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Galiano Island, B.C.

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Islands Trust  
200 Fort St.  
Victoria, B.C.

Dear Executive Committee

RE: Bylaws 211 and 212 Galiano Island

It so disappointing to discover that the Islands Trust still allows local trust committees to hide or bury controversial legislation in "housekeeping" bylaws.

The first time I witnessed this was when Bylaw 66 was passed in 1989. The one house per twenty acre subdivision right of Lot 8 and two other forest lots on Galiano Island was removed under Bylaw 66 which was entitled "Conversion to metric measurement". None of the three owners of the affected lots was notified of the change to their land's status.

Galiano's current LTC is now down zoning a B.C. park F1 lot to NP and up zoning the land of one of their strongest supporters, Geof Gaylor, all under the guise of housekeeping.

Democratic principals, equal consideration of all parties, legal process? Why does election to the Islands Trust convert an honest individual into someone who believes the end justifies the means?

I look forward to your reading your recommendations on Bylaws 211 and 212 after their presentation to your committee on May 24, 2011.

Yours truly,

Valerie Van de Wint

Cc Galiano Local Trust Committee  
Cc Honorable Ida Chong