

File: 0540-20 COW

November 28, 2019

Chair and Directors
Committee of the Whole
Comox Valley Regional District

Dear Chair and Directors:

Re: Forbidden Plateau Reclamation Society – Wood Mountain Park

At the November 26, 2019 board meeting a delegation by the Forbidden Plateau Reclamation Society provided a presentation summarizing their three-year effort to clean up the former Forbidden Plateau Skill Hill of its now dilapidated buildings and infrastructure.

This volunteer effort was a tremendous undertaking, made even more challenging by difficult terrain, land tenure complexities, variable weather conditions and the immense size and amount of infrastructure.

In light of this grassroots effort to restore this popular recreational area I am seeking the board's support to write to the province to request appropriate signage confirming its status as a park in hopes that visitors to the area use the property with due care and respect. Further, I am also seeking that the province, through signage or other approaches, recognize the society for their incredible achievement.

I respectfully request the committee's consideration of the following:

THAT the Comox Valley Regional District Board write to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy to request:

1. Appropriate signage, in consultation with K'omoks First Nation, for Wood Mountain Park; and
2. Recognition of the Forbidden Plateau Reclamation Society for their volunteer efforts to clean up the abandoned buildings and structures from the former Forbidden Plateau Ski Hill.

Respectfully,

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Doug Hillian
Director