

To: The Haines Borough Assembly
From: Cindy Buxton, Haines Resident
Date: December 11,2023
Re: Lutak Dock Project

Dear Assembly Member,

I support a stop work order on the Lutak Dock Project.

I have strong concerns about the Lutak Dock Project as is currently designed. My biggest concerns are financial. I am concerned that the project is bigger than we need as a community and that the **maintenance costs**, as outlined by the consultants for this project as currently defined, will be difficult for our community to meet. Although its possible that the Constantine mine will use the dock and help cover our maintenance costs, it has still not been determined if the Constantine deposit will be profitable to mine. We should not count on a mine that doesn't yet exist and may never exist to pay our bills.

If we can't maintain the new dock, we will end up in the same position we are now, with a disintegrating dock.

I am also concerned about the impact to our community if the grants do not fully cover costs of the dock construction.

I think our community needs to take a step back, and more fully evaluate a smaller dock project that will be safe and meet our community needs.

Please consider a stop work order and take the time to consider other options.

Thank you for your work on the assembly.

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