

Dear Ms Goldsmith-Jones and Ms. McKenna,

I am writing as resident and property owner on Bowen Island.

I grew up on the North Shore in the 1950's and '60's, the days when there were a lot more trees around, so the idea of logging any portion of Bowen Island is really unthinkable. In the future, perhaps Stanley Park will also become a candidate.

The fact is that there is already a surplus of logs in our region. All we do is ship raw logs off to the world with the idea of value added all but completely ignored. We are still drawers of water and hewers of wood apparently.

The impact on tourism, which we are currently working to develop here, will be drastic. Then there is environmental degradation, noise pollution and the inevitable visual scarring of such a lovely, scenic area.

We voted Liberal in the last election to counter-act the approach of the previous government.

I hope you can see a way to put a halt to an activity that clearly does not belong here.

Sincerely,
Gregg Simpson
Coastal Patterns Gallery,
Bowen Island