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**Subject:** STVR's on Hornby island

Dear Trustees,

We are writing this letter to voice our concerns regarding the proposed elimination of STVR's on Hornby Island. We agree that STVR's should be monitored on Hornby and are grateful to have our home managed by Wind and Waves, who insure proper rental procedures are in place. We rent for approx 4-5 weeks (total) in the summer and for the rest of the year our home is for our personal use.

Regarding the different options put forward by Islands Trust to deal with STVR's we are in agreement with the HISTRA recommendations of Options 1 and 3. We would also like to make the trustees aware that opting into the Principal Residence requirement would affect many non resident home owners in many ways and still will not free up housing stock. We believe that eliminating STVR's is a flawed solution to the long term housing problem as the majority of people who own a vacation home have no desire to rent their homes for long periods of time. The HISTRA survey of vacation home owners confirms this fact. "Elimination" will also have a negative economic impact on people in the Hornby community who rely on seasonal employment and the spending power of visitors to assist with their livelihoods. Hornby Island has always been a vacation destination for many families and short term rentals are an integral part of the island economy.

The year 1978 was the occasion of our first visit to Hornby, and it was love at first sight.

In the 46 years that we have made Hornby part of our life, we have seen many changes. However the essence of Hornby stays the same. It is still a beautiful magical place, loved by so many.

As homeowners on Hornby island, we have a vested interest in keeping this island pristine and unspoiled for future generations. Proper licensing of STVR's and compliance with bylaws for all homeowners should assist in this endeavour.

Regards, Tom and Ann Murphy