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**To:** Islands2050  
**Subject:** Revisions to TP

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> Dear Honourable Christine Boyle,  
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> I am writing to express my dismay at the proposed revision of the Island Trust Policy Statement. The Act has served both our community and our natural environment well over the past 50 years and proposed changes to the Statement in favour of expanding amenity zoning or 'attainable' housing would only serve to destroy that functioning balance. This is not 'old time' thinking as a local Trustee asserts. In fact, CRD Director Gary Holman points to the significant number of community-supported housing alternatives currently being provided or built in Ganges.  
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> The existing Trust Act de facto recognizes the value the Island's dry Coastal Douglas Fir ecosystem. In order to maintain the health of this rare Canadian ecosystem it is imperative that a proper human/nature balance be maintained. The proposed revisions to the existing Policy Statement would enable a market-driven erosion of that balance that would prove highly detrimental to both our fragile environment and our remarkably diverse local economy.  
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> I therefore respectfully request that you reject this current proposed revision of the Trust Policy Statement.  
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> Sincerely,  
> Maureen Milburn