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Sent: Friday, August 5, 2022 3:26 PM
To: Jane Wolverton; Tahirih Rockafella; Dan Rogers
Cc: Art Moses; [REDACTED] Therah Business Manager; Therah Chair
Subject: Fwd: Crystal Mountain Rezone Application— upcoming Community Information Meeting

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Galiano Island BC
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Galiano Local Trust Committee,
August 5th, 2022.

Dear Tahira and Jane,

Looking at the names on this list, it seems very clear to me that this letter represents very strongly almost the entire population of North Galiano, where I have lived for 39 years. Forest Land Development has been an issue on Galiano for almost 4 decades. This is no way to "end the conflict". There is great harm and no benefit to the Galiano Community from this commercial upzoning/rezoning in disguise.

I request that the September 24th CIMeeting be held at the North Hall. It is obvious that this should be the case. Please, act responsibly. Drinking water is a Public Health and Safety concern. If you err, your mistakes cannot be remedied. The future is in your hands. Think Precautionary Principal.

Regards,
Gary
[REDACTED]

Dear North End neighbours,

We are writing to you because you are one of the neighbours who signed the April 24, 2022 letter to the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) asking for a new water study before trustees proceed further with the proposed Crystal Mountain Society (CM) retreat centre rezoning.

At its meeting on July 4, the LTC rejected our request, endorsed CM's highly-questionable Water Management Plan and sent the Crystal Mountain rezoning proposal to a "Community Information Meeting" (CIM) on Saturday September 24 at 12:30 p.m. The CIM is the last step before a public hearing (not yet scheduled) after which all public input is shut down.

We have three requests:

1. **Please plan to attend** this "Community Information Meeting" where the applicant and Trust staff will present the proposal, and we will have an opportunity to ask questions and seek clarifications.
2. **Please call and email our trustees to persuade them to hold this meeting at the North End Hall.** The trustees have determined that the meeting will be held at the South Hall, although the manager at the North End Hall has assured us that the capacity and internet quality are adequate at the North End. The proposed rezoning of Crystal Mountain forest land will have its greatest impact on the North End and we believe it's important that the Local Trust Committee make every effort to facilitate participation by North Enders. Please email and call our trustees to tell them that you feel it's important that the Sept. 24 CIM be at the North End Hall.

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3. **Please ask questions at the CIM.** So far the LTC and the staff have failed to respond to our questions about the CM application despite our multiple attempts to raise them both in writing and at the many LTC town halls. A good turnout by north end neighbours at the Sept. 24th meeting will be essential. We can also have a greater impact on the outcome of the meeting by planning which issues we want highlighted. So please let us know that you plan to attend, what for you are the most serious concerns about the CM proposal and whether you would be interested to attend a pre-meeting strategy session, likely by Zoom.

Thank-you.

Art Moses, [REDACTED]
John Ronsley, [REDACTED]