

CRD Staff Referral Response Form

Referral No.: Bylaw 183 Islands Trust Policy Statement

	Interests Unaffected		Approval recommended for reasons outlined	Approval recommended subject to conditions	Approval <i>not</i> recommended due to reasons outlined	Comments
Executive Services	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Finance & Technology	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Integrated Water Services	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Legislative Services	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Parks & Environmental Services	<input type="checkbox"/>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>CRD Regional Parks has comments and requests that Islands Trust consider some changes/additions to the draft Policy Statement, as follows: Regional Parks Comments on Islands Trust’s DRAFT Bylaw No 183 (Islands Trust Policy Statement Bylaw, 2021) October 15, 2021 The proposed bylaw includes many updates that are supported by CRD Regional Parks. CRD Regional Parks provides the following suggestions for consideration, to improve some of the policies within the Draft Policy Statement. Suggested changes/additions are shown in green text.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> In 6.1.14, consider rewording to include that these locations, types, and safe public access should meet the needs of the public as well as not compromise key aspects currently noted. “Local trust committees and island municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, identify appropriate locations, types, and safe public access to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recreation facilities Bicycle, pedestrian, and equestrian trail systems; and Community marinas, boat launches, docs, and anchorages, that are small scale, sustainable, meet public needs, and that do not compromise the integrity of protected areas....” Under Rural Island Planning Policies, Coordination Policies for Trust Council, consider the potential inclusion of an additional policy regarding coordinating with/advocating to other government agencies, such as Regional Districts or Ministry of Transportation & Infrastructure, for the provision of active recreation and active transportation opportunities to help maintain healthy, resilient communities. In essence, this sees the Trust Area and its amenities and

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						<p>environment being protected for (and used for) the health benefit of residents and visitors to the islands as well as for ecological benefits.</p> <p>CRD Regional Parks leads the development, maintenance and operation of regional trails that provide opportunities for both active recreation and active transportation. Often the Ministry is an important grant provider for such projects. CRD Regional Parks and the various Island Parks & Recreation Commissions also play a part in providing active recreation opportunities through regional and local parks and their associated trails.</p> <p>“Trust Council shall advocate to and coordinate with other government agencies to provide active recreation and active transportation opportunities to help maintain healthy and resilient communities.”</p> <p>3. Under 6.3 Transportation Policies, 6.3.4 should also include pedestrian paths since active transportation includes both pedestrian and bicycle use. “Local trust committees and island municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, foster the establishment of appropriately situated public and active transportation networks, including but not limited to bicycle and pedestrian paths and other local and intercommunity transportation systems that reduce dependency on private automobile use and support a transition to electrical vehicles and electric bicycles.”</p> <p>4. Under 6.3 Transportation Policies, consider modifying 6.3.5 to make it clear that appropriately located active transportation networks should be allowed. “Local trust committees and island municipalities shall, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, allow for public and active transportation networks while striving to ensure that road locations, design, construction and systems do not adversely impact the integrity of protected areas networks, contiguous forests, watersheds...,or Indigenous cultural heritage in the Trust Area.”</p> <p>5. Under 6.3 Transportation Policies, 6.3.6 should also be supportive of identifying/designating active transportation roads (e.g., those roads within the community where active transportation is considered most desirable/useful). “Local trust committees and island municipalities, in their official community plans and regulatory bylaws, develop a classification system of rural roadways, including scenic or heritage road designations and active transportation road designations.”</p> <p>6. Under 6.3 Transportation Policies, consider adding a new 6.3.9 as follows (or expanding 6.3.8). The suggestion below goes beyond 6.3.8 which currently only advocates the Provincial government and only advocates working together on public consultation. As noted above, some regional districts may develop/manage trail systems that also provide opportunities for active transportation. “Trust Council shall advocate to other government agencies to work together with local trust committees to develop sustainable active transportation networks.”</p> <p>Carolyn Stewart Park/Trail Planner Regional Parks Capital Regional District 490 Atkins Avenue, Victoria, BC V9B 2Z8 T: 250.360.3368 C: 250.413.7478 F : 250.478.5416</p>
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