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Annie, I have been following the conversation with some interest. I commute by water almost everyday and in conditions that quite often dark and foggy. The proposed dock creates a choke point as the channel follows the Southern shore. Where the Hanson's dock currently is was placed there for that reason and that is also the reason the former owners had an easement. By moving it out to the point of land the water way will be significantly narrowed. It will be in fact in water that is used for navigation. I have been out three times with others to examine the best place for the dock. My conclusion is to move it closer to the existing dock as the depth will be adequate and the navigational water way will be minimally impacted.

That said, I am in favor of a new Hanson dock to get the float into sufficient water. The silting of the bay has created many issues that need to address. How do we stop the silt? How can we restore the hard surfaces of the bay that support the diverse ecosystem of animals that will filter the water and create less nutrients which create algae blooms? The dead part of Fletcher Bay has been declared a conservancy zone while the live part that has not been silted over is not. what has to happen to reverse this and see health ecosystems in the back part of the bay?