

From: Islands2050
Sent: Tuesday, June 8, 2021 3:23 PM
To: Islands2050
Subject: FW: Prohibit Yard Waste burning 12 Month a year on any of the Gulf Islands.

From: Matthias [REDACTED]
Sent: Tuesday, January 26, 2021 9:19 AM
To: Lori Foster <lfoster@islandstrust.bc.ca>
Subject: Re: Prohibit Yard Waste burning 12 Month a year on any of the Gulf Islands.

Good Morning Lori,

thanks for the quick response.

My consideration towards submitting the below mentioned petition was in regards to the Islands2050 Project like *particularly as it prepares for the realities of climate change* and especially the community plans and bylaws. Like e.g.

THETIS ISLAND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW NO.88, 2011

SECTION 2 LAND USE OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

RESIDENTIAL OBJECTIVES

4. To guide and regulate growth and development in a manner that protects sensitive ecosystems, encourages sustainability, and anticipates the potential effects of climate change.

5. To manage development in a manner that avoids natural hazards and minimizes risks and damage to private property and the environment

What does it help if we have all these written plans, bylaws, recommendation of sustainability, taking care of nature and environment protection if they are not applied and lived. Nothing will change if we just continue and just talk about it for decades. Than it is better to save the time and money for establishing all this paperwork and continue with 'business as usual'. I know my writing and opinion is straight forward but I think a honest straight forward or even naive opinion said is always better as to be quiet or have no opinion at all.

Although the Trust Council may just have a good time or just a smile about my naive petition but please go ahead and submit it as a petition to the Trust Council.

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**Best Regards,
Matthias Zapletal**

Matthias Zapletal

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On 2021-01-25 1:13 p.m., Lori Foster wrote:

Dear Matthias Zapletal:

Thank you for your email. Please note that your correspondence becomes public record, unless marked confidential and, as such, may be posted to the Islands Trust website in accordance with Policy [7.4.2 \(1.10\)](#) with personal information severed.

If you wish to submit a petition, Trust Council will certainly receive it, or if you wish [to address Trust Council as a delegation](#), please inform me.

Regards,

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I am humbly thankful to live and work in the traditional and treaty territories of the BOKÉCEN, Cowichan, Halalt, Homalco, K'ómoks, Klahoose, Ts'uubaa-asatx, Lək ʷəŋən (SXIMELEŁ, Songhees, T'Sou-ke), Lyackson, MÁLEXEŁ, Penelakut, Qualicum, Scia'new, səłilwətaʔ/sełilwitulh, SEMYOME, Shíshálh, Snaw-naw-as, Snuneymuxw, Skw̓wú7mesh, SʔÁUTW, Stz'uminus, Tla'amin, Tsawwassen, We Wai Kai, Wei Wai Kum, WJOLEŁP, WSIKEM, and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm.

From: Matthias ██████████
Sent: Sunday, January 24, 2021 12:37 PM
To: Lori Foster <lfoster@islandstrust.bc.ca>
Subject: Prohibit Yard Waste 12 Month a year on any of the Gulf Islands.

Dear Island Trust,

I would like to submit a petition to **Prohibit ANY yard waste burning on any of the Gulf Islands** at any time of the year.

In my opinion it is time to move on and ' to put one's money where one's mouth is '. Enough talking about protecting environment doing is the **only** thing which will bring any change.

Island Trust is in the position to show that protecting the environment and reducing a fire hazard on any of the islands is more important as the convenience of burning waste. Any brush and yard waste has a better purpose as compost and fertilizer as to pollute the environment with smoke and CO2. Plus it would reduce a big headache for the fire departments. All full or part time residence of the Gulf Islands should take responsibility and do something.

I would really appreciate to see some change.

Another thing would be to encourage or regulate that the islanders reduce the number of lawn cuttings and prohibit the use of leave blower on all of the islands. A rake does the same job and even provide some physical exercise! And lawn cuttings are one perfect compost/fertilizer. Even for fertilizing the lawn itself. If people like to live in a perfect, organized 'clean' world than please live in the city with their 'clean concrete and pavement'. But not on the Islands. Nature, Bees, butterflies, all insects can only survive if there is enough nature left. And every little piece helps. There is no difference when you cut a lawn 10+ times a year, a 'nice' short cut lawn or pour concrete and paint it green.

Please excuse my straightforward and unsophisticated request. I hope my email is formal enough for any kind of petition. If not please let me know and I try my best to achieve the required standard.

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Best Regards,
Matthias Zapletal

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