

**From:** [Haley, Shawn MOTI:EX](#)  
**To:** [Laurent, Francois MOTI:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Pearson, Michael MOTI:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Trees at Morning Beach access.  
**Date:** October 2, 2023 9:09:11 AM  
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Hi Francois - let's chat about this when you're in office this week.  
Thanks!  
Shawn

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**From:** Olsen, Adam<sup>s.17</sup>  
**Sent:** Monday, October 2, 2023 9:00:01 AM  
**To:**<sup>s.22</sup> Haley, Shawn MOTI:EX  
<Shawn.Haley@gov.bc.ca>; Pearson, Michael MOTI:EX <Michael.Pearson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Olsen.MLA, Adam <Adam.Olsen.MLA@leg.bc.ca>; Gawley, Jerram <Jerram.Gawley@leg.bc.ca>;  
Pearson, Patricia <Patricia.Pearson@leg.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: Trees at Morning Beach access.

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Hello<sup>s.22</sup> (introducing Shawn and Michael),

I am connecting you with my contacts in the regional MoTI office to make an initial contact regarding your concern about tree removal.

Shawn/Michael should have both emails you sent me, and I am hoping you can connect to discuss this issue.

I am happy to have my office involved in the advocacy as needed.

**HÍSWKE,**

**Adam Olsen (he/him)**

**Member of the Legislative Assembly**

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**From:** <sup>s.22</sup>

**Sent:** Saturday, September 30, 2023 8:47 PM

**To:** Olsen, Adam <sup>s.17</sup>

**Subject:** Re: Trees at Morning Beach access.

I wanted to add.

I am concerned about how Moti takes these trees down. I spoke with <sup>s.22</sup>  
<sup>s.22</sup> earlier this week, and there is a concern about how Moti takes the trees across the Gulf Islands. They often tend to take them down and leave a large stump. It looks like this.

Along the path to Morning Beach

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This is Tree #4 Fir, clearly leaning away from the house.

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On Sat, Sep 30, 2023 at 8:34 PM <sup>s.22</sup>  
wrote:

Hi Adam, I hope you are well. I am writing to you for some advice.

There are quite a few residents that very concerned about some trees marked for removal at the Morning Beach, beach access.

Here is what I know so far:

It appears that MOTI is considering the removal of five large, mature trees at the end of the Morning Beach shore access. That area is not CRD or BC Parks land, it belongs to Moti (Srow). That area is in SHORELINE AND MARINE DEVELOPMENT PERMIT AREA (2) (I understand that means nothing, if the trees are deemed danger trees)

However, the five trees are very close to the shore access boundary with the adjoining property - 754 Ellis Road. The neighbour has, in the past, requested removal of three of the trees as posing a danger to the residence, which was constructed under the “danger” trees more than 15 years ago. The neighbours have, in the past flagged the trees.

MOTI has apparently assessed the trees and is now seeking quotes for the tree removals. Our local road maintenance contractor (Emcon Services Inc- Shay Morgan) is not involved in the process. We initially noticed the tree tagging on Saturday, but it appears they have been marked for a couple of weeks.

Two of the trees are large (7-8 foot diameter) firs, that appear to be healthy trees, but well-branched, and are furthest away from the house. There is a tall cedar, showing signs of stress and top die back closer to the house. The other two trees are balsam/firs that have split tops, but otherwise look healthy.

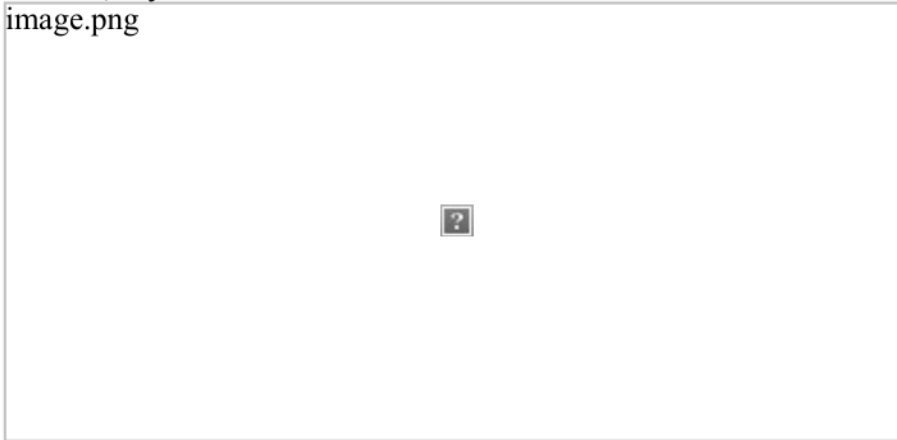
I understand that Moti does not have to consult with our Parks and Rec board, but this is, after all, is a public park, shore access and one that is heavily used by residents and visitors. These larger trees are a few of handful larger trees in that area. The root systems certainly run through bank.

