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I was made aware of the ban proposed in the May 3 meeting by an email from Cliff Kiyooka of the AMIB, of which I'm a member.

I am slightly conflicted about the issue. On the one hand I don't want to see every single waterfront lot in the islands with a dock and a pair of noisy jet skis. Partly because my own lot is not suitable for dock access without a lot of work, and I don't have a jet ski.

On the other hand, banning private docks would impose an intolerable strain on public docks, which are already at capacity with vessels permanently moored to them so that it's hard to find space to unload, let alone accommodate visitors. Particularly since there are no commercial marinas on Mayne Island.

I don't particularly want to see the development of large commercial marinas, either. Without restrictions they would likely attract non-residents looking for a cheap alternative to moorage in Vancouver, already in attractive cruising waters, only a ferry ride away.

On balance therefore, as a boater and an island resident, I would prefer to see the status quo remain and modest private docks be allowed.

In general though, I believe that my views align with those of the Trust, on such issues as cleanup of marine debris, prohibiting the transit of oil tankers, the preservation of marine habitats etc. I want to share the space with nature, not displace it, at least on this island.

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