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ATTENTION: Tom Yates

RE: AREA B

It has recently come to my attention that some Cortes Islanders are contacting other Regional Directors such as Brenda Leigh, rather than with our elected representative, Ms. Anderson in order to exert influence over business matters and votes at the Board level.

I understand these communications have been kept confidential, however they appear to influence how Director(s) have voted in regards to Area B business at a recent Board Meeting.

I believe Area Directors who entertain calls from constituents outside of their electorate are acting inappropriately. In the event that such communication occurs, all such correspondence should be referred in its entirety to the constituent's Elected Area Director and SRD Board, and be part of the public record.

It is absolutely inappropriate for constituents to use such methods to circumnavigate appropriate channels for communicating their positions on island affairs. Such tactics undermine local government and supersede the rights of other constituents.

Please ensure this deplorable practice is immediately discontinued.

Sincerely,

Dennis Newsham

cc: Director Anderson