

## Paul Foley

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**From:** Thomas Hodgson [tiasquam@gmail.com]  
**Sent:** Saturday, January 19, 2013 11:48 AM  
**To:** Paul Foley  
**Subject:** Comment on proposed Verizon "pine tree" cell tower

Dear MVC,

I write to express my approval of the Verizon "Pine Tree" cell phone tower proposal.

For the following reasons:

Scenic preservation is important. The idea of having a "standard" cell tower is really awful. This is a much better alternative.

It won't be there forever...all things pass, even cell phone towers.

Improved cell communications are badly needed on the Island. By "regular" people and also by the "authorities". With more and more people using only wireless for communications, "dead spots" are increasingly a risk to public safety.

Most people don't notice these towers at all. Many is the time, when off-island, I've seen one of these "fake tree" towers, and said to the people with me, "Do you see the cell phone tower?". I've never been with anyone who's said "yes". Even when they stick out above the horizon, most people are unable to tell that these things aren't trees.

Lastly, I like this proposal because it's fun. When viewed as a work of art, this installation is a delightful gem of camouflage.

Sincerely,

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