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**Betreff:** Thanks for all your help

Howdy form ARGUS REISEN

Finally, it looks like the COVID crises will come to an end soon.

Starting in January 2022 the request for vacations to the USA did increase significantly and I'm happy to say that the same is happening for our booking to the USA and to Seattle.

For me this is a good time to let you, our partner the "Port of Seattle" and your German Representation "Get It Across", know how we have appreciated your loyalty throughout the last years!

Your webinars and newsletter have helped us to build up our knowledge about the Port of Seattle and with our coop-marketing activities we could share this knowledge with our potential guests for the Port of Seattle.

The provided information about the pre- and post-cruise programs through the wonderful State of Washington put us in the comfortable situation to be able to create a perfect vacation combination for our guests.

Especially the fact that the Port of Seattle provides – with the "Get It Across" team - a well-established contact here in Germany help us a lot the reach our goal to increase the numbers of guests which we will send to Seattle in the future.

We highly recommend continuing this very efficient partnership throughout the next years.

**Thanks for all your help in the past and we are looking forward working with you in the future!**

Kind regards

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## Letter of reference

Dear Sirs,

We are pleased to recommend the team at Get it Across GmbH & Co. KG (GIA) with Albert Jennings in lead as destination representative for the German-speaking market. Together with Patti Denny, Port of Seattle, whom we hold in very high esteem, this has resulted in a very reliable and successful collaboration over the years, which we are happy to build on for the future.

CANUSA TOURISTIK is the leading German special tour operator for individual travel in Canada and the USA. Represented at seven locations in Germany, CANUSA TOURISTIK has more than 100 employees at its headquarters in Hamburg and offices in Hanover, Cologne, Berlin, Frankfurt, Stuttgart and Munich. We sell mostly direct to our customers and combine product, sales and marketing under one common roof.

Being responsible for CANUSA's marketing and sales, I work closely together with Patti Denny and Albert Jennings for many years.

The cooperation between CANUSA and GIA / The Port of Seattle has intensified over the long years we work with them on campaigns for the German market. In these years, we have achieved considerable success with our ongoing marketing cooperations. These combined efforts have allowed us to develop and establish the Port of Seattle as the gateway for cruises along the US west coast and Washington State as a continuously rising region in North America. We would not have been able to achieve that without close, creative and professional collaboration.

GIA plays a very active role in the German-speaking market. With its regular newsletter, webinars and through direct contact with tour operators like us, travel consultants in particular are always kept up to date and trained on the destination and relevant products. This includes cruises as well as suitable pre- and post-cruise programs.

I know Patti Denny and Albert Jennings as well as his team very well through their dedicated work, and I can only say good things about their position and approach in the market.

GIA's professional approach in general and their personal proficiency in regard to communication, marketing and destination knowledge is exceptional. The team is proactive in their collaboration, goal-oriented and always dedicated to the best possible solutions and lasting effects.

We highly recommend the prolific cooperation with Albert Jennings and his team. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the above address.

Kind regards

Hamburg, February 25, 2022





February 25, 2022

Ms. Patti Denny, Interim Director  
Tourism Development Department  
Economic Development Division  
Port of Seattle  
2711 Alaskan Way  
Seattle, WA 98121

Dear Patti,

## **CLIA Collaboration with Port of Seattle (Core Communications)**

During the past 12 months CLIA has diversified into an increasing number of emerging channels and technologies to train and update members on products and opportunities available to them, keeping sessions extremely innovative and impactful. The Port of Seattle has participated in many of our new and existing events and training session through Core Communications to ensure as many CLIA members as possible have the most up to date information on Seattle and are one of the first to know any news from the Port and city.

Core Communications on behalf of The Port of Seattle have participated in a number of events over that last 12 months, both virtual and in person, along with supplying any press releases and news stories that are added to the CLIA Newsletter which reaches around 3000 subscribers each week key messages are also shared on our social media platforms and Facebook group.

Destinations also continue to play a major role in cruise itinerary development, as they provide a basis for the enrichment of the cruise passengers' travel experiences.

CLIA UK & Ireland look forward to a continued successful relationship with the Port of Seattle's UK representative, Core Communications, as the world of cruise continues to recover.

Very best wishes

Adele

**Adele Fitzpatrick-Foster**  
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# Cruise International

February 25, 2022

Dear Patti,

You may recall we had the pleasure of meeting during a press visit to Seattle in October 2019.

I would like to express how much I value the work of Caroline Corfield-Rose and her team at Core Communications Ltd, and how effective they are both in supporting the UK travel trade and securing media coverage for Port of Seattle and the surrounding region.

I have worked closely with Caroline for a number of years in my previous role in the travel trade press as Features Editor at Travel Weekly, and more recently as Editor of Cruise International, a consumer cruise and travel magazine in the UK.

