

**From:** Laura Patrick  
**Sent:** Monday, February 7, 2022 3:24 PM  
**To:** marian hargrove  
**Cc:** Peter Grove; Peter Luckham; SSIIInfo  
**Subject:** RE: Bylaw 528

Thank you Marian for sharing your comments. We are only seeing this draft bylaw for the first time at our upcoming meeting. There will be more opportunities to hear from islanders before any bylaw is finalized.

Laura

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From: marian hargrove [REDACTED]  
Sent: Monday, February 7, 2022 3:16 PM  
To: Laura Patrick  
Cc: Peter Grove; Peter Luckham  
Subject: Bylaw 528

Hello Laura,

I am concerned about some of the changes proposed by Bylaw 528. While sympathetic to the need for more affordable housing, three main issues worry me most.

- the need to limit population growth to the previously set level of 17,000 -assuring that water is adequate for the proposed small residences/suites -regulation of proposed additional housing to guarantee long term rental rather than air B&B use

Bylaw enforcement is, to be kind, weak on Salt Spring. What measures will be taken to regulate water use and rental of proposed small residences? On our water systems we are already under summer-long, strict watering restrictions and further reduction of water will affect the ability of individuals to grow their own food. Recharging of ground water has been proven to be extremely slow (years) and our lake sources, also dependent on precipitation, could be seriously challenged in the time ahead by excess population.

I appreciate how difficult establishing guidelines and regulations are on our vocal islands. Thank you for all the consulting that is done and the work toward consensus which must occur.

Best regards,  
Marian Hargrove [REDACTED]

Sent from my iPad