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Subject: Good morning

There are numerous articles published regarding the seriousness of climate change. Davis Suzuki states we have passed the stop mark. One of the most serious outcomes is the affect our drying weather is having on water. The prairies is in serious drought. Water restrictions are posted throughout BC. They appear all over Mayne Island. I'm also aware there are 2 districts in serious water conditions.

A Saturna Island scientist (can't remember her name) published a paper stating the reservoir we all depend on is depleting. It is not returning to full capacity.

My question then is why are you proposing a flex housing development for this small island that already has water issues? Is i feasible to think we are isolated areas and that because some areas have water they won't eventually be affected? I humbly suggest that is seriously flawed.

Is there a housing issue in BC? Yes. However, I do not think this proposal is a viable answer.

I look forward to both of your comments.

Respectfully,

Joan Sutherland

Sent from my iPad