Her work in promoting the Port of Seattle within the UK has been invaluable, not only in highlighting cruises from Seattle to Alaska but also in spreading the word about the wealth of cruise-and-stay experiences in Washington State. I know the fam trips and tour operator promotions she organised were always incredibly useful to my former contacts in the travel trade, and I have often called upon Caroline for information and recommendations for editorial features.

Moreover, Caroline is very well known and well-respected in US-focused media and PR circles, and she has become synonymous with Washington and the Port of Seattle, representing them at events and making herself available at every possible opportunity. She is a real asset to your organisation and I look forward to continuing to work with her in this capacity.

Yours sincerely,

Katie McGonagle  
Editor  
Cruise International

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Dear Ms Denny,

my name is Florian Hoelzen, Key Account Manager at fvw Medien GmbH in Hamburg/Germany. With this letter I would like to let you know you that

- Port of Seattle is very present in the German market through Get It Across
- FVW is leading German travel trade media platform
- POS / GIA regularly provides important travel trade information for editorial usage, coordinates input - like the Washington State itinerary guides and statements from tourism officials
- POS / GIA is pro-actively involved in webinars and FVW Counter Days to engage the German travel trade

For any further questions, do not hesitate to ask.

Best Regards

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# Holland America Line®

SAVOR THE JOURNEY

25 February 2022

To whom it may concern

Holland America Line UK is proud of our long and productive association with the Port of Seattle and with Core Communications.

We have an excellent relationship with Caroline and the team at Core Communications, who do a great job for us in promoting Seattle and Holland America Line within the UK trade and consumer media - and beyond.

Core Communications have always been and continue to be very proactive and supportive with all press trips and joint events/opportunities.

Gold Medal is a very valuable B2B Tour Operator partner. The team at Gold Medal package Holland America Line cruises with land and air arrangements for our retail travel partners to be able to access and sell to guests. The new Gold Medal Alaska cruise + Seattle gateway holiday options, (a concept created in conjunction with Core Communications) bring excellent cruise and stay content together, which enable British travellers to combine an immersive stay in Seattle with an Alaska cruise.

Lynn Narraway  
Managing Director UK & Ireland



February 25, 2022

Ms. Patti Denny  
Interim Director  
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Dear Patti,

We'd like to thank you for the Port of Seattle's support for international inbound travel, through both your office and your in-market representation in the UK and Germany.

Your efforts have proven the Port's commitment to international marketing and your successful B2B focus on building international market share by working with the travel trade. When U.S.-based inbound operators have bookable product, they become an extension of your sales force.

Your in-market representatives understand the importance of the inbound operator in the tourism development food chain, and they remained active throughout the pandemic, providing consistent and compelling messages to keep Seattle on the radar of international buyers.

Additionally, with your encouragement, the State of Washington Tourism is providing our Inbound Insider Steps to Success travel trade training program to ensure your partners in Seattle and throughout the state are ready for the resurgence of international visitors. More trained partners will result in more bookable product.

It takes a village to market internationally and the Port of Seattle and your hard-working in-country representatives' efforts are important and appreciated. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Lisa Simon  
CEO/Executive Director



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Wiesbaden, 02.03.2022

Cooperation NCL (CE office Wiesbaden) with Port of Seattle

Dear Patti,  
Dear Colleagues at the Port of Seattle,

we at NCL wish to thank you the Port of Seattle and its contracted agency, Get It Across, for your strong engagement in the German-speaking markets. You not only provide us with regular newsletters and information about Washington State, but you have created useful resources, like the German-language Washington State Itinerary Guide. We at NCL have been able to share this with our sales staff and our valuable travel agency partners.

Furthermore, GIA has included us in webinar presentations for travel agent trainings – both through its own platform and through Visit USA Germany. We very much look forward to our joint roadshow in March and April of 2022 in which we will be visiting 12 cities in Germany, Switzerland and Austria again LIVE and in-person, to train travel agents about NCL Alaska cruises ex Seattle and pre- and post-cruise programs in Washington State.

GIA and POS are extremely strong and reliable partners for NCL and the German travel trade. Thank you for your support and cooperation.

With best regards, Tilo

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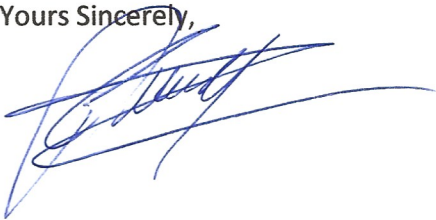
Dear Patti/To whom it may concern,

I have worked closely with Caroline and her team at Core Communications Ltd as the publisher of several leading media titles such as World of Cruising magazine within the consumer arena and Cruise Trade News within the trade sector within the cruise industry in the UK, and as organiser of the annual cruise industry Wave Awards and we have worked with Caroline to help train the trade about the Port of Seattle through the Cruise Challenges. We have found Core Communications and Caroline to be on top of their game and have a solid understanding of what The Port of Seattle want to achieve and they have worked with our titles to help to achieve that objective.

