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West Coast Directors Committee
Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District
3008 Fifth Avenue,
Port Alberni, BC V9Y 2E3

Re: Temporary Storage of Timber on Long Beach Airport Lands

Dear West Coast Directors Committee,

Pacific in National Park Reserve would like to formally request the in-kind storage of raw timber on the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District's Long Beach Airport lands. The construction of the ʔapsčiiik ʔašii multi use trail project (formerly Pacific Traverse Trail) will produce a large quantity of timber that may require temporary storage beyond the capacity of PRNPR's existing vacant lots. To relieve this burden on the national park reserve, alternative locations are being sought for bulk storage.

A potentially suitable location has been identified with the help of the Airport Superintendent, Mark Fortune. The area considered for bulk wood storage is located on apron 2, east of the Long Beach Flying Club building. This area has been identified as appropriate due to its low potential for impacting airport operations.

The in-kind use of the airport lands for temporary storage of timber would represent a significant advantage for PRNPR and the development of the multi-use trail project as it would provide a convenient, centralized location within the park to store timber while the trail is being developed.

Parks Canada would like to request the period of time that timber be stored on Long Beach Airport lands be considered effective November 15th and carry over for a three year term until November 15th 2020. This period of time would allow for the full completion of the trail project and subsequent relocation of any remaining bulk timber.

Consideration of this request by the West Coast Directors Committee is greatly appreciated by Parks Canada and Pacific Rim National Park Reserve.

Sincerely,

Karen Haugen
Park Superintendent
Pacific Rim National Park Reserve