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Subject: Concerning Updating IT Policy Statement

To the Islands Trust:

I am a resident and property owner on Pender Island/S'DAYES and have been following the discussion of policy updates by the Islands Trust. I have also watched with concern the impact of our human presence on the island for over thirty years. More recently I have become increasingly aware of indigenous history of connection to their territories and specifically to this island we inhabit.

I support our present Trustees to place priority on the integrity of the environment and on Indigenous cultural heritage in all decision making and all policy decisions. This would entail increasing Trust commitment to protect all forest ecosystems, which would mean prohibiting clear cutting and regulating tree cutting in Trust areas.

As a property owner on S'DAYES/Pender, I feel a great responsibility to practice what the original people of these islands lived, which was a balance of giving back as much as taking from the land. We are a far way off from this goal but I believe every decision made by the Trust must be based in this principle.

My appreciation goes to the Trustees and to the IT employees for their work.
Mary Anne Pare

Sent from my iPhone