



Executive Committee Addendum

Date: March 23, 2022
Time: 9:00 am
Location: Islands Trust Victoria Boardroom
200-1627 Fort Street, Victoria, BC

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Subject:Recommend deferral of review of DRAFT POLICY STATEMENT

Date:Tue, 22 Mar 2022 15:21:48 +0000

From:carolecrotty <[REDACTED]>

Reply-To:carolecrotty <[REDACTED]>

To:trustees@islandstrust.bc.ca <trustees@islandstrust.bc.ca>

This message is written to request that the Islands Trust defer its current plans to carry out community reviews of the DRAFT POLICY STATEMENT.

This request is based on two factors:

1. the recent vote among trustees concerning a Governance Review resulted in 50% of the members opposing/supporting a Governance Review. You have a divided house which once can conclude is evidence of dysfunction and paralysis. This needs to be addressed by leadership.
2. Just two months later the report filed Great Northern Management, hired by the Trust, raises legitimate and detailed concerns about the timing of this exercise. That report identifies serious and basic failures in terms of interpretation of the role, purpose and functioning of the Trust and its scope of authority.

It seems reasonable and prudent to expect that Trust leadership would pause new activity, particularly as fundamental as the POLICY STATEMENT and instead focus its attention on governance practices and get the leadership and management deficiencies resolved before embarking upon a public engagement exercise when the basic purpose and scope of the Islands Trust is in dispute and sadly, the Trust itself is now in a state of disrepute.

Many sitting trustees have expressed their desire to have the governance report acted upon and to develop a plan to address the review recommendations prior to seeking change to the Policy Statement. I agree deferral of the planned review of the POLICY STATEMENT would be well received and accepted as a wise decision by the greater community.

Best wishes to you in these times when leadership skills are of such great importance and consequence.

March 18, 2022

Islands Trust Executive Committee

By email to: Lori Foster, lfoster@islandstrust.bc.ca

Attention: Islands Trust Executive Committee

Re: Coastal Douglas-fir Ecological Communities

Dear Executive Committee,

At its March 15, 2022 meeting, the Islands Trust Conservancy (ITC) received an update regarding the March 8-10, 2022 Trust Council meeting. ITC Chair Stamford noted that a delegation was received from David Dunning questioning the rarity of Coastal Douglas-fir (CDF) ecological communities. The ITC Board was advised that Islands Trust staff had received correspondence from the Province of B.C. noting that Islands Trust and ITC communications regarding CDF ecosystems is substantively correct. The ITC Board passed the following resolution requesting that the Executive Committee consider providing the information received from Provincial staff to the delegate:

ITC-2022-019

It was MOVED and SECONDED,

that the Islands Trust Conservancy (ITC) Board request that Executive Committee forward the correspondence received at Trust Council (item 17.2) about Coastal Douglas-fir to the delegate David Dunnison regarding his presentation to Trust Council dated March 8, 2022 entitled, "Islands Trust Biodiversity".

The ITC Board remains committed to communicating about and working to protect the rare CDF ecological communities as described in the ITC Regional Conservation Plan.

Sincerely,



Kate-Louise Stamford
Chair, Islands Trust Conservancy