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Subject: Lombard Pier Project, North Haven

Hi Tom,

Regarding your 6/20 and subsequent 6/30 e-mails:

I think it is a good thing that the new proposal is at a location that requires a shorter pier (130 ft. vs. 260 ft.), and less expensive for the applicant. However as it appears that the applicant is proposing an alternate pier location approximately 133 ft. to the south of the original proposed location and the memo from Jill Weber (the applicant's consultant) states that eelgrass is densest toward the south, I'm not sure this alternative would decrease potential impacts. It would be helpful to have a clearer color map of the eelgrass in relation to the proposed pier (which you said you will provide).

It also doesn't appear that the total float area (now two floats in series with a ramp in between) would be any less than the original proposal and that an additional pair of granite blocks and chain would be installed to secure the additional float. Potential impacts from shading and mooring blocks and chain do not appear to have been decreased with this alternative. Potential impacts from boat traffic may be greater at this more southern location where there is denser eelgrass.

I think further discussion is warranted.

Thanks,
Brian