

## AGENDA

### SALT SPRING ISLAND GANGES VILLAGE AREA PLAN TASK FORCE

Date: Thursday September 16, 2021  
 Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM  
 Location: Baptist Church 520 Lower Ganges Road

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| <b>1.</b> | <b>Call to Order</b>  | 10:00 AM |
|           | 1.1 Member Roll Call  |          |
|           | 1.2 Approval of Agenda  |          |
|           | 1.3 Approval of Draft Minutes for August 19, 2021 (Attached)    | Page 2   |
|           | 1.4 Meeting Notes for September 2, 2021 (Attached)              | Page 7   |
|           | <i>Note: no official meeting was held due to lack of quorum</i> |          |
| <b>2.</b> | <b>Meeting schedule</b> (see notes below)                       | 10:10 AM |
| <b>3.</b> | <b>Consultant Introduction</b>                                  | 10:20 AM |
| <b>4.</b> | <b>Roundtable Discussion</b>                                    | 11:20 AM |
|           | 4.1 Continuous discussion on Area Plan Elements                 |          |
|           | 4.2 Stakeholder list (See section 6 on Attachment 2)            |          |
| <b>5.</b> | <b>Adjournment</b>  | 12:00 PM |

**Attachment:**

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**Note:**

The Housing Action Program Task Force will be meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 10am with staff present and the third Wednesday of each month at 5pm with a minute taker only beginning in October.

The Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force will be meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 10am with a minute taker only and the third Thursday of each month at 10am with staff present beginning in September.



## Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Thursday, August 19, 2021

**Location:** Electronic Meeting

**Members Present:** Robin Jenkinson, Chair  
Mike Best, Vice-Chair  
Eric Booth  
Jesse Brown  
David Dunnison  
John Gauld  
Bob MacKie  
Jenny McClean  
Sebastian Moffatt

**Regrets:** None

**Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Louisa Garbo, Island Planner  
Rob Pingle, Planning Team Assistant  
Sarah Shugar, Recorder

**Others Present:** Peter Grove, Local Trustee  
Laura Patrick, Local Trustee

These minutes follow the order of the agenda although the sequence may have varied.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Jenkinson called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. and acknowledged the meeting is being held in Coast Salish First Nations treaty and traditional territory.

#### 1.1 Member Roll Call

Chair Jenkinson presented the member roll call.

#### 1.2 Approval of the Agenda

The following item was presented for inclusion in the agenda:

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3.1.1 Study Boundary Presentation – Member Dunnison

**By general consent**, the agenda was adopted as amended.

**1.3 Approval of Draft Minutes for July 15, 2021**

The following item was presented for consideration:

- Replace “There was a suggestion to include commercial properties up Beddis Road including the Salt Spring Island Sailing Club and the Seabreeze Inn.” with “There was a suggestion to include commercial properties up to Beddis Road including the Salt Spring Island Sailing Club and the Seabreeze Inn.”

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

That the minutes of the July 15 2021 Ganges Village Area Task Force meeting were adopted as amended.

**CARRIED**

Member MacKie arrived at the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

**2. NEW MEETING SCHEDULE AND LOCATION**

Planning Team Assistant Pingle reported that the Task Force has requested two meetings per month. The first meeting of the month will have a minute taker in attendance and the second meeting of the month will have staff and a minute taker in attendance.

There was a suggestion to schedule the Ganges Village Area Task Force meetings and the Housing Action Program Task Force meetings at different times to allow members to attend both meetings.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

That the Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force request staff to schedule a second meeting on the first Thursday of each month and that a first order of business would be to review how the meeting schedule would align with the Housing Action Program Task Force meetings and whether members would want to take the opportunity for a walk around.

**CARRIED**

**3. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**3.1 Study Area Boundary**

**3.1.1 Study Boundary Presentation – Member Dunnison**

Member Dunnison presented a PowerPoint presentation entitled “Ganges Village a Brief Historic Perspective” and circulated a PDF of the presentation to members.

