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To Whom it May Concern,

I am writing today in support of Sasquatch Resources' reclamation project at Mount Sicker, located in the Cowichan Valley near Duncan, BC.

As you may be aware, the Mount Sicker site has been left in disarray with many hazards left over from mining activity over a more than 100-year period. Unfortunately, after its closure, the site has been left with minimal remediation work. As a result of its many abandoned mineshafts and rock piles, it has become a hotspot for illegal dumping and contains many hazards. The area is also home to beloved hiking and mountain biking trails, which makes clearing the site and rehabilitating it for its current modern-day uses even more urgent.

Sasquatch Resources' plan would bring both environmental and economic benefits to our community as it would result in the creation of new skilled mining and restoration related jobs in the Cowichan Valley as well as clearing the area of harmful debris, thereby providing more space for the kind of recreation that drives eco-tourism in the region. By mitigating environmental and public safety harms, this project promises to return this land to community use by correcting the mistakes of the past. This innovative project is representative of the unique economy and culture of the Cowichan Valley, where we continue to demonstrate leadership on watershed and ecosystem restoration in tandem with sustainable economic development.

Restoration of this site, as well as the resources that could be extracted from its many waste piles, would have a positive social, economic, and environmental impact in our community. I'm proud to provide my support for this project, which, by all accounts, is well supported by our local community.

Sincerely,

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