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Re: Comox Valley mine proposal threatens shellfish, Stephen Hume, August 16

Editor;

As a respected journalist and environmental reporter, Stephen Hume's column is relied upon to provide balanced and accurate information about important environmental issues.

His August 16 column about the Raven Underground Coal Project does the public a disservice because it is neither balanced nor accurate.

Mr. Hume relied upon a letter provided to him by an environmental advocacy organization and seems to have done little or no fact checking on his own. Mr. Hume made no attempt to contact the Raven Project for his column. If he had, he would have learned the proposed project is contained in an up to 3100 hectare area. It does not "stretch from Buckley Bay to Campbell River," as he has stated. Surface facilities will cover approximately 200 hectares and will be located six kilometres inland from Buckley Bay.

The Raven Project is currently undergoing a joint federal-provincial environmental review by technical and environmental experts to ensure the environment is protected (see www.eao.gov.bc.ca).

The project team is committed to social and environmental responsibility and we assume Mr. Hume and the Vancouver Sun share that commitment.

For more information please see www.theravenproject.ca

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