

Nov 30th 2023

Subject: Letter of Support for Subdivision Proposal

Dear Island Trustees and Staff Members

We are writing to express our support for the subdivision proposal outlined by Corinne Matheson and Wayne Bairstow regarding the lot DL86 up near Dionisio Park on Galiano Island.

Being full time residents of Galiano for seven years, we appreciate the significance of maintaining Galiano's unique charm, characterized by it's tranquil ambiance of cabins within the woods. We noticed that Galiano is built on the "old-fashioned" community system where everyone looks out for one another, and that is why upon reviewing the proposal to subdivide the lot, we appreciate Corinne and Wayne's commitment to maintaining Galiano's integrity by returning land to the Penelakut Tribe and donating funds from the amenity lots to Galiano Community Housing.

Not only does this proposal benefit the community, but it also demonstrates a respect for environmental concerns and local interests. We deeply appreciate their willingness to provide access for Galiano Island residents and visitors to travel to Dionisio Park through their property. Their commitment to keeping the gate closed to prevent vehicle access, safeguarding the landscape, along with their dedicated efforts in controlling Scotch Broom and nurturing the land, reflects a commendable dedication to preservation and community welfare.

We believe that this proposal aligns with our shared vision of preserving the island's natural beauty while responsibly considering its development. As concerned and supportive community members, we both stand behind this proposal, and we wholeheartedly encourage its approval.

Thank you for your attention to this matter, and we hope our support contributes positively to the consideration of this proposal.

Yours sincerely,

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