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The site of 781 Walker Way, Port Ludlow, WA, should remain on the Hazardous Site watchlist by the State of Washington Department of Ecology. Water and our habitat are a critical ecosystem for this community.

On June 30, 2015, the Jefferson County Public Utility District (PUD) produced a Water System Acquisition Feasibility Study in concert with Olympic Water and Sewer Inc (OWSI) which indicated that the former owner (Pope Resources) in 2013, agreed it "would enter into an agreement with the Department of Ecology Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) in order to obtain a No Further Action (NFA) determination for the property." There was a plan proposed, and I believe accepted with the Department of Ecology, Pope Resources and OWSI to continue, "a remediation plan on natural attenuation and continued to be monitored" by Pope Resources and OWSI.

The Department of Ecology should strongly consider the new purchasing entity along with OWSI, Rayonier Inc. (NYSE:RYN), a publicly traded corporation, to continue the responsibility for the Port Ludlow Well 2 groundwater monitoring and mitigation plan.

The Port Ludlow community must be protected from any pollution around the 781 Walker Way well as well as any downhill migration to and into the Port Ludlow Bay. Therefore, I strongly request that the Washington Department of Ecology require Rayonier, Inc and OWSI continue to monitor for hydrocarbon intrusion at this site and down the Osprey confluence to the Port Ludlow Bay.