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NV construction noise irks neighbour

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North Vancouver - Dear Editor: I have just read the construction/noise bylaws. Why? This will be the third summer in a row that I will have to live with obnoxious construction noise in my neighbourhood. It is also my third summer in retirement. I was so looking forward to spending time in my backyard and garden.

Apparently it will remain only a wish for yet another summer. My most recent joy is to deal with a full three weeks of dynamite horns and blasts daily. Last year the house being constructed took six weeks just to cut bricks using a machine that was so loud I couldn't have people on my back deck. Now another summer of trucks, noise and lack of quality of life not to mention the loss of birds given the clearcutting of yet more mature trees.

If we have no choice but to live with tear down after tear down ... then please consider amending the bylaws so that work does not begin before 9 a.m. and stops by 6 p.m. every day with no noise on the weekends. At least that would allow for a couple of hours in my yard in the morning and evening.

It is now almost 7 p.m. I have to turn my TV up to hear the news due to the incessant noise from the cranes and trucks. I am exhausted by the noise.

Please also consider a bylaw that restricts tear downs. We have lost over 25 mature trees on our block in the last two years. Pretty soon our lovely scenic valley with picturesque bungalows will look like a town in a desert ... what are you thinking? A resident with agitated nerves.

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