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SALT SPRING ISLAND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
Notice of Meeting on **Monday, February 27, 2017 at 4:30 PM**
Portlock Park Meeting Room, 145 Vesuvius Bay, Salt Spring Island, BC

Wayne McIntyre	Nigel Denyer	Robin Williams	Shelley Barrett
Ross Simpson	Seth Wright	Rod Martens	Bill Cote

(r) Regrets

AGENDA

1. **Approval of Agenda**

2. **Adoption of Minutes of January 23, 2017**

   That the minutes of the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission meeting of January 23, 2017 be adopted as circulated.

3. **Delegation/Presentation**

   3.1 Harold Swierenga- BC Ferry Service Update

4. **Director, Chair and Commissioner Reports**

5. **Outstanding Business**

   5.1 BC Transit Fare Structure Review-Family Pass

   5.2 NGTP: Crosswalks at Upper Ganges Road

   5.3 Correspondence-Weston re: Route Extention

6. **New Business**

   6.1 Transit:

   a. New service changes

   b. Storm Service Notification

   c. Bus Pullout at Fulford Ganges Road

   d. Special Transit Service Request Process

   e. Revenue Report

   6.2 Traffic Calming – Ganges Village

   6.3 Scooter Brochure

   6.4 Regional Parks-Gulf Islands Regional Trails Plan

7. **Next Meeting- March 27, 2017 at 4:30 pm in the Portlock Park Meeting Room**

8. **Adjournment**

To ensure quorum, advise Tracey Shaver 250 537 4448 if you cannot attend.

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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission Held January 23, 2017, Portlock Park Meeting Room, 145 Vesuvius Bay Road Salt Spring Island, BC

DRAFT

Present: **CRD Director:** Wayne McIntyre
Commission Members: Robin Williams, Ross Simpson, Nigel Denyer, Seth Wright, Rod Martens, Shellie Barrett
Staff: Karla Campbell, Senior Manager, Salt Spring Electoral Area; Tracey Shaver, Recording Secretary.
Absent: Bill Cote
Guest: Ineke de Jong

Commissioner Williams called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm with an introduction from the newest member of the Commission, Shellie Barrett.

1. **Election of Chair and Vice Chair**

   Karla Campbell called for nominations for the Chair. Director McIntyre nominated Robin Williams and Commissioner Simpson seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Commissioner Williams accepted the position of Chair for the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission with unanimous vote.

   Chair Williams then called for nominations for the Vice Chair Position. Chair Williams nominated Ross Simpson and Director McIntyre seconded the nomination. Hearing no other nominations, Commissioner Simpson accepted the position of Vice Chair with unanimous vote.

   Chair Williams continued to lead the remainder of the meeting.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

   MOVED by Commissioner Denyer, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Barrett ,
   That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission agenda of January 23, 2017 be approved.

   CARRIED

3. **Adoption of Minutes of November 28, 2016**

   MOVED by Commissioner Simpson, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Denyer,
   That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission Minutes of January 23, 2017 be approved.

   CARRIED

4. **Delegation/Presentation**

   4.1 No registered delegations

5. Director and Chair Reports

5.1 Director McIntyre briefly reported on the following:

- CRD has been given the right to occupy the small portion of Manson Rd leading to the harbour by the Ministry of Transportation.
- Director McIntyre participates on the following CRD Committees as well several local commissions and special interest groups; Electoral Area Service, Environmental Services, Governance, Hospitals and Housing, Transportation, CREST, Capital Regional Housing Corporation Board, Emergency Management, Ferry Advisory, Regional Housing Trust Fund.
- CRD Affordable housing project on Drake Road: investigations into alternative water source going forward with development of terms of reference for release of a Request for Proposal. Community Regional Housing Corporation has listed this project as a priority for funding.

5.2 Chair Williams briefly reported on:

- Ganges Harbour Walk Project Steering Committee-seeking public member and confirmation of a volunteer project manager.
- State of Hawaii has innovative traffic management ideas-more information to come.
- Harbour Authority to have an Open House on January 28, 2017 from 2-4pm at Lions Hall.

6. Outstanding Business

6.1 BC Transit – Fare Structure Review

- Ineke de Jong was invited to join the discussion as the operator of the local bus system.
- Discussion on the merits of raising or lowering the various proposed rates and bus passes.
- Effect of rate changes considered in relation to the service delivery for the bus drivers.

MOVED by Commissioner Wright, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Barrett,
That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission recommends that BC Transit lower the price of the (10) tickets to $20.00.

CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Wright, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Martens,
That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission recommends that BC Transit lower the price of the Day Pass to $4.50.

CARRIED

MOVED by Commissioner Simpson, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Denyer,
That the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission recommends that BC Transit Staff be directed to implement a new service to allow the purchase of Day Passes on the Salt Spring Island buses.

CARRIED

6.2 North Ganges Transportation Management Plan-Verbal Update

- JE Anderson has been contracted to prepare civil engineering works:
  - update the previous JE Anderson designs along Lower Ganges Road from Upper Ganges to Rainbow and around to Kanaka Road to install a sidewalk and cycling lane.
  - Prepare designs for intersection improvements at Lower and Upper Ganges Road; include a left turn refuge/accelerator lane from Upper Ganges heading south; cross walks and pedestrian refuge areas to move pedestrians from the east side of Lower Ganges Road to the west side where sidewalks will be located; and to tie in to previously constructed works uphill of the intersection.
  - JE Anderson will provide a presentation to the commission once the designs are complete.

7. New Business

7.1 Transit Advertising

- BC Transit has approached the Transportation Commission to see if there is any interest in subsidizing the local transit system with revenue generated by BC Transit advertising program.
- Staff to investigate details of the advertising program and report back for further consideration.

7.2 Salt Spring Island Support for establishment of a CRD Transportation Service

Director McIntyre provided background information on the suggested transportation model the regional district is considering.

- SSI is not part of the CRD Regional Growth Strategy because we are under the jurisdiction of Islands Trust.
- SSI has a separate pedestrian and cycling master plan.
- SSI will remain in control of the successful local transit service.
- Continue efforts to enhance the links between all the islands with water transportation initiatives.

- Director McIntyre will not support any budget increases without a benefit to Salt Spring.

8. Next meeting

February 27, 2017 at Portlock Park Meeting Room at 4:30 pm.

9. Adjournment

MOVED By Commissioner Barrett, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Denyer,
That the meeting adjourn at 6:10 pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

SENIOR MANAGER

April 21, 2016

By email correspondence

Hi Karla,

The writer is living in an area that is in one of the sections in the north part of the Salt Spring Island that would be covered by the last option (Option #10) in the 2015 SSI Transit Service Review, the one that presented trip windows for rural residents and those with disabilities – in the longer term. Trips would still operate on the identified existing route, but additional time would be built into the schedule for off-route pick-ups.

The other option would be that, in the meantime, we will have a closer look at this area when detailed planning work commences around implementing a separate Walker's Hook route at some point in the medium term. If it's not viable at that time, then the paratransit option is the other plan.

