

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY - IMPLEMENTATION – Project Charter v1

North Pender Island Local Trust Committee

Date: January 2021

Purpose: To implement results of Phases one and two of the Southern Gulf Islands Groundwater Sustainability Project through community engagement and education, policy, and changes to regulations.

Background: The Southern Gulf Islands Groundwater Sustainability project was initiated in early 2019 and consisted of data collection, mapping and analysis of groundwater regions in the southern gulf islands. The results of the first phases of the project will be incorporated into Islands Trust development review processes. The Local Trust Committee has identified further implementation of the results through public engagement and potential bylaw amendments as a Top Priority project.

Objectives

- Identify implementation options
- Analyze and assess options
- To update bylaws to provide to greater protection of groundwater resources

In Scope

- Analysis of options for bylaw amendments to implement groundwater protection measures based on earlier phases of the project
- Community engagement on phases I and II
- Community, First Nations, and agency consultation
- Recommendations on potential amendments
- Support for legislative process to amend bylaws

Out of Scope

- Unrelated regulatory amendments
- Unrelated amendments to the OCP

Workplan Overview

Deliverable/Milestone	Date
Preliminary report and review of Project Charter by LTC	February 2021
Staff report on implementation options, LTC direction	May 2021
Community Groundwater Workshop to present findings of Phases 1 and 2	June 2021
Early First Nations Consultation and Targeted Agency referrals	May – Sept 2021
LTC review of potential options	September 2021
Community consultation	October – Dec 2021
LTC direction to prepare draft bylaws	January 2022
LTC review of draft bylaws, First Nations referrals, agency referrals and First Reading	Feb – April 2022
Public Hearing	May 2022
Post-hearing legislative process	May – Sept 2022
Implementation: educational materials, DAI Bylaw amendments, BVN Bylaw amendments, procedure bylaw amendments, application processing procedures revised	June – Dec 2022

Project Team

Est.
Hours/
annum

Robert Kojima	<i>Project sponsor</i>	50
Narissa Chadwick	<i>Project planner</i>	200
William Shulba	<i>Professional advisor</i>	200
Maple Hung	<i>Admin support</i>	30
Jas Chonk	<i>Legislative Clerk</i>	10
Jackie O'Neill	<i>IS support</i>	10
		400
RPM Approval: <i>Name of RPM</i> Date: Feb 25/21	LTC Endorsement: Resolution #: Date: Feb 25/21	

Budget

Budget Sources:

Fiscal	Item	Cost
21-22	Community consultation	\$1000
21-22	Legal review contingency	\$2000
21-22	First Nations consultation	\$2000
22-23	Public Hearing	\$2000
22-23	Contingency	\$1000
	Total	\$8000