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Notes & Comments

Remove all references to sheep. This makes the LTC neutral on the subject, A community discussion can highlight concerns for future plans.

Are loggers an invasive species? They do kill trees and destroy habitat.

Define the permitted uses of multi use Barge ramps. All other bylaws define permitted uses.

Can we export raw logs from our multi use ramps? Ban raw log export. NO TUP's for log dumps.