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Tree #5, My hand for size reference.

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Tree #5 again, look at the sizes of the other trees in that area.

Do you have a contact at Moti, I could discuss this with? I understand that there may be very little we can do, but folks are talking about chaining themselves to these trees.

Maybe we can work out a compromise, w/ Moti where we can maintain the nature/habitat without removing the trees.

Here is a link to a FB page that has more

info. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GalianoIsland/permalink/6764055583679461/>

Talk soon!

**From:** "The" Jesse Lariviere (jlariviere@emconservices.ca)  
**To:** Laurent, Francois MOTI:EX (Francois.Laurent@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** Galiano Island. Morning Beach Danger Tree Assessment  
**Sent:** 09/29/2023 20:27:59  
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**From:** Ray Praud <RayPraud@capitaltreeservice.ca>  
**Sent:** September 22, 2023 7:13 AM  
**To:** "The" Jesse Lariviere <jlariviere@emconservices.ca>  
**Cc:** Joel Creese <JoelCreese@capitaltreeservice.ca>; Steve Taylor <SteveTaylor@capitaltreeservice.ca>  
**Subject:** Galiano Island. Morning Beach Danger Tree Assessment

## **Galiano Island: Morning Beach Trail.**

### **Danger Tree Assessment. 2023-09-21**

All trees are along high occupancy foot traffic pathway to Morning Beach adjacent to high value property and buildings.

#6,7,8 (below #3) 2 WRC. 1 Douglas Fir. 60+ DBH. Dead top. 10+cm hangers over pathway.

**Actions:** Reduce dead top and hangers.

#5 Douglas Fir. 120cm DBH. 150ft ht.

Root compaction. 20cm+ over extended limbs over water storage tanks. 20cm dead wood hangers over pathway.

**Actions:** Remove deadwood and hangers. End weight reduction.

#4 Douglas Fir. 130cm DBH. 150ft ht. Large sloughing bark. 30cm dead limbs and hangers over pathway, house and large propane tank. Tree in decline. Uneven canopy.  
**\*Dangerous\***

**Actions:** Remove/wildlife tree

#3 WRC. 70cm DBH. 90ft ht. Dead. Extensive decay. Striking distance from house and pathway. **\*Dangerous\***

**Actions:** Remove/wildlife tree

#2 Grand Fir. 82cm DBH. 130ft ht. Codom top at 50ft. Poor attachment included bark. One codom heavy lean to house. Whole tree lean to house. In decline. **\*Dangerous\***

**Actions:** Remove/wildlife.

#1 Grand Fir. 110cm DBH. 130ft ht. Codom stem at 60ft leaning to house and pathway. Included bark narrow attachment. 10+cm dead wood and hangers. **\*Dangerous\***

**Actions:** Remove/wildlife or cable brace codominant stems.

**Ray Praud**

**Capital Tree Service**

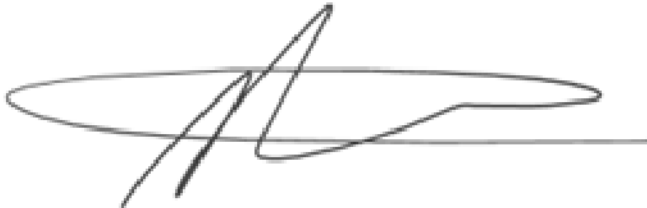
**[Raypraud@capitaltreeservice.ca](mailto:Raypraud@capitaltreeservice.ca)**

**250-661-7079**

**Certified Utility Arborist: 19-TT-20**

**ISA/TRAQ Certified Arborist- PN-9461A**

**Wildlife Danger Tree Assessor: 8302**

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'R' followed by a horizontal line and a small loop at the end.

**From:** Galiano Roads (galianoroads@emconservices.ca)

**To:** Laurent, Francois TRAN:EX (Francois.Laurent@gov.bc.ca)

**Subject:** Ellis road Beach danger trees

**Sent:** 03/22/2023 21:03:53

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The trees are a massive job, powerlines without access to bucket trucks. Trees are Douglas firs 3-4 ft in diameter and 120-150ft tall. I can have HD tree have a look at them next Tuesday.

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**Subject:** Danger trees at ellis Beach access

**Sent:** 09/28/2023 20:46:19

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There is a group organizing to protest the removal of the beach access trees. Just thought I'd give you a heads up as social media is ramping up.

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**Subject:** Galiano Tree Work and Risk Assessment - 21 Sep  
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3 person crew, with a Risk Assessor/Arborist to tend to everything discussed below.

**Shea – please be at the ferry terminal to escort them to the sights.**

- Capture each sight with a few pics as well.

Thanks everyone,

Jesse Lariviere

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