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Hello,

I wish to clearly and unequivocally state my opposition to any logging on Bowen Island. I have been leading ecology outings on Bowen Island for many years, am very aware of the ecology of the areas BCTS plans to log, and know that even if these areas didn't include watersheds used for human consumption, they also include rich habitat for various indigenous BC species, some of which are threatened. I grew up on this island, and over the past forty years have watched much development happen, here.

Luckily we do still have some green space, and we'd like to preserve what little we have left. BCTS' plan involves removing the trees from over 1/4 of the island - most of our remaining green space. This is absolutely unacceptable, both from a cultural and ecological standpoint.

It is a waste of your money and resources to even be looking into this plan. Since BCTS is a government company, I am ashamed that my provincial government would support it. BC has a history of ecological devastation, and an international reputation to match. Now we have an opportunity to be a leader in such matters. Please discard these plans.

Sincerely,

Emily van Lidth de Jeude

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