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From: Jeff Jerome [jeff@groworganics.org]
Sent: Tuesday, January 28, 2014 3:59 PM
To: porthr@gorge.net
Subject: Questions for Nichols Basin for tonight's meeting

Hello,

Since I won't be able to make it tonight to the Port's public meeting tonight, I wanted to send you a few questions if that's OK? I just have 3 questions at this stage of the game.

- 1) I assume that the plants which will be selected for the area will not need any additional fertilizer or fungicides in order to thrive being that the river's water quality will be directly impacted. Is my assumption correct?
- 2) During the construction of the area, what are there steps that will be put in place to keep the river free of any outside debris? And along the same lines, are you bringing in soils from outside the area for the plantings?
- 3) Are there any plans to put in place some native habitats to help improve the water quality or native species of the river?

Thank you!
Jeff

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From: Polly Wood [pollywood47@gmail.com]
ent: Tuesday, January 28, 2014 4:56 PM
to: porthr@gorge.net
Subject: Park at Nichols Basin

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Dear Port Commissioners,

I support an larger park along the lines of what has been proposed by the Friends of the Hood River Waterfront. Thank you for all your work on this project and welcoming public comment.

Polly Wood

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From: Nick Kraemer <nick.kraemer@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 8:52 AM
To: porthr@gorge.net
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Hello

I appreciate your public service as a Port Commissioner.

I am boat owner that has a slip in the marina, resident of Hood River, and consistent user of the waterfront.

I support a much larger park space along the Nichols Boat Basin. The development of the community waterfront park and buildings along Portway have been a huge improvement on the waterfront - and I commend the Port for facilitating this development. I think the lesson to be learned from this development is - park space attracts good businesses.

We need to encourage compact, efficient development at Lot 1 - it is truly the entryway to Hood River. The "brand" of Hood River can be improved by a more inviting waterfront - for both tourists and new businesses. We shouldn't be in a hurry to make this happen and need to consider the long-term implications of any actions. In the long-term, the community will be better served by a larger park. The business development on Lot 1 can use measures, like parking structures and compact buildings, to accommodate the park space.

Thanks for your consideration.

Nick Kraemer
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From: Ken Maddox <kmaddox@hrecn.net>
Sent: Wednesday, February 12, 2014 2:29 PM
To: Port of Hood River
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Thank you for your positive response to community opinion and needs. Regarding the Nichols Boat Basin, the community has made clear that access to the River is a key value; consequently, I urge you to make improvements that not only will serve immediate needs, but also those of the future, as yet unknown in detail but certain to place access as a high priority.

That means any park ought to be made large, so as to reflect the community's values and the needs of the future.

Sincerely,

Ken Maddox