In discussion the following comments and questions were noted:

- There was a question regarding the two-kilometer circle. The First Nations portage route between Ganges Harbour and Booth Canal is 2 kilometers and this is also the area of a significant Japanese settlement.
- There was a suggestion to replace the draft Ganges Village Area Plan Study Area Boundaries map with fuzzy circles as provided in the PowerPoint presentation.
- There was a suggestion that the task force consider how to anchor the four corners of the containment area of the Ganges Village Area.
- There was a suggestion that the draft Ganges Village Area Plan Study Area Boundaries map is a starting point for discussion.
- It is important to consider Ganges as a whole to relate a cohesive framework where things make sense.
- There was a question regarding why fuzzy circles would be better than the lines in the proposed Ganges Village Area containment boundary. There was a comment that there are too many fundamental details that need to be considered such as why Embe Bakery and Upper Ganges are not included in the proposed map.
- There was a comment that the boundaries on the proposed Ganges Village Area containment boundary are contentious overall and there is a need to learn more about Ganges including services such as Ganges sewer.
- There was a comment that there has to be a map for a basis of discussion and a suggestion to amend the proposed Village Containment Boundary as follows: extend the boundary to the southeast to align with the study area boundary to include lands on both sides of Ganges Hill to the blue line; extend the boundary out into the harbour to include all of the marina's; extend the boundary to the northeast to include Moby's and Harbour House; extend the boundary to the north to include the Housing and Senior's Housing lands; extend the boundary to the west to include the lands east of the southern extension of Atkins Road.
- There was a suggestion to consider a broad vision for the Ganges Village.
- There was a comment that it is important to go back in history to a time when Ganges Village did function well. There was a time when Central was considered the centre of Salt Spring Island. There was also a time when Walker's Hook was going to be the core village of Salt Spring Island. There are too many variables and support was expressed for a more open vision as the basis for discussion going forward.

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

To replace the draft Ganges Village Area Plan Study Area Boundaries map as presented by staff with circles of areas of interest as proposed in the PowerPoint presentation.

**CARRIED**

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

The Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force will consider anchoring the innermost fuzzy circle and some of the corners of the fuzzy circles at the September 2, 2021 meeting.

**CARRIED**

There was discussion regarding the Proposed Area Plan Elements. The Proposed Area Plan Elements are including but not limited to:

- Land Use
- Housing
- Transportation
- Environment / Ecosystems
- Infrastructure Servicing
- First Nations
- Harbour
- Climate Change Resiliency
- Health / Safety / Fire / Community Services / Education
- Economics / Sustainability / Tourism
- Heritage over time, History and Culture
- Business Development
- Community events
- Water / Watersheds
- Urban Design / Art / Culture
- Recreation and Parks
- Island(s)/Regional/Geographic Context
- Futurism / Vision

**It was MOVED and SECONDED,**

That the Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force has accepted this as a draft list of elements to be considered in our planning of Ganges Village and the list can be added to in the future.

**CARRIED**

It was noted the Proposed Area Plan Elements list will be circulated to members and will be added to the next meeting agenda.

A member reported he is in the process of meeting with several groups related to harbour marinas and will report back to the task force.

There was a question regarding the stakeholder list. Planner Garbo will circulate a stakeholder list to task force members. It was noted the stakeholder list would be added to the next meeting agenda.

Member Moffatt arrived at the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

There was a question regarding the public engagement consultant. Planner Garbo reported the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee (LTC) will meet with the consultant at the next LTC meeting and an introductory meeting will be scheduled in September 2021.

A member asked if a transportation representative would meet with the task force. Chair Jenkinson reported the Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission has offered to guide task force members on a walking tour regarding transportation issues. The Salt Spring Island Transportation Commission (SSITC) has also asked if a task force member would like to participate in SSITC meetings as a liaison.

There was a comment that it would be timely to consider a bypass route prior to the Ganges Hill improvement project.

**By general consent**, the Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force request staff to schedule a Ganges Village site visit on Thursday, August 26, 2021 and that the group will meet at Embe Bakery.

Chair Jenkinson reported the following meeting would be scheduled on Thursday, September 2, 2021. Agenda items will include the Ganges Village Area Study Boundaries (specifically how to anchor the four corners of the containment area of the Ganges Village Area), the Proposed Area Plan Elements list and a stakeholder's list.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:39 a.m.

