

From: Herb Katz <[REDACTED]>  
Sent: Monday, February 24, 2025 10:47 AM  
To: Emily Bryant <ebryant@islandstrust.bc.ca>  
Subject: Re: Eagle Nest near Thieves Bay Park

Hello Emily,

Thank you for your email. I should be clear that I'm not upset about expanding the area around eagles' nests. We've spent over 20 years watching and logging the activities of the eagle pairs that have occupied the nest close to our home. When one of the earlier pairs was injured in an aerial battle with an intruder we helped save it. Earlier, when one almost drowned we helped get it back to its nest. When the eaglet fell from the nest during the intruder attack we saved it, contacted OWL, bundled it up and got it to the helicopter. These eagles have become a part of our lives.

My point is simply that if Islands Trust is to make changes to existing regulations, these changes must be based on current data. Some work has to be done on this. Otherwise, these regulations will be questionable.

You can attached this message to the earlier document that you are posting to the Islands Trust website.

Herb

> On Feb 24, 2025, at 9:01 AM, Emily Bryant <[ebryant@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:ebryant@islandstrust.bc.ca)> wrote:

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> Hello Herb,

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> Thank you for your email. Correspondence addressed to Trustees is circulated to the North Pender LTC. Please note that your correspondence will form a part of public record and as such may be posted to the Islands Trust website. All personal information except for your name will be redacted.

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> All the best,

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> Emily Bryant (she, her, hers)

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> Preserving and protecting over 450 islands and surrounding waters in

> the Salish Sea I respectfully acknowledge that the Islands Trust Area is located within the treaty lands and territories of the BOKEĆEN, Cowichan Tribes, K'ómoks, Lyackson, MÁLEXEŁ, Qualicum, scəwəθən, səlilwətəl, SEMYOME, shíshálh, Skwxwú7mesh, Snaw-naw-as, Snuneymuxw, Songhees, Spune'luxutth', STÁUTW, Stz'uminus, łaʔəmen, Ts'uubaa-asatx,

Wei Wai Kum, We Wai Kai, W̱JOŁŁLP, W̱SIKEM, Xeláltxw, Xwémalhḵwu, Xwsepsum, and x̱w̱m̱əθḵw̱əy̱əm First Nations. Islands Trust is committed to reconciliation and to working together to preserve and protect this ecologically, culturally, and spiritually significant region in the Salish Sea.

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Herb Katz <[REDACTED]>

> Sent: Friday, February 21, 2025 9:03 AM

> To: Aaron Campbell <[acampbell@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:acampbell@islandstrust.bc.ca)>; Aaron Campbell

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> Cc: [REDACTED] Emily Bryant <[ebryant@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:ebryant@islandstrust.bc.ca)>

> Subject: Eagle Nest near Thieves Bay Park

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> The nest off of Schooner Way near Thieves Bay Park as indicated on the map attached to the MLPOS email has not existed since 2019. It was badly damaged during the December 2018 storm and fell after another storm in 2019. The eagle pair established another nest approximately 200m to the west of the old nest. That second nest was destroyed after a storm took down the top half of the tree on which it was sited. The eagle pair have not reestablished a nest in this area since then.

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> As you possibly understand, nature is not static. You must keep your data updated. If, as it appears, you have not done so, your proposed plans are based on stale data (in addition to the several false assumptions mentioned in the MLPOS email). I think that you must reexamine your work with these points in mind.

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> University of Alberta