

## Project Summary (Phase 1 & 2)

At their regular business meeting held on January 31, 2019, the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) deemed Phase 1 of the project complete and endorsed a Project Charter (v.1) for 'Phase 2' of the Keats Islands Shoreline Protection Project.

The purpose of Phase 1 was to introduce potential policy, regulatory and voluntary stewardship options related to shoreline protection, share relevant information including sensitive ecosystem mapping, and to solicit input from the Keats Island community through a questionnaire and two information meetings. The results of the community information meetings and questionnaire have helped to inform the scope and objectives of Phase 2.

The purpose of Phase 2 is to review and update relevant Official Community Plan (OCP) policies and Land Use Bylaw (LUB) regulations to strengthen opportunities for protection of archaeological resources, sensitive ecosystems, shoreline integrity and function, and public access on Keats Island. Objectives of Phase 2 are to update OCP policies and LUB regulations to address:

- Sea level rise and flood protection;
- Protection of archaeological resources, sensitive ecosystems and species at risk;
- Consistency with First Nations-led marine planning initiatives, [Islands Trust Conservancy Regional Conservation Plan](#), and [Coastal Douglas-fir Ecosystem Protection toolkit](#).

As part of Phase 2, a Working Group dedicated to the project has been established to meet and work with Islands Trust Planning Staff to review findings from Phase 1, provide advice and recommendations on draft policies and regulations, review a draft engagement and communications strategy, and participate in community consultation events.

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