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Robin Jenkinson, Chair

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

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Sarah Shugar, Recorder



## **Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force Meeting Notes**

**Date:** Thursday, September 2, 2021

**Location:** Salt Spring Island Public Library 129 McPhillips Ave

**Members Present:** Robin Jenkinson, Chair  
David Dunnison  
Bob MacKie  
Jenny McClean

**Regrets:** Mike Best, Vice-Chair  
John Gauld

**Absent:** Eric Booth  
Jesse Brown  
Sebastian Moffatt

**Staff Present:** Rob Pingle, Recorder

**Others Present:** Peter Grove, Local Trustee

At 10:30 it was determined quorum was not met and the meeting did not proceed.

The next meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for Thursday September 16, 2021 from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Baptist Church Lower Hall, 520 Lower Ganges Road.

# Ganges Village

# A Brief Historic Perspective

Prepared for  
Ganges Village Area Plan Task Force  
19 August 2021



# What and How?

To answer the questions:

What should Ganges look like? How should Ganges develop?

Consider:

What did Ganges look like? How did Ganges develop?

and

How is Ganges laid out today?

# A Village



“A village is a small settlement usually found in a rural setting...

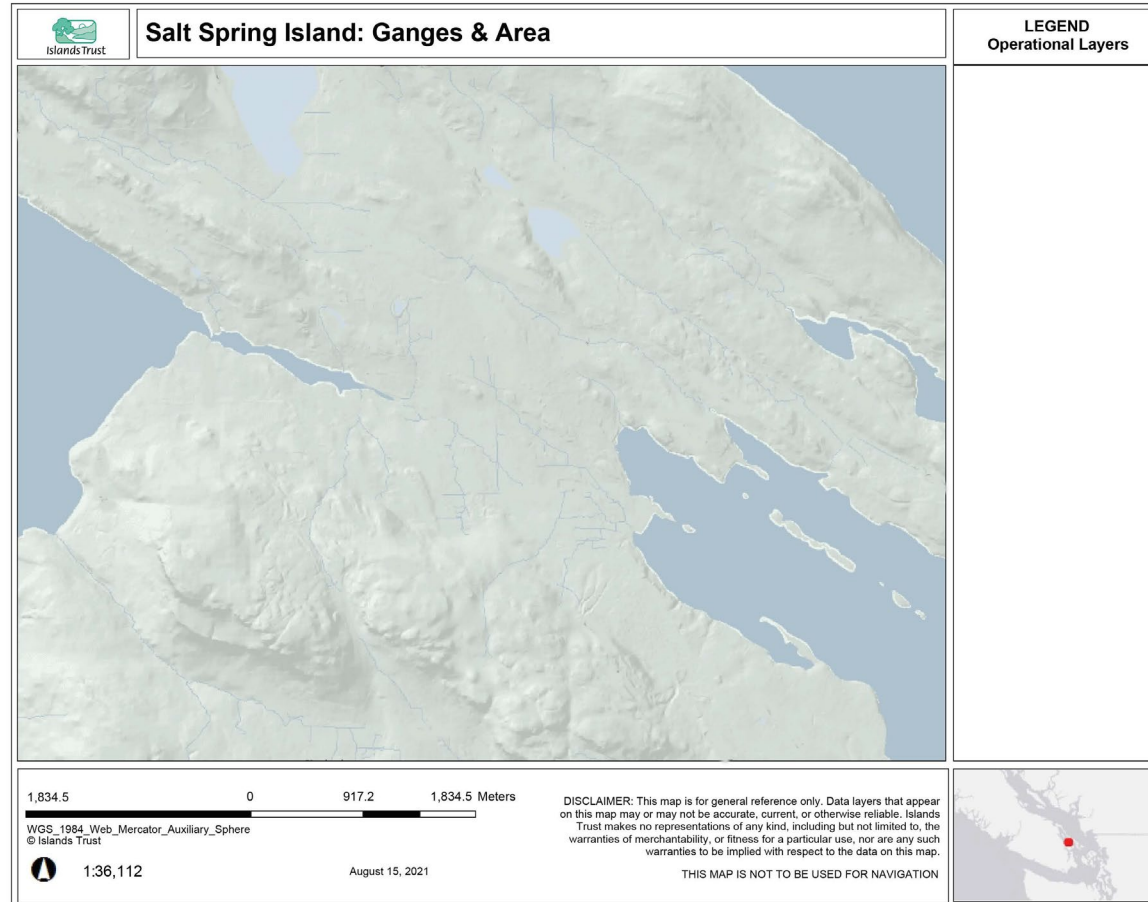
In most parts of the world, villages are settlements of people clustered around a central point. A central point is most often a church, marketplace, or public space...

