

STAFF REPORT

File No.: MA-RZ-2023.2 (CRD)

DATE OF July 28, 2025

MEETING:

TO: Mayne Island Local Trust Committee

FROM: Narissa Chadwick, Island Planner

Southern Team

COPY: Robert Kojima, Regional Planning Manager

SUBJECT: MA-RZ-2023.2 (CRD)

Applicant: Capital Regional District

Location: St. John Point Park

RECOMMENDATION

- 1. That Mayne Island Local Trust Committee Draft Bylaw 194 cited as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2024" be read a second time.
- 2. That the Mayne Islands Local Trust Committee Draft Bylaw 195 cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No. 1, 2024" be read for a second time.
- 3. That an information note referencing the Agricultural Land Commission's Resolution #457/2024 be included in Mayne Islands Local Trust Committee Draft Bylaw 195 cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No. 1, 2024" upon consolidation.
- 4. That the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee has reviewed the Islands Trust Policy Statement Directives Only Checklist and determined that Bylaw 194 cited as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2024", and Bylaw 195 cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No. 1, 2024" are not contrary or at variance with the Islands Trust Policy Statement.
- 5. That the Mayne Island Local Trust Committee request staff to schedule a Public Hearing for Draft Bylaw 194 cited as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2024", and Draft Bylaw 195 cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No. 1, 2024".

REPORT SUMMARY

The purpose of this report is to present bylaws related to the rezoning for St. John Park from Agriculture and Rural to Agriculture (a) and Resource Conservation for second reading. Bylaws 194 (OCP) and 195 (LUB) have been drafted in response to an application made by the CRD. For details related to this application see the preliminary staff report.

BACKGROUND

The Capital Regional District (CRD) acquired the 27-hectare St. John Point property in 2017 in partnership with the Mayne Island Conservancy Society. Following a comprehensive management planning process from 2018 to 2019—including ecological studies and public engagement—the CRD developed the St. John Point Regional Park Management Plan, which will guide park management for the next 15 years.

The property is currently split zoned Agricultural and Rural with the Agricultural portion being in the Agricultural Land Reserve. In order to develop the Park Entrance Hub in the northwest corner of the property - a 0.07 ha area currently zoned Agricultural and previously disturbed having been the location of a dwelling - featuring a park entrance sign, visitor kiosk, expanded 20-vehicle parking lot, bicycle rack, and pump-out toilet, the CRD sought and received approval from the Agricultural Land Commission (ALC) for non-farm use before proceeding with rezoning.

Bylaw 195 includes site specific zoning for the portion of the lot that is in the Agricultural land reserve from A to A(a) in order to accommodate the park hub uses as follows:

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Site-Specific	Location Description	Site Specific Regulation
Zone		
A (a)	A portion of Lot B, Section 1, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 2501 St. John Point Park	In addition to the uses permitted in 5.7 (1) the following uses are permitted: - resource conservation use - entrance sign - parking area - pump out toilet building - bicycle rack - visitor information kiosk

Feedback from the ALC indicted that "As the Commission's approval was specific to a 0.07 ha area of the ALR portion of the Subject Property, ALC staff object to the redesignation of the entire ALR portion of the Subject Property to the A(a) zone". ALC staff requested that the A(a) zone only be applied to the portion of the Subject Property that was approved for non-farm use.

Following conversation between ALC and Islands Trust staff the decision was made to rather than create a 3-way split zoned property, a note could be added to the bylaw to ensure that the location of the entrance sign, parking area, pump out toilet building and bicycle rack are confined to the area approved by the ALC for non farm use. The wording for the notation as provided by ALC staff is as follows:

The uses permitted in A(a) are permitted over 0.07 ha of the property in accordance with the conditional Agricultural Land Commission approval (ALC Resolution #457/2024).

ANALYSIS

Policy/Regulatory

Islands Trust Policy Statement

The proposed bylaws are not contrary or at variance with the Islands Trust Policy Statement. The LTC should review, and if in agreement, endorse the checklist.

