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As a Washington State resident and a person that has perpetually lived near our shorelines--Seattle and the Washington Coastline--the powerful beauty of the waterline is a natural force that I'd support in all forms of protection and preservation of these systems. The WAC 173-26-221 supports a careful protection and preservation including planning for sustainable buttressing, runoff reduction planning and reducing the impact of new shoreline construction and vegetation conservation. The key, as we all know, is enforcement--properly permitted administration is the responsibility of your organization--and we as a community need to commit to this process, given the care of these provisions. When I think about the astonishing beauty of Washington State, and our extraordinary environments, the shore is an experience to be passed along to our family members, our visiting guests and friends. While all of these regulations are fine in theoretical expression, the key is enforcement, annual performance reviews and confirmation of adherence to expectation. Thanks for your commitment--I stand by in support of enacting these principles of ecological protection. Tim Girvin