

TO: **Carol DiBello**, Submerged Lands Coordinator
Dept. of Conservation,
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FROM: Department of Marine Resources (DMR)

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR PROJECT REVIEW

PROJECT: Applicant: Robert Nichols
Location: North Haven (Stimpson's Island, Fox Island Thorofare)
Type of Project: Float Reconfiguration at Two Piers

The above proposed project has been carefully reviewed and considered by DMR personnel. The following are DMR's Comments:

DMR understands the applicant is proposing to reconfigure the ramps and floats at two piers by replacing existing floats (1, 16 ft. x 16 ft. float and 3, 8 ft. x 20 ft. floats) with four new floats (1, 16 ft. x 16 ft. float and 3, 8 ft. x 30 ft. floats) to be secured by three piles at his western pier. The current 30 ft. ramp from this pier to the floats would also be replaced with a 4 ft. x 50 ft. ramp. This entire structure would extend 150 ft. beyond Mean Low Water (MLW), 52 ft. further than the existing structures. The existing floats would be used to replace the current line of floats at his eastern pier. These replacement floats would extend approximately 90 ft. beyond MLW, ~ 30 ft. further than the existing structures. These would be secured at the seaward end by mooring blocks and chain.

The proposed project sites are located on the northern side of Stimpson's Island facing Little Thorofare. The upland is a 208 acre island wholly owned by the applicant. The piers, separated by ~ 0.3 miles, serve two separate houses. The remaining island appears undeveloped. Little Thorofare is ~ 1,000 ft. wide.

This project, as proposed, should not cause any significant adverse impacts to traditional fishing, navigation, recreation, or riparian access.

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