Based on previous Open House discussions with the community, the desired focus was on first making the existing routes more viable before spreading limited service out to more places. It's always hard to balance resources and service to new areas, etc. This particular area specifically didn't really come up in the public consultation.

I hope this helps.

Thanks,

Myrna Moore
Senior Regional Transit Manager,
Vancouver Island Coastal
BC Transit
Phone: (250) 995-5612
Myrna_Moore@bctransit.com

4 March 2016

Karla Campbell CRD
145 Vesuvius Bay Road
Salt Spring Island
BC V8K1K3

RECEIVED [illegible]

Dear Karla,

I talked to you this morning on the phone regarding the local bus-route.
I am a senior & live on North Beach Road, about 2 km from Ferwood Dock. As both my husband (he is house-bound) & I don't drive, I have used the local bus several times. However it's a long way (1/2 hour walk for me , one way) I found it not very convenient. Also I can't carry groceries or anything heavy.
I have the following suggestions or REQUEST . :

1. Is it POSIBLE to extend the bus route from Fernwood Dock to North Beach Road to the end & turn left up the hill to join North End Road ? This loop would have more than 100 homes enroute.
2. Or can you extend the Walker's Route on Wednesdays to do the same route suggested above to & from Ganges ?
3. . I found the winter schedule most inconvenient. As I take the bus to my doctor's clinic near the hospital. There's no connecting bus to downtown (to the post office & bank). Taking note that my doctor (near hospital) & dentist (downtown) both don't work on Fridays. Tuesdays don't work for me as I depend on my neighbour to go shopping once a week. .

I know this is quite a puzzle for you to solve as I've done every time I need to catch a bus. MAYBE there's a solution. I don't want to move away like 3 of my neighbours RECENTLY as I've been here for over 27 years & I'm stubborn enough to stay put come what may !

