

Crystal Orr

From: Ellen Pollard [ellen_pollard@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2019 11:33 AM
To: Planning Department
Subject: County Remand File No. REM-19-001/LUBA Case No. 2016-095

Jill Rolfe
Coos County Planning
Coos County Courthouse
250 N. Baxter
Coquille, OR 97423

June 18, 2019

Regarding County Remand File No. REM-19-001/LUBA Case No. 2016-095

Dear Hearings Officer Stamp,

Please accept the following comments.

My husband and I are Salem residents who fell in love with Coos Bay and its recreational opportunities decades ago when our daughter attended school in Charleston. Our experiences crabbing and fishing in the bay led us to buy a home in Charleston on Cape Arago Highway in 2013, where we intend to retire. While we have not made the permanent move yet, we spend 6-8 days there per month. Rarely a trip goes by where we don't put our kayaks in the water. Our windows face across the bay and we can look straight through the jaws of the jetty to the ocean giving us a unique perspective of the varied users of the Coos Bay channel. We have several neighbors who have similar stories to ours, celebrating recreational opportunities in the bay as prime retirement activities.

We've come to understand that LNG export vessels will severely impact our access to the lower bay during prime crabbing hours, as well as cut off our access to the ocean during high tide, when bar crossings are safest for small vessels. This is a violation of our right to use this resource. We ask that the county deny this permit on the grounds that it interferes with public trust rights.

Sincerely,

Ellen Pollard
91395 Cape Arago Highway
Coos Bay, OR 97420

Exhibit: 31
Date: 6/21/19