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Dear Borough Assembly Member and Borough Mayor,

My Name is Cindy Buxton. I am a longtime resident of Haines. **I am very much opposed to the use of the Lutak Dock for shipping of ore.** I am opposed to the planning of such a dock or seeking of funding for such a dock.

Our local economy is strengthened by the retirees and the families that support themselves by telecommuting within a wide variety of business sectors. Retired folks spend their money in town, which makes jobs for other people, and do a tremendous amount of volunteer work for the community, which makes our town a much better place to live. Tele-commuters bring their jobs to town with them. **These groups of people moved here because of the quality of life.** They did not choose Skagway, which is an example of a town that has industrial scale tourism and ore trucks, and which does not have the same year-round vibrant community or economy that Haines has.

If ore trucks starting running down the highway and through town on an hourly basis, the quality of life will be severely diminished. Fewer retirees and telecommuters will be attracted to move here, and many who are here will choose to move away. While it is true that some money will come into town if ore trucks come, not many jobs will be produced for people on our side of the border. I believe not only with the quality of life be reduced, but I think our economy will be damaged.

For the sake of the residents of Haines please stop the efforts to build a dock for Canadian mining companies.

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