
Re: New CVRD Bylaws

From Hilary Abbott <hilary.abbott@cvrld.bc.ca>
Date Mon 3/30/2026 8:33 AM
To Catherine Dunn-Gilbert <[REDACTED]>
Cc legislativeservices <legislativeservices@cvrld.bc.ca>

Good morning Catherine,

Thank you for your email and your concerns regarding the draft Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw (CZB), which is just beginning to be discussed at the CVRD. I am sharing your concerns with legislative services to ensure your concerns are shared with my colleagues around the Board Table and forms part of the public record.

Please, if you have not already done so, please check out the Plan Your Cowichan website to stay updated on CZB developments and to learn how and when to participate at the Public Open house meetings scheduled for early May.

<https://www.planyourcowichan.ca/zoning-bylaw-project>

Yours appreciatively,

Hilary

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From: Catherine Dunn-Gilbert <[REDACTED]>
Date: Sunday, March 29, 2026 at 4:54 pm
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Subject: New CVRD Bylaws

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Greetings Hilary,

I am writing about the new CVRD bylaws. I am shocked by the breadth and depth and ramifications of these changes.

On a personal level, I am concerned about the possibility that Cowichan Bay residents who live in float homes and boats at docks will find themselves prohibited from doing so. Those of us who responsibly and respectfully live on the water are part of the culture and colour of the community. Our homes also provide us with places to live at a time when housing is unaffordable for many.

I am also disturbed by the potential changes to land use that will impact those who have RV's or other ways of accommodating folks on their property, and the various ways that those who have livestock,

roadside stands and even chickens to feed their families will suffer.

Please let me know the best way to have my voice heard regarding the bylaw changes and indeed your thoughts.

best regards,

Cathy Dunn-Gilbert (she/her)

I want to recognize that I live and work on the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples, specifically the Quw'utsun (Cowichan) people.