

## Doug McIntyre

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**From:** Karen Herring <sloperwatcher@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 27, 2020 4:20 PM  
**To:** EIS  
**Subject:** Re: SUBJECT Attention EIS Scoping Comment  
**Attachments:** EIS Public Comment doc revised.pdf

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Dear Doug,

Thank you for letting me know the Comment wasn't attached and for caring to have it. I appreciate the opportunity to send comment.

Sincerely,

Karen Herring

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**From:** EIS <EIS@sammamish.us>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 27, 2020 1:22 PM  
**To:** Karen Herring <sloperwatcher@hotmail.com>; EIS <EIS@sammamish.us>; David Pyle <dpyle@sammamish.us>  
**Subject:** RE: SUBJECT Attention EIS Scoping Comment

Good afternoon Ms. Herring,

It appears that you intended to include an attachment to this email, but I do not see one. Would you please try resending the email with the attachment? Thank you.

Doug McIntyre, AICP  
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**From:** Karen Herring <sloperwatcher@hotmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 27, 2020 12:58 PM  
**To:** EIS <EIS@sammamish.us>; David Pyle <dpyle@sammamish.us>  
**Subject:** SUBJECT Attention EIS Scoping Comment

**[CAUTION - EXTERNAL EMAIL]**

Please consider this Public Comment for the EIS Scoping Comment opportunity.

Thank you,

Karen Herring

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July 26, 2020

SUBJECT Attention EIS Scoping Comment

Please consider this EIS Scoping Comment and the requirement because “The City of Sammamish has determined that this proposal is likely to have a significant adverse impact on the environment.”

It is time to Consider and Analyze the impacts of every single decision, code, resolution, ordinance, and practice in our city. For EIS, I ask that every single Analysis requirement for Stormwater; Infrastructure; CARA; Wildlife Habitat Corridors and the Wildlife; Land Use; TMP and the TIP, be done to include the highest possible standards and always include Best Management Practices. And do consider that Land Use Drives Everything

Every available effort to lessen the need for mitigation will result in diminishing and even eliminate the increased loss of the nature and wildlife many of our Citizens chose our city for living. There should be no reason for allowing mitigation on Critical Areas, Hazard Areas, Steep Slopes, our many Lakes, Streams, Creeks, and of course Trees. The loss of Native Species MUST not be an acceptable practice in Sammamish.

First avoid, second minimize, then only mitigate on-site and off-site as the third step. Properly identify and protect geologic hazards (erosion, landslide, slopes, and seismic hazards.) Best Available Science (BAS) must be used in addition to No Net Loss for all “sensitive” environmentally Critical Areas, for any City including Sammamish that plans under the GMA, and even for jurisdictions that may opt out.

The Growth Management Act (GMA) requirements are not something our City can just ignore. By informing with facts and reasons, engaging Citizens, and inviting Public Comment the City can learn what Citizens think, want, and need. It is time for Council and City Staff to collect and consider data and then truly evaluate impacts of any decision. Every Comment received should be considered, receive reply, and also publicly offered to Citizens who choose to be involved and informed. Transparency is important, and needs to be practiced.

I have read and support the Enrich & Sustain Platform as presented to City Council and Staff as written public comment. Specifically, I agree with and support that Now is the time for our City to “optimally alleviate the imbalances within our City” —starting with housing.

Please make every effort to inform, seek input, and engage every Citizen with an opportunity to participate in what is happening in our City. Then Analyze and Apply what Citizens Ask. An informed and inclusive Citizenry is a Strong Public. Our City needs to invite and grow a Strong Public, and Save the Lil Red Fish, too!

Sincerely,  
Karen Herring (resident/owner for 20 years)  
Laughing Jacobs Creek – Sammamish WA