

## Judith Akins

Thank you for all your efforts to inform the public on the continued cleanup and improvement to our waterfront and the Georgia Pacific sites. Your public information sessions and website have been very informative.

I am a resident of Bellingham and am very interested in the continued development of the area. The GP West site is vital to growth, sustainability and jobs that are needed for our residents of Bellingham and Whatcom County. I do not agree with the preferred selection of Alternative 4. I don't think you have given adequate weight, on the pie chart displayed on the website, to overall protection (30%) and long term effectiveness (20%). I am very concerned that a true accounting of the hazardous mercury and chlorine will be left behind and believe that there will be leaching in the future. How effective and long term are these solutions you will be implementing and are we just asking the future generations to cover the cost of further removal after this site has been developed?

I believe the only adequate alternatives are #'s 6,7,8 and understand that these carry their own risks. However, these alternatives while incurring additional costs and hazards now will allow for greater use and development of the land, strengthen the environment and allowing less risk of problems to be taken care of by future generations.

I think we all want a waterfront that we can be proud of.