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I am contacting you in regards to dock permit application PLN50280C SSDP & SVAR, a request to build a 240 foot dock in Little Manzanita Bay.

First, I would like to make the important distinction between “little” Manzanita Bay, from Big Manzanita Bay. The little bay has almost no power boat traffic due to its size and depth but is much enjoyed by canoes, paddle boards, kayaks, etc. Little Manzanita Bay is small, scenic, quiet, and beautiful.

Second, the mission of the Island is to conserve as many natural areas as possible. Little Manzanita Bay should be one of them.

The proposed dock would extend almost halfway across the bay, thus altering the appearance and use. The many bicyclers and walkers and tourists that stop to take photos would be exposed to nothing but a giant dock with large boat lifts.

It’s my understanding that the reason for the dock is for the owners to enjoy a couple of hours of deeper water in the tide cycle. Everyone else will get a twenty four hour view of a huge dock and big boats. Not a good trade off!

I’m also concerned this dock will create a precedent that would allow future docks that would ruin the bay further.

I have lived on Little Manzanita bay for fifty years and enjoyed its natural beauty every day. It’s one of the last uncluttered scenic bays on the Island. Do not approve this application and please protect this beautiful place.

Tom Brenton