Tall trees hazards to WV homes

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West Vancouver - Dear Editor: Re: West Van to Consider Tree Cutting Rules, Feb. 21 front-page story.

Having lived on the North Shore since 1921, I am older than many of the "mature" trees being considered for cutting rules. To leave these

shallow-rooted, top-heavy rapidly growing cedars and hemlocks in the midst of \$2-million to \$5-million homes is sheer folly. It would make a lot more sense to have a bylaw requiring a tree to be cut down when it reaches a specified height - say 30 metres.

Hurricane Frieda blew through here in October 1962, devastating large areas of Greater Vancouver. It was classified as a 50-year event. The mathematical possibilities are very interesting.

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