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Dear Karen,

As chairman of the Tsolum River Enhancement Committee of the Comox Valley Steelhead Society I am writing to express my appreciation of your letter to Energy, Mines, and Petroleum Resource Minister Tony Brunnett re Mount Washington Copper and the overburden they left behind on Mt Washington and which is ^{causing} pollution of the river system that flows from it, chiefly the Tsolum River.

Whereas the Provincial Fish and Wildlife Branch out of Nanaimo is constantly stocking streams on the island with salmonid fry or smolts, the Steelhead Society was told recently at a special meeting by George Reid, acting head, that no salmonid enhancement would be carried out in the Tsolum River until Mount Washington was cleaned up.

Hence the urgency and the appropriateness of your letter to Tony Brunnett. Tom Oxland, Director of Environment on Vancouver Island, has asked Ted Oldham, head of Waste Management, to keep me informed on their work this summer. I will be invited to accompany the crew to Mount Washington and will document with a camera, etc, their procedures.

I will keep you informed. In the meanwhile, I would appreciate any information from your end, especially the answer from Tony Brunnett, and any information that will assist us in the eventual enhancement of the Tsolum River.

cc: Rory Glennie, chairman Comox
Chapter, Steelhead Society

Sincerely yours,

Father Charles A.E. Brandt