The Port's proactive presence in the UK has increased because of Core Communications and the work they have done with our titles and our competitors. Their marketing and PR work, has resulted in a strong profile for Seattle and Washington State within our titles and consumer/trade understanding of cruises leaving from Seattle to Alaska in the UK media has certainly increased through their constant communications with our editorial people. The Port as a result, won top and commended Wave Awards as Best Destination and Best Port and we look forward to our continuing relationship with you directly and through Core.

I have nothing but admiration for the work they have produced for the Port and for making our lives so much easier to understand about the Port and Washington State – we find them a very hard working and an easy PR company to work with.

Yours Sincerely,



Chris Pitchford  
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Solingen, February 28, 2022

**To whom it may concern,**

The Port of Seattle has become a member of the Visit USA Committee Germany in July 2020. We have had the pleasure of working with the team of Get it Across Marketing in their capacity as market representative for the Port of Seattle since that date.

The team of Get it Across Marketing has done an outstanding job in establishing themselves as point of contact for the German travel trade. Only a few of our members are as active as the Port of Seattle, as the team at Get it Across ensures to make use of nearly every opportunity to be visible in the market that we are offering. This includes, but is not limited to:

- Regular contribution to our monthly B2B newsletters that are sent out to 20.000 German trade contacts
- Participation in Visit USA travel agent webinars and (virtual) roadshow
- Provision of extensive content about Washington State for our new website that will be launched shortly

Get it Across Marketing has been very active and shows a strong engagement in the German market, also beyond Visit USA-related activities. They have become a well-known contact point within the German travel trade for "all things concerning Washington State" within an impressively short period of time.

We would like to stress that this is a most fruitful partnership and we are looking forward to working with the Port of Seattle/Get it Across Marketing for many more years. We will be most happy to provide you with more detailed information on our partnership if required

Sincerely



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**From:** [Noemie Maxwell](#)  
**To:** [Commission-Public-Records](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Request to comment at today's meeting and printed comments and materials for distribution and attachment to minutes  
**Date:** Tuesday, March 22, 2022 8:46:49 AM  
**Attachments:** [Community Forest Consensus Signers 3 22 22 Update.pdf](#)  
[TreeEquityFactsheet 2022.pdf](#)  
[Comments MaxwellVassilakis 3 22 22.pdf](#)

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**WARNING:** External email. Links or attachments may be unsafe.

Hello,

My name is Noemie Maxwell. I'm requesting to speak today at the Port Commission meeting on the topic of protecting North SeaTac Park and the lifesaving trees and greenspace in our near-airport community.

I'm also submitting three documents, which are attached, for distribution to Commissoiners and entrance into the public record. These are a letter to Commissioners and staff, the first 250 signers of the Community Forest Consensus, and a Factsheet on Tree Equity Near SeaTac International Airport.

Thank you!

Noemie



Noemie Maxwell Vassilakis  
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To: Port of Seattle Commission President Ryan Calkins and Commissioners Samuel Cho, Fred Felleman, Toshiko Hasegawa , and Hamdi Mohamed and all Port of Seattle staff

March 22, 2022

Re: Asking for your active leadership to protect North SeaTac Park and the lifesaving trees and greenspace in our airport-impacted community.

#### Attachments

1. Published signatures of the first 250+ signers of the Community Forest Consensus of the Defenders of North SeaTac Park
2. Factsheet: Tree Equity near SeaTac International Airport: Selected comparisons for those living close to SeaTac Airport and all King County residents

Dear Commissioners and Port of Seattle staff,

Thank you for your work on behalf of our community.

I hope you will read the attached document which contains the published signatures and comments of the first 250 signers of the Community Forest Consensus. These are all your constituents and they include four city councilmembers in the Highline area, fifteen organizations and businesses, and 240 additional community members.

The Consensus calls on the Commission and all elected officials in this area to work together to secure North SeaTac Park as a park in perpetuity. This is

only fair. The park was created, in the words of the FAA, to compensate area residents for cumulative airport impacts. In the decades since it was created, these impacts have significantly increased.

Research since then has also definitively established three other facts:

1. It's not just noise that's the problem. Airport pollution is also shortening our lives and making us sicker.
2. Trees are our guardians. They keep airport pollution out of our lungs. They capture climate disrupting pollution and protect us from the heat, drought, and dust of climate change.
3. The people who live in this community bear an unjust burden of high levels of environmental health impacts due to airport pollution and social factors such as income, race and ethnicity, and newness to the country.

Given these facts, the Consensus also calls for a moratorium on additional deforestation by the Port of Seattle on public lands within two miles of the airport until a comprehensive and funded plan to restore our community's life-saving forest is in place.

The attached factsheet, which I created, compares tree equity for our near airport community and the rest of King County. It starkly highlights the truth behind this quote from the organization American Forests:

“A map of tree cover is too often a map of income and race — especially in cities. That's because trees are often sparse in socioeconomically disadvantaged urban neighborhoods and some neighborhoods of color. The inequitable distribution of trees exacerbates social inequities.”

