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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Timothy Batterham, and I am a 16 year old student at Mosman High School, Sydney, Australia.

Recently it has come to my attention and to the attention of many other Australian mountain bikers (via "farkin.net", and Australian mountain bike forum) that the North Vancouver bicycle trails have come under threat, and may not be around much longer.

I am writing in to tell you of how much of a tradgity this will mean to "freeride" mountain bikers all over the world. The unique trails on this land are like a utopia, to many mountain bikers, and if you ask any serious rider, anywhere in the world, they will know about the trails. I myself even plan on making that a serious traveling destination once i have finished my HSC. Infact mountain bikers travel thousands of miles each year from all over the world to visit the trails, a great tourism income for Canada, and North Vancouver. Which will be lost if this does go forward.

I would like to suggest that a less drastic solution is put forward, to keep both the beautifull scenery, and one of the best mountain biking destinations in the world around for generations to come. Such as working with the builders.

Mountain biking is a great sport, which keeps kids off the couch, the streets and keeps them active. I have found it to be a great way to keep healthy, and have fun, and will be extremelly sad to see these trails go. Please, keep the mountain biker dream alive.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely, Timothy.