Some villages are linear ... clustered around a ... line. This line can be natural, such as a river bank or seashore. (Fishing villages are often linear settlements.) Linear settlements can also develop around a transportation route...

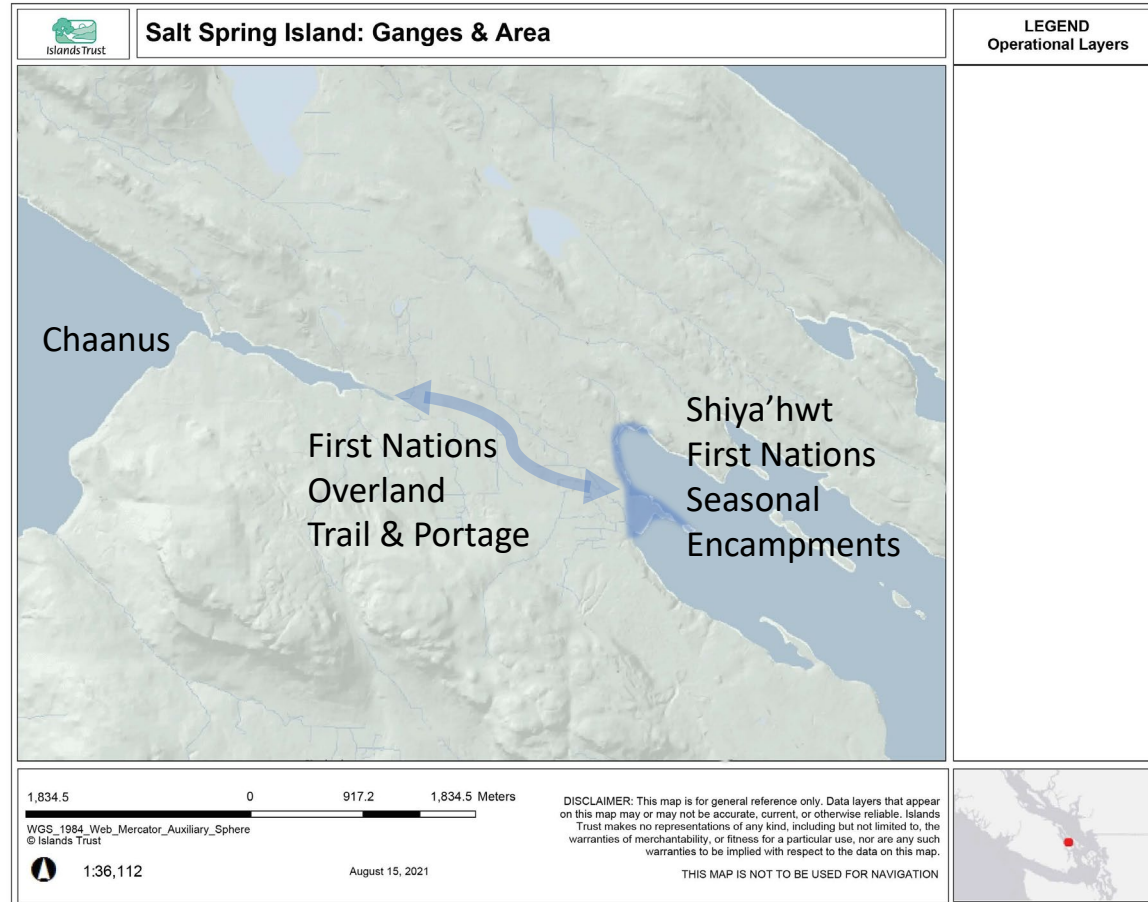
In the past, rural villagers usually engaged in a primary activity such as farming or fishing...”