Please look with new eyes at your Sustainable Airport Master Plan as you continue to shape it. What justice can you uphold? Whose lives can you save? What iconic Northwest beauty – at our region's very gateway - can you preserve and restore? This is an opportunity to change for the better the lives and experiences of generations to come.

Thank you!

Noemie Maxwell Vassilakis

**COMMUNITY FOREST CONSENSUS**  
**of the Defenders of North SeaTac Park**  
<https://KCTreeEquity.org/consensus>  
**March 22, 2022 update of signatures in progress**

**Elected Officials and Candidates**

Councilmember Peter Kwon, City of SeaTac	
Councilmember Mohamed Egal, City of SeaTac	
Councilmember JC Harris, City of Des Moines	This group is simply asking the Port of Seattle to fulfill a promise made long ago.
Councilmember Kate Kruller, City of Tukwila	It is essential to all cities and communities that are neighbors bordering SeaTac Airport to protect and preserve what few green spaces and recreational resources we have.

**Organizations and Businesses**

350 Seattle	Seattle	
ACLU Burien People Power	Burien	
Alimentando al Pueblo	Burien	
Beacon Hill Council	Seattle	

Boulevard Park Community Action Network		
Climate Action Group at Seattle Insight Meditation Society	Seattle	For climate justice this area needs to be protected from airport expansion and continue to be green space and tree canopy for surrounding neighborhoods.
Community Visions	Burien	
Duwamish Valley Neighborhood Preservation Coalition	Tukwila	
Habitat Restoration Specialists, LLC	SeaTac	
Highline Education Association	Tukwila	
People for Climate Action	Groups in 14 King County cities, including Burien	
Quiet Skies Puget Sound	Des Moines	
South Seattle Climate Action Network	South Seattle	
Sugarcane Yoga	Burien	
West Seattle Bike Connections	Seattle	

## Community Signers

An additional 38 unpublished signers include 13 in Seattle, 11 in SeaTac, 5 in Burien, 2 in Normandy Park, 1 each in Des Moines, Edgewood, Federal Way, and Tacoma

Jordan	Van Voast	Seattle	98144	
Jean	Myers	Seattle	98122	
Carson	Furry	Seattle	98122	
Barry	North	Seattle	98122	
Hadley	Leggett	Seattle	98122	
Dave	Tatro	Port Orchard	98366	
Iris	Antman	Seattle	98118	Green space and tree canopy for impacted front line communities is more important than airport expansion.
Richard	Harwood	Seattle	98118	
Benton	Coblentz	Tukwila	98188	
Kathleen	Richardson	Burien	98166	Don't grow the Heat Dome: Leave the Trees!
Beth	Brunton	Seattle	98144	
STEPHEN	LAMPHEAR	Burien	98146	



Sandy	Hunt	Seattle	98118	<p>Trees near the airport are needed to clean our air. The community in that area was dissolved because it wasn't safe for people to spend significant amounts of time there. The communities of this area need more parks and open green spaces, not parking lots and warehouses.</p> <p>Protecting trees and growing an urban forest in the communities around the airport is long overdue. Please stop tree removal and forest destruction before it is too late. Stop your staff from plowing forward with outdated actions and obsolete policies that no longer align with the port's vision for racial &amp; social equity and climate justice. SeaTac Airport is a benefit to the region while destroying the health, education, and lives of those in its flight path. When we know better, we must do better! signed: Local Teacher</p>
ANDREW	MATHEWSON	Kent	98031	
Robin	Briggs	Seattle	98112	
Greg	Stinson	Seattle	98118	
Bridgid	Normand	Seattle	98118	
Dick	Burkhart	Seattle	98118	We need to stop all plans for airport expansion. It will become contraction in the long run
Taylor	Atkinson	Burien	98146	For the health of our community and earth, now and for future generations.
Annie	Wise	Burien	98168	
Tascar	Wise	Burien	98168	
Christine	Hawkes	Gig Harbor	98035	The life of trees is paramount to clean air preservation.

Noemie	Maxwell Vassilakis	Burien	98168	This is a simple matter of justice. Trees and green spaces that reduce exposure to deadly airport pollutants should not be removed in massive numbers from communities where people are highly impacted by environmental health disparities largely caused by those airport pollutants.
Annie	Phillips	Burien	98168	
Andrea	O'Ferrall	Seattle	98106	Re-think your mission. We need to move away from focusing on economic growth above other measures of success, well-being and prosperity.
Michael	Oxman	Seattle	98146	
Blythe	Sather	Normandy Park	98166	Save this amazing park!!
JoAnn	Cowan	Normandy Park	98104	Please follow the guideline outlined by this e-mail. It is vitally important to so many people!
Stephanie	Stone	Burien	98168	These trees are critical for breathable air for those of us who live underneath this highway in the sky. This is a family community and all of our children use the park on a daily basis. This should be illegal to continue deforestation in an area so critical with global warming already risking our kids future. Shame on you for making these decisions at our expense and well being just so that you can make a dollar. Make better choices that benefit everyone instead of just yourselves. Think outside the box for more appropriate, greener alternatives.
Ruel	Walker	Burien	98168	I grew up playing football at this park with the Burien Bear Cats. My kids play at this park. Please don't take this away from us. We can't afford to move anywhere else.
Carol	Liedke	SeaTac	98168	By committing to and honoring this statement, the Port of Seattle will be honoring its own mission statement to protect the environment AND protect the residents by establishing firm guidelines (as mentioned) that will serve the community well for decades to come.

