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To: Haines Borough Assembly Members  
From: Elizabeth Hofer  
Re.: Lutak Dock Alternative Design Call for Action

First off, I must say how grateful I am for your hard work with integrity and the incredible amount of energy required to carry out your duties on the Assembly. No doubt it is even far more demanding than I can imagine. We are **all** fortunate to have you there! Especially in these difficult times.

In regard to the Lutak Dock from my perspective it is imperative to focus on the positive side of trying to re-do or correct a series of mistakes. Not an easy position to be in! The main reason to change to the alternative and simpler design as presented by the LCC Official Call for Action is primarily environmental. It simply and utterly makes no sense in today's climate crisis state to add to the problems by guaranteeing more and high maintenance costs to the environment and to the pocketbook when a simpler version exists to clean up the already existing and hidden toxins while meeting the societal needs for the dock into the future. The most important Question is how to best safeguard the sea from any further degradation. Everyone of course sees the project from their own perspective yet probably we all acknowledge the value of the ecosystem health to our own! (and that of future generations) You inherited an unfortunate problem and I can only guess you do not wish to do that same kind of political action for future assemblies and next generation of taxpayers. Keep it simple, please.

Sincerely,  
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