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Dear LTC Trustees,

I just wanted to submit a few comments about the new draft OCP:

1- Sheep (!) - I'm not necessarily in favour of eradicating the sheep, as I value them as a local food source, but it is very obvious to me that they have had a negative impact on the ecology in my neighbourhood (I am just past Grant Road). I DO NOT want to see the feral sheep recognized as "Heritage" in the OCP.

2- ALR - I would like to see an advocacy policy about review of ALR lands on Lasqueti, as I know many areas of ALR designation are actually not suitable for agriculture (ie. rocky bluff, or better maintained as forest), and many prime garden/agricultural lands are not in the ALR.

3- I am very much in support of permanent protection for Lasqueti's public ("Crown") lands and would like to see stronger wording about this. Lasqueti has some of the largest mature tracts of endangered Coastal Douglas fir forest and the highest and best use for most of the big tracts of public land in my mind would be to regrow old growth forest, ideally in collaboration with local First Nations.

I have read through most of the comments posted to the OCP Review website and would like to add my support to comments made by Ken Lertzman, Marti Wendt and C Ferris.

Sincerely,

Hilary Duinker