Beach/Launch parking. Again, making a bad situation worse.

I support the request for the Idaho Department of Lands to either deny this application or require the applicant to address the significant deficiencies identified in Mr. Krcmarov's objection before proceeding. I support the request for a public hearing on this matter. This is not opposition to the existing marina, which has been part of our community for many years, but concern about the scale and impacts of this particular expansion on our residential neighborhood.

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Respectfully, *Ian Grimes*

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