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Mayor and Council
City of Courtenay

Dear Mayor and Council:

Re: Enhancement and Protection of Biological Carbon Sequestration

On January 27, 2026, the Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) Board considered a [staff report](#) providing an overview of the recently completed [regional Biological Carbon Sequestration Study](#), prepared by Pinchin Environmental and Engineering Solutions. The Study was undertaken to better understand opportunities to enhance biological carbon sequestration within the Comox Valley.

While several strategies identified in the Study present opportunities to help offset the CVRD's corporate emissions, the findings also highlight broader opportunities at a community and regional scale. These opportunities may be relevant to current and future land use policies and related planning work.

On behalf of the CVRD Board, I respectfully request your consideration of the staff report and the Biological Carbon Sequestration Study as part of ongoing and future policy development and implementation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Will Cole-Hamilton', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Will Cole-Hamilton
Chair

cc: J. Warren, Chief Administrative Officer, CVRD
Geoff Garbutt, City Manager (CAO)