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Subject: Preserve and Protect

Surely Islands Trust should be in contact with C.R.D., and Emcom., the local Road Company, when it comes to maintenance issues. Do not write me off as feel this is a valid point and our tax money would be better spent this way. Maintenance equals Preserve and Protect.

If C.R.D. Plan and spend lots of money building a pedestrian walkway with sophisticated drainage on our major Highway, Lower Ganges Rd.; would it not be reasonable to expect C.R.D. To maintain it?

If Islands Trust want to really Preserve and Protect; should they not insure that our bike lanes are safe to traverse and drains not stopped up with diverse debris not the least being the twigs and needles from old and decaying evergreen trees planted way too close to the highway and should in fact have been cut down or at least topped years ago.

Every strong breeze or average wind add to the build up. We are growing moss there also.

If EmCon., our local road crew are responsible for preserving and protecting the C.R.D.s engineering plans; you would think money could be spent on buying a vacuum sweeper, rather than using back breaking manpower, or queueing to get, if we are lucky, once or twice a year the non-vacuum sweeper that throws the swept debris up and onto the sidewalk. This item is apparently shared between other districts on Vancouver Island.

A vacuum sweeper would be money well spent. Could be used at least and not once a week on Lower Ganges Rd. Better than paying for more wages for either C.R.D., or Islands Trust.

We have too many people already making bad decisions for us and thinking up ever more silly rules and regulations. Too many shiny leather shoes under the table. The letter submitted to you about the feasibility of desalination of sea water for the Islands was excellent.

You already know from this letter of the need to get rid of many old trees.

We live surrounded by water and you want to curtail private docks???

There is so much to be horrified at.

Is anyone listening to what the Islanders really want or is it just catering to the back room boys and people who attend Town Hall meetings and even have the privilege of being able to hear what is said at these gatherings.

It would be wonderful to see C.R.D. /Islands Trust / and Emcom., communicating with one another and figuring out how to solve the problems logically without throwing ever more consultants into the arena. Respectfully submitted. Rowena Dixon.

Sent from my iPad