Official Community Plan

The application involves an amendment to the OCP designation from Rural (R) to Resource Conservation (RC). This amendment is contained in Mayne Island Local Trust Committee Draft Bylaw 194 cited as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2024" which has been read a first time. See Attachment 1.

Land Use Bylaw

The application involves an amendment to the LUB including the creation site specific zone A(a) which permits uses related to the "Park Hub". Amendments are contained in Bylaw 195 cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No. 1, 2024".

Agency Referrals

Draft bylaws were sent to the following agencies:

Galiano Island LTC
Saturna Island LTC
North Pender LTC
Agricultural Land Commission

Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Mayne Island Parks Commission Mayne Island Fire Rescue

Responses were received from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs and the Galiano Island Local Trust Committee indicating that interests were unaffected. The request made by the Agricultural Land Commission that has been address earlier in this report.

First Nations Referral

Draft bylaws were sent to the following First Nations:

- Semiahmoo First Nation
- Tsawwassen First Nation
- Stz'uminus First Nation
- Halalt First Nation
- Penelakut Tribe
- Lake Cowichan First Nation
- Cowichan Tribes

- Lyackson First Nation
- Tsawout First Nation
- Tsartlip First Nation
- Tseycum First Nation
- Pauquachin First Nation
- Wsanec Leadership Council

Responses were received from: Cowichan Tribes, Pauquachin First Nation, Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation and Tsawout First Nation. The Pauquachin First Nation and Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation identify that the park appears to be outside their title and governance area. Tsawout First Nation identified that due to the nature and location of the project they will defer to other local Nations. The Cowichan also defers to other Nations but notes that "the creation of additional parks in our areas of interest that lead to increased recreational opportunities have the very strong potential to negatively impact Cowichan Tribes members'

ability to exercise their rights whether as expressed as cultural practices or otherwise - especially in the absence of a strategic parks management plan at the Island Trust level".

Rationale for Recommendation

Since its acquisition by the CRD in 2017, the property has been actively used as a park attracting both on and off island users. The rezoning will bring into compliance the existing parking lot and supports the expansion of parking that CRD considers much needed (as indicated in previous letters of support, the lack of parking has led to visitors parking on the road which potentially impedes emergency response) as well as the building of a toilet building, bike parking and a park sign.

The only concerns coming out of the referral of the bylaws to agencies and First Nations were those of the ALC. These concerns will be address with the addition of an information note.

ALTERNATIVES

1. Do not proceed with the application

The LTC could choose not to proceed with the application.

2. Do not proceed with second reading until further information is received

The LTC could choose not to read the bylaw for the second time. The LTC should specify what information it requires.

3. Make changes to the draft bylaws prior to second reading

The LTC could choose to make amendments to the bylaws before considering second reading.

4. Request that staff schedule a Community Information Meeting (CIM) prior to the public hearing

A CIM is a voluntary discretionary engagement event which provides the opportunity for the public to ask questions about the application. It can be organized on a separate day or on the same day as the public hearing.

NEXT STEPS

If the recommendation are supported:

- Staff will schedule a Public Hearing.
- Following the close of the Hearing, the LTC may consider third reading of the bylaws.
- Referral of the bylaws to EC for approval
- The OCP amendment will be forward to the Minister of Housing and Municipal Affairs for approval
- Bylaws will be returned to the LTC for consideration of final adoption

Submitted By:	Narissa Chadwick RPP MCIP, Island Planner	July 15, 2025
Concurrence:	Robert Kojima, Regional Planning Manager	July 16, 2025

ATTACHMENTS

- 1. Bylaw 194 (OCP)
- 2. Bylaw 195 (LUB)
- 3. Policy Statement Directives Only Check List

PROPOSED

MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE BYLAW NO. 194

A BYLAW TO AMEND MAYNE ISLAND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN BYLAW NO. 144, 2007

The Mayne Island Local Trust Committee in open meeting assembled enacts as follows:

1. CITATION

This Bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007, Amendment No. 1, 2024".