Yours Very Sincerely

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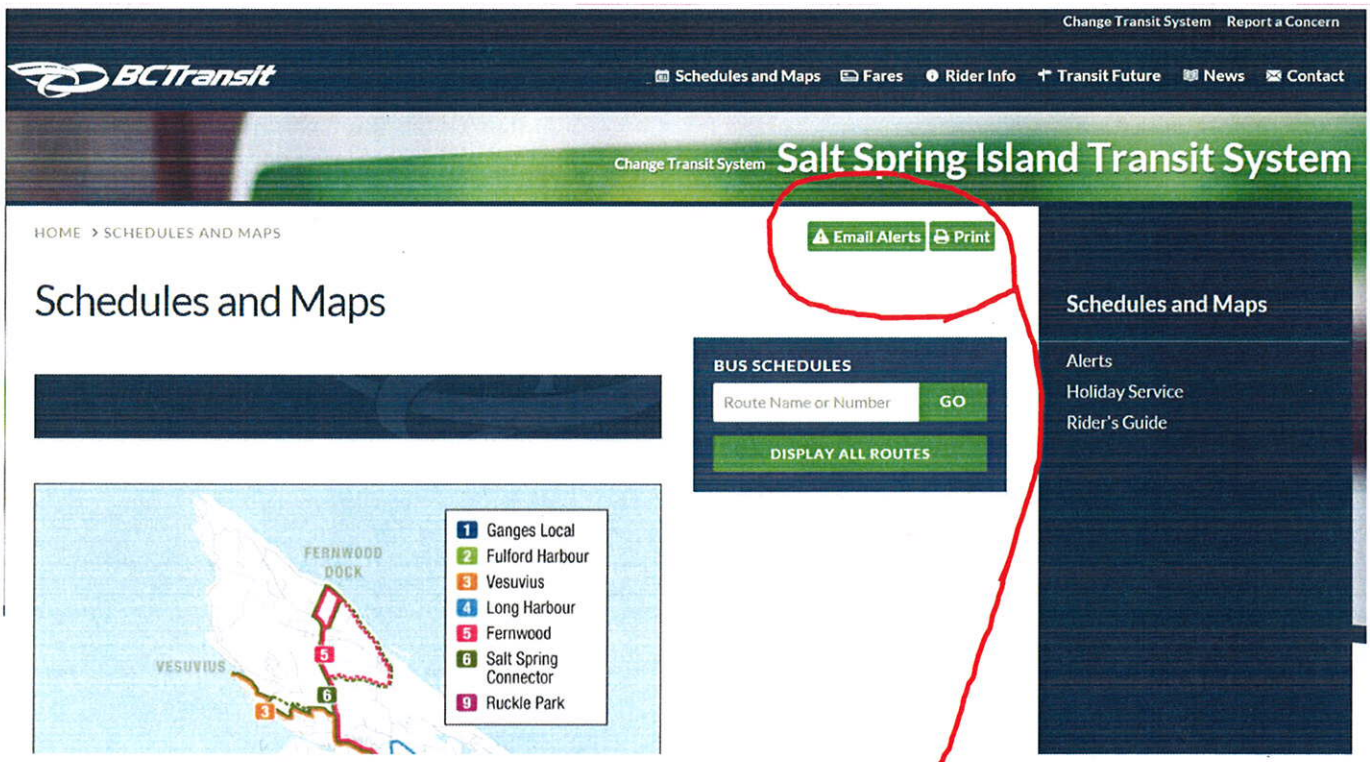
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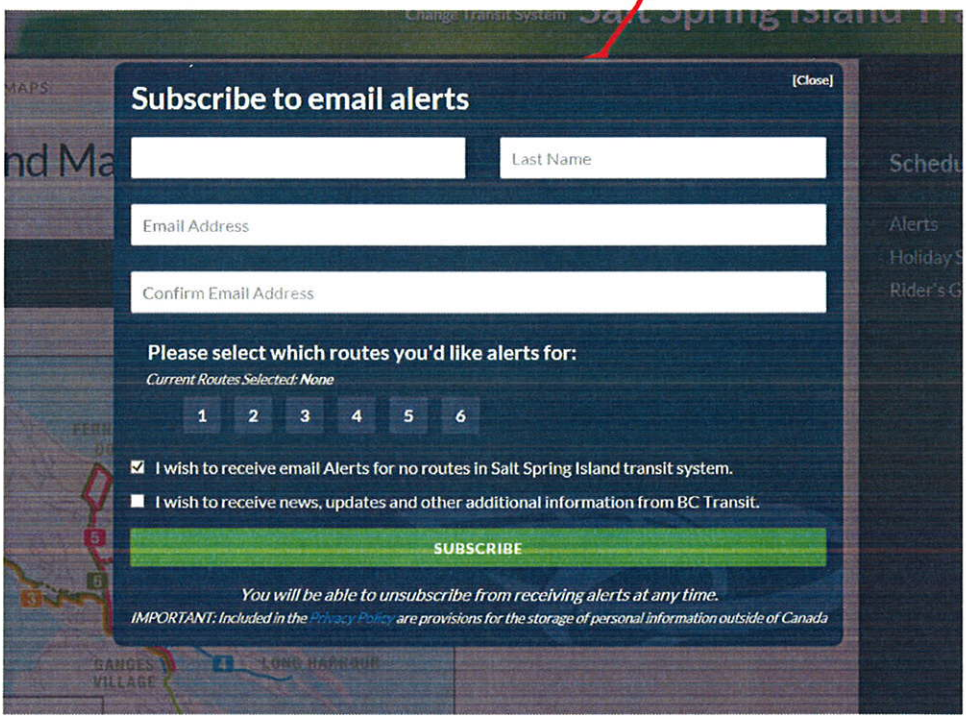
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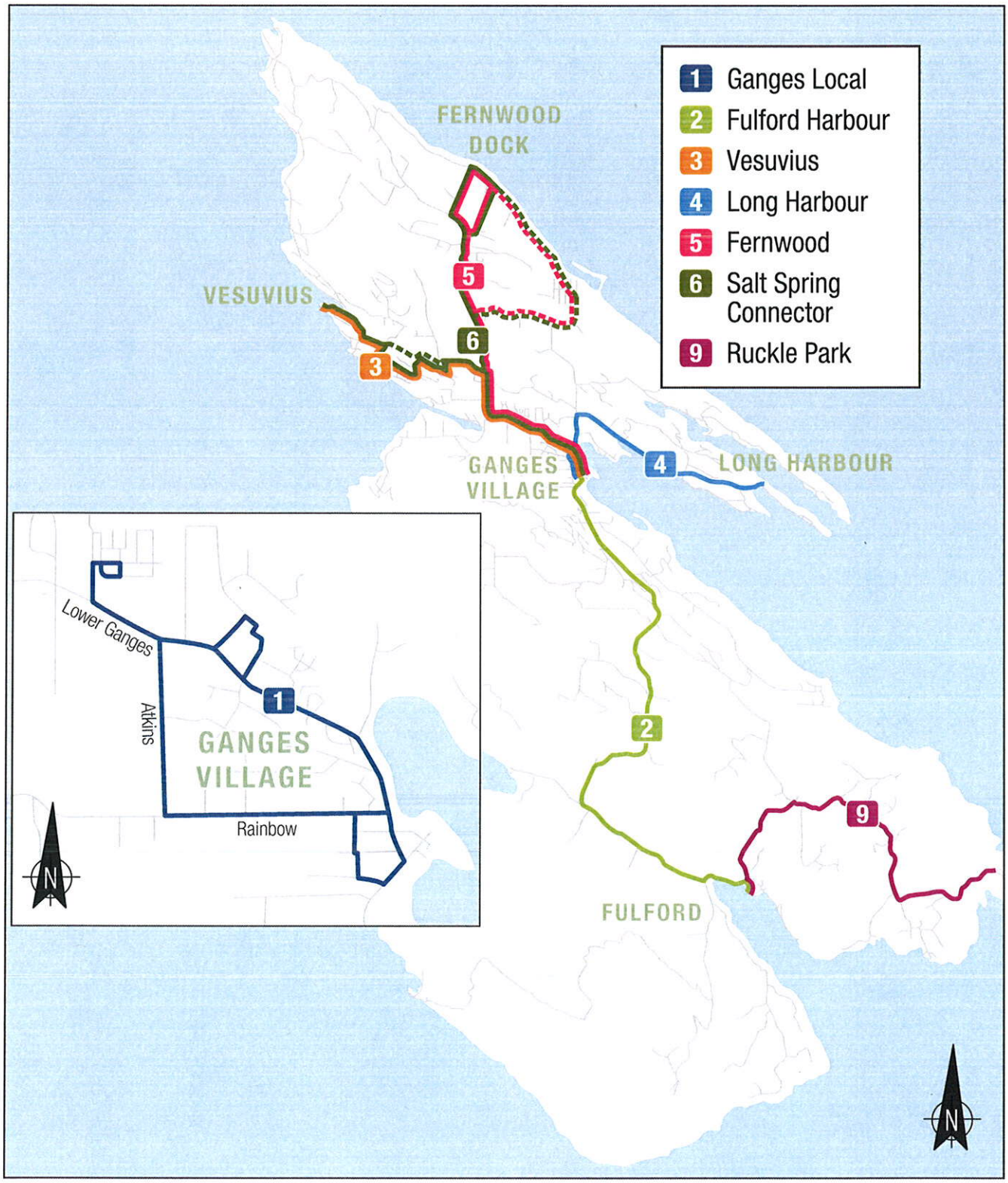
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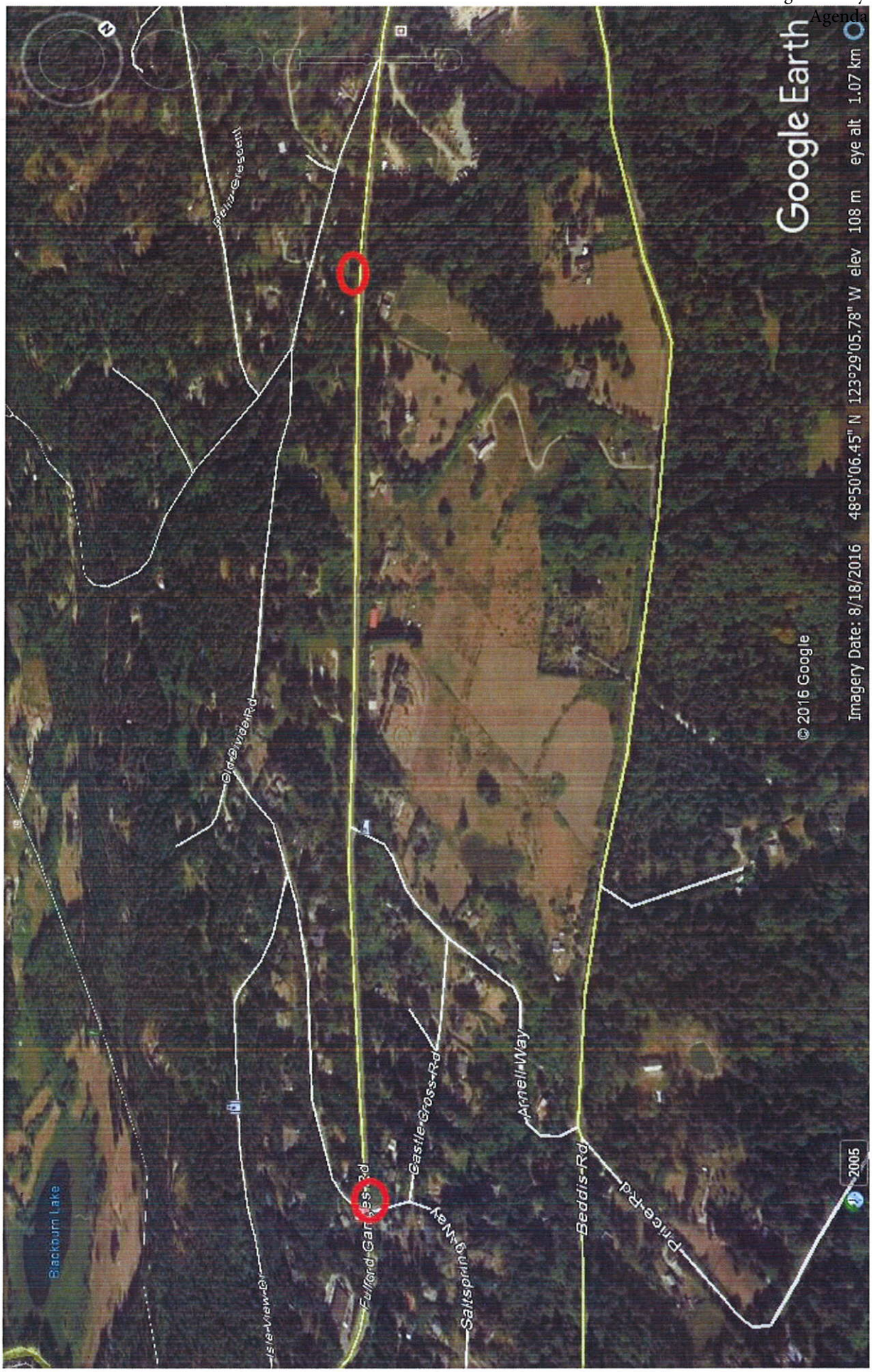
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BCTransit
Connecting People and Communities