<https://www.nationalgeographic.org/encyclopedia/village/>

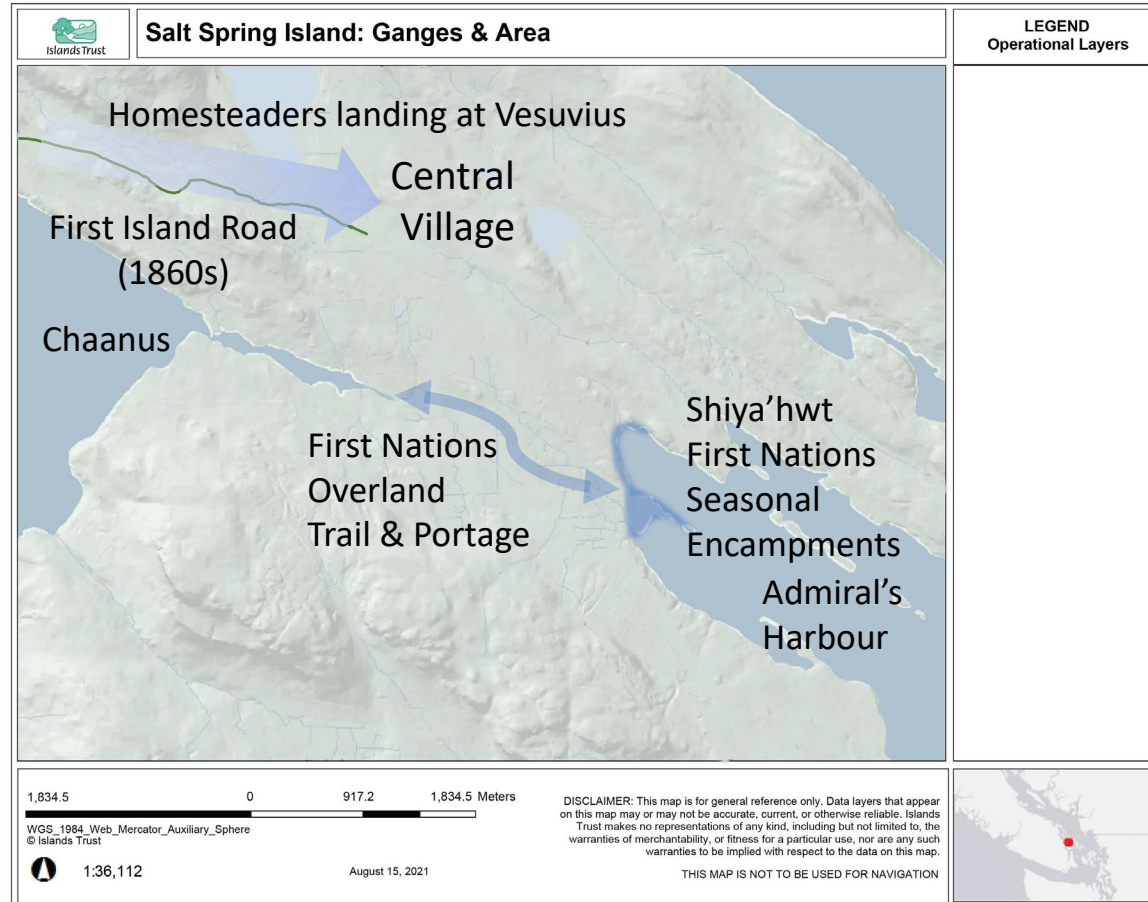
# Salt Spring's Central Valley