2. SCHEDULES

Mayne Island Official Community Plan Bylaw No. 144, 2007 is amended as shown on Schedule 1, attached to and forming part of this bylaw.

3. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by a decision of any Court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid provision must be severed from the Bylaw and the decision that such provision is invalid must not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of the Bylaw.

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PUBLIC HEARING HELD THIS		DAY OF		20
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MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE BYLAW NO. 194

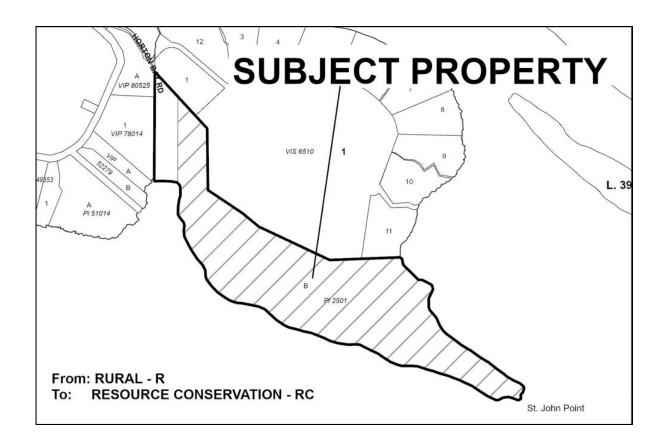
SCHEDULE 1

The Mayne Island Official Community Plan No. 144, 2007, is amended as follows:

1. By amending Schedule B by changing a portion of the land use designation on the Lot B, Section 1, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 2501 from Rural (R) to Resource Conservation (RC) land designation as shown on Plan No 1, which is attached to and forms part of this bylaw.

MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE BYLAW NO. 194

Plan No.1



PROPOSED

MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE BYLAW NO. 195

A BYLAW TO AMEND MAYNE ISLAND LAND USE BYLAW NO. 146, 2008

The Mayne Island Local Trust Committee, being the Local Trust Committee having jurisdiction in respect of the Mayne Island Local Trust Area under the *Islands Trust Act*, enacts as follows:

1. Citation

This bylaw may be cited for all purposes as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008, Amendment No. 1, 2024".

- 2. Mayne Island Local Trust Committee Bylaw No. 146, cited as "Mayne Island Land Use Bylaw No. 146, 2008," is amended as follows:
 - 2.1 5.7 Agricultural (A) Zone is amended by inserting the title "Site Specific Regulations" followed by "(12) The following table denotes locations where, despite or in addition to the regulations in this Section, specific regulations apply. In the first column, the zone abbreviation and the lower-case letter reference the notation on the zoning map. The second column describes the location where the specific regulations cited in column three apply:"
 - 2.2 The following table is added to "5.7 (12)":

Column 1	Column 2	Column 3
Site-Specific Zone	Location Description	Site Specific Regulation
A (a)	Lot B, Section 1, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 2501 St. John Point Park	In addition to the uses permitted in 5.7 (1) the following uses are permitted: - resource conservation use - 1 entrance sign - parking area for 20 vehicles - 1 pump out toilet building - 1 bicycle rack - 1 visitor information kiosk

2.2 Schedule "B" – Zoning Map, is amended by changing a portion of the zoning classification of Lot B, Section 1, Mayne Island, Cowichan District, Plan 2501 from Rural (R) to Resource Conservation (RC) and from Agricultural (A) to Agricultural (A (a)) as shown on the Plan No.1, which is attached to and forms part of this bylaw, and by making such alterations to Schedule "B" to Bylaw No. 146 as are required to effect this change.