Date: January 26, 2017

Attn: Local Government Partners

Re: **Special Transit Service Request Process**

We wish to remind our Local Government Partners (LGP) of the process required to endorse Special Transit Service Requests. "Special Transit Service" means infrequent and temporary service provided within the Transit Service Area for specific events or purposes beyond the revenue hours specified in the Schedule "B of the Annual Operating Agreement. The following outlines the updated process which better reflects, to the best of our ability, the unique needs of both urban and rural communities throughout the province.

Local Government Endorsement
Local Government endorsement of any special transit service request is required and, as such, the request becomes one of the LGP. Before such a request can be endorsed, there are a couple key considerations:

- As BC Transit vehicles are subsidized by public funds, there should be evidence of public benefit; or,
- If the request is purely for a private benefit, then efforts must be taken to ensure that the provision of the charter-like service is not in direct competition with another company that is willing and able to provide it. Endorsements of this nature should be limited.

Following the satisfaction of these considerations, the LGP can provide their endorsement to BC Transit for approval and implementation. (See attached example Special Transit Service Request Form)

BC Transit Approval and Implementation
All special uses of BC Transit vehicles must be approved by the Regional Transit Manager, Operations (RTMO). Upon confirming approval of the LGP, before permitting the operation of BC Transit vehicles outside of service defined in the Service Specifications of the AOA, the RTMO must ensure that the additional service:

1. Is not contrary to applicable legislation (e.g. BC Transit Act, Public Transportation Act);
2. Falls within its insurance provisions and vehicles do not leave their respective Transit Service Area nor travel beyond their ICBC insured range;
3. Does not put substantial additional wear on vehicles that are publically funded for public transportation;
4. Does not cause BC Transit to incur costs that are not recovered as a result of the additional service;
5. Is conducted using all standard/normal operating procedures (e.g. load limits, standees, wheelchairs secured properly, alcohol not brought aboard the bus, etc.); and,
6. Must be provided by the BC Transit operator using their regular drivers.

The RTMO will ensure the details of the trip align with these overarching governing policies and that the local Operating Company is able to provide the resources necessary to successfully execute the request without risk to the service established in the operating agreement.

Payment Process
BC Transit will invoice the LGP at either the Standard or Commercial Special Use Rate as agreed to prior to confirming approval of the Special Transit Service Request. The Standard Rate is only applied to requests which are deemed open to the public or for eligible registered handyDART clients. For these requests, the rate must fully recover the cost of the request including consideration of wages, maintenance and fuel. For services deemed not open to the public, the Commercial Rate must ensure at least some financial benefit to the cost of the system and reflect local commercial rates where appropriate.

Finally, the LGP is responsible for invoicing the third party for payment of services provided at a rate not greater than the rate invoiced by BC Transit.

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If you have any requests for Special Transit Services, or have any questions with regards to the process, please feel free to contact me to discuss this process further.

Sincerely,

Name,

Myrna Moore
Senior Regional Transit Manager

Salt Spring Island Community Transit
Monthly Revenue Report

	Jan-2016	Feb-2016	Mar-2016	Apr-2016	May-2016	Jun-2016	Jul-2016	Aug-2016	Sep-2016	Oct-2016	Nov-2016	Dec-2016	Total YTD
Total Vendor Sales													
Monthly Passes - Adult	$ 450	$ 500	$ 550	$ 350	$ 600	$ 550	$ 800	$ 500	$ 650	$ 500	$ 600	$ 500	$ 6,550
- Concession	440	280	360	400	520	360	520	480	520	560	520	440	5,400
Day Passes	25	70	130	75	450	20	345	815	410	185	135	-	2,660
Ticket Sheets *	2,005	2,167	2,957	1,195	2,997	3,139	1,883	4,131	1,985	2,572	1,721	2,309	29,059
Prepaid Fare Tickets													
Collected from fareboxes *	1,998	2,394	2,338	2,687	2,241	2,669	2,228	2,381	2,567	1,742	1,667	2,601	27,511
Farebox Cash Proceeds	7,568	8,577	7,624	10,472	14,310	11,081	12,946	18,148	14,561	8,769	8,886	11,526	134,469
BC Bus Pass Program Grant	1,843	1,750	1,675	1,776	1,770	1,684	1,684	1,675	1,655	1,656	1,614		18,782
Monthly Revenue	**$ 12,324**	**$ 13,571**	**$ 12,677**	**$ 15,760**	**$ 19,891**	**$ 16,364**	**$ 18,522**	**$ 23,998**	**$ 20,363**	**$ 13,412**	**$ 13,422**	**$ 15,067**	**$ 195,372**
Cumulative Totals													
YTD Revenue	12,324	25,895	38,572	54,331	74,223	90,587	109,109	133,107	153,470	166,882	180,304	195,372	
Unearned Revenue *	7	(221)	398	(1,094)	(338)	133	(212)	1,539	956	1,787	1,841	1,548	
Less 2% Commission	(58)	(119)	(199)	(239)	(330)	(412)	(483)	(601)	(673)	(749)	(808)	(873)	
Other Adjustments	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	226	
Reconciliation to GL	**12,273**	**25,556**	**38,771**	**52,999**	**73,555**	**90,308**	**108,415**	**134,045**	**153,754**	**167,920**	**181,336**	**196,272**	SSI Chamber CI
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											Difference	(0.00)	

* Unearned Revenue is the difference between Prepaid Fare Tickets sold and Prepaid Fare Tickets used by riders (collected from fareboxes).

