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To: MAH.minister@gov.bc.ca; jordan.sturdy.mla@leg.bc.ca; Trustees <Trustees@islandstrust.bc.ca>

Subject: Revision of the Island Trust Policy Statement

Dear Ministers and Trustees:

As a resident of Bowen Island, I am adding my name to those objecting to the planned vote on July 8 to proceed with the 1st Reading to adopt the amended Policy Statement.

Circumstances change and after almost 50 years, an overhaul of the Policy Statement for the Islands Trust is long overdue. However, even considering this without input from the parties involved is an affront to any democratic system and a huge miscalculation on your part that this would ever pass without the approval of island residents.

If you are of the opinion that even half of the revisions mentioned in the letter circulated on June 17 are thought to be acceptable, you are sadly mistaken. Islands Trust has outgrown it's relevance and become an overblown albatross around the neck of many of the islands. Those of us who choose to live on an island have a strong sense of propriety over its preservation and have no intention of anything other than its continued health, and the welfare of our residents. As a Municipality, Bowen Island has created its own bylaws acceptable to our residents. We no longer need to be told what we can and cannot do by an overseeing Trust who, it would appear, is now prepared to subject our autonomy to their control.

Sincerely,

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