

An Appeal from Daryl Hannah and Neil Young



Anyone interested in addressing Climate Change in earnest understands that true solutions to the crisis we face lie in embracing interconnectedness, generational thinking and planning for resilience. In order to truly do these things, it becomes clear that it is essential to prioritize conservation and protection of intact ecosystems on land and water bodies. Resilience best takes the form of decentralization.

The Mountain Road Forest is a 49-acre pristine ecosystem north of Victoria facing imminent development. This urban forest is habitat of the Western screech-owl, Common Nighthawk, and Hoary bat.

It is precisely saving these intact ecosystems, particularly old growth forests, whether small or large, as they perform so many functions — sequestering carbon, providing habitats, filtering water, creating oxygen, rebuilding soil and of course bringing peace, joy and relief to those who get to spend time amidst these natural gems — as a crucial first step in effectively responding to the climate crisis.

In order to permanently designate The Mountain Road Forest as an urban forest park, \$1.2 million is needed to be raised by Earth Day (April 22, 2021). Please join us in donating to: <https://www.mountainroadforest.ca/>

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Handwritten signatures of Daryl Hannah and Neil Young. The signature on the left is 'Daryl Hannah' and the signature on the right is 'Neil Young'.