

# **Findings of the Ambleside Stakeholders Favouring Retention of a Boat Launch for Trailered Vessels in West Vancouver**

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**Submitted to the District of West Vancouver Council Members and to the General Public**

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## **An Examination of the Use, Popularity and Safety Issues Surrounding the Potential Removal of Access to the Water for Trailered Vessels at Ambleside.**

The Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan presented by the District of West Vancouver calls for the eventual closure of Argyle Avenue between 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Street. This would preclude access to the existing boat launch which has been used for more than 50 years by boaters with trailered vessels of all descriptions. The District has not acknowledged a strategy for the replacement of this ramp within the District.

This report examines the use of the existing ramp in its current condition, provides feedback from the general public regarding the use, examines the safety issues surrounding the potential removal of the ramp, and provides information for a potential economic case for a well maintained boat launch in this immediate area.

The conclusion of this study is that the removal of the ramp would increase potential for recreational boaters to take unnecessary risks to reach the Ambleside area, that there is significant public support for the retention of access to the water for trailered vessels in the Ambleside area, and that there is a potentially viable economic solution for a new ramp in this immediate area. The District should formally acknowledge a replacement strategy for the ramp and maintain access to the current ramp until such time as a new location within the District is available for public use.

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## A. Introduction

At the council meeting of October 13, 2015 the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan was endorsed for stakeholder and community consultation. The District then held a launch for the project at Kay Meek Center and organized numerous public presentations. The writers became aware through these public presentations that the Plan would involve closure of Argyle Avenue, precluding access to the boat ramp for vessels on trailers. A Stakeholders group was formed at this time to represent the needs of the general public for access to the water in this immediate area for trailered vessels.

Various organizations were contacted to gauge opinion on the matter, a petition was initiated, and a survey of ramp users was done. We met with staff of the District's Planning Department, Parks Department and Engineering on several occasions to keep them abreast of our findings.

*The purpose of this report is to determine the opinion of the general public that uses the ramp, and to determine whether a new location for a trailered vessel boat launch in West Vancouver is desired and/or required by the general public.*

## B. Background

The ramp has existed for over 50 years. The ramp is most heavily used by anglers with trailered vessels, crabbers in small aluminum or inflatable boats, kayakers, and sailors with portable vessels. Fishing lore from the Ambleside area predates the Hollyburn Sailing Club. See **Appendix 13** for some historical pictures.

The ramp area has not been regularly maintained, with the last coordinated effort being in 2010 when the Shoreline Preservation Societies history timeline indicates: "The boat ramp is again functioning with better low tide access. Sandy cobble that had in-filled the ramp was transported and placed to enhance the upper foreshore at various locations last year."

Currently the ramp has naturally backfilled with sand and cobbles and can generally only be used by trailered vessels when the tide is higher than approximately 6 feet (depends on the trailer/vessel configuration).

The current parking configuration allows for 5 vehicles with trailers and one kayak parking spot immediately adjacent to the ramp. At busier times, trailered vehicles will park at Ambleside Park after launching their vessel, and have also utilized street parking above Marine Drive when necessary.

## C. Investigation

### a. Review of Existing District Documents

We reviewed portions of the 40 year history of the studies performed for this area, spanning from 1975 to current. Additional District documents that were not listed as part of this history were also reviewed.

Documents of significance and their implications are as follows:

#### 2008 The Ambleside Town Centre Strategy

This document contained strategies and policies that were put in to effect through OCP amendments, one of which was 5.4.6 under the Waterfront strategy stating the goal “Improve functionality of the Boat Ramp/Sailing Centre”. Further details states:

##### *5.4.6 Improve functionality of the Boat Ramp/Sailing Centre*

*The uses along Argyle in the 1300 block produce challenges due to the proximity to the sole, and heavily travelled vehicle entrance to Ambleside Park near 13th and Bellevue. The Boat Ramp serves a need in the greater North Shore and regional community, with few viable relocation options. The Sailing Club provides youth and adult programs in the summer, and is accessible for functions in the winter. One of the options under discussion is to flip the location of the Boat Ramp and Sailing Centre, to create a more visible location for the Sailing Centre that could accommodate washroom facilities and small scale food services to complement and enhance the adjacent public square around the Ferry Building Gallery and pier area for those passing by and as a destination. If the Boat Ramp were moved further to the east, it would be closer to overflow parking areas in the park. However, boats would have less direct access to the pier docks. The concrete access ramps could be combined or remain as two separate ramps depending on the functionality of both schemes. In reviewing the options, the possibility of providing for the public to walk along the front of the Sailing Club is being explored, as is the need to ensure that the maximum amount of desirable beach access is secured. These issues will continue to be examined in relation to both the Ambleside Park master plan process and planning for the expansion of the Ferry Building Gallery, as part of the Arts and Culture Strategy.*

This indicates that at the time of writing, the boat launch played an important role both regionally and locally, and there was an option for retaining a launch in the immediate area.

#### 2013 Preliminary Study of Public Boat Launch Opportunities in West Vancouver

This document was available only in a personal meeting with District Staff. The document was commissioned by staff in 2013 to examine existing launch locations on the North Shore, and to identify possible locations for new sites within West Vancouver. This report did not go to Council,

hence it is not publicly available. It appears that an effort was made to identify a location for the ramp within West Vancouver at that time.

## **b. Correspondence with the District**

The Stakeholders became aware of the intention to close the boat ramp upon reviewing the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan early in 2016. We then attended the introductory open house and the open house at the Community Centre. Here we spoke with various staff members including Ian Haris and Jim Bailey in an effort to gain clarification on the intent to remove the launch. At this point staff clarified that the ramp was to be phased out for access by trailered vessels in favour of the Spirit Trail and reorganization of the Hollyburn Sailing Club storage area. Staff indicated that they did not have an active plan to replace the boat ramp for trailered vessels.

### **February 25, 2016:**

**Meeting with Senior Manager of Parks Andrew Banks, Manager of Parks Operations Ian Haris, Manager of Community Planning Dave Hawkins.**

We formally requested to know if and how the District intended to replace the ramp facility to allow access to the water for trailered vessels. **Appendix 1**

We did not receive a response from staff after this follow up letter was sent.

### **April 28, 2016:**

**Stakeholders meeting** (one member per stakeholder group was permitted to attend)

Follow up correspondence after the Stakeholders meeting was sent to Senior Manager of Parks Andrew Banks, Manager of Parks Operations Ian Haris, and Manager of Community Planning Dave Hawkins. **Appendix 2**

We noted at this meeting that the **District's** own survey showed a high degree of support for the retention or relocation of the boat launch with 57 people voting for relocation of the boat ramp for motorized vessels and 46 people **against removing the ramp** for motorized vessels.

### **Appendix 3**

We did not receive a response from staff after this follow up letter was sent

### **May 31, 2016:**

**Meeting with Senior Manager of Parks Andrew Banks, and Manager of Parks Operations Ian Haris.** Here we updated staff on what we had done to date to gather support for the retention or relocation of the ramp. We informed Mr. Banks that he had been listed as the "decision maker" for the petition - the person most likely to assist us with our concerns.

We were informed that the report to council was complete and being reviewed and signed at this time.

At this meeting we also reviewed a report that was done in 2013 entitled "**Preliminary Study of Public Boat Launch Opportunities in West Vancouver**".

The fact that this report was commissioned in 2013 indicates that there was a concern or an interest with respect to relocation possibilities for the boat ramp.

### c. Organizations Contacted and Statements:

Below is a summary of the individuals and businesses contacted that utilize, benefit from or have an interest in the ramp.

In summary there is overwhelming support for the retention of a ramp for trailered vessels in this immediate location.

#### **Hollyburn Sailing Club**

*"The Hollyburn Sailing Club has been mentioned in many of the stories about the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan. We believe that boat access to the ocean for sailing, kayaking, canoeing, rowing, stand-up paddleboarding, windsurfing, swimming and fishing is as important as access along the waterfront for people walking or enjoying the beach. We also believe that the existing facilities, such as the public ramp, should not be decommissioned until an alternate site has been built.*

*We are aware that there are alternatives to the 14th Street public ramp including the old ramp location under the Lion Gate Bridge which is inside the municipal boundary, a concept forwarded to the District by the public ramp community as part of the waterfront study but yet to be presented and reviewed and a new location beside the welcoming figure groyne. The strength of the AWCP will be its inclusiveness and we urge the District to further consult with the community so that everyone can enjoy the recreational opportunities of the West Vancouver waterfront."*

#### **Boating BC Association**

Boating BC Association represents the interests of the recreational boating industry and has 300 member businesses, 22 of which are located in North and West Vancouver. The annual revenue generated through recreational boating in BC is \$1.7 Billion. See **Appendix 4** to review their submission to council.

#### **Port Metro Vancouver**

In reference to the installation of an alternate ramp in the Sewer Bay Area, Port Metro commented as a result of our query: **Appendix 5**

*"It was good to talk to you last week about your suggestion of developing a formal boat ramp in the area underneath the Lions Gate Bridge. Public access to the waterfront is important for many people, especially boaters. However, because the inner harbor is a busy working port, we have to balance this with safety considerations.*

*I have discussed your proposal with our harbour master and unfortunately, we cannot support it due to the navigational safety concerns I mentioned when we last talked. As you can probably understand, the First Narrows is a challenging area for deep sea vessels to maneuver through. It requires the concerted efforts of tugs, Coast Guard, harbor patrol and the port authority, to ensure*

*that vessel movements are done safely. For this reason, we consider this a dangerous area to facilitate a public boat launch. In addition, the boat launch would need to be partially built on the private property of the Metro Vancouver sewage treatment plant.*

*We encourage you to use the boat launches at Ambleside Park, Cates Park and Vanier Park, as they are better located for recreational boaters.”*

### **Pacific Anglers**

A Vancouver based high quality sport fishing tackle shop that also provides guiding services for local fishing. This full service business would be happy to have a pick up point in West Vancouver, and feels that a launch in West Vancouver is an absolute necessity.

See **Appendix 6** for their comments on the impact to their business and the impact of sport fishing in the local waters.

### **Sport Fishing Institute**

The Sport Fishing institute represents anglers across the Province and states: “BC is home to some of the best sport fishing opportunities in the world. Outstanding fishing awaits you in waters rich in nutrients. Aside from five different species of our famed Pacific salmon, BC is also an excellent place for catching halibut, bottom fish, and a variety of shellfish.”

See **Appendix 7** for their comments.

### **District of North Vancouver – Cates Park Launch Usage**

The District of North Vancouver provided data regarding the launch facility at Cates Parks, and input regarding the long term maintenance of the facility

### **Transport Canada’s Navigable Waters Department**

Transport Canada was contacted in order to determine the requirements for a public launch facility. We determined from our communication with Transport Canada that a public ramp does not require sophisticated oil collection/containment systems.

### **West Vancouver Chamber of Commerce**

The mandate for the Chamber of Commerce is understandably to provide support for economic conditions, and they indicated support for an economic study of the value of a boat ramp and wharf.

### **Ambleside Dundarave Business Investment Association**

This recently created tax funded organization supports change on the waterfront, and progression to change “north of the tracks” for businesses in Ambleside. They are supportive of “activating the waterfront for the benefit of the merchants to build on the brand of Ambleside” and indicated they would be supportive of a facility that would allow trailered vessels to access the water if it brought economic value to the businesses of Ambleside and Dundarave.



#### d. Petition

A petition was commenced May 18, 2016 on the web site [Change.org](http://Change.org) to test the level use of the ramp and receive feedback from users. The petition was worded as follows:

*The **closure of the existing boat ramp** at Ambleside Park in West Vancouver (as per the recommendations of the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan) would preclude small trailered motorized vessels from accessing the waters of West Vancouver for recreational purposes such as general boating and fishing. This would force small vessels to travel greater distances at greater risk to reach this popular destination. The nearest public launch on the North Shore is 11 miles away at Cates Park. Horseshoe Bay area is also 11 miles from Ambleside.*

*The Ambleside area has an excellent fishery which has been fostered by the Capilano Fish Hatchery over 50 plus years.*

*Closure of the ramp to trailer access for small vessels would preclude access to this precious resource, as well as access for recreational boaters.*

*The District of West Vancouver should have a responsibility to provide access to the water for these user groups.*

Social media sites were utilized to get this statement out to the general public.

Between May 18, 2016 and June 5, 2016, there were 775 responses to the survey, 100% of which requested that access to the ocean be maintained in West Vancouver. The petition comments are included in **Appendix 8**.

Although somewhat subjective the comments were generally categorized as follows:

- a. All respondents indicated the access to water in this immediate location is important; the majority of respondents were anglers.
- b. Concerns over safety of coming to Ambleside from another location by water.
- c. Concerns over not being able to come to Ambleside due to small vessel size if having to launch east of Lions Gate Bridge.
- d. Historic value of fishing to the community is important; generations of fishermen have used the ramp, concerns about passing the tradition on to younger generation.
- e. Spin off to local businesses from users of the ramp.
- f. Should be promoting boating activity, not restricting it.
- g. Concerns about the cost of using the ramp- currently free. Many users appreciated the free use of the ramp.

The District also did an on-line survey which spanned the dates February 10 to March 9, 2016. This survey for the entire concept plan received “more than 300” responses. Those responses pertaining to the boat ramp are included as **Appendix 9**. We note that this District survey also received a large contingent of votes for retention of the launch and/or relocation of the launch.

