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FW: BURNABY NEEDS BEAR PROOF GREEN BINS NOW

Paul; Volkow, Nick; Wang, James

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Hello Mayor and Council.

I've lived on Burnaby Mountain (Forest Grove) for 14 years.

The number of bear encounters and mom and cub sightings has increased substantially since the introduction of Green bins to the townhouse complexes in our neighbourhood.

The Green Bins are not secure.

People do not wait until morning of pick up to add their food scraps.

Every year the bears learn to eat our garbage.

We are killing them.

My previous complex fashioned a way to secure the lid and had fewer bears since.

But many of the other complexes have insecure lids.

Look at the pic from yesterday at Hillside*(pic attached) and the bear and cub were just seen at Willowleaf estates.

They are being fed by our green bins.

The yearling is learning this is his or her source of food.

The city has a responsibility for safety of its people and a moral obligation to prevent bears from becoming nuisances.

The other municipalities with areas that butt up against forests and streams and mountains (bear habitat) have done this. They secure their bins.

We must as well.

Please deal with this pronto. The bears are out. There are no berries. The compost is killing them in the end.

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