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City of Bainbridge Island Planning Depart,

I am writing in support of Mr. Tom White's proposed project on Lytle Road. Mr. White is a longtime Island resident who understands the necessity of balancing environmental protection with responsible land development. His proposed plan will be a net benefit for the wetland and stream that cross his land. He has partnered with Ecological Land Services to develop a science base mitigation plan that will enhance the wetland and steam on his property. Much of the recent development on Bainbridge Island can be labeled as excessive and lavish, Mr. White's proposed residence is minimal and most definitely falls below the legal definition of **Reasonable Use**. I have full confidence that his plan and it's execution will be a net gain to the local environment.

It is apparent that this RUE has brought out the worst in some in the neighborhood who use "environmentalism" as a tool to try and stop CHANGE. The building code, law and facts fully support Mr. White's project. I look forward to the approval of this project which will add a much needed house to a very tight housing market.

Crosby J. Olsen