#### e. Survey and Cates Park Comparison

##### Survey

A recent update to the petition was distributed to those that had signed. This was a two question survey as follows:

- 1) How many times per year do you estimate that you use the Ambleside Boat Launch?  
Multiple choice answers were: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14, 16 or more than 16.
- 2) How much would you typically spend **IN** West Vancouver on a day when you use the boat launch at Ambleside? (food, gas, ice, shopping etc.)  
Multiple choice answers were \$20, \$40, \$60, \$80, \$100, more than \$100.

The results show that for the first 100 respondents, there were 956 boat launch uses per year, and for the first 100 respondents there was approximately \$7,000 spent in West Vancouver per year.

**Appendix 10.** Note that there were more than 700 respondents to the petition indicating a high degree of support for a boat launch in West Vancouver, and a complete survey would show a significant increase the number of launches and the amount of money spent in West Vancouver.

##### Cates Park Comparison:

For a possible gauge of the use of the ramp at Ambleside we have retrieved the data from the Cates Park ramp for 2015, which we received from the finance department at the District of North Vancouver. **Appendix 11**

The results show revenue of \$62,120 from 3,328 day launches, and \$20,425 from 116 annual memberships for a total gross revenue of \$82,545 from within and outside the community. The total number of launches including the seasons pass holder could exceed 4000 to 4500.

In discussion with the manager of the launch we were told that the annual capital replacement cost allowance is approximately \$20,000.

#### f. Public versus Private Launches

There are currently three public launches in the Burrard Inlet/English Bay area: Cates Park, Vanier Park in the Kitsilano area and the West Vancouver ramp.

Private launches offer a degree of service to support the fishing and general boating public. There are private launches at Sunset Marina, Horseshoe Bay and at Lions Gate Marina. The business model for each private facility differs depending on its motivation to cater to various user groups. Most private facilities offer private boat storage as a lucrative form of income. The launching of public vessels is a secondary use, and takes second seat to the users of the storage facilities. The hours of operation of private marinas may not align with those of the fishing community. The cost of the private facilities is generally more than those of a public facility. See **Appendix 12** for local launch and park rates.

A public facility offers a long term stable opportunity for boaters to access the water at times appropriate for their use.

## **g. Safety and Accessibility**

There are many recreational users that wish to access the waters off the shoreline of West Vancouver, including trailered motor boats, small dinghies, trailered sailing vessels, kayaks and row boats.

Launching non-motorized vessels in the inner harbour is not an option for smaller vessels wishing to access the West Vancouver waterfront as they require power to come through First Narrows.

To access the Ambleside area with a small motorized vessel would require launching at Cates Park, Horseshoe Bay, Lions Gate Marina, Vanier Park or Sunset Marina, all of which require navigating either freighter travel lanes or potentially treacherous water.

The Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan currently shows the boat ramp for use by non-motorized vessels, but provides no vehicular access to the ramp to allow users to drop their vessel off near the ramp. The user would park in Ambleside Park to the east and then carry their small vessel to the ramp. This impediment would limit use of the ramp to a very small number of lightweight vessels (kayaks, paddle boards etc.) as dinghies and small row boats are generally too heavy to carry.

## **h. Economic Case**

Both the Chamber of Commerce and the Ambleside Dundarave Business Investment Association have indicated that they would support “activation” of the waterfront as it pertains to stimulating business for the local merchants.

The data reviewed from the Cates Park launch and the data received from the two question survey indicate that there is a need, a desire and an economic benefit to having a boat launch in West Vancouver.

We have informally spoken with marine constructors and found that the cost to install a two ramp launch with wharf, ramp and float would be in the order of \$225,000 to \$275,000, plus the cost of developing parking facilities.

There are hundreds of fishing charters per year which commence in Vancouver, False Creek, Horseshoe Bay, and many customers request if there is a pick up point on the North Shore. The economic value of providing a local pick up point cannot be underestimated. This would keep residents of the North Shore on West Vancouver soil.

The economic and social value of having access to the water for trailered vessels and providing related facilities (short term moorage, ferry dock, pick up point for Fishing Charter boats, etc.) needs to be explored in greater depth, the preliminary indications are that this would be a very positive addition to the community from a business perspective.

## D. Conclusion

The petition results indicate that there is a high degree of support for retaining a boat launch in West Vancouver for users of trailered vessels.

The removal of access to the water in the District of West Vancouver will result in unsafe travel routes and excessive travel times for those wishing to access the prolific fishing grounds created by the Capilano Salmon Hatchery and the efforts of the District itself to reinstate salmon to its own streams.

Non-motorized vessels that are too heavy to be taken from the Ambleside parking lot to the existing ramp location will not be able to launch within the harbour and access the West Vancouver shoreline.

The survey results regarding usage and money spent in West Vancouver indicate a positive benefit to the community, and at moderate public launch rates the facility would very likely generate money for the District.

**The District of West Vancouver should commit to retaining access to the water within West Vancouver for trailered vessels prior to removing access to the current ramp.**

# Appendix 1

## **SUMMARY OF MEETING THURSDAY FEBRUARY 25, 2016 RE THE AMBLESIDE WATERFRONT CONCEPT PLAN, SPECIFICALLY REGARDING THE BOAT LAUNCH**

### **To:**

**(As representatives of the District of West Vancouver and Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan):**

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Dave Hawkins, Manager of Community Planning, ([dhawkins@westvancouver.ca](mailto:dhawkins@westvancouver.ca))

### **From:**

**(As proponents for the retention of waterfront access for motorized boats in the Ambleside area):**

Phil Grassi ([Grassiphil@gmail.com](mailto:Grassiphil@gmail.com)),

Andrew Kennett ([Andrew@proconprojects.com](mailto:Andrew@proconprojects.com)),

Laurie Milligan ([lmilligan@shaw.ca](mailto:lmilligan@shaw.ca))

**Reference:** Meeting re the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan on February 25, 2016

### **Preamble:**

This meeting was a result of the proponents attending initial public consultations which the District of West Vancouver had initiated. The Waterfront Concept Plan states that the existing boat launch will be removed. As users of the boat ramp, we request further clarification as to how the District intends to replace this facility to allow access for users of small motorized vessels to access the water. At the public meetings, our group established that there are a significant number of people that access the excellent fishery provided by the Capilano Hatchery via the ramp at Ambleside adjacent to the Hollyburn Sailing Club. This fishery and access to the waterfront along the West Vancouver waterfront provide recreational activity for many owners of small vessels. The removal of this ramp would preclude access for these users, and we request that the Waterfront Concept Plan consider leaving the existing ramp in place or include a provision for a new launch location.

### **Discussion:**

On February 24, the proponents met with the representatives of the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan to discuss the possible implications of removing the existing boat launch.

The proponents stated:

\* The boat launch has been a public facility of the District of West Vancouver for close to Thirty years when they redeveloped the former private launch that was located at the current location- in total the launch has been in this location for more than 50 years. There has been a long relationship with the water via small vessels launching at Ambleside

## Appendix 1

\* That the Capilano Hatchery has created an excellent fishery for local fisherman to enjoy, and noted that this fishery extends 10 months of the year. This fishery is a direct connection with the ocean, which is one of the desired themes expressed in the Ambleside Waterfront Plan.

\* That the removal of the launch would force small vessels to launch at either Cates Park, Horseshoe Bay or Vanier Park in order to access this fishery, thereby creating a hazard for transit to the prime fishing area on the West Vancouver shoreline. Small vessels from the Cates Park area would need to navigate two areas with treacherous currents, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Narrows as well as transit the busy Port of Vancouver. Small vessels navigating from Horseshoe Bay area will often find ever changing conditions associated with the Point Atkinson area. Vessels transiting from Vanier Park must pass directly through the busy shipping lane of the First Narrows entrance to the Port.

The current ramp eliminates all the above hazards to small craft navigating the West Van shoreline.

\* That there is a positive interaction between fisherman and the public at the ramp area as fisherman bring in fish, prawns and crabs and the public are actively engaged in the processing of these.

\* That the commodore of the Hollyburn Sailing Club agrees that there should be access for motorized vessels at the Ambleside beach.

The Representatives of the Ambleside Waterfront Plan indicated that:

\* They would like to be able to replace the ramp, but do not have a current solution

\* The boundaries of the District were discussed and it was noted that Pound Road is the eastern boundary of the District

\* Discussion of a launch at the "Sewer Bay" area at the site of the existing sewage treatment facility took place but this area is beyond the District's authority.

Final Discussion:

The proponents indicate that if the current location cannot be maintained, that the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan should include a requirement to allocate another location for a launch in the immediate vicinity.

It was put forward by the proponents that a possible location could be on the east side of the jetty near the existing washrooms, and that the Parks Department would review this location.

End of meeting

Any responses to this letter should be directed to Phil Grassi

Copied to: Mary Ann Booth, Counselor, for information [ma@maryannbooth.com](mailto:ma@maryannbooth.com)

## Appendix 2

### Proponents to Retain the Boat Launch at Ambleside Beach

May 5, 2016

To :

District of West Vancouver

750 17<sup>th</sup> Street West Vancouver

Attention: Andrew Banks, Senior Manager of Parks ([abanks@westvancouver.ca](mailto:abanks@westvancouver.ca))

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Mary-Ann Booth, Counselor, ([ma@maryannbooth.com](mailto:ma@maryannbooth.com))

Reference: Stakeholder's meeting re the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan on April 28, 2016

Preamble re the initial meeting with Parks and Planning on February 25, 2016:

Please refer to the letter attached which was sent to the members of the Parks Board and Planning Department that attended an initial meeting regarding this subject on February 25, 2016. This meeting was a result of the proponents for retention of the boat launch attending initial public consultations which the District of West Vancouver had initiated. The Waterfront Concept Plan states that the existing boat launch will be removed. As users of the boat ramp, we requested further clarification as to how the District intends to replace this facility to allow users of small motorized vessels to access the water. At the public meetings, our group established that there are a significant number of people that access the excellent fishery provided by the Capilano Hatchery via the ramp at Ambleside adjacent to the Hollyburn Sailing Club. This fishery and access to the waterfront along the West Vancouver shoreline provide recreational activity for many owners of small vessels. The removal of this ramp would preclude access for these users, and we requested in the meeting that the Waterfront Concept Plan either show the existing ramp being retained, or include a provision for a new launch location as part of the Ambleside Waterfront Plan.

Discussion at the stakeholders' meeting of April 28, 2016:

As a result of the survey results which were published, the District initiated a stakeholders meeting for those interested in joining a dialogue about the various aspects of the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan. Mr. Phil Grassi attended on behalf of proponents wishing to retain a boat launch for small motorized vessels.

The survey showed that there was a high degree of support for retaining a boat launch for small motorized vessels (Question 9, 57 comments re "Investigate new locations for a boat ramp for motorized boats on trailers (eg under Lions Gate Bridge or 25<sup>th</sup> St. Pier)). Additionally there were 46

### **Proponents to Retain the Boat Launch at Ambleside Beach**

supportive comments “Against removing the boat ramp for motorized boats” and 57 supportive comments for “relocating the boat ramp for motorized boats”.

Discussions at the stakeholder’s meeting revealed a rift in that two people vocalized concerns re the traffic conflicts with trailers and pedestrians. Although it is true that boaters share a narrow road and are required to back up across a pedestrian lane, previous reports to council (at the time of the last attempt to have the ramp removed) show that there have not been any police incidents with respect to boat/trailer traffic and pedestrians. As a user of the ramp for over 30 years, I personally have found that boaters and pedestrians have retained a mutual respect, and there is value to the fishing activity which presents itself at the launch area, with returning boats attracting bystanders- adults and children alike.

There were three supporters of retaining a ramp for motorized vessels, either in its current location, or a new location.

There was discussion around the difficulty of finding a new location for a ramp within the District, and it was discussed that if the ramp was to be removed without replacement, small vessels would be forced to travel from Cates Park (Public Launch) (11 miles) or Horseshoe Bay/Sunset (Private launches) (11 to 14 miles). Either of these routes can be hazardous with respect to weather and freighter traffic. It was discussed that it would be highly unusual for a community that prides itself as a Community by the Sea not to have access to this jewel for such a significant user.

It was discussed that there has been some dialogue with Port Metro Vancouver re a potential launch location at the current site of the sewer plant. Their initial reaction was that this would not be possible due to the proximity to freighter traffic in the First Narrows.

**In summary the stakeholders for retention of a boat launch in West Vancouver feel strongly that the District should incorporate the need for a boat launch for small motorized vessels directly within the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan.**

**We look forward to the public meeting on Monday May 9, 2016 and hope that the Planning and Parks Department have some solutions for the retention of a boat launch within the District.**



## Appendix 3

Email sent May 6, 2016

Mayor and Council,

As part of the process of vetting the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan, we have addressed Planning and Parks on a formal basis as proponents wishing to retain access to the water for small motorized vessels.

We have attended the various public information sessions, met with senior managers of Parks and Planning, and have attended the stakeholder's meeting of April 28, 2016.

The meetings we have had are summarized in the attached letters, one for each meeting.

Through the process we have basically heard from Planning and Parks about the difficulties of either retaining the existing launch or providing a new location within the District, as if the removal of the ramp is a foregone conclusion.

It has been our position since initially reviewing the concept plan that the District needs to provide access to the water not only for non motorized vessels, but for small motorized vessels also. As a "Community by the Sea" we maintain that the District has an obligation to provide access to this jewel for all recreational users. The excellent fishery created by the Capilano Hatchery (in itself a major tourist destination) must be accessible to those both from within and outside the community, and access to the waterfront for recreational boat users must also be maintained.