Revenue Comparisons	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2015 Monthly Revenue	11,658	14,067	16,096	15,920	15,081	19,681	22,971	20,181	15,471	17,173	17,062	17,560	202,919
2014 Monthly Revenue	12,995	11,734	10,005	16,435	16,433	16,515	21,145	21,918	19,953	12,450	13,153	15,851	188,586
2013 Monthly Revenue	9,687	12,821	10,005	12,384	15,284	17,046	16,926	21,918	15,366	15,962	12,136	13,560	173,094
2012 Monthly Revenue	9,578	8,662	14,540	10,240	14,945	21,766	7,030	21,926	15,374	12,785	12,868	11,650	161,365
2011 Monthly Revenue	4,899	5,540	6,822	6,043	7,221	10,116	10,954	15,731	11,024	8,650	7,912	9,737	104,648
2010 Monthly Revenue	5,640	5,344	7,523	6,646	8,103	10,651	11,070	10,318	8,719	5,387	5,957	6,724	92,083
2009 Monthly Revenue	6,424	5,993	7,480	6,829	7,678	8,246	11,571	10,284	7,781	7,812	5,131	6,939	92,169
2008 Monthly Revenue	1,942	3,734	4,074	4,635	5,871	6,493	9,318	10,228	8,612	7,192	5,895	8,810	76,803

Salt Spring Island Community Transit
Monthly Revenue Report

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Day Passes	3	15	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
Ticket Sheets *	51	1,033	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,033
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BC Bus Pass Program Grant		1,596												1,596
Monthly Revenue		**$ 10,399**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ -**	**$ 10,399**
Cumulative Totals														
YTD Revenue		10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	10,399	
Unearned Revenue *		1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	1,033	
Less 2% Commission		(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	(40)	
Other Adjustments			-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Reconciliation to GL		**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	**11,392**	
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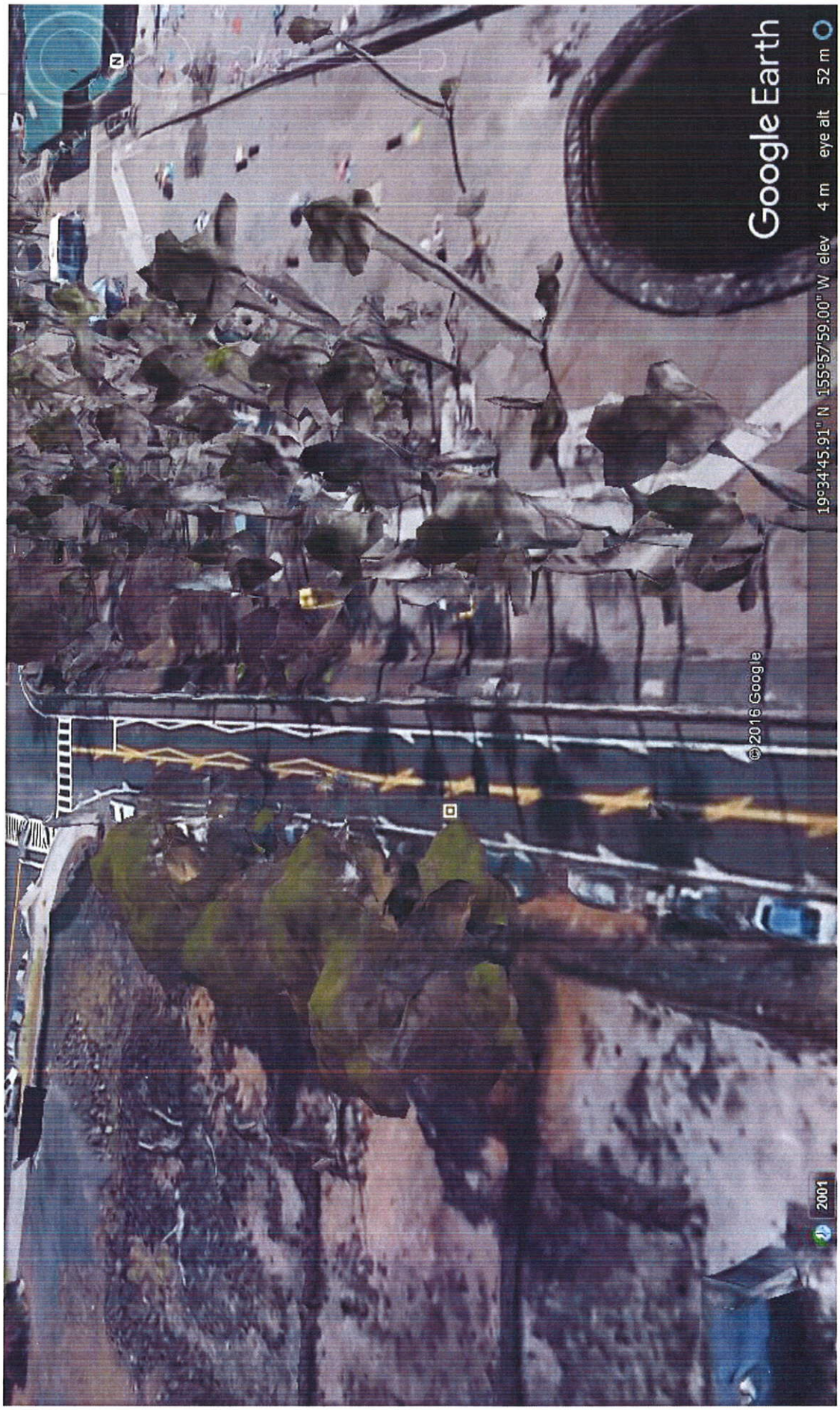
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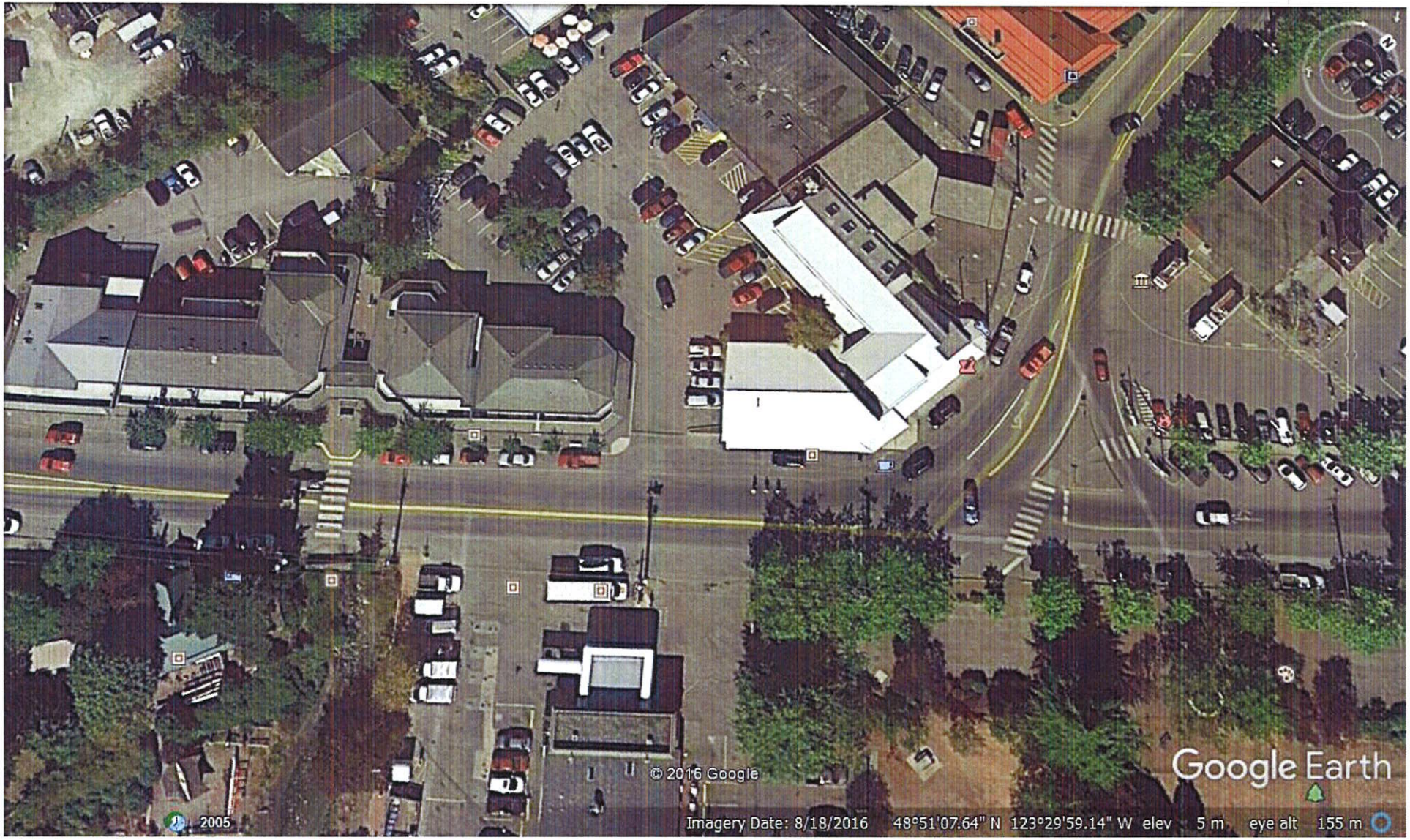
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Think Safety!

