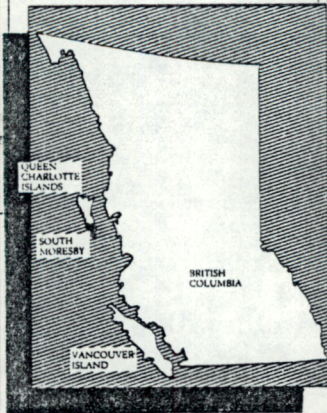


Would you let them destroy the pyramids of Egypt?

British Columbia's Queen Charlotte Islands hold treasures every bit as special as the pyramids. Yet these treasures may be lost forever!



Already centuries old when Columbus arrived in North America, the Sitka spruce, western hemlock and red cedar are among the largest trees on earth. But they are targeted for logging in South Moresby, the wildest and most beautiful part of the Queen Charlottes.

At this moment what is happening on the poor, old Charlottes resembles a desperate attempt to loot a treasure house before the owners, you and I, realize what's going on and take measures to stop it.

— Bill Reid, Haida sculptor

WHAT MAKES SOUTH MORESBY UNIQUE?

□ The world's largest concentration of the rare Peale's peregrine falcon and the largest nesting concentration of bald eagles in Canada;

□ Over one-quarter of all the nesting seabirds on the Canadian Pacific coast;

□ More than one-half of Canada's Steller's sea lions;

□ Eleven species of whales;

□ The world's largest black bears;

□ Plants, birds, mammals and insects found only on the Queen Charlotte Islands;

□ Several hundred archaeological sites, including the Haida Indians' Ninstints village, a UNESCO World Heritage Site;

□ Some of the most majestic scenery on earth.

WHY LOG IT?

South Moresby has only 2/10 of 1 percent of British Columbia's productive forest land. There are means to compensate the logging companies without loss of jobs.

WILL WE LOSE IT?

The federal and provincial governments must be shown that Canadians care about South Moresby.

Federal Environment Minister Tom McMillan and BC Environment Minister Austin Peiton have said that they place top priority on preserving the area. But they need strong public support to convince their governments that South Moresby needs to be preserved.

TIME IS RUNNING OUT; PLEASE ACT NOW!

Preserving bits and pieces (of South Moresby) is not good enough. It is like preserving a stately historic building and surrounding it with parking lots.

— Robert Bateman, artist

YOU CAN HELP.

Tell Prime Minister Brian Mulroney and Premier William Bennett of British Columbia:

Stop the logging of South Moresby NOW. Preserve this world treasure as a park for ourselves and future generations.

WRITE or TELEPHONE:

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You can support the effort to save South Moresby by sending donations to:
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c/o The Canadian Nature Federation
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Donations are tax deductible, and receipts will be issued on request.

