

Subject: [Fwd: Councillor Ernie Crist]

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Hello,

I would like to express my concern about the closing of Mount Fromme and Mt. Biking in Vancouver in general. I live on the other side of the coast in Vermont. We face many of the same challenges here in Vermont as in Vancouver. I think closing areas and limiting people who wish to ride their bikes is an injustice. We allow huge developments, golf courses, logging, etc. that goes on without the same amount of discussion. Here in Stowe, VT we are allowing a huge expansion to go on at the resort. A huge amount of land including high alpine terrain has been completely clear cut for another golf course and million dollar homes. However, they will not entertain the thought of a mountain bike on trails. There is no comparison of impact from mountain biking to any of these other activities that really do change the landscape forever. Let's also remember this has had a huge positive impact on the today's youth. It's an alternative to a world filled with pitfalls. Let's get together and support bikers who are healthy minded, who give back to society, and preserve natural area for generations. I know I would reconsider visiting beautiful B.C if some of these areas were no longer open. I hope I will not have to make the decision to not visit B.C. and go else where. I know lots of people who feel the same as I do.

Thank you,

Josh Phelps

Stowe, VT