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Hello,

As the Director of Area B of the Columbia Shuswap Regional District (from Trout Lake to Mica Dam on the Columbia River), I would like to make some comments on the preservation of old growth forest in this area in particular.

The Revelstoke area has been a key old growth rainforest logging zone for a long time. At this stage only a few percent of the accessible old growth forest is left standing. Revelstoke is changing fast to a tourism rather than logging based community and the old growth forest that remains is a key tourist draw for the area. It's preservation is a very important part of our tourism future. Without preserving it we will kill a future for the area for sure.

Logging can continue of second growth forest but for the sake of Revelstoke's future we need to halt all old growth logging in this area, preserve other areas to log for local logging and milling companies only, and prioritize the preservation of old growth forests for the future of our economy.

The environmental and climate change impacts should also be a key reason for halting old growth logging in all areas of BC.

Thank you,

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