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Dear Trustees:

I would like to enter my very strong support for the development application for DL 86. The owners have been incredibly generous in their support for the community and sharing their property, both through developing a trail and allowing users to use the road (and doing a beautiful job in maintaining the road and forest restoration). I am a north end resident (), and am very familiar with the properties, as keep the trees off the road, bike, run, and hike on them. The proposed development would be a wonderful contribution to Galiano, finally allowing a public access to Dionisio. Keeping the road gate closed is also a great idea to decrease traffic in the park. My two concerns were the potential for road blockades and no trail use, but apparently both these concerns have addressed. Also, giving significant lands back to the Penelakut Tribe is also a major step in reconciliation.

In closing, I fully support these applications, and they will significantly improve the island for all, and finally resolve a major issue that has been plaguing the north end. They are making a very generous donation of a major part of their property. I sincerely hope that you approve these applications for the benefit of the entire island.

Thanks!

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