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To Whom It May Concern:

Re: Park Use regulation Bylaw 1801

The Board of Trustees are in full agreement with the Fire Chief that allowing homeless camping on the 707 property would be extremely dangerous.

This property is over 1000 acres with no Forestry Management Plan, a left over fuel load from previous logging, and poor road access for firefighting purposes.

While the Trustees sympathise with the plight of the homeless, allowing camping in this area would be of no benefit to them. They would have no access to running water or washroom facilities and with the extremely spotty cell phone coverage should an emergency, medical or fire, occur reaching 911 could prove difficult.

Therefore, and with respect to this situation, it would be appreciated if the RDN would exempt this location from your Bylaw.

Yours truly, Sandra Rudischer, Chairman

SR:pm