Clint	Walker	Burien	98168	My family and I use this park everyday. It is a critical park that this area needs badly. We're all poor in this area which is why we are forced to live under the airport. This park is the ONLY thing that we have. The air quality is bad enough - don't make it worse taking away our trees that clean the air. This park is vital in keeping our young ones healthy and out of trouble with all the gang violence in Burien.
Andrew	Lavadour	Burien	98168	Destroying north SeaTac park is inexcusable. Especially considering the abandoned lots left At the old Laura lake apartment complex. Spend the money and clean that site rather than take the easy road at north SeaTac park
Judith	Williams	SeaTac	98188	
Robert and Rebecca	Rider	SeaTac	98168	
STUART	NIVEN	Seattle		
Debi	Wagner	Burien	98166	Stop destroying our environment
Jennifer	Gould	SeaTac	98168	
Josh	Powers	Seattle	98106	Natural habitats are crucial to any long term goals. Short term benefits of development are quick and easy to create. The long term benefits of these existing biomes need lifetimes to re-establish once destroyed.
Scout	Parda	SeaTac	98188	
Meagan	Lass	SeaTac	98168	
Jean	Trent	Seattle	98115	
Kimberly	Smith	SeaTac	98188	
Laura	Gibbons	Seattle	98118	

Rob	Briggs	Vashon Island	98070	
Laureen	France	Seattle	98199	We must stop destroying green spaces and trees in favor of additional development that pushes us all closer to a climate disaster.
Miranda	Marti	Seattle	98117	
robert	Ioso	Seattle	98106	not right to evict these homeowners then use their land for other purposes
Nicole	Martin	Seattle	98108	
Luciana	Bosio	SeaTac	98198	
John	Powell	SeaTac	98168	
Darby	DuComb	Seattle	98115	
Amado	Dominguez	SeaTac	98198	we need to save the life of our trees, it's time to react and think that without them we are nothing!!!
Brandon	Kitts	Burien	98146	Trees are the best thing we can foster to negate the detrimental impacts of urbanization. Conserving and expanding green space is a no brainer in a high density area like ours.
Brandon	Dilbeck	SeaTac	98168	We need the city to preserve these parks for our citizens' health and well being. We are fortunate to have so much forest space in our neighborhood, with places for us to exercise and for trees to provide us with oxygen. And where else are the squirrels supposed to live? We mustn't keep destroying nature for our own gain.

Constance	Sidles	Seattle	98105	Dear Port officials, building more parking spaces for cars is not the answer. Encouraging - or even insisting that - people take public transportation to the airport is the only sustainable way to handle ever-increasing air traffic. Paving over a habitat with significant tree canopy for the sake of cars is a recipe for higher air pollution, hotter heat traps, and poorer quality water. You owe the future a better solution.
Sharla	Dodd	Seattle	98103	
Cheryl	Brooks	SeaTac	98188	
Martha	Taylor	Seattle	98115	
Brandon	Bowersox-Johnson	Seattle	98103	Thanks for organizing this! Let's save this green space and create a green buffer around the whole airport to help our community and climate!
Barbara	Lewy	Seattle	98109	The community around SeaTac already pays a heavy price for aviation. Don't add to it!
Jessica	Jones	Tukwila	98168	
Sameth	Mell	Tukwila	98168	
Charlotte	Wells	Port	99368	People deserve a safe place to live.
David	Feinberg	Burien	98168	
Rosemary	Moore	Mercer Island	98040	
Alex	Fay	Seattle	98103	
Michele	Crocker	SeaTac	98188	Myself and extended family members use this park. Please don't ruin it!
Nadine	Morgan	Tukwila	98188	

Ginele	Lee	Burien	98168	Climate change is here, and affecting our livelihoods. Without environmental protection in place, we will see continued and irreversible damage to our ecosystems and waterways. We are already experiencing the harm of pollutants and removing any trees will just add to our already overworked environment. We are flooding just north of North SeaTac Park due to people and the city allowing developers to clear-cut and destroy our environment. We can not allow the destruction of our precious and scarce treeline. Our future depends on the preservation of what little natural environment we have left here in our small community. Protect our space, and it will protect us and our future generations.
Daniel	Martin	Burien		
Lauren	Herber	Seattle	98126	
M	Rogers		98201	
Sophie	Verlaine	Seattle	98118	Please retain the forested park it is beneficial for the immediate neighborhood as well as contributing to the ecosystem by retaining the CO2 exchange particularly so near to the pollution of air traffic. It's a healthier world when an ecosystem is protected .
Sam	Owens		98144	
Mathew	Irvine	Burien	98166	
Sarah	Hansen	Tacoma	98046	
Dayna	Anderson	Des Moines	98198	
Patrick	Flanagan	Seattle	98103	
Denise	Sterchi	Seattle	98115	