The Ambleside Village Centre Strategy document

(<https://westvancouver.ca/sites/default/files/strategies/FINAL%20Ambleside%20Village%20Centre%20Strategy%202009.pdf>) included "targeted actions, policy statements, and design guidelines that are the foundation for implementing the strategy" some of which required OCP amendments to give effect to these.

One of these: 5.4 WATERFRONT (OCP BF-C 4.7) states "5.4.6 Improve functionality of the Boat Ramp/Sailing Centre"

Further detail of this policy statement states:

5.4.6 Improve functionality of the Boat Ramp/Sailing Centre The uses along Argyle in the 1300 block produce challenges due to the proximity to the sole, and heavily travelled vehicle entrance to Ambleside Park near 13th and Bellevue. The Boat Ramp serves a need in the greater North Shore and regional community, with few viable relocation options. The Sailing Club provides youth and adult programs in the summer, and is accessible for functions in the winter. One of the options under discussion is to flip the location of the Boat Ramp and Sailing Centre, to create a more visible location for the Sailing Centre that could accommodate washroom facilities and small scale food services to complement and enhance the adjacent public square around the Ferry Building Gallery and pier area for those passing by and as a destination. If the Boat Ramp were moved further to the east, it would be closer to overflow parking areas in the park. However, boats would have less direct access to the pier docks. The concrete access ramps could be combined or remain as two separate ramps depending on the functionality of both schemes. In reviewing the options, the possibility of providing for the public to walk along the front of the Sailing Club is being explored, as is the need to ensure that the maximum amount of desirable beach access is secured. These issues will continue to be examined in relation to both the Ambleside Park master plan process and planning for the expansion of the Ferry Building Gallery, as part of the Arts and Culture Strategy.

## Appendix 3



The current Concept Plan totally eliminates the boat ramp, and provides no options for relocation whatsoever. Please consider this previous study, and perhaps we can determine how the original policy can be re-addressed to continue providing access to the water for small motorized vessels.

**Andrew Kennett** / P.Eng



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## Appendix 4



May 31, 2016

Mayor Smith & Council  
City of West Vancouver  
West Vancouver Municipal Hall  
750 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
West Vancouver, BC V7V 3T3

Dear Mayor Smith & Council,

Boating BC Association represents the interests of the recreational boating industry across British Columbia; we are comprised of 300 member businesses from all sectors of our industry, 22 of which are located in West and North Vancouver. Founded in 1957, we own and operate the Vancouver International Boat Show and are strongly committed to increasing participation in all modes of recreational boating across BC.

We have recently learned about the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan and the removal of access to the public boat launch for small motorized vessels. We are writing to ask council to reconsider this decision – or to commit to a new location for this important piece of infrastructure before the plan proceeds.

West Vancouver has done an exemplary job of carefully planning its waterfront development; maximizing green space and creating a welcome and diverse community environment. As the City works to finalize this next chapter of its waterfront vision, it is not clear what is motivating the decision to limit access to recreational activities on our shared waterways.

This limited access also raises safety concerns given the few alternative boat launches in the area, and the alarming scarcity of public facilities. Increasingly, boaters will be forced to launch in neighboring communities – perhaps as far away as Sunset Marina, Cates Park or Vanier Park – and travel, unnecessarily, across shipping lanes or the more dangerous waters of Point Atkinson in order to enjoy the waters and fishing off of Ambleside.

For generations the waters off of Ambleside have been a spawning ground for extraordinary boating experiences; a place where families have grown up together, friends have forged lifelong bonds and countless fishing stories have been woven and shared time and again. For a community by the sea, it is puzzling why the needs of these stakeholders have not been acknowledged, and why the traditional recreational activities of boating and fishing are now being restricted.

The economic impact and participation in boating is very strong. Every year 43% of Canadians go boating. Nationally, our industry generates \$8.9 billion in sales and employs 67,000 people, and in BC our annual revenue is \$1.7 billion. Across our province, our industry continues to grow as we encourage people to unplug, get on the water with friends and family and enjoy the full splendor of British Columbia. For people to enjoy our waters, it is critical that we ensure public access in all of our waterfront communities. The result is a vibrant waterfront and revenue from local boaters and tourists who spend money on gas, supplies, groceries, launch facilities, parking, restaurant's etc. – all of which benefit local business.

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Boating has played a deep historic role in West Vancouver. I know this personally, having grown up there and learning to boat with my father from a very young age. My passion drove me to a career in the marine industry that started in West Vancouver and continues today. Public access to the water has slowly diminished over time to accommodate development and other activities. Too often we sit back and watch dynamic boating communities go quiet - creating barriers for people to enjoy our waterfront to its fullest.

Our natural environment is a gift - and the City of West Vancouver has both the privilege and responsibility of managing access to that gift, and the magical experiences it holds... not for a select few, but for everyone who wants to explore the water, and for generations to come. Again, we request that you reconsider this decision and commit to maintaining a public boat launch for all vessels in the beautiful waterfront community of Ambleside.

If there is anything Boating BC can do to help inform this discussion, I would be more than happy to speak with you directly at any time. I can be reached through the Boating BC office at 604.248.8906 or [info@boatingbc.ca](mailto:info@boatingbc.ca).

Sincerely,



Don Prittie  
President  
Boating BC Association

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## Appendix 5

**From:** "Tang-Graham, Frances" <[Frances.Tang-Graham@portmetrovanancouver.com](mailto:Frances.Tang-Graham@portmetrovanancouver.com)>  
**Date:** February 17, 2016 at 4:10:45 PM PST  
**To:** "highwtr@uniserve.com" <[highwtr@uniserve.com](mailto:highwtr@uniserve.com)>  
**Cc:** Ops & Sec - Port Operations Center <[Harbour\\_Master@portmetrovanancouver.com](mailto:Harbour_Master@portmetrovanancouver.com)>, Kristi Merilees <[kmerilees@westvancouver.ca](mailto:kmerilees@westvancouver.ca)>  
**Subject:** Boat launch under the Lions Gate Bridge

Hello Dave,

It was good to talk to you last week about your suggestion of developing a formal boat ramp in the area underneath the Lions Gate Bridge. Public access to the waterfront is important for many people, especially boaters. However, because the inner harbor is a busy working port, we have to balance this with safety considerations.

I have discussed your proposal with our harbour master and unfortunately, we cannot support it due to the navigational safety concerns I mentioned when we last talked. As you can probably understand, the First Narrows is a challenging area for deep sea vessels to maneuver through. It requires the concerted efforts of tugs, Coast Guard, harbor patrol and the port authority, to ensure that vessel movements are done safely. For this reason, we consider this a dangerous area to facilitate a public boat launch. In addition, the boat launch would need to be partially built on the private property of the Metro Vancouver sewage treatment plant.

We encourage you to use the boat launches at Ambleside Park, Cates Park and Vanier Park, as they are better located for recreational boaters.

Thank you for contacting us, and let me know if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

**FRANCES TANG-GRAHAM**

Municipal and Community Engagement Advisor  
Public Affairs



## Appendix 6

**From:** Jason Tonelli [<mailto:jtonelli@pacificangler.ca>]

**Sent:** June-04-16 6:39 AM

**To:** Andrew Kennett

**Cc:** Phil Grassi

**Subject:** Boat Launch

Hi Andrew,

I am 100% in favour of retention or relocation of the boat ramp at Ambleside. There are a lot of people who use that ramp to access the local waters for paddling, crabbing, and fishing. The ramp is important for canoes, kayaks, zodiacs and smaller fishing boats as it provides access to English Bay which is a heavily used waterway with only 2 public ramps. Ambleside and Vanier Park. People who live downtown use Vanier and people who live from Whistler to N. Van use Ambleside. If you shut down that ramp you will be asking people to bring boats across the already congested Lions Gate Bridge and navigate downtown and then across Burrard Bridge into Kits to launch a boat at Vanier. This is not practical. We truly do need this ramp to provide access to the water. Marine water sports are a huge part of our local sporting scene and culture. To shut down public access without any alternatives makes no sense. Millions have been spent on a hatchery that has thousands of salmon returning every year to our uniquely calm waters of English Bay. This is a fantastic place for people in moderate sized vessels to catch salmon only minutes from downtown. The Ambleside launch is critical in providing access to this fishery. Moorage in Vancouver is at a premium with wait lists that span years and prices that make it unobtainable for most. Boat launches are the only other means of putting a vessel in the water to enjoy these public waters and the fish from local rivers and hatchery programs. What are we doing when we close a ramp like this? We are shutting down a critical access point for thousands of people that enjoy the ocean and all it has to offer. So we have an ocean and a hatchery but no way to access it? This just doesn't make sense. We need safety, we need a seawall, we need parks, but we need boat launches as well. I think we can accomplish all of these things together in this day and age.

From a business standpoint, the boat launch is extremely important to my business. We have a lot of customers that fish for the salmon returning to the Capilano River and they use this launch specifically to launch smaller boats that are excellent for this fishery and the calm waters. The closing of this launch will affect my business without a doubt. I would think the people who work at the hatchery would also be in favour of retaining the launch, make sure you contact them if you haven't already.

We do hundred of charters a year and we are based out of False Creek. We have a lot of repeat, local clients. A lot of them live in W Van and N Van and routinely ask if we can pick them up on that side. If there were a suitable ramp that had a dock and even better a cleaning station, we would definitely pick them up on that side. It saves them driving into downtown Vancouver and would alleviate traffic to some degree. If we had that option it would help our business and we would book more charters and we would gladly pay a fee to pick up there.

In general Vancouver desperately needs more boat ramps, not less. We are asked daily by customers where they can launch a boat so they can fish in English Bay, basically from Point Atkinson to Point Grey. These "inside" waters offer amazing salmon fishing and it is very unique to Vancouver. With the N arm of the Fraser right there at Point Grey, the Capilano Hatchery, and Squamish fish passing by as well, there are hundreds of thousands of salmon right at our door step. There are 2 launches for people to access these fish. Vanier and Ambleside. We must not shut down one of these launches as both are strategically significant because of the bridges in Vancouver.

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Another ramp location could be a good idea and it would get a lot of use. I think the District needs to keep in mind that the public needs access to the water just as much as we need parks and trails. The ocean is one big park and with no boat launches we have no access. With no access you have no user groups. With no user groups you have no stewards of that environment. We must maintain access to these waters.

Feel free to use any or all of the above information in your efforts. Let me know what else I can do to help. I posted the link for the petition on our FB and in our fishing report. I think it got noticed by a lot of people and a lot of people signed up. What are we at now? If we did a paper sign up version and you put sign up sheets at all the tackle stores and all the marine supply stores I bet you would easily get another 1000 people. I could get 200-300 in a week or two. Then you have Highwater, Sea-Run, Berry's, Army & Navy, Steveston Marine, West Marine. Easy 1000.

Jason Tonelli  
President



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## Appendix 7



### SPORT FISHING INSTITUTE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

June 2, 2016

Mayor Smith & Council  
City of West Vancouver  
West Vancouver Municipal Hall - 750 17th Street  
West Vancouver, BC V7V 3T3

**VIA E-MAIL**

Dear Mayor Smith & Council,

I write to you on behalf of the Sport Fishing Institute of BC board and membership regarding the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan and the potential removal of access to the public boat launch for small motorized vessels.

The location of this public boat launch is such that it plays an important role in allowing for safe access to the waters off West Vancouver for those who do not have their boats in moorage. Removal of the Ambleside boat launch would further reduce what is already limited water access and will create significant safety concerns given the few boat launches and public facilities in the area. Anglers and boaters will be forced to launch in neighboring communities, as far away as Sunset Marina, Cates Park or Vanier Park, and then travel across shipping lanes or be exposed to weather and sea conditions that can be dangerous in order to enjoy the waters and fishing off of Ambleside.

To provide some context around sport fishing stakeholders, one of many groups that would be effected by the removal of the launch at Ambleside, sport fishing in BC produces \$936 million in annual sales, pays \$150 million in wages and benefits, creates more than 8,400 jobs and 3,950 person-years of employment and contributes \$144 million to the province's Gross Domestic Product.

For a community by the sea, it is unclear why the needs of stakeholders have not been acknowledged, and why the traditional recreational activities of boating and fishing are being potentially restricted or even discouraged. Public access to the water in West Vancouver has slowly diminished over time to accommodate development and other activities yet the important relationship and bond with the shore and marine activities continues. As mentioned, additional restrictions will both impact the relationship that the people of West Vancouver share with the waters off its shores and also create significant safety issues in the process.

We ask you to reconsider the proposed removal of the Ambleside public boat launch. If there is an opportunity to discuss the issue in greater detail or you would like more information from a sport fishing perspective, please contact us at 604.946.0734 or by e-mail at [info@sportfishing.bc.ca](mailto:info@sportfishing.bc.ca).