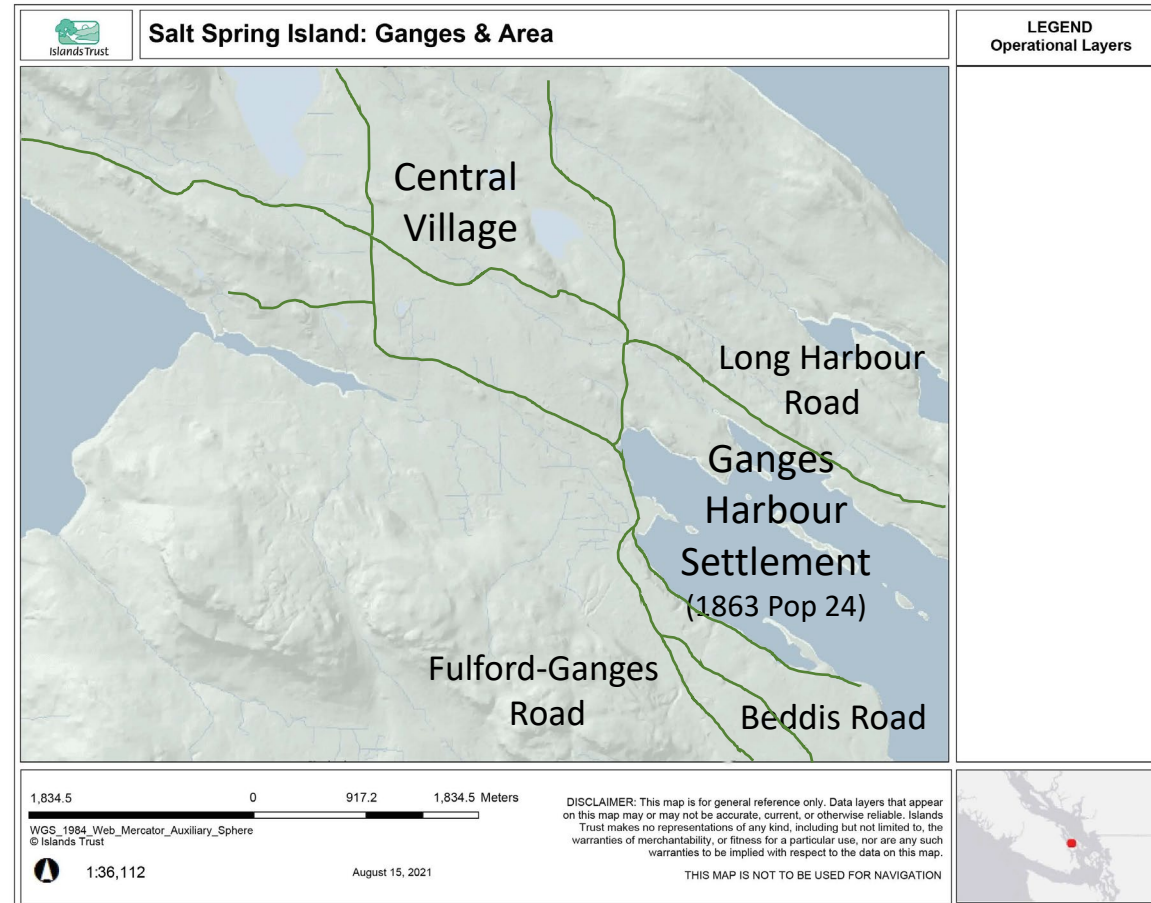
# First Human Activities (pre 1857)



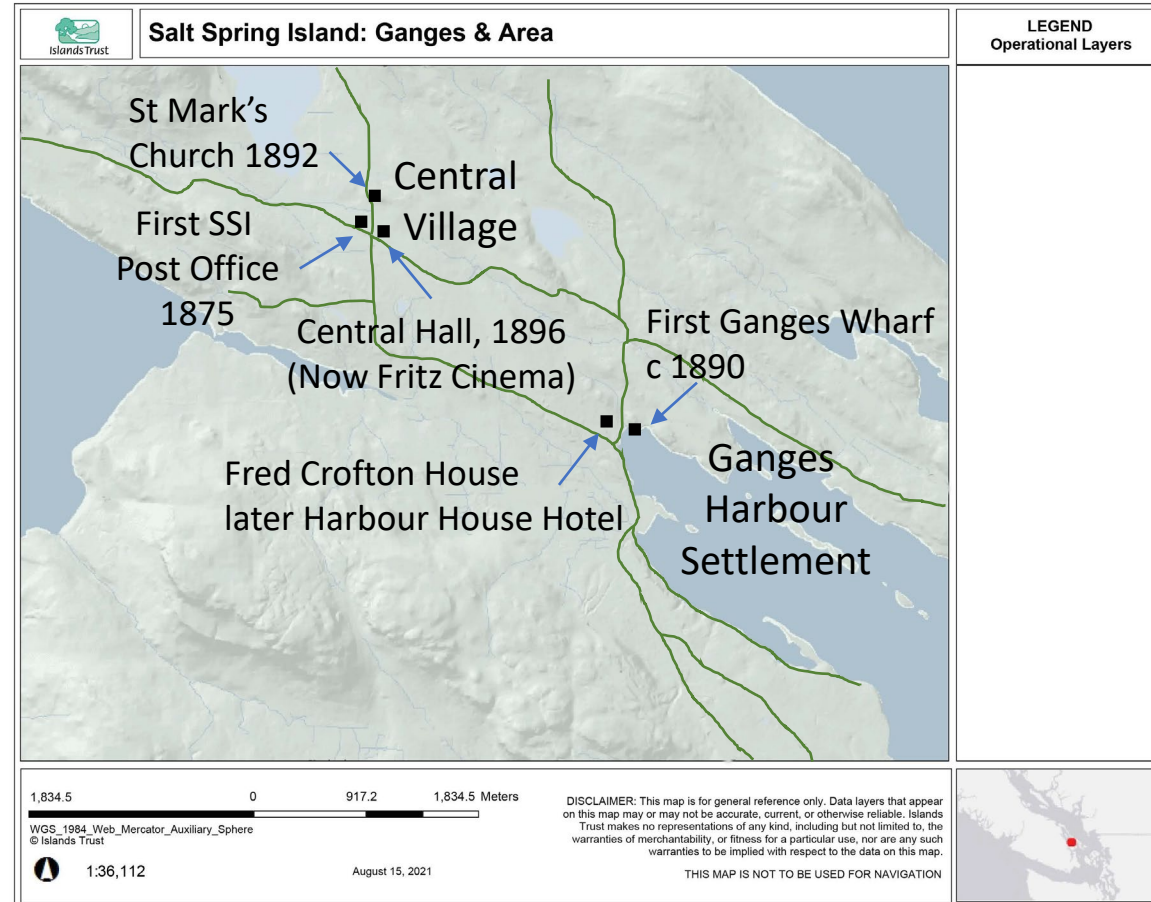
# First Settlers (1857 – 1860s)



