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For the Mayor, Manager and Assembly,

I am concerned about the process that has apparently created a new design and plan for the Lutak Dock rebuild that the public haven't seen or commented on.

As a former planning commissioner and assembly member I was often frustrated by the inability of officials to make changes at a late date, such as with the boat harbor design, as there was not time for more public hearings on new plans, so I understand why you may want to do this differently.

However, as time consuming as it is, I still believe an open, public process is critical, especially when the project costs 10s of millions of dollars and will alter, among other things, traffic patterns on Lutak Road where there are so many different users such as cyclists like myself. The community needs ample time and notice to weigh-in on proposed changes to the ferry/freight/fuel/ sub-fishing dock area, and I trust you will honor our code and the process we have used in the past.

Also, while I have your attention, I hope that the small boat harbor will be complete before the new Lutak Dock. Back in 2016 we promised the fishing community 88 new slips and were assured by all officials that after the wall and the parking lot were built, the final phases would be funded easily with grants within five years. It is almost 2023 and the clock is ticking on the estimated 30 year lifespan of the steel breakwater.

Thank you,

Heather Lende