Sincerely,

**SPORT FISHING INSTITUTE OF BC**

Rob Alcock,  
President



Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Phil Grassi	North Vancouver	May-19-16	I'm supporting young boaters in small motorized vessels to access the ocean . This area is usually protected from wind and waves . Provides fishing opportunities 10 months of the year near the shoreline out of traffic channels.
Rob Bertini	North Vancouver	May-19-16	I've been using this ramp for over 25 years . I do NOT want to see it removed. Its in a ideal location for local anglers and safe to use. We need to Keep access to our local waters open..! Very concerned, Rob Bertini
JUDY KINDRACHUK	NORTH VANCOUVER	May-19-16	Recreational boaters need access to the water as the highway is already far to congested with road traffic.
Tom Urquhart	West Vancouver	May-19-16	I'm signing because this is part of what makes West Van a place where boaters will come to and enjoy easy access to the ocean.
Cary Dicerni	North Vancouver	May-19-16	I want the Ableside Dock access to remain accessible to our community.
C Allen	Halfmoon Bay	May-19-16	Coastal BC was historically developed and enjoyed by access to the waterfront. Removal of ramp access for motorized vessels is an affront to our heritage.
Fedor Vasilchikov	North Vancouver	May-20-16	This is a major fishing and boating destination. This is the only ramp in the area. Existing ramp should remain in operation until new ramp is built.
Bette Burns	West Vancouver	May-20-16	We started using this ramp 43 years ago and now our grandchildren do also It is a great cmunity facility
Craig Freeman	North Vancouver	May-20-16	I have lived on the North Shore most of my life. I have been using the boat launch for the last 40 years. It is the closet and safest spot to launch a boat for anglers wanted to target the large runs of salmon heading to the Capilano hatchery. Unless a viable alternative is available do not shut down the only safe boat launch the n the North Shore
Sheila Kennett	North Vancouver	May-20-16	I am signing because it is critical that WV provide access to the water for motorized vessels. Come on WV this launch has been active and enjoyed for longer than you have been in your elected position! Do the right thing!!

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Laura Blake	North Vancouver	May-20-16	We want this
Terry Bingley	North Vancouver	May-20-16	To lose this ramp and have only access at the other end of the North Shore with traffic already jammed is nuts !!!
Dennis Adams	Burnaby, B.C.	May-20-16	Simply because it's very convenient and useful. Gas stations stores all benefit from it.
Dale Tilling	Summerland	May-20-16	multiple reasons 1. I lived in north van 12 years and used that boat launch a couple times a month. 2. a lot of tax payers in west van and north van own small boats and fished from ambleside with there fathers and grandfathers, and so on. Taking amble side away from them would make their fishing grounds somewhat inaccessible by small boat. 3. west vancouver should be proud of ambleside and what it is to the people who have built it and use it. 4. Ambleside boat launch caters to the younger generation of fishermen in west and north van that cannot yet afford a larger boat and mourage and or a large truck to move it.
Sylvia Bourgeois	North Vancouver	May-20-16	I'm signing because we use this ramp! The only access close enough to fishing for small boats.
Pete Bourgeois	North Vancouver	May-20-16	This is the only boat ramp suitable for small boats to safely access the fishery directly adjacent. Any other ramp (Horseshoe Bay or Cates) is way to far for a small aluminum boat if the winds up come.
Julia Freeman	North Vancouver	May-20-16	I use this boat ramp and don't feel like Cates Park and Sunset are enough to service the needs and appropriate locations for boat access from the north shore and hope this ramp can remain active for all boats
Carleigh Miller	Edmonton	May-20-16	I am supporting my uncle and family who use this access to the water frequently and have been for years.
Patrick Downey	Abbotsford	May-20-16	It's the right thing to do to maintain small boat access to local waters.
Thomas Woods	Corona	May-20-16	Phil
Marc Dugas	North Vancouver	May-20-16	I've used the ramp to fish for years.

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Greg Morton	North Vancouver	May-20-16	The Ambleside Waterfront plan should keep the access to the water for boaters using the boat launching ramp. The ramp should be increased in size and include parking area large enough to handle several vehicles with trailers attached
felix schlaepfer	Langdon	May-20-16	I am sign this petition cause i use this launch when i am in van fishing. Its closes to the place we stay
Rick Clark	Surrey	May-21-16	I'm a regular user of this free resource and a memeber of the fishing community the uses it. This would be a tremendous blow to our local recreational angling community.
Steve harvey	Maple Ridge	May-21-16	I've used this launch for years. Great access to some great waters. It would be tragic to lose this gem.
justin egli	Port Coquitlam	May-21-16	I am signing because I use this ramp and would like to continue to use it this summer.
Mike Duncan	Harrison Mills	May-21-16	It's important to realize the true value that recreation has for the Vancouver and surrounding areas. Small vessels are very common and are a huge majority of vessels. It is also important to realize the significant spin off local business gets from such users of the current launch facility.
Jeff Harrison	Vancouver	May-21-16	as a recent boat owner I'm finding it surprisingly difficult to launch a boat in Vancouver. The existing facilities are terrible set up for launching safely. Loosing this ramp would only add to the issues. We should be promoting recreational boating as a coastal city, not making it difficult for people.
Dennis Cole	New Westminster	May-21-16	This ramp is a important part of recreational boating in this beautiful area we live in.
Shannon Leisz	Maple Ridge	May-21-16	This is my families favourite launch.
Peter Gabriel	Burnaby	May-21-16	Why is it that when the community has something that works, that is utilized, and appreciated by the public and then all of a sudden it gets taken away? It makes sense to either maintain what exists or make it better than it is presently. If an improvement is required, is that not what tax dollars are for?  RETAIN THE RAMP

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Michael Reid	North Saanich	May-21-16	Only boat launch in the area that I can use.
Rob Wilson	Delta	May-21-16	I use this launch around 10 times a year and it is important as I do not have a large boat to handle getting caught crossing the harbour. Due to safety I use this launch when fishing late August and into September. Please keep it open.  Thanks, Rob
Shervin Zeyni	Maple Ridge	May-21-16	It's very convinient
marc kulak	Vaughan	May-21-16	Love this ramp... use it a lot when I'm in Vancouver
Rick Morrison	North Vancouver	May-21-16	I use the boat ramp as there are no other close alternatives. The path and launch can co-exist
Eugen Klein	North Vancouver	May-21-16	I love fishing and boating. Public access is key to families and people of all interests. Removing ramps only increases the carbon footprint of our communities for large equipment to be hauled farther away.
jimmy sweett	Langley	May-21-16	i"d like to see this boat launch open if not maybe get one relocated
Rick Crarey	Chilliwack	May-21-16	We need boat launches !
Edith Klein	North Vancouver	May-21-16	I am signing because we have used this Boat ramp and there is none other around for smaller boats.
Chris Burdekin	Mission	May-21-16	Keep the boat launch open !!!!!
Bill Gilmour	Penticton	May-21-16	this should be accessed by everyone wanting to get into the waters of burrard inlet safely not for nature walkers to gain access to the ocean from their sidewalk cafes drinking lattes
Patrick Taylor	Abbotsford	May-21-16	Please do no close this. It's well used and there are no other good options for launching off west Van. Thank you.
David Kearney	Coquitlam	May-21-16	We must retain access to the water for all citizens - otherwise it will become another privilege for only the wealthy.
Andrew Scaglione	Langley	May-21-16	public access to public waters is essential
Vic Carrao	Vancouver	May-21-16	I care about access to our local waters
Ryan Applegath	Port Coquitlam	May-21-16	We should be creating more access points to one of our historic past times not pandering to developers and increasing their bank accounts.
Adam Wilson	Victoria	May-21-16	Not many ramps left. Please keep this one open!

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Theuns Lombard	Surrey	May-21-16	We use it for launching our kayaks when we go kayak fishing or just paddling. We transport up to 4 kayaks at a time from Langley on a trailer and use the boat launch for access to those waters.
Adam Chapman	North Vancouver	May-21-16	I'm signing because it is the only boat launch that allows me to go ocean fish for salmon in my small boat
Russ Winstanley	Surrey	May-21-16	I care about access to our local waters
Colin Smith	North Vancouver	May-21-16	North shore has always been a recreation community Eroding bit by bit the community we have built What next .....
David Wei	Vancouver	May-21-16	There are fewer and fewer accesses for boats on trailers to the waters around the lower mainland. We need the Ambleside Park boat ramp in West Vancouver!
Walter Ellingsen	Surrey	May-21-16	I think the government, municipalities and their developers need to quit taking away free public services that your average joe and Jane uses regularly to access our local waterfront because it doesn't fit in their plan
Jeff Laurin	Vancouver	May-21-16	We shouldn't have to travel so far to go fishibg, crabbing or prawning or just to enjoy a boat ride . This is launch is important to all us small boat people. And someone like me who gets sea sick sometimes I don't like traveling through ruff waters if I don't have to . Also it's very important we get to enjoy this beautiful city we live in and this would restrict residence or tourist from possibly getting to enjoy this area .
brayden lindsay	Mission	May-21-16	We need that boat launch
Charlie Clark	Peachland BC	May-21-16	We need this valuable asset dang it!
Diana Tuffley	Nanaimo	May-21-16	This would limit the ability for all who would like to enjoy our beautiful coast line. We keep closing off various access for people and what is happening is only a very few select individuals now have free rein.
Noah Jamieson	Nanaimo	May-21-16	Because a lot of people need this boat launch
Brendan Keys	Vancouver	May-21-16	We need to keep the access open , it getting tougher to find places to launch in Vancouver
Merle Frerichs	Surrey	May-21-16	theres so many fisherman in the lower mainland and theres becoming less and less places to launch your boats

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Eric Deis	Vancouver	May-21-16	I have a small inflatable which I car top. It doesn't have a large range or a motor. I need to paddle, and it's heavy so it uses wheels to launch and needs a ramp!
Eric Deis	Vancouver	May-21-16	I use this boat ramp all the time with my car topper and kayak. A ramp is required for both.
Taylor Hunt	West Vancouver	May-21-16	There is not enough public boat ramps to access waters of Burrard inlet as it is, why take what is probably the most used one away?  The West Van shoreline has plenty of coffee shops and community gardens already... It's not fair to take this convenient access point away from the small vessel owners who can't afford moorage or a luxury yacht to fish the waters they learned to fish in growing up.
Chris Divall	Langley	May-21-16	Keep the busy launch open
Syd Pallister	Delta	May-21-16	We need more, not less, access for anglers.
Scott Baker-mcgarva	Garibaldi Highlands	May-21-16	In use this facility and have done so for 30 years!
Mark Patitucci	West Vancouver	May-21-16	I've been fishing here all my life. West Vancouver like every other waterfront community must support and improve the waterfront launch and parking facility..
sandy vernon	port coquitlam	May-21-16	maintaining the ramp is a a no brainer. how many people come to and spend money because of the Ramp. If anything encourage people to come ..not discourage .... Sounds much like a developer is behind this ....
Mike Carson	Coquitlam	May-21-16	I launch my boat here.
Roger Bernier	North Vancouver	May-21-16	Use this ramp constantly
Robert Young	Aldergrove	May-21-16	I have used that ramp for fishing, and left my money in the local community. I would suggest you think about that aspect of recreation facilities in your community.
Allistair Ball	Langley	May-22-16	We need to maintain access to our waters for all boaters and recreational anglers.
Dean Werk	Chilliwack	May-22-16	Access is important and keeping existing access open and available for all boaters should be at the top of the agenda. Dean &lt;

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Cherie Stone	Kamloops, BC	May-22-16	22 miles between public boat launches is too far. Please reconsider closing the Ambleside launch, this will negatively impact so many people and businesses.
Nicole Lamont	Mount Currie	May-22-16	Put new boat ramp into your Concept plan!
Grayson Cassie	Surrey	May-22-16	Crabbing and fishing out of that launch was probably one of the best time fishing I have ever had
Vince Allen	North Vancouver	May-22-16	We need to keep small boat access at Ambleside. Been their for years and years, surely, we can all live with it.
Steve Nicol	North Vancouver	May-22-16	If we don't protect the Ambleside boat launch, the North Shore will have Cates Park as it's ONLY public access to the water. This marine access should benefit the "many" not the "few"! Thank you, Andrew and Phil!
ross golding	Coquitlam	May-22-16	I use the boat ramp regularly
Al Campbell	North Vancouver	May-22-16	I use the boat launch regularly and would be greatly effected in my family's quality of life should the boat ramp be eliminated.
Thomas Rutschmann	Chilliwack	May-22-16	Keep the launch open
Bill McAuley	Langley	May-22-16	I travel in from Langley to fish the Capalino River. It doesn't make any sense to close this ramp. The community plan needs to be reworked to include a replacement for this great facility.
Fred Riedl	Port Moody	May-22-16	Please keep it open. There aren't enough launches to start with in the lower mainland.
Karen Robertson	West Vancouver	May-22-16	My Family uses this ramp for recreational fishing. It has been a main stay in our lives. It brings culture and creates a community in West Vancouver! Kids are always curious to see your catch and people come and ask questions about your day on the water. The north shore would be missing something without this access!
Jim Roberts	Surrey	May-22-16	Need more boat ramps not less
Robin St Jean	Langley	May-22-16	There's not enough boat ramps as is.
max pourk	North Vancouver	May-22-16	this the most convenient ramp for many people around here, please don't close it.



Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Mary-Sue Atkinson	North Vancouver	May-22-16	The boat ramp at Ambleside Park is a valuable community asset that our family has used to launch our small trailered motorized boat. It is a gem that offers the public the ability to get out on the water and enjoy the spectacular natural beauty of the waters of West Vancouver for fishing and being with nature. This is part of our history and the beauty of having this ramp so close is that so many are able to experience the stress relief and joy that being on the water offers. We need this ramp because others are much too far away to access.
Tyler Ryan	West Vancouver	May-22-16	Removing the boat launch is a horrible idea , it is a key access point to the local water for many people , not just fisherman . This will force everyone to make longer trips back and forth thru an already busy harbour just to get somewhere that can be accessed with ease right now. Don't do it !
Maryanne Golding	Coquitlam	May-22-16	We have been using this launch since our kids were little. Keep it open!!!!!!!
Dave Golding	Coquitlam	May-22-16	Closing the ramp would be horrible. This is B.C. access to the outdoors should be priority number one!!
Jodene Wood	North vancouver	May-22-16	Keep the boat launch!
Joe Ritlop	Langley	May-22-16	it aint right...
mike pratt	squamish	May-22-16	It is important to maintain our recreation heritage. If we don't we become another 'generic' big city like the rest around this planet
Ernie Prescott	New Westminster	May-22-16	I'm signing because as a fisherman, my family and I appreciate any and all boat ramps.
Rick Jakimchuk	Cobble hill bc	May-23-16	We anglers need boat launches!
Robin Sadler	North Vancouver	May-23-16	I think this an important asset for the community.
Jon Polman	Garibaldi Highlands	May-23-16	West Van needs a boat launch!
Candice Archer	Aldergrove	May-23-16	not enough public boat ramps
Shayne Pacheco	Surrey	May-23-16	The opportunity to fish and recreate in our waters should not be reserved only for people whom can afford to bring larger vessels around the bay.
Ethan Lucke	West Vancouver	May-23-16	I love to fish



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Gary Chiang	Surrey	May-23-16	I believe people should have a free access to launch their boat at this urban location.
Jake Wetmore	Prince George	May-23-16	I have used this boat launch since I was a kid. It's a great location for local fisherman to get into the water for some I'd those great coho!
Alan Fitterer	Surrey	May-23-16	People should have local access to recreationrecreational boating and fishing
Alvin snider	Surrey	May-23-16	I share the passion for boating and fishing
Randy Blount	New Westminster	May-23-16	Access for trailered boats and parking for trailers is shrinking e.g. Rocky Piont
Terrance Galaugher	Vancouver	May-23-16	being close to the fishing grounds for small boats is essential to safety. We all know how fast summer westerly can come up, and with out this ramp it is a long run in open water to get to the next ramp.
Terrance Galaugher	Vancouver	May-23-16	it is essential to the safety of small boaters to keep this ramp. We all know how fast a summer westerly can come up. and how dangerous it can be to get to the next ramp in open water.
mark fletcher	north vancouver	May-23-16	This is my favourite launch and is the only public access to the water for west van residents. Cates park is basically inaccessible due to all of the traffic in that direction and horseshoe bay is private.
Gwen Cann	Surrey	May-23-16	It will affect all the fishermen that launch their boats from here.
Eddie Matthei	North Vancouver	May-23-16	I am opposed to closing the boat ramp at Ambleside. I have personally used this ramp more times than I can remember. It was an affordable way for me to gain experience in boating and was instrumental in gaining experience on the water. I now support my family as one of the top saltwater angling guides in Vancouver. I certainly hope that the powers that be recognize the important of keeping the ramp open to allow access to the future generations of new boaters or faimilies to enjoy an affordable way to enjoy a day on the water. I also think it gives that area a lot of character and even those that don't use the ramp enjoy chatting with fishermen about their big catches.

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Malcolm Carruthers	Calgary	May-23-16	It exists because there is a need for it, why have people travel heavy trafficked streets to get to other launches, let's think save gas, save time , reduce congestion, Vancouver boasts a marine lifestyle , let's ensure it can be appreciated
Ernst Schoeller	North Vancouver	May-24-16	we need that boat ramp in West Van.
Bob Michael	Brackendale, BC	May-24-16	R G Michael
fred iserwood	glossop	May-24-16	it makes sense !!
steve hof	delta	May-25-16	We need more public access for boaters, not less. Please convince developers and city planners that this is an important issue in this region.
Larry Deacon	Burnaby	May-25-16	I use this ramp, and believe it should be open access for all to use.
Greg Simpson	Coquitlam	May-25-16	The only ramp sports fisherman can use at now charge to go fishing from. Come on give us a break from all the greedy and ignorant people out there.
Brian Rodrigues	Delta	May-25-16	We need more boat launches and better access to our waters not less!!!
Brian Freeman	North Vancouver	May-25-16	If you have a boat or want to own a boat in the future, this petition is for us.
NATALIE TOURANGEAU	Coquitlam	May-25-16	This boat launch provides our lower class family an opportunity to fish the great salmon that visits these waters. The trip from Cates Park is dangerous and expensive for small craft. It would be a shame to lose this accessibility to enjoy this great waterfront and all it has to offer.
Kyle Chassie	Langley BC	May-25-16	Because if they close its just a waste of a perfect boat launch and they don't have a good reason to close it we will keep using it till the day they literally Block it off
Sean Murphy	Vancouver	May-25-16	Keep the launch open!
Andrew Kennett	North Vancouver	May-25-16	I personally feel that fishing, prawning, crabbing and boating are part of the fabric of our great city. Taking away this fabric bit by bit reduces interaction amongst fisherman/boaters and the general public. Capilano Hatchery has maintained a fabulous renewable resource for us to participate in directly, and pushing trailered vessels out of West Van is a mistake.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Christina Caviglia	Vancouver	May-26-16	I use the boat ramp and think it needs to stay!
Jason Tonelli	Vancouver	May-26-16	This is an extremely important boat ramp to allow access to local fisheries including the prevalent fishery developed from the Capilano Hatchery. Vancouver is already very short on public access ramps to the ocean. The closure of this ramp would cut off access to many small boaters that enjoy the local waters
alan ferguson	north vancouver	May-26-16	west vancouver is steamrolling over the rights of the north shore population
Michael volker	West Vancouver	May-26-16	Boating is part of the lifestyle scene in West Vancouver
Kye Grace	Vancouver	May-26-16	Losing access points to public lands and waters diminishes the value of these. For many this would change their ability to get out and enjoy the local waters. We need to work to encourage more access and use of public land and waters, not reduce it.
Steven Craig	North Vancouver	May-26-16	We need it
Daniel Mayrand	North Vancouver	May-26-16	I'm signing because we need the boat ramp at Ambleside
Blake Mattinson	Coquitlam	May-27-16	The people of Vancouver need this ramp for recreational fishing and boating.
Maurice Castonguay	North Vancouver	May-27-16	There are no other public ramps in this area.
Steven Oei	Vancouver	May-27-16	Water access is an important public right.
Clint Walden	Delta	May-27-16	I have a smaller boat and use this ramp all the time
David Bailie	Burnaby	May-27-16	It's important that people can have access to the water for recreational purposes.
Sandy Hamilton	Burnaby	May-27-16	I am a salmon fisherman and use this ramp.
Drew Jenkins	Burnaby	May-27-16	We need more public access to nature, not less!
Sean Dellow	Vancouver	May-27-16	I want the boat launch to stay open.
Matthew Campbell	Port Moody	May-27-16	This boat launch needs to stay. There are such limited access boat launches for recreation, removing this one would be terrible. We live in a city that prides itself on the ability to access the ocean for a variety of activities. The other boat launches on the North Shore are too far away to provide viable access to this area of English Bay. Please do not close the boat launch!
Jeff Vaughan	Surrey	May-27-16	I use the ramp regularly

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
GD Hauff	North Vancouver	May-27-16	Who and what is the Ambleside Waterfront Concept Plan? Who exactly gave them the mandate to make such a decision. Are they elected officials. Who benefits most?
Bert Neef	Langley	May-27-16	Because I like the option to launch my boat there
Jeff Parker	Burnaby	May-27-16	i use this boat launch regularly and its a great location to access the west van fishery
Jason English	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I have a 11 ft inflatable that I fish in and the ambleside launch is the only place I can safely launch to fish in west van for coho
Brent Huchuk	Vancouver	May-27-16	I am a boating enthusiast
Chad Mareels	Vancouver	May-27-16	Safety is decreased creased and pollution is increased if boats and, the vehicles that tow them, have to travel longer distances.
Dave Harlos	North Vancouver	May-27-16	Access to water is already limited as it is without this.
don Sikstrom	Vancouver BC	May-27-16	The elimination of this ramp is unacceptable. Not only should it remain open it should be upgraded.
James Hyndman	Garibaldi Highlands	May-27-16	we have a 19' fishing boat that we bring from squamish to access the vancouver harbour safely. our parents live on esquilmalt in west vancouver and they come to the ambelside ramp to join us frequently. this is an important ramp and access for small boats such as ours.
Mark Haukka	Delta	May-27-16	Boat launches are too few for a city this size and surrounded by water. Some of the best fishing is meters from this location. Makes little sense to shut it
Peter Pettirsch	Burnaby	May-27-16	this is one of the few access points for small boaters , this will make the area only accessible by large vessels ,
Robert Derasp	New Westminster	May-27-16	There is an inadequate number of public boat launches already on the Vancouver waterfront. I have used this boat ramp and it is in a difficult location with lots of pedestrian traffic and the ramp is in a state of disrepair. I agree it should probably be closed, but a new, better launch should be provided. It would benefit the people of Vancouver, and British Columbia.
Mike Zuccaro	North Vancouver	May-27-16	Its a vital part of the Fishing Community in North & West Van.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Joe Campo	Langley	May-27-16	I believe the boat launch enhances the community and offers activities to the local boat enthusiasts and fisherman that they would not otherwise have. Keep the spirit alive.
Craig Nerland	Vancouver	May-27-16	All levels of government do not keep the best interest of their constituents in the forefront. This is wrong.
Greg Nosaty	White Rock	May-27-16	I'm signing because I'm a recreational fly angler and want to continue to have access to our local waters.
Craig Clark	Lincoln	May-27-16	Salmon fishing has become a major tourist attraction and local anglers developing the fishery/spreading the word are critical to sustaining this. There is already major pressure on public North Shore launches - and most require a material fuel-sucking run to the actual fishing grounds. Ambleside launch is an iconic fishing hub that exposes a large non-angler audience to local fishing opportunities. Maintaining this is in the category of economic and cultural no-brainer.
Jim Cameron	Langley	May-27-16	Jim
Sean Wynia	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I also use this boat launch We have for 2 decades.
Paul Harper	Vancouver	May-27-16	Enjoyment of the water should be easily accessible for all and not restricted by removing boat ramps
Ryan Talarico	Vancouver	May-27-16	We need more access, not less
cliff chunick	West Vancouver	May-27-16	I'm signing to stop closure of this ramp as Kits beach, Horseshoe bay are to far away for the smaller boats I don't use it but have enjoyed watching boater there for the last 4 decades. I agree, enough coffee shops! This is a natural part of our community! Please keep it for our next generations!
michael lawrence	Burnaby	May-27-16	Im signing because the process did not in anyway consult the hundreds of people who use this facility, at least relocate to an area that is withing resonable distance and has adequate parking etc. We are fishing and boating people. Be considerate!
jonathan mcnair	North Vancouver	May-27-16	Don't shut down the Ambleside Boat Launch!!!

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Greg Simpson	Coquitlam	May-27-16	This is bull. think about the sport fishing and the great times to be had with friends and family. they should make more available launch sites for recreational boaters not less. the amount of money it creates for businesses and the happier the people impacts our society. make more accessible for the enjoyment for everyone to enjoy.
Harry Rihela	Surrey	May-27-16	We seriously lack suitable boat launches
Marcel Konings	Mission	May-27-16	We come all the way from Mission with our kids and launch our boat there to go fishing with them. We buy our day supplies in the area and usually end up having dinner there before going home as well. I would hate to tell my kids, sorry, we can't go there anymore because some bureaucratic nitwit(s) decided to close the launch for no good reason.
Mark Starling	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I am signing as a regular user of this facility, I believe that paying \$40 to launch my Recreational boat and park a vehicle to use the harbour with my family a premium, I believe the financial loss to the surrounding retail stores and the decline in Recreational boat users would be felt due to this closure. Regards Mark
Bruce Langereis	Vancouver	May-27-16	I support public access to our resources!
Al Ferguson	North Vancouver	May-27-16	Access to the ocean is a right, not a privilege.
Pat Currie	Vancouver	May-27-16	My son loves fishing.
Gary Sherri	Airdrie	May-27-16	i lived in bc all my life used that ramp on many occasions with a small boat it makes it very safe coming up to fish rather than launching in port moody and running boat up
Rick Weber	Surrey	May-27-16	This is a valuable boat launch that serves many of us.
Grant McMillan	Langley	May-27-16	I'm signing because I enjoy fishing and this access point is important.
Daniel Lui	Vancouver	May-27-16	I am an avid fisherman. reducing the number of access points for boat launches will make other access points more busy and inherently unsafe. furthermore, ambleside provides safe and quick access to some of vancouver's prime fishing locations. asking users to enter the water further away will force users to make longer sailings to the fishing areas, potentially increasing boat traffic in the harbor as well as adding unnecessary risk in a longer trip back to shore.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
John Miller	Delta	May-27-16	restrictions are making it more and more difficult to access areas to fish
John olydam	Abbotsford	May-27-16	I just used this ramp last Monday. Awesome place and it should remain available
Jim Davidson	West Vancouver	May-27-16	This ramp is needed, and the real estate is not needed
Andre Stepanian	Vancouver	May-27-16	I have been going there for 30 years and I couldn't see it go,I use it 3 times a week for 4 months.
jason milne	Pitt Meadows	May-27-16	I believe the west van shoreline needs boat access for us with smaller boats who don't want to travel 11 km from either way to get to this great recreational and fishing area
Tony ONeill	Surrey	May-27-16	It is my only access with a smaller boat. It would be dangerous for many people to cross the larger bodies of water in their smaller boat.
Glenn Stare	Abbotsford	May-27-16	I use the Ambleside site from time to time to recreationally. If it is closed, Cates Park is located closer to Deep Cove & has a totally different recreation profile!!!
Mr D	Vancouver	May-27-16	Keeping that small access point open is a no-brainer!! Who on earth thought that closeing it was a clever idea!?
Scott Abbot	Langley	May-27-16	I use this boat launch on a regular basis (2-3 times a week in the summer)
Charles Hoag	Post Falls	May-27-16	We can't lose any more access
William Gelinas	Vancouver	May-27-16	I believe this boat launch allows access to a great introductory fishery. Many people cannot afford a large ocean going vessel that can access the mouth of the Capilano from other locations. I believe that the water and these fisheries should be accesible to many who take an interest and not just those of extensive means.
Joe Robertson	Garibaldi Highlands	May-27-16	Much needed access to saltwater fishing area around Vancouver.
Mike Falcon	North Vancouver	May-27-16	As a regular Ambleside Park visitor I see the pleasure recreational boaters experience by accessing the local west van waters. I can't comprehend why the district would elect to take this privilege away. m
James Parkins	West Vancouver	May-27-16	Access to Ambleside launch facility is a needed service.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Ken SHRUBSOLE	Vancouver	May-27-16	With Cates Park being the only alternative, the closure of this boat launch and forcing small vessels to travel a great distance through heavily traveled commercial waters to reach popular fishing grounds. Does not appear to be well thought through.
Scalamogna Greg	Burnaby	May-27-16	Access to fishing should be affordable for people with limited funds and development of all the areas is a crime. WE CARE
Ian Feir	Maple Ridge	May-27-16	I'm a small boat fishermen who uses this launch 12-15 times a season. Each trip includes lunch, coffee and gas in west van, I live in the valley.
Blair Jarvis	North Vancouver	May-27-16	maintain access for fishing and recreational boaters
N Dumont	Burnaby	May-27-16	Why not develop the launch and improve it as part of the plan instead of removing it?
Daniel de Jong	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I have used this boat ramp for the last 5 years. Its been a great public service and I would hate to see it removed. As an angler in his 20's having a free boat launch on the North Shore has allowed me to enjoy the local saltwater fishery in Vancouver. Tourist and locals alike have always been interested in seeing our catch and asking questions about the local salmon fishery. This free boat launch in Ambleside adds to the recreational diversity of the north shore and it would be a shame if it was removed.
Derek Steinke	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I am signing because I feel West Vancouver needs to provide safe access to the ocean for boaters and should really be considering putting in a small harbour that recreational users could access to leave boats moored for short term, maybe up to 5 days so that several users could have access to it.  Thanks  Derek
Dave Fox	North Vancouver	May-27-16	They need to upgrade this facility, not take it away.
gordon jope	Surrey	May-27-16	i have a boat and it needs to go in the water somehow
Morgan Williams	Pitt Meadows	May-27-16	unfettered access is required to this area of the harbour



