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We live in the neighborhood of Bloedel Reserve, and have been following the proposed permit amendment and related proposed projects.

Many of us enjoy walking or biking on "the Loop", which consists of Dolphin Dr / Agate Point Rd NE / Agate Pass Rd NE. Bloedel Reserve sits on one corner of this Loop. The sightlines are difficult rounding that tight curve, especially for walkers. There is no sidewalk or good shoulder on that road. With added traffic exiting left from the proposed permit amendment, we worry it would be even more difficult for pedestrians trying to avoid the oncoming traffic.

Our suggestions would be:

- * entrance to the Reserve from Dolphin Dr, exit from the Reserve onto West Port Madison Rd. The Reserve already has vehicle access available at those two points. This would help distribute the impact the Reserve has over a greater area of the north end of the island, instead of increasing the impact on a single neighborhood as the Reserve grows in popularity.
- * alternatively, switching the proposed entrance/exit, so cars would enter at the new location and exit at the existing entrance. That way cars could exit with a better line of sight, and not immediately be making sharp turns. Visitors are often unfamiliar with the surrounding neighborhood and do not always anticipate the amount of pedestrian and bike traffic.
- * added sidewalk, walkways or a larger shoulder around that corner, perhaps with added warning signage, to make pedestrian and bike traffic more visible to drivers.

thank you,

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