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1. No grey waste, no illegal dumping, and no chance to purchase any property on Mitkof island.
2. How much money is staying in Petersburg when a cruise ship docks? How much of the community is negatively affected by cruise tourism? Such as over crowding and overall lack of infrastructure.
3. All that being said I do believe if done with real care, foresight and the realization we will not sell our souls for a couple gold coins. We can increase cruise ship tourism.

I think we should play the long game and market eco-tourism. Turn Mitkof island into a giant playground. Meaning a vast network of trails. Yurts, shelters and or cabins speckled through. Zip lines. Rope bridges through sections of the forest along with possible tree forts to rent out. Whatever fun, creative things To draw people not just to visit but to stay.

Take it or leave it.

Thanks for your time!

Brian Richards  
Sent from my iPhone