Delegation to Islands Trust Council

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Trust Policy Statement review

- The TPS must be:
- Scientifically-informed
- Operational
- Aspirational

"Human influence has warmed the climate at a rate that is unprecedented in at least the last 2000 years... Climate change is already affecting every inhabited region across the globe with human influence contributing to many observed changes in weather and climate extremes" (IPCC, 2021)



Legal Measures to Protect the Gulf Islands Coastal Douglas-fir Zone

Recommendation #1 The Islands Trust should formally request that the Province amend s. 29 of the *Islands Trust Act* to give the Islands Trust the authority to establish Development Permit Areas to protect forest ecosystems and regulate forest practices on private lands.

Recommendation #2 The Islands Trust should request that the Province enhance and clarify the power of local governments to enforce Development Permit Area requirements and Development Permit conditions – by explicitly enabling local governments to enforce contraventions by way of prosecution, ticketing and issuance of bylaw enforcement notices.

Recommendation #5 The Islands Trust should ask the Province to enhance the Trust's jurisdiction over tree cutting bylaws, to make its jurisdiction equal to that of municipalities under s. 8 of the Community Charter.

Recommendation #7 The Islands Trust should seek amendment of the *Private Managed Forest Land Act*, to allow for the Islands Trust to legislate forestry protection measures on Private Managed Forest Lands.

Provincial advocacy

The province needs to do better to allow the Trust to do better



Introducing:



An overview of tree bylaws in BC and an assessment of their applicability in the Islands Trust area

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Questions?

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