

**Subject: [Fwd: Waiting for Mr. Crist reply]**

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Hello Mr Crist.

I have not as of yet received a reply from my previous email sent on February 15, 2005. I'm guessing that sifting through all of your other email in regards to this issue must be quite overwhelming. So, I am sending you another copy (below) with a few additional questions and concerns.

I'm also apologising in advance if this email seems "uncivil or rude", but I happen to be the kind of person that is up front and maybe a little blunt. So, without digressing further;

-Will the amount of money that is saved from placing a cycling moratorium on Fromme offset the cost of upholding the moratorium? Meaning will it cover the patrols that will be needed to keep riders off of the mountain. You and I and the tree trunks know that people will still go there even if it is an offence.

Also, is Mount Fromme under North Vancouver Civic jurisdiction? Or is it Crown land therefore making it public land and under provincial/federal jurisdiction?

Your answers to this matter would be again greatly appreciated.

P.S. I am also sending a copy of this to Mayor Harris, Cam McRae, The Sun, The Province, The North Shore News, and the rest of city council.

Whether or not I live in the voting district of North Vancouver, I feel that this situation will have an impact on the entire coast. And I think that the public deserves answers.

February 15, 2005

Hello sir,

My name is Rebecca and I ride my bicycle from time to time. I have heard that you have created a proposal to prohibit cycling on Mount Fromme.

I have a few questions.

1.) What, exactly is the damage being done to the environment?

eg.

- is it litter
- damage to local flora/fauna
- erosion
- other (please explain)

2.) What has been done by the cycling community and other parties involved to attempt to resolve the problem and why have these attempts not been successful?

3.) How much revenue does the entire Lower Mainland and Valley generate from the activities of the local, national and international cycling community? And what percentage of it contributes to annual tourism revenues? Please include spin off through word of mouth and multimedia to people who do not cycle, but travel here to enjoy the many attractions that Coastal BC provides.

Based on these estimates, how much money will the local bike shops, hotel, restaurant, car rental, and other hospitality industries lose because of this prohibition? These people are advertising for free to the people they know to come here from everywhere else. Riders don't just talk to riders. They have families and friends that have other interests that the Lower Mainland has to offer.

The demographic that rides places such as Mount Fromme and Grouse Mountain, are in their mid twenties to early thirties, have post secondary education, and make between \$30,000 to 50,000 per year.

4.) What will be the economic impact of the service/ parts industry (AKA bike shops) if sites such as these are shut down? Per season, a rider of this calibre will spend between \$1000.00 - \$2000.00 per season on parts and service. This does not include initial purchase or replacement safety gear.

The shops buy the product to support the demand to ride, on the premise that the riding locations are available to be used.

The average rider on Fromme or Grouse or Seymour, will spend an estimated \$2000.00 - \$4000.00 + on the initial purchase of a bicycle... the bike will be replaced every two to five years. Safety gear purchases are between \$200.00 - \$700.00. Helmets and gloves are regularly replaced.

5.) How many riders are going to these places on average?

6.) Once the precedent has been set, do you plan on more proposals to shut down other riding areas?

Thank you for your time,

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