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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Jari Saarela	Langley	May-27-16	Allowing waterfront concept plans to take away recreational opportunities just for the sake of alternate development, is leading society in the wrong direction!
Barbara Hestrin	Vancouver	May-27-16	I'm signing because I believe that owners of smaller boats deserve more accessible launching spots in the urban area.
Percy Stipeck	Gibsons	May-27-16	I am an angler and do not want the access to local waters to be more strained.
T'ai Erasmus	Vancouver	May-27-16	I use this ramp and would like to continue to use it to launch my boat for fishing and crabbing. Thank you.
Rob Mullins	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I use this boat launch!
Eden Joubert	Burnaby	May-27-16	I'm a recreational fisherman that needs access to our water.
David Forshaw	Langley	May-27-16	Convenient launch location and one of the last few free places to do so.
Murray Crawford	Vancouver	May-27-16	Improve public access to our waterways don't reduce it
Conor McMullan	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I strongly value small boat access to the waters of the north shore. This access point should be maintained while also providing consideration for the other foot and vehicle traffic in the area.
Ian Krsacok	Coquitlam	May-27-16	I use this launch often
Bruce Barnett	North Vancouver	May-27-16	I'm signing because I am a weekly user of this ramp. It's an inexpensive way for me to access the water and I believe it enhances the vitality of that area. People often watch boats going in and out of the water for entertainment. In addition, there are often good conversations started up between users of the ramp and the general public. It would be very bad to see that part of the community lost.
John Mitchell	Delta	May-27-16	John mitchell
Mark Northcote	Richmond	May-28-16	Horrible idea.
Richard Shkwarok	Burnaby	May-28-16	Boat access is scarce and limited in the city, we need more options. Not fewer.
Doug Hunter	North Vancouver	May-28-16	It's the last boat launch on the North Shore that's both free and convenient to the locations that we've historically fished for salmon in the Vancouver area. Additional fuel / oil consumption incurred by boats forced to be launched at more distant locations would obviously not have a positive environmental impact.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Craig Taschuk	Burnaby	May-28-16	With all of our beautiful water ways we need to ensure we protect public access.
Bryan Murphy	Chilliwack	May-28-16	Enough of cutting out leisure activities
Liam Johnston	West Vancouver	May-28-16	Because we use the boat launch for recreational fishing. Without it, we will have to make longer trips, and will be incapable of fishing in the harbour!
Bennett Brulé	West Vancouver	May-28-16	I'm signing because I really love going out fishing with my 3 best buddies all day and catch salmon off our 14 foot aluminum boat. If the boat launch is closed we really will miss this wonderful fishery. I don't understand why we can't come up with a solution to have both the walk way and the boat launch all in one. Please don't it away!
GLEN GRANT	Delta	May-28-16	We need more boat launches, not less
Paul Dylla	Richmond	May-28-16	I'm signing because small trailered motorized vehicles need access to waterways in the Vancouver area. Removing this boat launch will put recreational fishers at risk as they would require to travel at least 16 km to reach fishing areas in the Ambleside area.
Neil Muir	West Vancouver	May-28-16	I have already sent a separate letter to West Van about this with specifics issues, comments, and opportunities. Another means to get the message to them - such as this petition - is a welcome things.
Dean Johnston	West Vancouver	May-28-16	I use the boat ramp regularly. I have been a west van resident since 1967.
Lawrence Holcroft	Surrey	May-28-16	I love to fish and there isn't sufficient access now for the growing number of boaters and fishermen in the greater Van area
BAYARD PALMER	Roberts Creek	May-28-16	closing a well used public service without adequate consultation is not democratic --it is dictatorial.
Decatur Howe	Vancouver	May-28-16	Closing this boat ramp is such a bad idea. It is shutting off people's access to the ocean Depriving the people who don't have big boats. The people who need it most.
Patrick Johnston		May-28-16	I have used the ambleside boat launch to fish the capilano for years, when I return from Australia next year I will once again be using the ambleside boat ramp. DO NOT CLOSE THIS BOAT RAMP!

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Drew Hardy	Richmond	May-28-16	This boat launch is a true gem of the city, it offers an access to get on the water by all types of small human powered vessels and up and can be sometimes the only access to get on the water under windy conditions, we would lose again in Vancouver.
Arne Clausen	vancouver	May-28-16	i am fishermen
Don Kurek	Vancouver	May-28-16	Someone always has a better idea at the expense of the common man.
Tom Franklin	Squamish	May-28-16	I have fished the area my whole life. 57 years
ron maranda	sureey	May-28-16	i use the ramp
Bryn Mclean	North Vancouver	May-28-16	Small boats need this facility
Katherine Rolston	Vancouver	May-28-16	Boating should be accessible to people who can't afford moorage.
Ariel Sharir	West Vancouver	May-28-16	this is a boat ramp I use very often and out be outraged to see it taken away
Sean Flynn	Surrey	May-28-16	This is the only boat launch with close access to the inner Harbor. With today's fuel prices and the effort to reduce green house gasses, removing this launch flies in face of these environmental policies.
Trevor Mitchell	Maple Ridge	May-28-16	The general public cannot continue to lose access points like this. Boat ramps are hard to find in the lower mainland despite the fact that we have so much water to get out on and enjoy. Removing one more ramp will only have an end result of excluding more people from accessing our local marine waters.
Chris S.	Delta	May-28-16	There needs to be additional launch capacity in the lower mainland, not less! People like me have given up on launching because it can be so agrivating an experience. Triple the capacity and promote boating, fishing and the outdoors! It's good for the local economy too.
Jon Kralt	Richmond	May-28-16	There is already an insufficient quantity boat launches in greater vancouver.
Joshua Tse	Burnaby	May-28-16	I fished for pink salmon at Ambleside last year and wouldn't have been able to do that if there wasn't a boat launch.
Ron Dojack	Coquitlam	May-29-16	I believe it is governments responsibility to keep facilities like these open with upgrades as required instead of closing them for political expediency ie. Kits Coast Guard Station
James Howard	North Vancouver	May-29-16	We fish and launch from ambleside
Brett jarvinen	Maple Ridge	May-29-16	IT NEEDS TO STAY

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Stuart Worrall	Vancouver	May-29-16	I frequently use this boat launch so I can access the mouth of the Capilano River which is a 2 minute boat ride from this launch. If the boat launch is closed, I will have to go to great lengths to get to my fishing spot. And there are many other fisherman with small crafts like mine that will not be able to access the mouth of the Capilano River if this boat launch is removed.
Cornelius Kogler	Chilliwack	May-29-16	As the petition states the other launches are a long ways from this area .For families with small boats who wish to go crabbing or fishing in the area it would be dangerous as well as the other paid launches are quite expensive.This does not bode well for other users such as kayakers and paddle boarders.
Nathan Walker	North Vancouver	May-29-16	I have used that ramp since I was a kid and is the only viable option for small craft
Mark Lotz	West Vancouver	May-29-16	There are enough places to walk and so few to launch boats. This is nothing but the erosion of the heritage of West Vancouver in favour of developers marketing.
Robert Benn	Vancouver	May-29-16	There are so few boat launches for a metropolis of this side on the ocean. Its ridiculous
Pierre Lotz	West Vancouver	May-29-16	It is needed
Thomas Crean	Vancouver, B.C.,	May-29-16	That boat launch is a vital part of our fishing access. It needs to stay open!
Zoe Cattell	White Rock	May-29-16	This boat launch brings much enjoyment to many fishermen. I don't believe that a bunch of rich entitled and politicians with nothing to do but create useless bylaws should be able to cut off the general public from access to the water because it's annoying them.
Bruno Minici	Port Moody	May-29-16	This is the best access to Vancouver harbour in my small boat without having to go through the port of Vancouver and dodge freighters and have to go through the dangerous crossings at first and second narrows.
Brad Anderson	North Vancouver	May-29-16	We need more boat launches not less.
James MacLean	Burnaby	May-29-16	I use this ramp because it is closest to the fishing area.
Orest Dal-santo	Vancouver	May-29-16	I believe in small boat facilities that aid safety and reduce unnecessary road travel

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
robert kozikowski	Vancouver	May-29-16	What is the rationale behind the closure? To make those who can't afford a big boat, moorage, launch fees to travel through more open waters or perhaps it is to give up something they love to do?
Roger Bean	Burnaby	May-30-16	To retain access to recreational boating for small crafts.
Gary Powroznik	West Vancouver	May-30-16	I live in the area and boat and fish along Ambleside and dunderave beaches which is a very important amenity to preserve for West Vancouver
Dennis Fitzpatrick	West Vancouver	May-30-16	I think the ramp is a necessary part of the small boat use
Tessa Johnston	West Vancouver	May-30-16	I want my grandchildren to have a place to launch their dinghy to go fishing

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Wilfred Cushnie	West Vancouver	May-30-16	<p>I use the ramp on a number of occasions. I have a legal right to access the water to fish and for recreation under common law. I demand my common law rights be respected. There has been a long term community use of this facility. The existing ramp is fully adequate and safe for vehicles, boats etc. The impact on the ramp and the common community use comes from the redevelopment of other land just across the railway track. Parking has not been a limiting factor as users have historically been able to find adequate parking nearby. The densification caused by the new strata building on and at the Police station site will have an adverse impact on parking and traffic. No particular thought seems to have gone into that issue except to remove the historic uses of the waterfront boaters. With very little effort the ramp system as a free community system could be redeveloped and enhanced. A lot of people - including children enjoy watching the boats go in and out of the water ... this is educational and informative. There is no realistic safety issue here as everyone is pretty careful. With a little effort on the part of the planning community it could be even better for the community. I find it very upsetting that we are back to this issue again after having been through this a few years ago. West Vancouver has been shutting down all of the legal road accesses to the ocean by placing rocks and landscaping on the rights of way and effectively giving neighboring properties public road accesses. The people have a common law right to get to the ocean on public thoroughways. Closures are not invited by those who need or want to have this right maintained. I adamantly oppose any closure of the dock and boat launching and ramp system at Ambleside. Should this continue I would like to call for the resignation or otherwise removal of all planners and proponents of this proposal from their municipal positions.</p>

