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Members of the Local Boundary Commission

I am opposed to the inclusion of the West Chichagof Island area in Hoonah's petition.

The borough area as proposed would include lands and waters that are frequently used by Sitka residents for subsistence, sport, and commercial fishing and hunting, recreation and business activities. I believe that incorporating the south west area as proposed would unnecessarily add another level of government oversight and regulation that in the future could limit access/use to Sitka residents. Additionally, inclusion of this area in a new Xunaa Borough could result in taxes being imposed on any development on private property with no meaningful new services being provided .

I propose if a new borough is approved, that the southern boundary (Southern side of Cross Sound) should not include any land or waters any further west of the east shore of Idaho Inlet and a line running north across Cross Sound between Inian Islands and Lemesurier Island. I have no comment on the proposed land area on the north side of Cross Sound.

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