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DISTRICT OF METCHOSIN

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Steve Price
Board Chair, Capital Regional District
Executive Services
625 Fisgard Street
Victoria, BC V8W 2S6

Dear Board Chair, Steve Price

Re: Draft CRD Bylaw 4093 – Regional Transportation Service

This letter is to advise that at its January 22nd, 2018 Council meeting, the District of Metchosin Council discussed the Regional Transportation Service Establishment, Draft Bylaw 4093 and resolved to oppose the Bylaw. Furthermore, Council agrees with the points made in Mayor Hamilton's letter addressed to the CRD Board Chair dated January 26, 2018.

In addition to Mayor Hamilton's letter, the District of Metchosin Council wishes to state the following:

1. Council believes that while the lineal trails are an effective transportation corridor for the Core, they are first and foremost a Parks function and should be managed through that lens. For example, much of Metchosin's trail system is linked to the Galloping Goose, with a focus on equestrian use. For that reason we do not want our portion of the trail paved as would have happened on the Lochside Trail had not Regional Parks Committee Chair Mike Hicks intervened.
2. The operations and maintenance budget for the lineal trails should remain with Regional Parks.
3. Twelve kilometers of the Galloping Goose trail are within our municipality and it is a key component to our parks and trails planning. Therefore Council cannot support a regional AAP process which would effectively eliminate any influence Metchosin residents would have in the process.

4. Council questions the ability of the Capital Regional District to fairly and effectively administrate this program.

Please contact me direct should you have any questions or concerns on the above.

Yours truly,



John Rannis

Mayor

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