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Wilfred Cushnie	West Vancouver	May-30-16	<p>People have a common law right to access the ocean for fishing, food and transportation by using public rights already established and by road rights of way that were originally surveyed across the land and down to the ocean. Nobody and no municipality has the right to remove the right of the public to access the ocean for their transportation rights, their food rights and other water needs. Yet, we find municipalities spurred on by business interests closing down and shutting off road and other traditional access rights ... not just one by many municipalities. Free and common, unimpeded access to the ocean is a basic right just like the common law right to use public roads or send our children to school. Business interests like to steal these common rights and most often they get away with it because it just costs too much effort and money for people to stand up and say NO! ... If you walk down Bellevue Avenue and follow the roads that lead to the waterfront you will not find any other accesses to the ocean that have not been shut down or closed off to enhance the property value of adjoining residences. This was not always so. I ask you .... where else can "the common people" go to put their little boats into the water for free .... mmmm .... The marinas all charge a fee or block the common access. The excuse for the fee is that they had to put out money to build the ramp. The fact however is that they stole the common right to access the ocean for their own financial profit..... My thoughts are that if the municipality of West Vancouver can spend hundreds of thousands of dollars building and maintaining soccer fields and tennis courts then they can surely keep and maintain one small little free boat ramp beside our little family operated yacht club ...!!!</p> <p>Anyone who thinks differently as far as I am concerned should find another occupation.</p>
Jonathan Hicks	West Vancouver	May-30-16	I use this launch all the time
Virginia Meachin	West Vancouver	May-30-16	I believe we need to include a public boat launch in the Ambleside Plan.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Rick Robertson	Surrey	May-30-16	I use this boat launch from time to time and other alternatives would be inconvenient and require either more boating or driving time. The option at Lions Gate Marina requires navigating in busier inner harbour waters which often have waves and wakes that can be treacherous to smaller boats.
Hunter Graham	Squamish	May-30-16	I'm an avid user of the launch for 25 plus years. It is one of the only "no charge" boat launches left in Vancouver. It must not be taken away!
Scott Posterski	Delta	May-30-16	vancouver needs more boat launches, not less.
Mark Suttle	Burnaby	May-30-16	It makes sense
george sun	Vancouver	May-30-16	I enjoy fishing and only started using this boat launch last year, now i find out it will be closing ! This is going to make my future trips down to this fishing area so much more treacherous if i have to travel from Kates Park in my 14 foot tinny.
jim xu	Richmond	May-30-16	i enjoy watching boat lunching.
Sérgio Coelho	Vancouver	May-30-16	I do not want to travel much further from where I am at the moment. Please, and please do not close it. Best wishes.
Kent Lauren	West Vancouver	May-30-16	This is my neighbourhood! Please leave the access to the waterfront for residents of the neighbourhood and welcome those that enjoy boating and come to our community for all that it offers.
Doug Porterfield	Vancouver	May-30-16	I'm a boater and understand the need for access ! Thank you
neil thiem	Surrey	May-30-16	Some one is getting rich because of this decision and its not the working class Canadians that use this launch.
Graham Gardiner	North Vancouver	May-30-16	I fully support retaining the Ambleside boat launch as it is the only reasonable access to that area of water without having to travel a considerable distance in my small boat. I have been fishing in that area for 30 years and it would be a tragedy to lose the boat launch
Toshio Ouchi	North Vancouver	May-30-16	public access to public waters is important
kevin speilman	Langley	May-30-16	i use this boat launch regularly. Don't close it!



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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Tom Millar	West Vancouver	May-30-16	I am signing this petition as I think the Municipality has over looked the need for a boat ramp.They have focused on what seniors want rather than what families want. I never see young families spending the day watching someone paint but often see families fishing together and what a wonderful site that is. Let us provide an opportunity for West Van fishing families to enjoy West Van without having to launch in Cates Park or Horseshoe bay. Thank You Tom Millar
Ken Harris	North Vancouver	May-30-16	I use the Ambleside boat launch in our 13 ft boat. Launching at Kits and or Cates are not options as the crossings are not safe. They have removed launches in West Van from under the lions gate bridge Caulfield, Eagle Harbour and Whytecliff. The only remaining public launch is at ambleside it has to stay for safety sake.
Joe Lucke	West Vancouver	May-31-16	I live in west Vancouver and use the boat launch to go fishing with my son and it is a great community amenity that would be a real shame to close
Danny Carlsen	North Vancouver	May-31-16	I am a local sport fisherman that enjoys using this launch multiple times every summer! If fact it would be nice if they upgraded it.
Robert Rutherford	Maple Ridge	May-31-16	Location
byron ducklow	Burnaby	May-31-16	I use the boat launch to fish ambleside with my family. would be a shame to see it go.
Angela Sun	Vancouver	May-31-16	This is an amazing Park it would be a shame to loose this Boat launch as it is such an integral part of the whole beach Park theme, whether it is walking, biking, sun tanning, picnicking, or just hanging out by the beach. To tell you the truth I think the removal of this boat launch is already written in stone and this petition won't change a darn thing, there is too much MONEY to be made in its removal. Why do you think the politicians won't do a thing about our housing prices, it's all about Money not about looking out for it's local tax paying citizens.
Todd Hutchinson	Coquitlam	May-31-16	I've used this boat launch for years

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
tracey hallam	Port Moody	May-31-16	I've used the ramp for years. Vancouver ramps are few and far between as it is. It's a pathetic state of affairs.
Steve Birsa	North Vancouver	May-31-16	Having a closure at this boat launch is a bad idea and will congest other launches in the Vancouver area. It will also cause a extra commute time for local boaters. If it must be shut then a local replacement should be built near by.
Mike Barker	West Vancouver	May-31-16	a big part of my retirement plan is using some of the community's resources, the small vessel ramp one of them.
Jeff Wedge	North Vancouver	May-31-16	I routinely use and enjoy this launch, and see no good reason for it to close.
Garry Monahan	West Vancouver	May-31-16	I believe we need a boat ramp in Ambleside
Kam Nouri	North Vancouver	May-31-16	I'm a handicap person and Ambeleside is the only place I can reach to launch my boat.
Jay Rutherford	Surrey, bc	May-31-16	I use this launch, don't remove it please, it's hard enough to get out there with gates and time restrictions, traffic, other boaters, etc. We need more launches not less, thank you
Barry Bradley	Surrey, B.C.	May-31-16	Boating is part of the west coast lifestyle. Closing the ramp is just not right.
Daryl Schieck	Coquitlam	May-31-16	I'm signing because I use this ramp regularly, it's a safety concern. I own a small boat and this ramp allows me to launch close to the area I boat without the risk of having to travel in or go across shipping lanes. This ramp is also allows boaters to get off the water when the weather unexpectedly comes up.
Sylvie Godin	Vancouver	May-31-16	I use this launch, smaller boats need it to access English bay.
Terry Platt	West Vancouver	May-31-16	The boat ramp is free and is used by so many boaters on the North Shore. So many things that were enjoyed by families on the North Shore have been removed over the years: bowling ally, open air swimming pool, cinemas, driving range. What's next? The pitch and putt, the dog park? All being replaced by shops and wine bars? Keep the boat ramp. It enhances Ambleside. Makes it interesting to the walkers.

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Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Blake Corbet	West Vancouver	May-31-16	I like to have easy access to the water at Ambleside
Lisa Geddes	Richmond	May-31-16	I am signing on behalf of Boating BC Association. We are always concerned when access to our public waterways is limited to a select few. Everyone should have access to the amazing experience boating and fishing offer along our waterfront communities. We continue to see waterfront access diminish to accommodate development and other activities, and the number of public facilities is alarmingly low. We hope the City of West Vancouver will remain committed to full access to their waterfront either where the current launch is located or at a new location within their concept plan.
Earl Lublow	Vancouver	May-31-16	It's a valued community launch
M Wedge	North Vancouver	May-31-16	Vital part of the northshore community
Ross Hedley	West Vancouver	May-31-16	I'm signing because I greatly value this small boat ramp, both as a user for my 12' trailered rowboat and as someone who appreciates and encourages marine activities. It is terrible to consider doing away with this ramp, one of s very few remaining places where boaters can access the ocean -- for what? So cyclists can speed by unimpeded? They can go around. For pedestrians? Well I would say they and their children no doubt find it interesting and beneficial to see boaters coming and going, often with fish. Are we to become just a sterile community of shambling coffee drinkers?? Sure there are inconveniences from time to time. So what. We seem to be able to get along just fine. KEEP THE BOAT RAMP!
George Assaf	Coquitlam	June-01-16	Recreational boating is beneficial to the local economy,as well as the health and well being of those who get out on the water. Please do not reduce the ability of boaters to enjoy our waters.

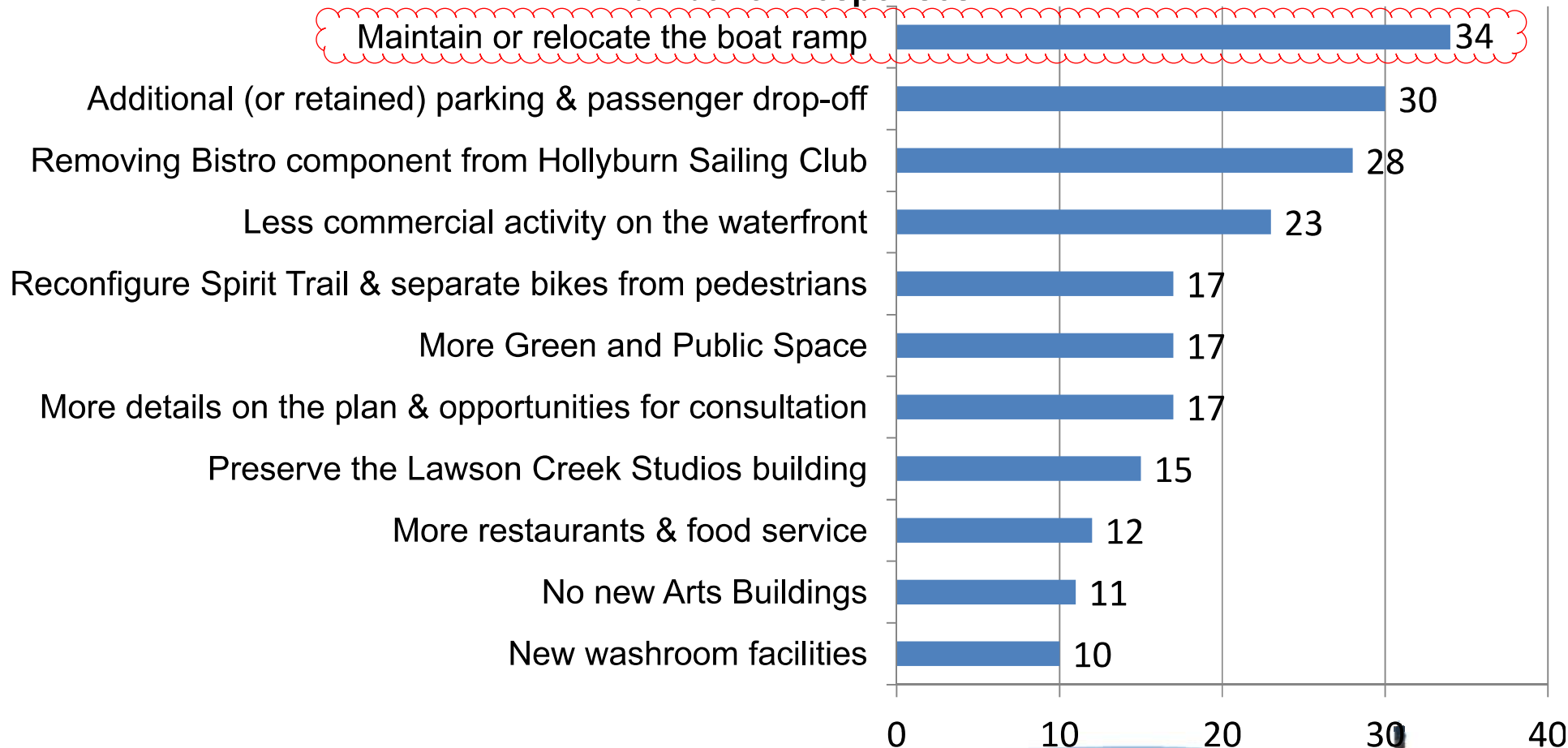
Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Peter Hultman	North Vancouver	June-01-16	I'm a dinky sailor and fisherman and getting into the Bay without having to trailer my 17' boat from North and West Vancouver through Vancouver City to Burrard is a must. It saves not only hours from a day it also saves the incredible difficulty trailering a boat through the downtown core full of traffic, which is stressful at the best of times. With a 2 horse motor it is impossible to get through both bridges with tidal currents not to mention a few extra hours of travel. Just so I can enjoy the bay I grew up boating in. All my life...
Jake Enns	Abbotsford	June-01-16	I use that boat launch. There is no other place to launch that I am aware of in that area.
Antonio Korossis	Burnaby	June-01-16	Do not shut this down . Valuable spot .
Jason Smith	New Westminster	June-01-16	Do not close this ramp!
Kyle Baglole	Vancouver	June-01-16	I'm signing to prevent the overcrowding of surrounding slips and to retain the local boater's slip.
Wilson Frost	Vancouver	June-01-16	Keep the boat ramp to keep access to the water in a controlled setting!!
Anita Hildebrandt	West Vancouver	June-01-16	I am not a big boater (yet) or fisher person, but I see that access to Ambleside waters adds to the community at large. I was surprised to hear that the launch will be closed as I know that means going way east to North Van or way west to Horseshoe Bay. That's a lot of extra gas to get to a distal ramps and boating distance to get back to Ambleside area....not helpful if we are also to consider the impact on climate change. Perhaps we can have fun AND minimize impact on environment if the ramp remains open or consider a nearby alternative. Thank you
Thomas Laird	North Vancouver	June-01-16	They need a boat launch they defiantly shouldn't take it out!
Mike Pfortmueller	Surrey	June-01-16	it is absurd to close this launch ramp.
mark hansen	North Vancouver	June-01-16	I am a regular user of this ramp. It is the only one in West Vancouver that is public and is widely used. It would be a major loss to the boating community if this is no longer accessible.
Derek Hansen	Port coquitlam	June-01-16	I use this boat ramp frequently with my father and love hearing stories of when he use to fish with his father same area