Aaron	Sheedy	Seattle	98103	Green forested spaces that provide people a place play, enjoy nature, de-compress from the day are increasingly rare in urban environments and should be protected as much as possible. I surely needn't also list the environmental benefits of areas that contain large #'s of tree's regarding carbon capture, better health, etc. Finally, by considering paving over this space, you are contributing directly to increasing inequality by removing this type of environment from a low income area in Seattle. You should be deeply ashamed this even made it past the proposal stage.
Ramsay	Cookman	Burien	98168	
Ilene	Marvin	Tukwila	98168	I support the preservation of the North Seatac Forest.
Jarred	Swalwell	Shoreline	98155	
Andrew	Corman	Renton	98056	
Stephanie	Frantz	Seattle	98126	
Alec	Cervenka	Seattle	98103	
Linnea	Westerlind	Seattle	98136	
Shary	B	Seattle	98101	We need to protect this green space for the health of our environment and all of the people who live in this area.
Selene	Russo	Seattle	98106	
Russell	Poe	Burien	98146	walkable, enjoyable spaces with trees is more important.
Stuart	Jenner	Normandy	98166	
Luke	McGuff	Seattle	98107	North SeaTac Forest could easily be a gem of Pacific Northwest urban forest, providing a large tract of native plants and biodiversity. The existing street grid could be turned in promenades and bike paths, providing room for bikers and joggers and people just walking through.
Omaha	Sternberg	Burien	98148	
Dorene	Carrel	Burien	98166	
Isabelle	Heier	SeaTac		
Sue	Cook	Burien	98168	You have a responsibility to the neighborhoods surrounding the airport and the greater community. SeaTac Park is not up for grabs.
Shambhavi	Taylor	Seattle	98125	
Rebecca	Dare	Auburn	98002	

Donald	Stimson	Newcastle	98059	
DAVID	LARSON	BURIEN	98166	Our community needs refuge from industrial expansion. SEATAC Airport expansion is adverse to health of local communities therefore has a obligation to mitigate these damages by compensation ; financial and in form of green zones.
Lynn	Brittenham	Burien	98168	
Paul	Coblentz	Tukwila		
Deborah	Melchior	SeaTac	98168	
Kathleen	Kresly	Seatac	98188	I love Seatac parks! Keep more green spaces please
Rob	Bent	Seattle	98106	By developing in North SeaTac Park, you act in opposition to your own concrete commitments and with reckless disregard for the health of the people and the valuable natural resources surrounding the airport. Don't betray us!
ANDREW	WRIGHT	SEATTLE	98126	There aren't many places to ride mountain bikes on trails that are accessible without driving. Please preserve this opportunity for our community.
Ellen	Arnstein	Seattle	98102	
Julie	Fluke	Burien	98166	
Jacob	Moore	SEATAC	98168	The Port should sell this property to the city parks, it should be sold at the original right of way price that it was purchased from the homeowners.
Barbara	McMichael	Des Moines and SeaTac	98198	



Kathy	Kerkof	SEATTLE	98107	I am a senior who grew up on Beacon Hill under the flight path of Boeing and SeaTac Airfields and parallel to the industrial area. My parents had 9 children. Six of us have had various cancers with 2 of us and, also, my mother passing from cancer. The cancer rate is equally as high among other relatives who grew up on Beacon Hill. Industrial pollution is a serious issue, and the health impacts are not to be dismissed. It has been found that people living in the South End have a 10-year shorter lifespan than people living in the North End due to industrial pollution. I am very tired of various local government agencies giving lip service to the issues of racial, social, environmental, and economic justice, promising to address these issues and then pursuing policies that perpetuate the identified injustices. The Port has made a commitment to be "accountable for equitable policies that ensure racial, social, environmental, and economic justice are achieved in strategies, practices, and projects". Please honor that commitment. This park and these trees are vital for the health of the people who live in the near-airport community.
Heather	Alvarez	Seattle	98116	
Johanna	Maloney	Seattle	98106	
Anne	Miller	Seattle	98144	The Port must prioritize the health of the peoples of SeaTac and Washington State.
Elizabeth	Berggren	Seattle	98112	
Rebecca	Stith	Tacoma	98042	Protect North SeaTac Park and surrounding community. Stop deforestation and other environmentally destructive actions proposed as part of the airport's expansion.
Jodi	Taylor	Burien	98106	
Dee	Selk	Burien	98146	We so need our open spaces and trees to keep our environment clean and fresh. Don't park cars, cut trees, and take our forested area away.
Kersti	Muul	Seattle	98136	
Lisa	Parks	Burien	98166	
Sally	Roach	Burien	98168	I think it is atrocious and despicable that you are trying to destroy this area of trees!!!
D	McCaslin	Seatac	98168	Build you parking garages and ware houses closer to the airport and save the park, trees and fresh air makers. Please when is enough, enough? And at what cost? Humans needs green trees.

