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SENT VIA email: Andrew.Newall@gov.bc.ca

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Re: Request for a Road Safety Survey of Thetis Island

Dear Andy:

The Thetis Local Trust Committee (LTC) is aware that the safety of pedestrians and drivers on Thetis Island roads is a concern of the community and the Thetis Island Ratepayers and Residents Association (TIRRA). They report that there are serious concerns regarding poor visibility for drivers and hazardous conditions for pedestrians, particularly due to narrow roads and sharp corners with no shoulders for pedestrians to walk safely. TIRRA have requested the assistance of the Thetis Local Trust Committee to arrange for a road safety survey of Thetis Island.

There are a number of locations on Thetis Island which have come to the attention of the LTC that are problematic and those are as follows:

1. The corner of Harbour Rd. & Foster Point Rd.
2. The junction of North Cove Rd. and Mission Rd.
3. The winding section of Pilkey Point Rd. between Marina Drive and Blue Heron Rd. This was the site of a very serious MVI that struck 2 pedestrians and their dogs.
4. The junction of Foster Point Rd., North Cove Rd. & Pilkey Point particularly the section opposite Capernwray Bible Centre.
5. The section of North Cove Rd. before and after Forbes Rd.
6. The section of Foster Point Rd. that is used for ferry traffic parking.

The LTC would like to request that a road safety survey be initiated and undertaken of Thetis Island. The LTC requests that the scope of the survey include the identification of danger zones, poor lines of sight, pedestrian risks, and any potential mitigating measures that may be undertaken. The LTC understands that such a survey may require further identifying the scope

of the project and involving the relevant stakeholders, e.g. Cowichan Valley Regional District, ICBC, residents of Thetis Island.

Thank you for your leadership on this issue, and we welcome your response and assistance.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susan Morrison".

Susan Morrison
Chair, Thetis Local Trust Committee

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Ann Kjerulf, Regional Planning Manager, Northern Office
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