A scooter driver must obey traffic rules for pedestrians

By law, a person using a mobility scooter is classified as a pedestrian. When you are operating your scooter on a roadway, you must obey all the rules for pedestrians:

- Use sidewalks wherever possible. If there are no sidewalks or if sidewalks do not have scooter accessible curb cuts, travel on the far left side of the road FACING TRAFFIC.
- Cross at pedestrian crosswalks. Check for traffic before crossing.
- If there is no crosswalk available, stop, look both ways, and proceed only when all approaching vehicles have come to a full stop.
- Make "eye contact" with motorists, cyclists or pedestrians before crossing their path.
- Obey all traffic control signs and devices.
- Avoid Travelling at night.
- BE VISIBLE! Make sure you and your scooter have the following safety features.

1. Brightly covered clothing
2. Reflective strips on front, side and back of scooter
3. Light on front and back of scooter
4. Brightly colored fag attached to the back seat of the scooter

- Be prepared for unexpected circumstances by carrying a cellular phone and carrying emergency phone numbers on your person and taped to your scooter.
- In an emergency situation, attract the attention of passers by and ask them to phone 911 for help.
- A scooter driver needs to be aware of everything around them at all times. Adjustable rear view mirrors are a must. Being attentive at all times is your best defense.
- Avoid using your scooter if you are taking any medication, drugs or alcohol that may affect your skills or judgment.
- If you are travelling with another scooter, travel in single file.

IMPORTANT ROAD SAFETY TIPS & INFO

for MOBILITY SCOOTER USERS

ISLAND PATHWAYS
Salt Spring Island

CRD
Making a difference...together

Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission
Meeting February 27, 2017
Agenda item 6.3

SAFE CHOICES BEGIN with YOUR CHOICE of SCOOTER

Be sure you select a model of scooter that best meets your needs. The best thing is to try out a number of different scooters and do some research before making your purchase. Three-wheel scooters are designed for maximum maneuverability and are certainly best for indoors. They work better in tight areas due to their shorter turning radius. Four-wheel models are more stable (especially for a large person) and some people prefer them for outdoor use and uneven terrain.

Considerations When Purchasing Your Scooter

Before you purchase a scooter, consider the following elements:

- **Size:** Consider ease of operation, turning ability, suitability of the wheel size for the terrain you will be travelling on (indoor and outdoors) and the size of elevator doors and the width of hallways and doorways at the places you travel frequently.
- **Power:** How far can you travel before the battery needs re-charging? Mobility scooter batteries that are used a lot have longer life spans than those that are rarely used.
- **Braking System:** How long does it take to stop the scooter?
- **Parking/Storage:** Where will the scooter be stored? Is there an electrical outlet available in the storage area for charging your scooter?
- **Transporting Your Scooter:** If you are going to want to transport your scooter by car, or Transit you will need to find out if the model you are interested in is transportable and does it have anchors so it can be tied down.
- **Bright coloured scooters** are much easier to notice than dark ones.

Learn to use Your Scooter

It is essential you know how to operate your scooter properly before venturing out into the public. When you first purchase your scooter, find a spot like a quiet parking lot and practice there. Once you feel comfortable that you can safely operate your scooter, find a friend or experienced scooter user who will travel with you on your first few trips.

Take curb cuts, driveways and ramps "head on" and always drive on the most level area of the cub cut, even if it means moving outside of the crosswalk lines. If you drive sideways on a curb cut, you could tip over.

Get familiar with the most navigable routes in your neighbourhood. Be aware of the locations of curbs that do not have curb cuts or streets that do not have sidewalks so you can avoid these routes if possible.

Always allow for more time than you think you will need when leaving on your scooter.

