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Subject: Re Islands Trust - New Draft Policy Statement

Dear Trustees,

While I was participating in the Islands Trust Draft Policy Statement meetings, it occurred to me that after almost fifty years of the Islands Trust, there should be a serious discussion about the very relevance of the Islands Trust, half a century later.

While the Trust have done many great things during this period, times have changed dramatically and we are all facing a very different world.

The Island Trust was created by the Provincial Government to preserve and protect the Gulf Islands for **ALL** British Columbians and that **ALL** British Columbians would pay a contribution in their taxes to maintain and protect these very precious islands. Now, it is only the Gulf Island residents that are paying what is now an astronomical cost of almost \$10,000,000 per year to maintain what appears to be an excessive and completely unnecessary top heavy Islands Trust. How did this happen?

For this reason, I believe that a comprehensive top to bottom review of the Islands Trust should be undertaken before any new policies are put in place.

Yours sincerely,

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