From:
 Roberts, Andrew (UTC)

 To:
 Kredel, Ashley (UTC)

**Subject:** FW: In Opposition to Friday Harbor Jolly Trolley

**Date:** Thursday, June 30, 2016 1:32:05 PM

## Hello Ashley,

Can you please place this in Docket 160821?

Thank you, Andrew

**From:** San Juan Transit [mailto:sjtransit@rockisland.com]

Sent: Monday, June 27, 2016 1:41 PM

**To:** Public Involvement (UTC)

**Subject:** In Opposition to Friday Harbor Jolly Trolley

Hello WUTC Commissioners,

This letter is to voice my opposition to granting the Friday Harbor Jolly Trolley a Transit Authority with forbearance. Docket number unknown.

San Juan Transit has operated a for 21 years, providing effective and reasonably priced public transit around San Juan County. When I received forbearance last year I was advised that I would be treated on paper like a Charter/Excursion company, as they are not held to the reporting and approval regulations required by a Transit Authority. I was not aware that the forbearance process would allow competing charter/excursion companies to run a transit style schedule with a simple application, despite having never held a transit authority to receive forbearance from.

In addition to the recreational nature of our transit schedule we do provide essential transportation to the seasonal workforce that allows our tourism industry to thrive. Local residence, summer interns, park volunteers and others utilize San Juan Transit to get to and from their job sites.

Allowing additional companies to run a transit schedule, granting Transit Authority with forbearance, on San Juan Island will drastically affect San Juan Transit's ability to continue operations.

For the record, San Juan Transit is not in opposition to the Friday Harbor Jolly Trolley running a sightseeing/island tour business. Their original application does not mention or request drop off and pick up services which fall under the definition of a transit route.

It is my request the Friday Harbor Jolly Trolley be allowed to keep, and be restricted to the current charter/excursion permit they currently have. Following the definition of an excursion company would allow them to run a scheduled route but require them to stay with their guests, not recruit riders along the route and not pick up and drop off along the way.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment,

Kraig Hansen San Juan Transit Tours & Charters, LLC 360-378-8887 Office