

**Subject:** Fwd: Mountain Biking Eco-Vandalism Continues in 2016  
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No post. FONVCA review.

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**Subject:** Mountain Biking Eco-Vandalism Continues in 2016  
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Dear FONVCA: I am no longer writing to DNV Mayor and Council, and DNV Parks. This report of more "sanctioned?" ecological vandalism proliferating inside our forests and watersheds just falls on deaf ears inside our "fine" municipality, along with other jurisdictions' land "management" initiatives, equally pandering to the mountain bikers' whims and wiles. **More like it to come throughout 2016, unabated. How all this mountain biker-inflicted ecological vandalism can be called "sustainable" is beyond my understanding. One or two voices speaking out against this vandalism doesn't make the cut, either. There is strength (and safety) in numbers.**

Last year, we have seen one hiker arrested and charged for far lesser crimes than the mountain bikers are doing inside the forest (ie. real trail sabotage during 2015, after the hiker had been banned from the forests and parks in BC! Pure overkill. It's the MTBers who need to have their bikes banned from the forests). And, another hiker, who has since been silenced by the mountain bikers via intimidation, bullying, and harassment, so no arrests or charges were seen for the violent assault by a mountain biker on the hiker, resulted in the hiker having to go for emergency medical treatment for the huge bite to her hand by the "rabid" biker gal (who happened to remain anonymous during the whole media scrum over it, while the hiker was named in the press, and the cowardly mtber thug "escaped" serious charges.) This is the ugly faces of this biker gang in the woods, after all, that good people continue to ignore. Sometimes I wonder if everyone is suffering from "Stockholm Syndrome", as they heap praises on the mountain bikers who continue to vandalize our forests and watersheds with glee? Mountain bikers seem to be holding our public forests hostage...Our politicians and public land managers allow it to continue.

**"The fight against the NSMBA/Mtn.Biking is tedious. To stand in opposition to something takes time and energy and yields little or no results and rarely brings immediate social credit (in fact, it typically brings the opposite). Sooner or later most people become tired of being indignant and simply accommodate themselves to what appears to be an invincible force. They may not privately approve but they publicly acquiesce."**

Meanwhile, this year, NSMBA are building a whole new trail somewhere on the North Shore, right now. They are keeping it a "secret" until they are finished. And, more new trails/borrow pits/structures like it will be dug out of the forests this year. It is like the NSMBA has a carte blanche in the woods.... as usual.... while trees have been falling like dominoes over MTB trails in the past **month, alone**

This is the latest photo of a jump ramp structure being filled with dirt (and rocks?) from the forest floor. Just like a sandbox for these ecological vandals in the woods. And don't miss the comments...:

### **[NSMBA - North Shore Mountain Bike Association](#)**

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"2016 Memberships are available! **You ride it, now support it!** Renew or purchase your membership today..."



Comments on the post:

[Will Waters](#) "Seeing all the trees down and this reminder has finally prompted me to join 😊"

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[NSMBA - North Shore Mountain Bike Association](#) "Thank you!"

[8 mins](#)

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This is a typical borrow pit being dug for dirt, on Fromme, to pack on the trails:



Pulaskis: The MTBers' favourite "weapon of mass ecological destruction"

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 Here is a before and after picture of the secret trail that was cut through an untouched part of the forest, somewhere on Fromme or Seymour. **Business as usual...**

 [NSMBA - North Shore Mountain Bike](#)

[Association's photo](#)

--Monica Craver--

North Vancouver, BC.

**Everything you need to know about the MTB cult, but wish you didn't have to know, here. Willful blindness and apathy only helps to feed the insatiable maw of the MTBers. These websites will speak for me, now. They will help to educate people about what MTB is really all about... the facts, not the fantasy!**

<http://twowheeledlocusts.blogspot.ca/>

and

<http://friendsofmountainviewpark.webs.com/>

*(Sadly, this quote below sums up my over dozen years as a somewhat reluctant "forest watchdog" on the many "crimes and misdemeanors" of the*

*mountain biking community on our North Shore. Too many good people, conservation and environmental groups have remained silent on the MTB scourge. **Remember, if you continue to remain silent, you publically acquiesce.***)

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I was just listening and looking at the facts and thinking:  
Wow, we are really screwed here. We are not going to stop this from happening.

I will have a glass of wine now and try not to worry about it.

~Paul Kingsnorth, "Dark Mountain Project."