From: Islands2050

Sent: Wednesday, February 2, 2022 3:52 PM

To: Islands2050

Subject: FW: Islands Trust Policy

From: Eileen Wttewaall

Sent: Thursday, January 20, 2022 10:17 AM **To:** SSIInfo <ssiinfo@islandstrust.bc.ca>

Cc: adam.olsen.mla@leg.bc.ca; 'Gary Holman' <gholman653@gmail.com>

Subject: Islands Trust Policy

Dear Islands Trust trustees:

This is in regards to the revisions to the Islands Trust Policy statements.

I have lived on Salt Spring Island for over 40 years and have always supported the policy of "preserve and protect". When younger, I was part of reviews that worked on ways to achieve this mandate.

I firmly believe the OCP statements of population limits – a major reason why the government set our Gulf Islands aside to prevent it becoming, so easily another "Coney Island". That threat still looms when we don't look at population limits, as well as making sure when we talk about the environment, we mean the natural environment that is so under threat with the climate emergency, as well as the profit seekers.

We also need to keep the 'preserve and protect' policy front and centre, as our Islands have so many "unique amenities" – one-of-a-kind features (ecosystems, plants and trees) that do not exist anywhere else.

I felt strongly about this and put a Covenant on my property on move to Brinkworthy because of ill health.

Your purpose is to maintain the policies that will truly "preserve and protect" these Islands as a healthy natural environment for those who come after us.

Yours, for responsible governance,

Eileen Wttewaall

