

**From:** Islands2050  
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On Jun 30, 2021, at 8:09 AM, Dessia Kroeger [REDACTED] wrote:

Mr. Grove,

I write today in response to the letter of concern regarding the proposed Islands Trust Policy Statement distributed by the Concerned Residents of the Islands. In their letter they raise 5 key points of concern. I will summarize each point and indicate those I am concerned with, as follows;

1. Centralization to more regionally based land use planning. This is a great idea and I support this Trust initiative.
2. Remove resident, economic and health planning considerations on the islands. This too is a great idea and worthy of my support.
3. Removal of agriculture and forestry activities on the islands. This should not be part of the Trust Policy Statement, farming and forestry are already regulated activities in the Province of BC and have a place on the islands as they do in every region of the Province.
4. Prohibition of all private dock. This should not be part of the Trust Policy Statement, permitting and installation of marine docks should be regulated. For too long docks have been unregulated, or regulated poorly in this Province. As owner of all waterways in BC the Province should take a leadership role in permitting and robustly regulating docks.
5. A ban on desalination for potable water. This should not be part of the Trust Policy Statement. Desalination could become a valuable and environmentally sustainable solution for many property owners that otherwise struggle to secure sufficient quality ground water. This activity should be permitted and regulated.

Thank you for your time.

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