

**Subject:** Fwd: Re: Decommission/Close Lower Griffen Switchback Trail  
**From:** Brian Platts <bplatts@shaw.ca>  
**Date:** 19/09/2015 1:36 PM  
**To:** Corrie Kost <corrie@kost.ca>

No post. FONVCA review.

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**Subject:** Re: Decommission/Close Lower Griffen Switchback Trail  
**Date:** Sat, 19 Sep 2015 12:42:04 -0700  
**From:** Monica Craver <mecraver@shaw.ca>  
**To:** DNV Mayor and Council <council@dnv.org>, stuartd@dnv.org  
**CC:** Susan Rogers <rogerss@dnv.org>, Gavin Joyce <JoyceG@dnv.org>, fonvca@fonvca.org

Dear Mayor and Council: I have still heard nothing from Mayor, Council and Parks management over this issue, except for the fact that that conservation rates much lower on the scale of DNV concerns than the applause and ongoing support of ecological vandalism inflicted by mountain bikers on this trail...

Today, it is pouring rain again, with the stream running down Lower Griffen Switchback MTB Trail, silting the species at risk frog pond, even more... Nice to know you "care".

**From:** [Monica Craver](#)  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 09, 2015 3:54 PM  
**To:** [DNV Mayor and Council](#) ; [stuartd@dnv.org](#)  
**Cc:** [Susan Rogers](#) ; [Gavin Joyce](#)  
**Subject:** Decommission/Close Lower Griffen Switchback Trail

**Dear Mayor and Council:**

**PLEASE close/decommission Lower Griffen Switchback Trail:**

<http://www.dnv.org/upload/pdocsdocuments/Inhq01!.pdf> (pg 21)

**3. Switchback Trail / Lower Griffen**

**Groundwater seepage issues on switchbacks and adjacent**

**to ephemeral creek.**

**Low harmony (switchbacks, crosses flat boggy area).**

**RECOMMENDATION: Close active decommissioning...**

**It is clear from the video, below, and this recommendation. above, makes it very clear "minor drainage improvements" is not going to work very well, and trail closure is very highly recommended in order to prevent unnecessary silting of a viable amphibian breeding pond. This makes far more sense than the never-ending appeasement of destructive mountain bikers....**

**<https://www.facebook.com/video.php?v=10153100906940036>**

**Thank you!**

**--Monica Craver**

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Tread softly! All the earth is holy ground.  
~ Christina Rossetti (Psalm 24),  
from "A Later Life: A Double Sonnet of Sonnets"