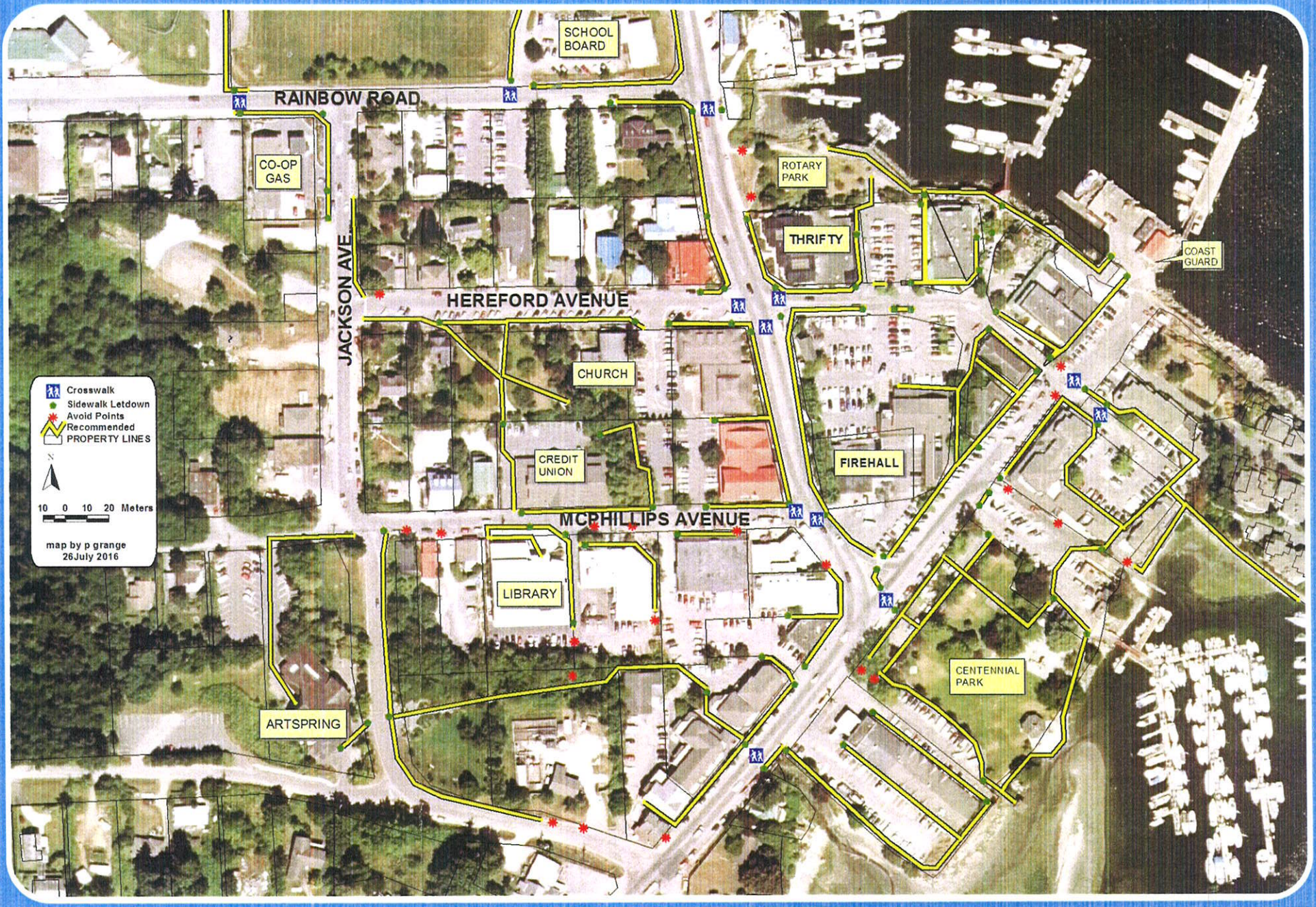
Being a Courteous Scooter Driver is Good Public Relations

- Slow down when traveling around pedestrians and avoid traveling too closely behind or obstructing them.
- Keep to the right on sidewalks and avoid honking your horn. Ask people to let you pass politely.
- If you meet a friend on the sidewalk, pull to the side to let others pass more easily.
- Use caution when traveling close to store fronts and the sides of cars. If you are too close someone could walk or open a car door into you.
- Wave thank you to drivers who stop at cross walks to let you cross.

Other Mobility Scooter Tips and information

- Keep air inflated tires fully inflated for ease of rolling the mobility scooter, lengthen the time needed between battery charges, to maximize mileage and also maximize tire and tube life span.
- Care must be given when a mobility scooter is used on slippery surfaces. The automatic scooter brakes may not slow or stop the scooter if they don't have proper traction. Use caution when traveling on sand or in snow.
- If a mobility scooter stops working for any reason the brakes will automatically engage. To push the scooter there will be a breaks release mounted somewhere near the rear of the scooter that will disengage the brakes. The scooter will not work with the brakes disengaged.
- A motorized wheelchair or scooter does not require registration, vehicle license, driver's license or vehicle insurance.

SAFE SCOOTER ROUTES TO GANGES VILLAGE



GANGES VILLAGE SCOOTER PATHS

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Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission
Via Email

Dear Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission:

RE: REGIONAL PARKS – GULF ISLANDS REGIONAL TRAILS PLAN

The Capital Regional District (CRD), Regional Parks division, is undertaking a planning process to develop a Regional Trails Plan for the Gulf Islands. This plan will identify a conceptual route for a regional trail on each of Salt Spring, Mayne, Galiano, Saturna, North and South Pender islands, as well as provide policies to guide implementation and trail development.

The development of the regional trails plan implements a specific action in the Regional Parks Strategic Plan (2012-2021) and supports various CRD interests, including the Experience the Gulf Islands initiative and increasing active transportation and recreation opportunities. Please find enclosed Project Bulletin #1, which outlines the project scope and the planning process being used to gather input and ideas from interested individuals, for your reference. Regional Parks staff will continue working with other CRD staff and staff from other government agencies as this project moves forward.

Regional Parks will be hosting public open houses on the islands in March 2017 and wanted to provide your Commission with advance notice. These sessions will be advertised in local publications and on the CRD website. A poster that outlines the open house dates and locations is also enclosed. We would appreciate any assistance you can provide in letting islanders know of the upcoming open houses. We invite Commission members to drop in at an open house.

At the open houses, CRD staff will provide background information and will seek input on proposed trail routes and criteria for prioritizing trail development. Information and comment forms will also be available for those who cannot attend an open house on the CRD website at:
www.crd.bc.ca/project/gulf-islands-regional-trails-plan

Once the Regional Trails Plan is drafted, a copy will be provided to the Commission for comment and additional opportunities for public review will be made available.

Sincerely,

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Mike Walton
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Enclosures (2)

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Gulf Islands Regional Trails Plan

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The Capital Regional District is developing a regional trails plan for Galiano, Mayne, North and South Pender, Salt Spring and Saturna Islands. The plan will identify a conceptual regional trail route on each of the islands, and include direction for implementation.

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Background

The Board-approved *CRD Regional Parks Strategic Plan 2012-2021* includes an action that CRD staff "In partnership with other public agencies, local government and private landowners, initiate planning for the regional trails system on Salt Spring Island and Southern Gulf Islands." Planning for a system of trails on the Southern Gulf Islands was initiated in 2013 and public input was gathered regarding potential trails in 2014. This information will be used to inform the development of the plan in 2017.

What's Planned

Regional Trails in the CRD are envisioned to be major routes for recreation and active transportation that connect communities and key regional destinations. The Gulf Islands Regional Trails Plan will identify a regional trail route on each of Galiano, Mayne, North and South Pender, Salt Spring and Saturna islands. The project area is shown on the map (page 3).

