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**Robert Barlow**

Legislative Services Clerk  
Islands Trust

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Hello,

Please find the attached approval on behalf of DFO's Fish and Fish Habitat Protection Program.

Best Regards,

Shawn Seguin, BSc(Hon), RPBio  
(He/him | il/lui)

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Dear Referral Coordinator(s),

We are reaching out to seek feedback from provincial and federal government agencies, Indigenous Governing Bodies, local trust committees and Bowen Island Municipality, school districts, regional districts, and improvement districts on the proposed Islands Trust Policy Statement, which was given first reading by Islands Trust Council on July 29, 2025.

The Islands Trust Policy Statement is a document required by Provincial legislation to be a general statement of the policies of the Islands Trust Council to carry out the [object](#) (mandate) of the Islands Trust. The proposed Policy Statement sets out Islands Trust Council's proposed principles and policy framework for planning and land use management within the lands and waters of the Island Trust Area. The Policy Statement guides the development of the official community plans and land use bylaws of local trust committees and Bowen Island Municipality, and the development of Trust Council's Strategic Plan. It is not a set of regulations that apply to land in the Islands Trust Area.

First reading of the Policy Statement bylaw followed a year of meetings by Islands Trust Council's Committee of the Whole and Trust Programs Committee, where the draft bylaw was reviewed and revised to address feedback received from Indigenous Governing Bodies, island residents, Islands Trust staff, legal counsel, and government agencies over the course of the project. Work on a new Islands Trust Policy Statement has been ongoing since 2019.

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Please visit the Islands [2050 project webpage](#) for full project background information, including frequently asked questions.

Your organization may have provided a response when a previous draft of the new Policy Statement was referred out for comment in 2021. Since then, the document has been substantially revised and is now being referred out anew. If you would like to review a copy of your organization's response to the 2021 referral, please see the agency referral section of the project library on the [Islands 2050 project webpage](#).

Your informed response is important to this process and will support the Islands Trust Council in delivering the Islands Trust's provincially-mandated object "to preserve and protect the trust area and its unique amenities and environment for the benefit of the residents of the trust area and of British Columbia generally, in cooperation with municipalities, regional districts, improvement districts, First Nations, other persons and organizations and the government of British Columbia."

### **Agencies Information Session Webinars**

Islands Trust will host two Zoom webinars for referral agencies to provide information about the proposed Policy Statement bylaw and to offer an opportunity for questions and answers.

#### **Please register in advance for one of the two sessions:**

- **Friday, September 5, 2025**, from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. – [Register here](#)
- **Monday, September 8, 2025**, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. – [Register here](#)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email with details on how to join the webinar.

#### **Your response to this referral is respectfully requested:**

Attached to this email is a bylaw referral package that includes our referral form and the proposed Policy Statement bylaw. Project information can be found on our website here: <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/programs/islands-2050/>.

We understand that there are numerous demands on your time, however, we genuinely welcome any comments you may have. Your referral response to this proposed bylaw is respectfully requested by **October 10, 2025**. Referral responses will be provided to Islands Trust Council for its consideration, and publicly posted to the project webpage.

Should you have any questions or require further information, please contact Jason Youmans at [jyoumans@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:jyoumans@islandstrust.bc.ca) or at 250-405-5177.

**Please direct referral responses to [islands2050@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:islands2050@islandstrust.bc.ca)**

or by mail to:

Islands Trust - Islands 2050

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Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Respectfully,

**Nadine Mourao**

Legislative Clerk / Deputy Secretary (she, her, hers)

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## **Preserving and protecting over 450 islands and surrounding waters in the Salish Sea**

*I respectfully acknowledge that the Islands Trust Area is located within the treaty lands and territories of the BOKÉĆEN, Cowichan Tribes, K'ómoks, Lyackson, MÁLEXEĒ, Qualicum, scəwáθən, səlilwətaʔ, SEMYOME, shíshálh, Skwxwú7mesh, Snaw-naw-as, Snuneymuxw, Songhees, Spune'luxutth', SÁÁUTW, Stz'uminus, ʔaʔəmen, Ts'uubaa-asatx, Wei Wai Kum, We Wai Kai, WJOLEĒP, WSIKEM, Xeláltxw, Xwémalhkwu, Xwsepsum, and xʷməθkʷəy̓əm First Nations. Islands Trust is committed to reconciliation and to working together to preserve and protect this ecologically, culturally, and spiritually significant region in the Salish Sea.*



# ISLANDS TRUST POLICY STATEMENT BYLAW REFERRAL FORM

Islands Trust – Islands 2050  
200 – 1627 Fort Street  
Victoria, BC V8R 1H8  
islands2050@islandstrust.bc.ca  
www.islandstrust.bc.ca

Island: Islands Trust Area Bylaw No.: TC 183 Date: August 6, 2025

You are requested to comment on the attached Bylaw for potential effect on your agency's interests. We would appreciate your response within 60 days. If no response is received within that time, it will be assumed that your agency's interests are unaffected.

## PURPOSE OF BYLAW:

The Islands Trust Act requires that Islands Trust Council adopt a Policy Statement. The current Policy Statement has not been substantively updated in over 30 years. The purpose of this bylaw is to update the Policy Statement through the lenses of reconciliation, climate change, and affordable housing.