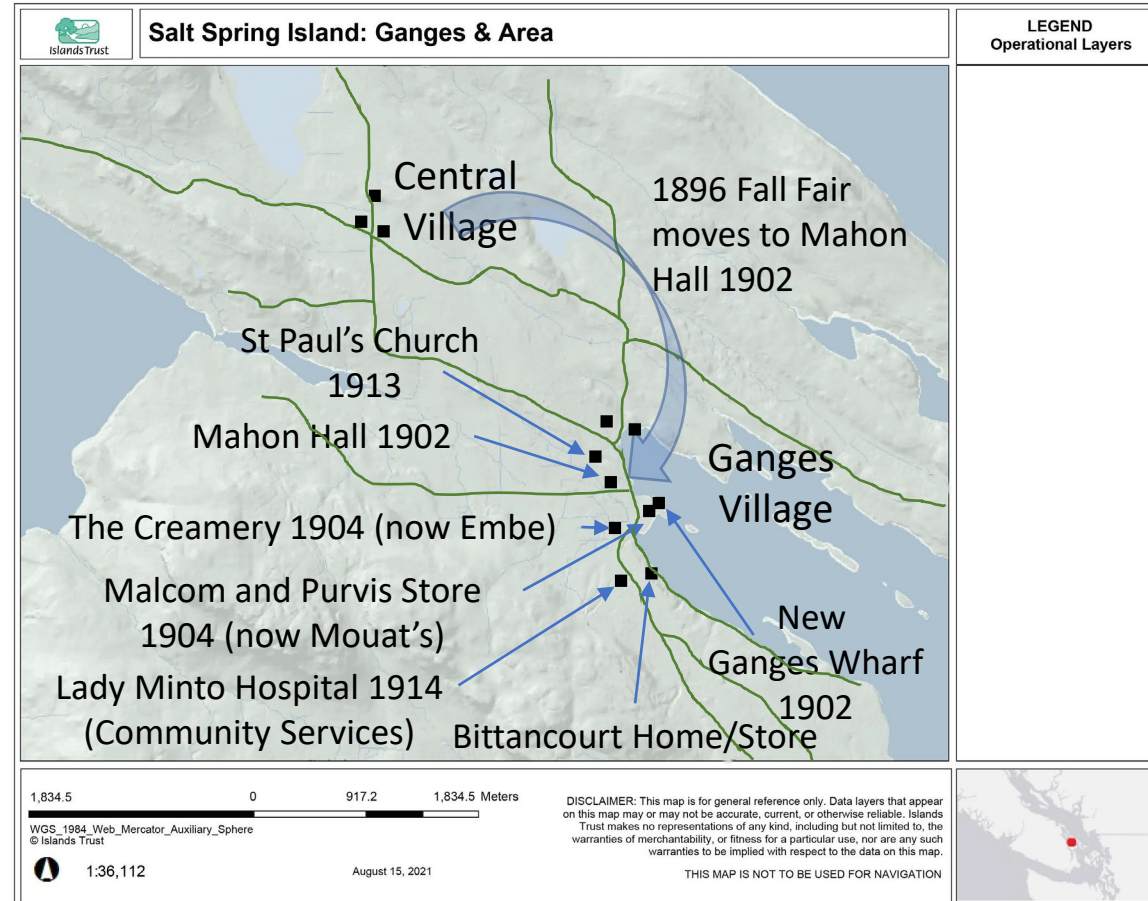
# Road Development (1859 – 1900)



