Brad and Logan:

Attached is a code interpretation that was issued on Monday. It addresses additions to legally established structures and site improvements located within wetland or watercourse buffers. Based on the interpretation, upper story additions that expand gross floor area but do not increase building footprint or lot coverage within the buffer are not limited to 200 sf and are not restricted to the outer 25% of the buffer.

This was an issue for the Simpson preapplication (PRE21-050). I wanted to let you know, in case they were still considering the project.

Please note that my last day with the City of Mercer Island is May 6.

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