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Subject: Comment for Point Wells Hearing
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Greetings,

I am unable to attend this meeting, however, I would like to register my comments and complaints with the Point Wells project.

For reasons that are unclear to me and many other residents of this community, the city of Shoreline unilaterally decided to turn our 4-lane road (185/Richmond Beach Road) into a two lane road with a left turn lane and bike paths. This misguided blunder has saddled those of us who use the road with long lines of cars waiting at stop lights that have no timing while we wait for a single line of cars to make its way through a series of lights that are placed 1-2 blocks apart on either side of Aurora Ave. At peak times we will now sit through 2 and 3 lights trying to navigate this nightmarish traffic that was never this much of a problem prior to cutting out 2 lanes.

Now, some developer wants to put all these new condos and shopping on the waterfront without providing any additional means to accommodate all the additional traffic on this now congested road. Furthermore, building 180 foot towers right on the waterfront will obviously impact several homes' views, which is inconsistent with protecting property values and will likely have the exact opposite effect. All the additional traffic, without any increase in the number of lanes or roads supplying this area will inevitably turn our community into an area similar to downtown Seattle, whose gigantic blunders of managing traffic by allowing simultaneous construction of multiple buildings coupled with lane reduction and the addition little used bike lanes everywhere. How many bikes have you seen downtown in these lanes? Indeed, I have never seen even one bicycle on the Richmond Beach bike lanes! What a waste!

Furthermore the lack of parking and public access to this area will only get worse if this project is allowed to proceed. We do not want to see this beautiful community with spectacular views tarnished by this new proposed construction project. Traffic through Innis Arden has already multiplied as people search for alternate routes to avoid the congestion brought on by the current misguided deconstruction on Richmond Beach Road so I beseech you to disapprove this project.

I am not well versed on each county's issues, but this project will obviously bring more residences into Snohomish County, not King County so any tax revenue that might flow to King County for road improvement will instead go to Snohomish County. While this might look good to Snohomish County this makes absolutely no economic sense for King County unless Snohomish County agrees to put in additional lanes or build new roads that would be designed to absorb the additional traffic in and out of Point Wells. I'm sure there are other considerations with similar issues such as sewage and who pays for that, risks of sewage failures with contamination of Puget Sound.

I strongly urge you not to approve yet another misguided project! Please listen to the residents who live here! Obviously the County doesn't approve of this, so please listen to their position as well.

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We don't want Point Wells to become another Point Roberts, i.e., a Snohomish County Oasis whose residents will inevitably be encroaching onto King County roads and worsening King County Traffic!

Sincerely,

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