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**Subject:** Hornby Island Trust Meeting Mar 22, 2024

Dear Island Trustees, and Island Trust Staff et al,

Thank you for organizing a special meeting to further create understanding and a plan around STVR on Hornby Island and how they can hopefully continue to responsibly operate and contribute to the Hornby Island Community and economy.

We recognize that the new BC Provincial guidelines for STVR threw a bit of a curveball into your already well researched and well thought out plan so definitely appreciate the extra efforts this has caused.

In reading the IT Staff recommendations it seems like the very recent support received from CVRD around supporting a study into the creation of licensing system specifically for STVR on Hornby Island came in after those recommendations were finalized and we hope the Mar 22nd Meeting Agenda will be able to be updated to add this possibility to the agenda as well. A licensing system could greatly assist whichever version of the guidelines chosen and could work well managing STVR's impact and contribution to the Hornby community, as per outlined in the most recent HISTRA letter to Island Trustees and Staff.

We also agree with the suggestion to try to separate, as much as possible, the STVR issues from the ongoing discussion about how to create affordable housing alternatives on Hornby so the STVR doesn't distract from valuable efforts to move forward with housing solutions. We are definitely a family that relies on STVR to get by but would not end up turning our home into long term housing if STVR was removed.

We look forward to a positive and productive meeting and greatly appreciate all the efforts from so many.

All the best, Erian Baxter and Kevin Dubois

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