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David McCaughey:

This is David McCaughey. I'm a resident of Bainbridge Island. I'm a past board member of People for Puget Sound and a current board member of the Washington Environmental Council. I'm also a past commodore of the Eagle Harbor Yacht Club. And I do, as the others have said, I feel that this is very important, if nothing else, increase awareness for new people to the community, both commercial and recreational boaters.

In a previous life I was also a pharmacologist, so I also know the human and health impacts that potentially come with this, both marine and human. So, I'm very happy to see this coming through, and the campaign I think will do a lot to educate all of the residents of Puget Sound.

Thank you very much.