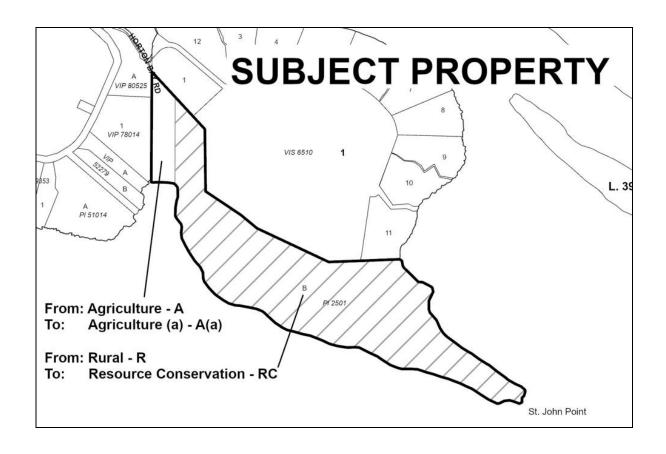
3. SEVERABILITY

If any provision of this Bylaw is for any reason held to be invalid by a decision of any Court of competent jurisdiction, the invalid provision must be severed from the Bylaw and the decision that such provision is invalid must not affect the validity of the remaining provisions of the Bylaw.

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MAYNE ISLAND LOCAL TRUST COMMITTEE BYLAW NO. 195

Plan No. 1





POLICY STATEMENT DIRECTIVES ONLY CHECK LIST

Bylaw and File No: MA-BL-194

The following symbols in the table indicate:

- the bylaw is consistent with the policy from the Policy Statement, or
- the bylaw is inconsistent (contrary or at variance) with a policy from the Policy Statement, or
- N/A the policy is not applicable.

Explanatory notes are added in bold and italics text

Policies for Ecosystem Preservation and Protection Part III

CONSISTENT	NO.	DIRECTIVE POLICY
	3.1	Ecosystems
*	3.1.3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification and protection of the environmentally sensitive areas and significant natural sites, features and landforms in their planning area.
~	3.1.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the planning, establishment, and maintenance of a network of protected areas that preserve the representative ecosystems of their planning area and maintain their ecological integrity.
N/A	3.1.5	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the regulation of land use and development to restrict emissions to land, air and water to levels not harmful to humans or other species.
	3.2	Forest Ecosystems
*	3.2.2	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the protection of unfragmented forest ecosystems within their local planning areas from potentially adverse impacts of growth, development, and land-use.
	3.3	Freshwater and Wetland Ecosystems and Riparian Zones
N/A	3.3.2	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address means to prevent further loss or degradation of freshwater bodies or watercourses, wetlands and riparian zones and to protect aquatic wildlife.

	3.4	Coastal and Marine Ecosystems
N/A	3.4.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the protection of sensitive coastal areas
N/A	3.4.5	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the planning for and regulation of development in coastal regions to protect natural coastal processes

PART IV: Policies for the Stewardship of Resources

CONSISTENT	NO.	DIRECTIVE POLICY
	4.1	Agricultural Land
N/A	4.1.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification and preservation of agricultural land for current and future use.
N/A	4.1.5	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the preservation, protection, and encouragement of farming, the sustainability of farming, and the relationship of farming to other land uses.
N/A	4.1.6	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the use of adjacent properties to minimize any adverse affects on agricultural land.
CONSISTENT	NO.	DIRECTIVE POLICY
N/A	4.1.7	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the design of road systems and servicing corridors to avoid agricultural lands unless the need for roads outweighs agricultural considerations, in which case appropriate mitigation measures shall be required to derive a net benefit to agriculture
N/A	4.1.8	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address land uses and activities that support the economic viability of farms without compromising the agriculture capability of agricultural land.
N/A	4.1.9	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the use of Crown lands for agricultural leases.
	4.2	Forests
√	4.2.6	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the need to protect the ecological integrity on a scale of forest stands and landscapes.
N/A	4.2.7	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the retention of large land holdings and parcel sizes for sustainable forestry use, and the location and construction of roads, and utility and communication corridors to minimize the fragmentation of forests.
√	4.2.8	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the designation of forest ecosystem reserves where no extraction will take place to ensure the preservation of native biological diversity.
	4.3	Wildlife and Vegetation

