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## Opposition to Proposed Changes to Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw Section 4.14

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To the CVRD Planning Department and Director Wilson,

I am writing to formally express my opposition to the proposed updates to **Section 4.14 of the Comprehensive Zoning Bylaw** regarding food truck regulations.

As a resident of the Cowichan Valley, I believe the proposed 8-hour operating limit and the requirement for daily removal of units will place an undue burden on our local small businesses. These "one-size-fits-all" restrictions threaten the viability of community staples like **Drifters Creamery** at Cobble Hill Station. These businesses provide more than just food; they create vibrant public spaces and support the local economy using high-quality, organic ingredients.

If these amendments are intended to address specific land-use issues or congestion in other parts of the district, I urge you to consider a more surgical approach. Rather than broad restrictions that penalize successful, stationary local institutions, the bylaw should:

- Distinguish between seasonal, long-term placements and transient vending.
- Provide exemptions or specific permits for food trucks operating on established private parcels where they do not interfere with traffic or public right-of-way.
- Focus on site-specific impacts rather than a district-wide time mandate.

Flexible food truck rules are essential for maintaining the unique character of our community. I ask that you reconsider these changes to ensure that small, independent vendors can continue to serve the Cowichan Valley for years to come.

Sincerely,

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