## GENERAL LOCATION:

The Islands Trust Policy Statement is a general policy that applies to all of the Islands Trust Area, including Bowen Island. For a map of the Islands Trust Area, please visit: <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/mapping-resources/mapping/>

## YOUR RESPONSE IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED:

Your response to this referral will help to ensure that the Policy Statement advances the mandate of the Islands Trust, in cooperation with the Province, other agencies and Indigenous Governing Bodies. The Islands Trust Policy Statement requires the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing if it is to be used by Islands Trust Executive Committee and Trust Council to evaluate and approve bylaws submitted by local trust committees and island municipalities.

The proposed new Policy Statement contains policies that may affect your agency's interests. We would encourage you to review the [Islands 2050 project webpage](#) for additional information about the Policy Statement Amendment Project, including an FAQ. Please return the response form to [islands2050@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:islands2050@islandstrust.bc.ca)

## OTHER INFORMATION:

For more information on the Islands 2050 Policy Statement Amendment Project, including the draft Policy Statement: <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/programs/islands-2050/>

Please fill out the Response Summary on the back of this form. If your agency's interests are "Unaffected", no further information is necessary. In all other cases, we would appreciate receiving additional information to substantiate your response and, if necessary, outline any conditions related to that response. Please note any legislation or official government policy that would affect our consideration of this Bylaw.

(Signature)

Name: David Marlor

Title: Secretary, Islands Trust

This referral has been sent to the following agencies:

### Federal Agencies

Environment and Climate Change Canada  
Fisheries & Oceans, Canada (Fish Protection and Aquaculture - Pacific Region)  
Transport Canada  
Parks Canada

### Regional Agencies

Capital Regional District  
Comox Valley Regional District  
Cowichan Valley Regional District  
Metro Vancouver Regional District  
Nanaimo Regional District  
qathet Regional District  
Sunshine Coast Regional District

### School District Boards

School District No. 45 (West Vancouver – Gambier)  
School District No. 46 (Gambier)  
School District No. 64 (Gulf Islands: Galiano, Mayne, North Pender, South Pender, Salt Spring, Saturna)  
School District No. 68 (Gabriola/Ballenas Winchelsea)  
School District No. 69 (Lasqueti/Ballenas Winchelsea)  
School District No. 71 (Denman/Hornby)  
School District No. 79 (Thetis)

### **Improvement District Boards**

Gabriola Fire Protection District  
Graham Lake Improvement District  
Schmidt Improvement District  
Galiano Estates Improvement District  
Gossip Island Improvement District  
Montague Improvement District  
Spanish Hills Improvement District  
Wise Island Improvement District  
Bennett Bay Waterworks District  
Campbell-Bennett Bay Improvement District  
Lighthouse Point Waterworks District  
Mayne Island Improvement District  
Village Point Improvement District  
Georgina Improvement District  
Razor Point Improvement District  
Trincomali Improvement District  
Harbour View Improvement District  
Mount Belcher Improvement District  
North Salt Spring Waterworks District  
Piers Island Improvement District  
Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District  
Scott Point Waterworks District  
Saturna Shores Improvement District  
Thetis Island Improvement District  
Vaucroft Improvement District

### **Adjacent Local Trust Committees and Municipalities**

Ballenas-Winchelsea Islands Local Trust Committee  
Bowen Island Municipality  
Denman Island Local Trust Committee  
Gabriola Island Local Trust Committee  
Galiano Island Local Trust Committee  
Gambier Island Local Trust Committee  
Hornby Island Local Trust Committee  
Lasqueti Island Local Trust Committee  
Mayne Island Local Trust Committee  
North Pender Island Local Trust Committee  
Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee  
Saturna Island Local Trust Committee  
South Pender Island Local Trust Committee  
Thetis Island Local Trust Committee  
Islands Trust Conservancy Board

### **Provincial Agencies**

Agricultural Land Commission  
Attorney General (Housing Policy Branch)  
BC Ferries  
Ministry of Agriculture and Food  
Ministry of Energy and Climate Solutions  
Ministry of Energy and Climate Solutions (Climate Action Secretariat)  
Ministry of Mining and Critical Minerals  
Ministry of Environment and Parks  
Ministry of Environment and Parks (BC Parks and Conservation Officer Service Division)  
Ministry of Forests  
Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship (South Coast Office, Crown Lands, Water Licensing (Watershed Stewardship & Security Branch, Ecosystems, Archaeology)  
Ministry of Health  
Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation (West Coast Office; South Coast Office)  
Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs (Governance and Structure Branch and Land Use Planning and Regional Impacts Branch)  
Ministry of Transportation and Transit on Vancouver Island and South Coast (via electronic Development Approvals System)

# BYLAW REFERRAL FORM RESPONSE SUMMARY

Approval Recommended for Reasons Outlined Below

Approval Recommended Subject to Conditions Outlined Below

Interests Unaffected by Bylaw

Approval Not Recommended Due to Reason Outlined Below

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Islands Trust Area (Islands 2050)  
(Island)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
TC 183  
(Bylaw Number)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Printed Name and Title)

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(Agency)