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Greetings all,

I will keep my comments on one aspect not directly addressed in the multi-faceted policy doc.

You do address coordination with Regional Districts. And the 6.1% tax increase to steward the new 2050 Plan.

I live on one of the 450 smaller islands. Unserviced.

I want to highlight fairness.

I have no issue with paying taxes as a social good. A necessary contribution in return for public good and benefits. But we do have an issue with fairness in comparing one taxpayer in my jurisdiction compared to another taxpayer in my Regional District. An off grid Islander has zero road, power, water, sewage, fire protection, etc. My neighbour in Chemainus does. Same tax rates.

I believe the intent of the Trust does benefit me.

Fairness is that unserviced small islander taxpayers are not again taxed, regionally, for the Island Trust regional area.

I want a fair sufficient portion of my Regional RD taxes paid to the Island Trust to oversee Trust work, which we do benefit from.

Regards,

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