

Letter: 'We too are frustrated waiting for the government to act'

Dear editor,

Re: BC Truck Loggers Association calls for collective vision for forestry

First of all, Old Growth Revylution would like to thank the BC Truck Loggers Association for their call for a collective vision for forestry. We share the desire for a collaborative hammering out of a positive vision for forestry in B.C.

We do take issue with the province's statistics on what remains of old-growth forests in B.C.

Holt, Daust and Price's independent research, BC's Old Growth Forest: A Last Stand for Biodiversity, makes clear only three per cent of B.C.'s land base is capable of supporting large trees, and only 2.7 per cent of the trees are actually old.

Their research found most of the area the province considers old growth can't support big trees, which store high amounts of carbon, support biodiversity, and make forests resilient to wildfire. Instead, most of it is low productivity forest, such as small trees at high elevations.

That being said, agreeing about the amount of old growth left in B.C. will not ultimately take us where we want to go.

In addition, we urgently need to acknowledge the elephant in the room: the Allowable Annual Cut (AAC) is too high. Allowable Annual Cut is a euphemism for Minimal Annual Cut as logging companies must log the AAC allotted their tenure within five years, or they will lose their tenure or pay a penalty.

It is common knowledge in the timber industry that the AAC has been too high for decades and will lead to the Mid-Term Timber Supply Crisis or "falldown."

This happens when there will not be enough second growth trees ready to harvest when all the primary (never logged) or old-growth forest is gone.

Then these logging corporations that are presently operating will leave and commence operations in forests and mills in the United States and Sweden.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that a Public Hearing will be held in the Revelstoke Community Centre located at 600 Campbell Avenue, Revelstoke, B.C. on Tuesday, November 9, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. for the following bylaw:

OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW NO. 2297

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Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2297: To update and modernize to allow for consistent interpretation, of the City of Revelstoke Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 1950.

Given the current situation with respect to COVID-19, in accordance with recommended Provincial Health guidelines, any person wishing to inspect hard copies of Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 2297 and all relevant background documents are asked to schedule an appointment with Development Services on the following 2021 weekday dates: October 27, 28, 29, November 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 between the public drop-in hours from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and November 9 between the public drop-in hours from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Review the documents online at www.revelstoke.ca/OCP. Please email development@revelstoke.ca or call (250) 837-3637 to make an appointment.

All persons who believe their interest in property is affected by the proposed Bylaw are encouraged to provide written submission to the Corporate Officer until 2:00 pm on Monday, November 8, 2021 to:

- publichearings@revelstoke.ca or;
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Official Community Plan Amendment Bylaw No. 2298: To provide for the Thomas Brook Lands annexed into the City of Revelstoke.

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Thomas Brook Lands forming Bylaw No. 2298