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Dan Elliott	North Vancouver	June-02-16	I use the ramp during fishing season and the location is great it would be a shame to lose it
Georgi Dinev	North Vancouver	June-02-16	Its a shame the close the only boat ramp it the area!
derek red	Vancouver	June-02-16	I don't have a boat, but I hope to one day. Cutting this access point off basically restricts the area mentioned to wealthy people that can afford to get there or already have a moorage near by from the sounds of it.
andrew elsey	West Vancouver	June-02-16	been living in west van and the north shore my entire life, grew up using this ramp and fishing westvancouver
Sten Hansen	North Vancouver	June-02-16	I'm signing because access to the water is a safety issue as well as a right. Keep the ramp open!!
Jordan Arsonist	Vancouver	June-02-16	Because access to public waterways is a right, not a privilege
Dave Ryder	Langley	June-02-16	Of the nee to keep our fisheries available to the public
Nick Gentile	Burnaby	June-03-16	ramp provides good accessibility for small boaters.
Ken Kuramoto	Vancouver	June-03-16	It is a treasured facility for me as a "senior" fisherman trying to keep cost of fishing within my capability. Thanks
richard kalnins	Vancouver	June-03-16	In a city surrounded by water there is hardly any boat access to launch and/or tie up your boat to a dock ; it is shame full so little is done for a group that puts so much back into the economy . Remember Boaters are tax payers ; and they deserve safe and close access to the water .
Peter Payne	West Vancouver	June-03-16	Amenities like these are what make the area desirable and a give it a welcoming charm. If I wanted to live in a boring, functional place like Hong Kong, I would move there .
Marshall Thompson	Vancouver	June-03-16	We need to continue to promote and allow access to our waters. Fishing is one of the key recreational activities in the area and this is the only launch available in the area. The District should not shirk its duty in this regard.
Blair Thomas	Burnaby	June-03-16	I love the West Vancouver waterfront fishing a gift for us and another unique situation that greater Vancouver offers its' residents Please do not destroy this gift.

Name	City	Signed On	Comment
Bryant Mace	North Vancouver	June-03-16	I use this launch approx 20 times per year to launch. It's a major reason why I bought my 20' aluminum boat. Please let it stay! It's an excellent location and should remain a part of the west Vancouver waterfront.  Kind regards, Bryant
Richard Margetson	Burnaby	June-03-16	Love the free access
john saunby	Delta	June-03-16	There is very limited access to boat launches
Tony Bailey	Vancouver	June-03-16	We should be able to fish there too.
Jordan Barbour	Langley	June-03-16	I want to continue fishing at amble side ! It's the only launch I can take my small boat
David Puddicombe	Vancouver	June-04-16	The boat launch is a great resource for everyone who enjoys boating and fishing on the north shore.
Barry Washburn	West Vancouver	June-04-16	I live in West Van and pay high taxes and they do not even take care of the roads or trim trees well.now they want to take away the boat ramp to save money
Christopher Thompson	Vancouver	June-04-16	The Amble side boat launch enabled me to launch our small boat after work and retrieve my son and boat at dark, frequently with a Salmon. This is a classic case where appropriate shared use is desirable - it should not be framed as a this or that question!

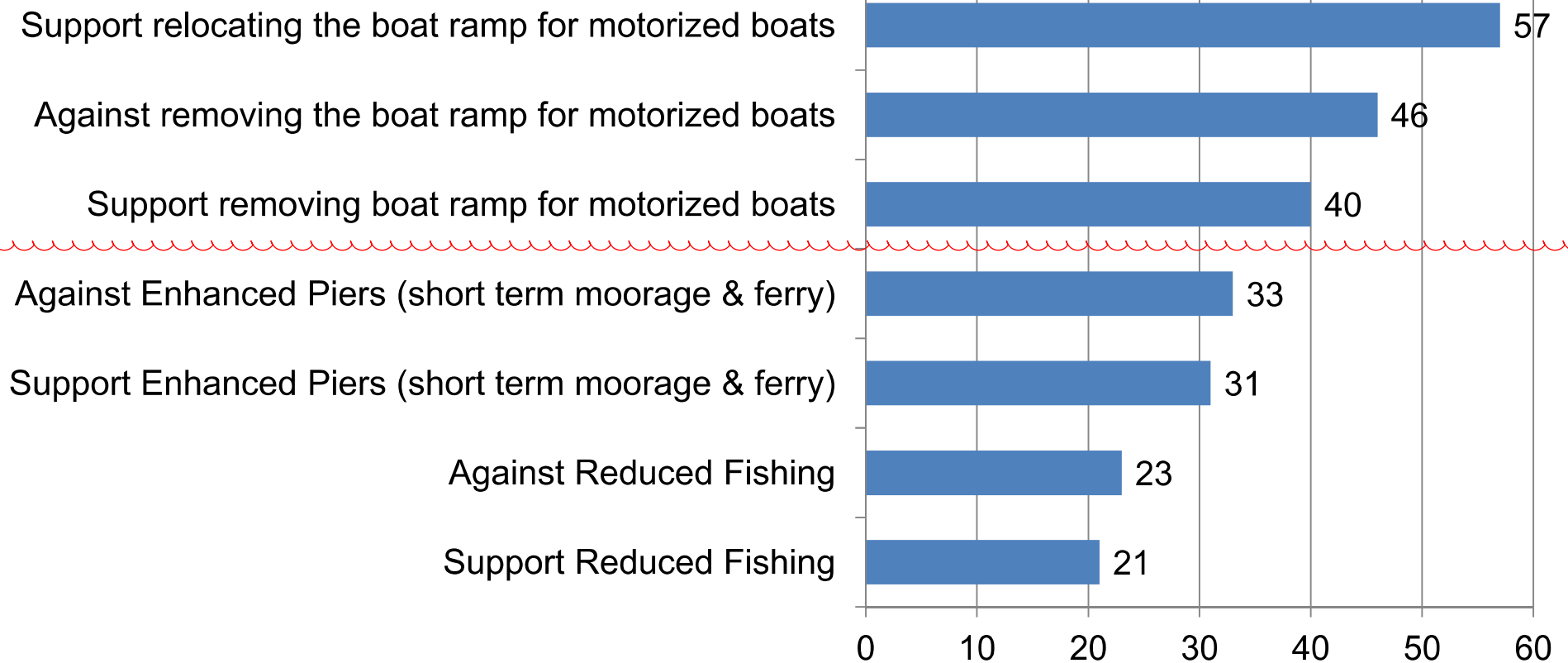
## Q2 - What would you improve about the Plan?

### Number of Responses



## Q9 - Piers and Boat Ramp: What we heard

### Comments of Support or Concern for this Key Component of the Plan



No Comments provided/skipped question: 94 responses



**Survey Results using Survey Monkey  
(Note only 100 Responses included)**

07/06/2016

<b>Survey Question: How many times per year do you estimate that you use the Ambleside boat launch?</b>		
<b>Number of uses of the ramp per year</b>	<b>Number of people responding</b>	<b>Total number of uses per year for 100 respondents</b>
2	8	16
4	18	72
6	11	66
8	8	64
10	17	170
12	7	84
14	6	84
16	2	32
over 16	23	368
	100	
<b>Total number of uses for 100 respondents</b>		<b>956</b>
<b>Survey Question: How much would you typically spend IN West Vancouver on a day when you use the boat launch at Ambleside?</b>		
<b>Amount of money spent in West Vancouver per day when launch used to access the water</b>	<b>Number of people responding</b>	<b>Total spent per year for 98 respondents</b>
\$ -	1	\$ -
\$ 20.00	9	\$ 180.00
\$ 40.00	16	\$ 640.00
\$ 60.00	10	\$ 600.00
\$ 80.00	13	\$ 1,040.00
\$ 100.00	18	\$ 1,440.00
More than \$100	31	\$ 3,100.00
	98	
<b>Total \$ spent by 98 respondents in West Vancouver when Boating, per year</b>		<b>\$ 7,000.00</b>

Note the high number of users that access the ramp more than 16 times per year

Note the high number of people that spend more than \$100 per trip

## Appendix 11

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1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	22/06/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	24/06/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	25/06/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	26/06/2015	(245.00)	Annual Cates Park non- resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	26/06/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	29/06/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	30/06/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	30/06/2015	(245.00)	Annual Cates Park non- resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	02/07/2015	(245.00)	Annual Cates Park non- resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	03/07/2015	(245.00)	Annual Cates Park non- resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	03/07/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	03/07/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	07/07/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	21/07/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	22/07/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/07/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	11/08/2015	(159.95)	Annual Cates Park resident pass	1
	<b>Total Annual pass revenue</b>		<b>(20,425.30)</b>		<b>116</b>
<b>Cates Park boat launch daily metered ticket sales @ \$18.66 (plus 5% GST) each:</b>					<b>Qty</b>
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/01/2015	(594.67)	Cates revenue Jan/15	32
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	28/02/2015	(1,213.33)	Cates revenue Feb/15	65
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/03/2015	(1,978.67)	Cates revenue Mar/15	106
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	30/04/2015	(4,106.67)	Cates revenue Apr/15	220
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/05/2015	(9,240.00)	Cates revenue May/15	495
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	30/06/2015	(12,040.00)	Cates revenue June/15	645
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/07/2015	(11,946.67)	Cates revenue July/15	640
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/08/2015	(12,544.00)	Cates revenue Aug/15	672
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	30/09/2015	(4,928.00)	Cates revenue Sept/15	264
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/10/2015	(2,557.33)	Cates revenue Oct/15	137
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	30/11/2015	(709.34)	Cates revenue Nov/15	38
1680	5931 - Cates Ticket Sales	31/12/2015	(261.33)	Cates revenue Dec/15	14
	<b>Total metered ticket revenue</b>		<b>(62,120.01)</b>		<b>3328</b>
	<b>Total revenue</b>		<b>(82,545.31)</b>		

## Park and Launch Rates for Local Ramps

07/06/2016

Cates Park:		
Boat launch rates (includes parking)		
2016	District resident	non-District resident
Daily (includes parking)	\$18.95	\$18.95
Yearly (January 1 through December 31)	\$162.38	\$248.57
Prices quoted do not include GST		
Sunset Marina		
Launch and park for the day	\$29	
Vanier- City of Vancouver		
Launch	Free	
Parking	\$3.25/hr, max \$11.	
Lions Gate Marina		
Launch and park	\$40	
Porteau Cove		
Provincial, Park and Launch	Free	

Appendix 13







Photo by Vancouver Daily Province —Eric Cable

This is the last boat Mr. and Mrs. Vim Emmans will ride in for a little while. Mr. Emmans, former owner of Vim's Boat Rentals, Ambleside, sold out recently and have been taking it easy looking for a spot to settle down.



AUGUST  
1952



LIGHT LINE CATCH is this 60-pound halibut hooked at the mouth of Capilano River Monday by Ernie Orr, 610 Jervis. Watching as the record fish is weighed in is Betty Rae Morrison, 104 Seventeenth Street, West Vancouver.

## Capilano Yields Monster Halibut to Local Angler

From The Vancouver Daily Province  
North Shore Bureau

WEST VANCOUVER—A 60-pound halibut, believed a record for a light line, was landed

to hook it. He was anchored at the mouth of Capilano River. Vim Emmans, fish expert and operator of fishermen's boat rentals at foot of Seven-

pounder caught but what makes this more unique is the small line used," Mr. Emmans said.

Orr was using a 703 Dina-



**THE WEST VANCOUVER NEWS**

Evenings: West 2132-R

HOLLYHURST POL. B. VANCOUVER, B.C. AUGUST 28, 1967

*In Session With  
Your Council*

Mayor George Fletcher came to his usual appointment last night at the close of Monday's Court-2 session.

Crest In Flowers  
On W. Van Float

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The Journal also found that the first time in their history, wife and husband spend 4 months on a school program last year.

What the cost of doing any of  
incorporating children

The higher among the white population of all grades and under high school students from the Marquette Bay area in Alaska enroll at West Bay when the grades 5 and 6 students from

Students will be following school and the grades 3 to 4 students from Calhoun to Twenty-ninth Street along Marine Drive to the new West Bay School.

The hotel is also arranging a daily transportation for young and senior high school pupils and kindergarten elementary school pupils to and from the British Pavilion and at the same time will

## 2½ Hour Struggle For 33½ Lb. Derby Salmon



Local Fisherman  
Wins **\$1800** Boat

stated in his recent book and the shipping notes and baggage lists of Sunday morning of 8 a.m. Tom Reynolds of 1280 Twenty-fifth St. a written mail to his brother hanging below the name of Navy Jack Park, son of Minneapolis Street. Two and one-half hours later, Mr. Reynolds finally landed the 23 round box, which spring volume which was the 1900 issue, first price of the New Balance Derby.

Wing Field House, a Veterans' war memorial, the Veterans' Hall, and the new 200-bed wing, with hundreds of other hospital and

"People were extremely glad," he said. "They lifted their hands and started to sing and I thought I needed what the angels took the fall!"

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Following all his talk, Mr. Dwyer and his family have left for West Vancouver for the weekend. He formally pledges to continue with his work.

The 23-24, 2-25, summer was given to the Orphaned Children Hospital by the Bots, to be used with all other 245 pupils. Mr. Botsky told the boys to go to the next home from there when they go to the Village and call on people for it. However, he does not wish to say much more. The boat is now assigned to his expedition. He'll have to wait for a "shipment," he said. And the

Your Club

Calhoun