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Subject: NonSupport for Proposed Bylaws RE: stairs, fencing and docks

Please see attachments for responses.

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RE: Non Support for Proposed Bylaws Removing Stairs and Fencing from Water Setbacks and Dock Downzoning from Water 1 to Water 3 for North Pender Island

I have been on North Pender Island since 1996 (year).

STAIRS AND FENCES IN THE WATERFRONT SETBACK

I do not support the proposed bylaw amendments which remove stairs and fences.
In addition:

- Stairs to the water are important to the islands for emergency evacuation in the event of a wildfire or other catastrophic natural events.
- These minimal stairs are already controlled for size and configuration in bylaws and do not need more controls.
- Fences in the water setback are important given the high-bank cliffs of many waterfront lots and should not be restricted in the setback.
- Fencing in the setback can provide protection from deer who negatively impact biodiversity and sensitive ecosystems on our islands.
- Other; _____

DOWNZONING WATER DISTRICT W1 TO W3 TO BAN PRIVATE DOCKS

I do not support the proposed bylaws to downzone the Water 1 District, which now allows private docks, to Water 3 District, which allows only mooring buoys.
In addition:

- There is already a comprehensive Provincial permitting process for docks and the Trust should not repeat these or have additional bylaw controls.
- It is premature to proceed given significant opposition by citizens and boating associations to banning private docks in the Policy (TPS) review.
- I am concerned with the negative impact on property values.
- I am concerned with the additional 'red-tape' costs and time of rezoning back to the W1 zone (which is also proposed to become more restrictive).
- Other; _____

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