In general, each regional trail route will provide a 'spine' or 'loop' that other trails can connect with to create a broader network. The goal is that each regional trail will connect the ferry terminal to at least one key destination on the island. Where possible and feasible, preference will be given to locating the regional trail along road rights-of-way. Although the preference for regional trails is to be separate from roads, in some cases on-road sections may be required. In addition to identifying the general route for the regional trail on each island, the plan will also include policies relating to trail priorities and development.

Detailed individual trail planning, design and construction is outside of the scope of this project.

Timeline

January-June 2017

Round 1 public, First Nation & government engagement

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Develop Draft Plan

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CRD Regional Parks Committee review of Draft Plan

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July-December 2017

Round 2 public, First Nation & government engagement on Draft Plan

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Review all comments received & revise Draft Plan

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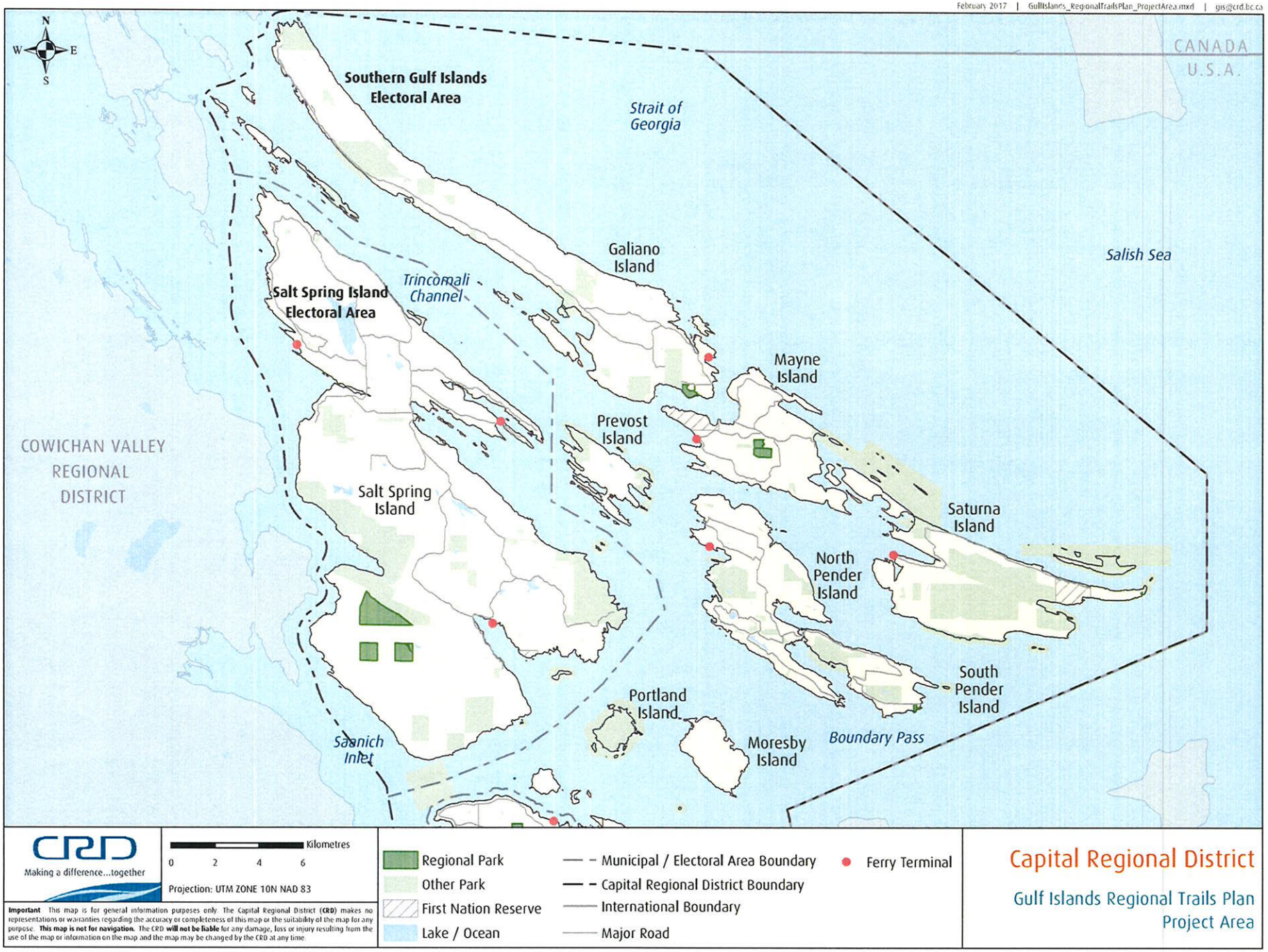
January-March 2018

CRD Regional Parks Committee endorsement and CRD Board approval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International Boundary
Major Road
Ferry Terminal
Capital Regional District
Gulf Islands Regional Trails Plan
Project Area

Regional Trail Demonstration Project

A project has been initiated on Mayne Island to plan and develop a regional trail from the Village Bay ferry terminal to Miners Bay. The trail will be designed to accommodate pedestrians and cyclists. This demonstration project will inform the design and development of future routes identified in the Gulf Islands Regional Trails Plan. Construction of the demonstration trail will occur at a later date, when funding is secured.

Experience the Gulf Islands Initiative

The intent of the Experience the Gulf Islands (ETGI) initiative is to enhance the social, environmental and economic sustainability of the islands. The ETGI Concept Plan recognizes that having regional trails will advance the intent of the ETGI initiative and recommends a coordinated approach by the various local and regional trail planning groups. Find out more at sustainableislands.ca.

Get Involved

The CRD will engage the public through two rounds of consultation: one prior to drafting the plan and the second to review the draft. The trail plan will be finalized in 2018, following public consultation. Trail construction on the islands will take place over many years as funding is identified. Watch newspapers and the website for project announcements crd.bc.ca/project/gulf-islands-regional-trails-plan

Trail use in the Capital Regional District

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OPEN HOUSES on Gulf Islands Regional Trails Plan

The Capital Regional District is developing a regional trails plan for the Gulf Islands. The plan will identify a conceptual regional trail route on each of the main islands and provide direction for implementation. You are welcome to drop in at one of the open houses to provide comments.

Date	Time	Island	Location
Tuesday, March 7	3:30-6:30 pm	**North & South Pender**	Community Hall
Thursday, March 9	3:30-6:30 pm	**Salt Spring**	Artspring
Tuesday, March 21	12-3 pm	**Saturna**	Community Hall
Wednesday, March 22	1-4 pm	**Mayne**	Community Hall
Tuesday, March 28	1-4 pm	**Galiano**	Community Hall

You may also provide your feedback online by March 31, 2017.
www.crd.bc.ca/project/gulf-islands-regional-trails-plan

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