AnnaLisa	LAfayette	Seattle	98106	
jazmin	arroyo	Seattle	98168	
Christian	Tinoco	Seattle	98168	
Linda	Roney	Seattle (uninc. K C)	98168	We never got the noise study in north Boulevard Park. It's horrible here!
kristen	michael	SEATTLE	98168	
Lori	Erickson	Burien	98168	
Amanda	Goss	SeaTac	98146	Please keep our green spaces! They are so important to our area in particular.
Ali	Vrbas	Seattle	98188	
Caitlin	Tate	Burien	98168	We on Des Moines Memorial Drive have lost so many acres of trees and their diverse ecosystems in the past decade. We cannot afford to lose any more.
Regina	Mutter	Normandy Park	98166	Thank you for thoughtfully considering this consensus statement by our community. This is an opportunity for the SeaTac Airport authorities to not only follow through on the Port's promise to reduce environmental impact to surrounding communities, but also to show leadership in taking steps to mitigate the impacts of climate change as well as provide local citizens access to, and enjoy the health benefits of, green space in close proximity to our neighborhoods.
Marianne	Hudson	Seattle	98146	Please take the necessary steps to protect the plants, animals, and people in this area. Thank you!
Rachel	Hartley	Tukwila	98168	
Rick	Johnson	Des Moines	98198	
Susan	Dedinsky	Des Moines	98198	
Dara	Elish	Seattle	98108	
Angela	Walls	Seattle	98108	We need all the canopy we can get! Save what is there.
Sarah	Wells-Ikeda	Burien	98168	
Rebecca	Cossette	Burien	98168	
Steven	Cossette	Burien	98168	
LANCE	OYLER	tukwila	98168	
Joanne	Nelner	Des Moines	98198	

Ruby	Lamba	Burien	98168	North Sea Tac park was an attractive place for people to walk and walk their dogs. Many people play disc golf over there. There are lots of nice bushes which are giving nice flowers and fruits. Lately it seems city people are cutting all the bushes. Lots of small animals live in the park. I don't want to loose those animal's home.
Amanda	Johnson	Burien	98168	
Manuela	Insixiengmay	Seattle	98108	
Shirley	Clough	Burien	98146	
Sheana	Conaway	Bothell	98100	
Martha	Pruitt	Seattle	98108	
Jill	Reese	Seattle	98108	
Harold	Baldwin	Seattle	98108	
John	Carlton	Tacoma	98405	
Saundra	Mock	Des Moines	98198	Stop killing trees and humans and animals with your pollution!
Maria	Cheha	Seattle	98125	
Stuart	Nielsen	Burien	98168	
Jessica	McComas	Seattle	98108	
Terri	Lindeke	Burien	98148	Our neighborhoods live with the noise and pollution of the airplane all day and all night. Leave the lands that we have transformed to the neighbors who live here.
Heather	Griffin	Seattle	98108	
Susan	Davis	Des Moines	98198	The continued intrusion and destruction of lands adjoining the port surrounding destroys the lives of the community. The trail of broken promises, from the third runway being used "only for emergencies" to now is one example. Now, the Port has begun to whittle away at North SeaTac Park, their gift to SeaTac for not fighting the 3rd runway. A tree here, there, and soon they are all gone. "Safety" always being cited when we all know it is hogwash. We will replant, is a poor answer when it takes 20 years. For a tree to regrow to a decent size. The pact is a good one. It is time to stop lying. Time to stop breaking promises. Sign the pact and live by it. Thank you.
Vicky	Hartley	Burien	98168	
Sewheat	Asfaha	Seattle	98108	

Martha	De Leon	Seattle	98106	
Nicole	Pollock	Burien	98168	This large natural space, free from cars and concrete, is a huge asset to this community. It would be a shame to watch any industry slowly eat it up. And where does all the wildlife go? They need homes too, and are beneficial to the whole ecosystem.
Christina	Coleman	Des Moines	98198	This large natural space, free from cars and concrete, is a huge asset to this community. It would be a shame to watch any industry slowly eat it up. And where does all the wildlife go? They need homes too, and are beneficial to the whole ecosystem.
Michele	Wagoner	Burien	98146	
Brandon	Wysocki	SeaTac	98168	
Bryan	Vinzant	SeaTac	98168	As the years go by this green space will become more and more important while also becoming more desirable to develop. We need to get protection in place or there's no way the green space won't be continually chipped away
Robyn	Winters	Seattle	98168	Our family enjoys this park daily and it brings joy and improves our lives year-round. Our neighborhood and community is a better place for having this park protected and cared for.
Aurora	McKinney	Renton	98057	
Joanna	Oliver	Seattle	98122	
Brianna	Wirkkala	SeaTac	98168	
Karin	Ellis	SeaTac	98198	
Kathleen	McManamon	SeaTac	98168	
Krysta	Smith	SeaTac	98188	We need to protect our green spaces as much as possible. Please look at already developed land in order to build your processing facility.
Cristina	Chidhalay	SeaTac	98188	
Natalie	Scantlen	SeaTac	98188	
Sabrina	Cook	SeaTac	98168	
Lynne	Dixon	SeaTac	98188	
Stephanie	Booth	SeaTac	98188	There's already so much pollution in the air from planes, we need these trees to counteract it.

