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Vancouver Humane Society calls for ban on sled dog tours

The Vancouver Humane Society (VHS) is calling for a ban on sled dog tour businesses following revelations of a mass killing of 100 sled dogs by a tour company in Whistler, B.C.

“The details of how these dogs were killed are absolutely shocking,” said VHS spokesperson Peter Fricker. “This is what happens when animals are exploited for profit and become surplus to requirements when business is bad.”

Fricker said VHS had seen the WorkSafeBC documents that revealed how an employee of a tour company in Whistler had been ordered to kill the dogs because of “a slow winter season.”

Fricker said dogs held a special place in the public’s heart and expected there would be widespread support for a ban.

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