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Just chiming in on the Kake Road. There is literally nothing about this project that strikes me as a good idea. The notion that DOT spent lots of thousands of dollars flying around last fall reconning this project is bad enough. But spending some 40 million dollars more for a few people who want to cruise 40 miles on an unmaintained shot rock road to a boat ramp on Fredrick Sound? I would seriously ask if any of you would think about doing that. 40 million to improve the recreational and subsistence opportunities for the 500 people of Kake? I'd rather give just give them the 40 million to offset high fuel costs or invest in energy-saving infrastructure. And benefits to Petersburg? Sure, there will be the occasional user from Kake and possibly an "ecotourists or two who need a water taxi to 12 Mile, but I really can't see it stimulating Petersburg's economy, unless you are a road builder. This project reminds me of the South Mitkof Ferry terminal and the economic boost that was promised to provide. Now we have an abandoned ferry terminal and a highway with no shoulder or turnouts. If that 40 million is burning a hole in the State's coffers, encourage our Senator and DOT to spend it on the ferry system or harbor projects here in town or in Kake. Thanks for your time.

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