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I have lived here for more than 60 years moving to Mayne Island with my family in 1960 there were many loggers log dumps and small local sawmills in those days
The islands have been a contributor to the BC economy in this way. I feel that all property owners here should be allowed the right to participate in their own forest management without meddling by bureaucrats I have owned a number of properties over those years and managed my own woodlot operation selling logs at times splitting shakes fence posts and rails selling firewood and having lumber milled on the island by locals used to build affordable homes on island I have managed the sunlight and views along with privacy. I believe there is more timber here now than when I was a boy I believe I should have the right to manage my own resource without complications imposed by overzealous inexperienced over-funded bureaucrats. I fear the total erosion of my property rights I feel that this policy statement is being pushed through via zoom and web meetings something most of us that have spent our lives here avoid and at a time when most have been distracted by covid restrictions and a total lack of public consultation.

Therefore I am vehemently opposed to the inception of the New Policy Statement at this time.

Cheers Ward