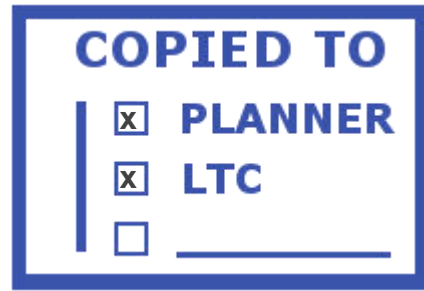


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Islands Trust

Dan Rogers, Chair

Jeanine Dodds, Trustee

David Maude, Trustee

Re: Mayne Island Housing Society application for re-zoning of property at 375 Village Bay Road.

As one of the owners of the property at ██████████ I am writing to you in to let you know that I strongly oppose the any re-zoning of the property next to ours. We purchased our property in 1992 and we became permanent residents of our wonderful little island in 2002. One of the positive features of our property was the supply of fresh water from a surface spring that flowed all year. In 2003 this water source stopped running in early August and began flowing again in late September. During this two-month period we became dependent on a backup well for our water supply. As the years passed, we have become more and more dependent on the backup well for longer periods. This year the spring dried up in early June. The property at 375 Village Bay Road found it necessary to drill a new well a few years ago as their spring dried up completely. I am genuinely concerned about any changes in the demand for fresh water in this area.

My second concern is with respect to ground seepage in this area from sewage fields to accommodate an additional 20 to 30 residents on this one property. The properties below along Maple Drive will certainly be affected.

The mandate of The Islands Trust is to “Serve and Protect” which I read as you are elected to serve the residents of our Island and to protect our pristine and unique natural environment. Once we start cutting up the small acreages on our Island, we will have started a slippery slope that cannot be reversed.

There are several other reasons as to why this zoning change should be rejected and I cannot overstate my opposition to it. I will be engaging Legal Council to ensure that my rights as a property owner are protected.

Respectfully,

Jon Hoff