Thomas	Foulds	SeaTac	98188	I use this park as a way to de stress and it's hard to find fun trails to ride. as someone who has lived my entire life in WA we need to save our green spaces.
Lisa	Jorgensen	Seattle	98168	
Susan	McIlwaine	SeaTac	98198	
Marla	Blazer	SeaTac	98188	
Laura	Kirkland	SeaTac	98198	
Marianne	Jackson	SeaTac	98198	<p>The action we take now for our community will affect generations to come. What kind of a future and legacy will we leave the children?</p> <p>More trees and less development is the only way to go. Since the pandemic began, the overall mental health of our citizens has declined. We need trees and some wild spaces for the wildlife as well. We need to be able to breathe.</p> <p>Please support the environment to help the physical and mental health of our citizens.</p>
Linda	Warfield	SeaTac	98188	
Cecilia	Walsh	Seattle	98118	
Bob	Gruber	SeaTac	98168	I pay a good amount of taxes here and would like the trees to stay. It's bad enough we breath air with spent jet fuel in it.
Cristina	Fonseca	SeaTac	98188	
Alejandro	Moreno	Seattle	98168	
Michael	Goebel	Seattle	98166	
Bill	Mills	Tukwila	98168	
David	Hollingsworth	Tukwila	98168	
TaniRae	Standridge	SeaTac	98188	thank you for considering our opinions
Cat	Jiménez	SeaTac	98188	
Richard	Evans	SeaTac	98188	Save our trees.
Ricki	Mudd	SeaTac	98188	
Carrie	Pizzano	SeaTac	98188	Please don't cut down the trees and put in a parking lot
Margie	Schultz	SeaTac	98168	
Megan	Swarner	SeaTac	98188	
Pamela	Clyde	SeaTac	98188	



# Tree Equity near SeaTac International Airport

## Selected comparisons for those living close to SeaTac Airport and all King County residents

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### Trees are a Pathway to Creating Social Equity<sup>1</sup>

“A map of tree cover is too often a map of income and race — especially in cities. That’s because trees are often sparse in socioeconomically disadvantaged urban neighborhoods and some neighborhoods of color. The inequitable distribution of trees exacerbates social inequities.”

### Trees Protect Health and Lives Near SeaTac International Airport

Public Health Seattle-King County recommends increasing trees & green space near the airport to protect residents from airport pollution that shortens lives and causes disease.<sup>2</sup> But the Port of Seattle proposes to build on dozens of acres of tree-covered land in this community, including 31 acres inside N. SeaTac Park. Sign the Consensus to call for a better plan: <https://KCTreeEquity.org/consensus>

	King County Residents	People living within two miles of the airport
<b>EQUITY RATING</b> How Equitable is this neighborhood for health and income? <sup>3</sup>	<b>MODERATE EQUITY</b>	<b>VERY LOW EQUITY</b>
<b>Median Household income<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>\$106,000</b>	<b>\$76,000</b>
<b>Households below poverty<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>7.6%</b>	<b>11%</b>
<b>Life Expectancy<sup>2</sup></b>	<u>Years of Life</u> <b>82.9</b>	<u>Years of Life</u> <b>77.9</b>
	<u>Distance from Airport</u> <b>More than 10 miles</b>	<u>Distance from Airport</u> <b>Less than 1 mile</b>
		<b>79.4</b> <b>Less than 5 miles</b>
		<b>81.2</b> <b>Less than 10 miles</b>
<b>Race and Ethnicity<sup>2</sup></b>	King County is 64% White, 18% Asian, 10% Hispanic, 6% African American, 1% Native American, 1% Pacific Islander <sup>3</sup>	Within 2 miles of the airport: 50% White, 15% Asian, 18% Hispanic, 14% African American, 1% Native American, 4% Pacific Islander <sup>3</sup>
<b>Tree Canopy<sup>4</sup> versus Poverty rate<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Tree Canopy Cover</b>	<b>Poverty rate</b>
	Normandy Park	6%
	Bellevue	7%
	Burien	11%
	Des Moines	8%
	Seattle	10%
	Tukwila	12%
	SeaTac	12%
	White Center	17%
<b>SeaTac, home of the airport, ranks 40<sup>th</sup> out of 45 King County cities for tree canopy<sup>4</sup></b>		