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Subject: comments re: CB Estuary Management Process and plan
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Dear Neighbors and Colleagues,

Please record my comments below on the subject noted.

Thank you,

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- Recommend that Coos County pass a resolution, committing to continuing the estuary planning process so as to address fundamental concerns such as climate resilience, and seek funding to do so immediately after the Phase 1 update is adopted.
- Recommend that the local jurisdictions (Coos Bay, North Bend, and Coos County) establish an inclusive and broadly representative Citizen Advisory Committee to ensure community needs are considered in the Phase 2 update process.
- Recommend that the International Port of Coos Bay not be included on the Citizen Advisory Committee, and that the role of the Port on the Steering Committee be clarified to ensure the Port does not have undue influence on estuary management at the expense of other users and stakeholders, and our estuarine resources.
- Recommend that the Phase 1 update include establishing a Technical Advisory Committee of local experts to provide technical assistance for the Phase 2 planning process.