March 15, 2025



To: Thetis Island Local Trust Committee

Re: Letter of Support for Welsh Green Shores Bylaw Amendment Application

Dear Trustee Hunter, Trustee Luckham and Trustee Elliot:

We are writing to encourage you to approve the Thetis Island Bylaw amendment minor rezoning application submitted by Rob and Marcie Welsh, to allow them to undertake their Green Shores project at 83 and 84 Blue Heron Road. This project will protect the shoreline from erosion, in a manner consistent with ecological principles and in light of projected sea level rise and increased storm energy from the changing climate. The project will serve as an example of a soft shoreline restoration approach for other residents of Thetis Island and beyond.

In full disclosure, Rob and Marcie Welsh are directors on the Thetis Island Nature Conservancy board. However the decision to submit this letter of support was made independent of them and they recused themselves during the vote to support their application, taken at our meeting on March 12, 2025.

We trust that you will take the right decision to allow this Green Shores project to be carried out along the shorelines of the Local Trust Area.

Sincerely,

Jim Moloney.

Chairperson, Thetis Island Nature Conservancy

cc. Sarah Primeau, Stewardship Centre of BC Kelly Loch, Stewardship Centre of BC Margo Thimaidis, Islands Trust