

The petition of the undersigned, **residents of the Province of British Columbia, of the City of Castlegar, surrounding communities, and other communities within the Province of British Columbia**, states that:

Cai Creek is a 70-80% intact watershed as identified by the Old Growth Technical Advisory Panel. The Cai Creek watershed is a biodiverse forest with some of the largest Ponderosa Pine in British Columbia, including our largest Ponderosa Pine, nicknamed “Lieutenant Dan”. BC Timber Sales is planning to sell an approximately 55 hectare cutblock in Cai Creek in December 2024, the harvest of which would irreversibly disrupt the ecological integrity and resilience of the Cai Creek watershed and is contrary to the Old Growth Technical Advisory Panel recommendation to defer harvest in the most intact watersheds.

Immediately cease the advertising and planned sale of the TA2185-3 harvest plan by BC Timber Sales and defer all harvest within the Cai Creek watershed boundaries, as identified by the Freshwater Atlas (Named Watershed ID 5708).

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