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We write to you today to urge you to support the original trust mandate that puts our natural environment as a priority . We are living through climate change or trying to , environment must be put first if we want future generations to stand a chance . The glossary definition of environment in the TPS is all organic or in organic matter ... seriously??

Please resist the pressure to create a TPS with no priorities or one with little or no protection for the natural environment. The Trust was created to preserve and protect our shared natural environment and rural lifestyle for all British Columbians .

The Trust Policy statement must contain directives for local bylaws and the Official Community Plan. The Trust act requires a TPS to hold LTC's to a minimum standard as it should.

Having lived on Salt spring full time for 31 years it saddens us to see such a concerted effort on the part of so many trustees from a range of Gulf Islands in favour of dismantling the integrity of the original trust mandate . We can't help but feel there is a profit motive behind this push .

We ask that you take climate change seriously and protect our original trust policy statement.

Respectfully, Gary and Sharon Bywater

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