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From: Gordon Simon [REDACTED]
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To : Islands Trust, Trust Programs Committee
RE : Draft 2.0 of New Policy Statement Bylaw

My name is Gordon Simon and I own [REDACTED], on Saturna Island.

I am among those who object to the change in focus and direction intended by the authors of the "New Islands Trust Policy Statement".

Why is it going to first reading before discussion with islanders?
My expectation is that Island Trust policies stay within its mandate ...

preserve & protect the IT Area and its unique amenities and environment for the benefit of the residents of the Trust Area and of British Columbia generally...

The proposed New IT Policy contains a substantial increase in IT's scope of control; I am against changing the scope.

The document itself is far from adequate; as there are many vague and undefined terms and phrases that appear unrelated to IT objectives and current scope.

A significant short coming in this process pertains to the lack of public consultation and public criticism are not be accepted and applied.

I don't accept that the Island Trust serves as spokespeople for First Nations.

It is not yet clear to me on how I can voice my opposition; but I will need to take steps to do so. I am hoping to participate in the July 7 public engagement and plan to contact the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

The first reading of this legislation needs to be deferred.

Science, common sense, and practical considerations must be applied to all decisions and objectives of the Island Trust.

All recommendations pertaining to environment and community must be carefully considered with full input from Island residents.

The agenda of the people behind these changes should not be permitted to become the burden of the taxpayers of these Islands.

Sincerely
Gordon Simon

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