	4.4	Freshwater Resources
N/A	4.4.2	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address measures that ensure neither the density nor intensity of land use is increased in areas which are known to have a problem with the quality or quantity of the supply of freshwater, water quality is maintained, and existing, anticipated and seasonal demands for water are considered and allowed for.
N/A	4.4.3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address measures that ensure water use is not to the detriment of in-stream uses
	4.5	Coastal Areas and Marine Shorelands
N/A	4.5.8	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the needs and locations for marine dependent land uses
N/A	4.5.9	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the compatibility of the location, size and nature of marinas with the ecosystems and character of their local planning areas.
N/A	4.5.10	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the location of buildings and structures so as to protect public access to, from and along the marine shoreline and minimize impacts on sensitive coastal environments
N/A	4.5.11	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address opportunities for the sharing of facilities such as docks, wharves, floats, jetties, boat houses, board walks and causeways.
	4.6	Soils and Other Resources
N/A	4.6.3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the protection of productive soils.

PART V: Policies for Sustainable Communities

CONSISTENT	NO.	DIRECTIVE POLICY
	5.1	Aesthetic Qualities
N/A	5.1 3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the protection of views, scenic areas and distinctive features contributing to the overall visual quality and scenic value of the Trust Area.
	5.2	Growth and Development
N/A	5.2.3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address policies related to the aesthetic, environmental and social impacts of development.
N/A	5.2.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address any potential growth rate and strategies for growth management that ensure that land use is compatible with preservation and protection of the environment, natural amenities, resources and community character.
N/A	5.2.5	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address means for achieving efficient use of the land base without exceeding any density limits defined in their official community plans.
N/A	5.2.6	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification of areas hazardous to development, including areas subject to flooding, erosion or slope instability, and strategies to direct development away from such hazards.

	5.3	Transportation and Utilities
N/A	5.3.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the development of a classification system of rural roadways, including scenic or heritage road designations, in recognition of the object of the Islands Trust.
N/A	5.3.5	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the impacts of road location, design, construction and systems.
N/A	5.3.6	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the designation of areas for the landing of emergency helicopters.
N/A	5.3.7	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the development of land use patterns that encourage establishment of bicycle paths and other local and inter-community transportation systems that reduce dependency on private automobile use.
	5.4	Disposal of Waste
N/A	5.4.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification of acceptable locations for the disposal of solid waste.

CONSISTENT	NO.	DIRECTIVE POLICY
	5.5	Recreation
N/A	5.5.3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the prohibition of destination gaming facilities such as casinos and commercial bingo halls.
N/A	5.5.4	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the location and type of recreational facilities so as not to degrade environmentally sensitive areas, and the designation of locations for marinas, boat launches, docks and anchorages so as not to degrade sensitive marine or coastal areas.
N/A	5.5.5	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification of sites providing safe public access to beaches, the identification and designation of areas of recreational significance, and the designation of locations for community and public boat launches, docks and anchorages.
N/A	5.5.6	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification and designation of areas for low impact recreational activities and discourage facilities and opportunities for high impact recreational activities.
N/A	5.5.7	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the planning for bicycle, pedestrian and equestrian trail systems.
	5.6	Cultural and Natural Heritage
N/A	5.6.2	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the identification, protection, preservation and enhancement of local heritage.
N/A	5.6.3	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address the preservation and protection of the heritage value and character of historic coastal settlement patterns and remains.
	5.7	Economic Opportunities

N/A	5.7.2	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, addreconomic opportunities that are compatible with conservation of resources and protection of community character.			
	5.8	Health and Well-being			
N/A	5.8.6	Local Trust Committees and Island Municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, address their community's current and projected housing requirements and the long-term needs for educational, institutional, community and health-related facilities and services, as well as the cultural and recreational facilities and services			
POLICY STATEMENT COMPLIANCE					
√		COMPLIANCE WITH TRUST POLICY			
		NOT IN COMPLIANCE WITH TRUST POLICY for the following reasons:			