# Island Development (1859 – 1900)

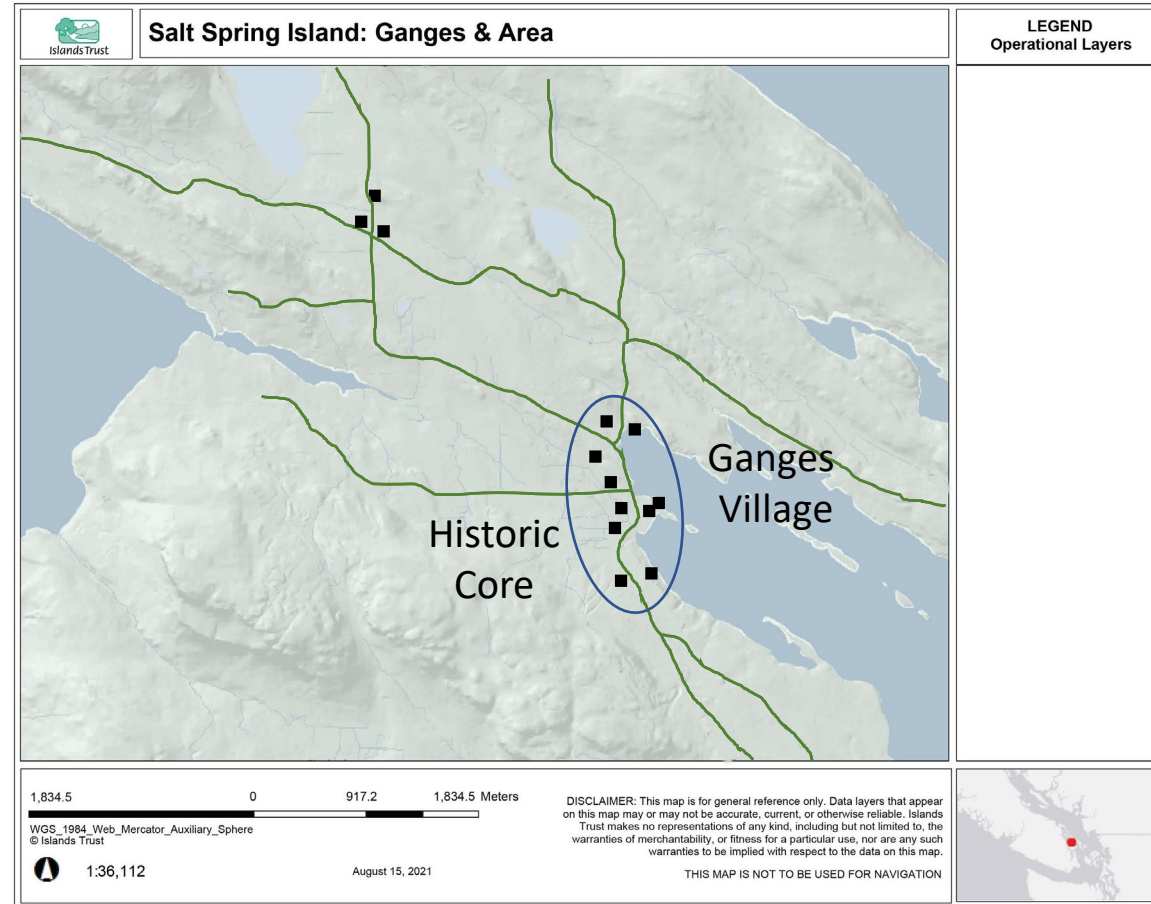


# Ganges Takes on Primary Role (1900-1914)

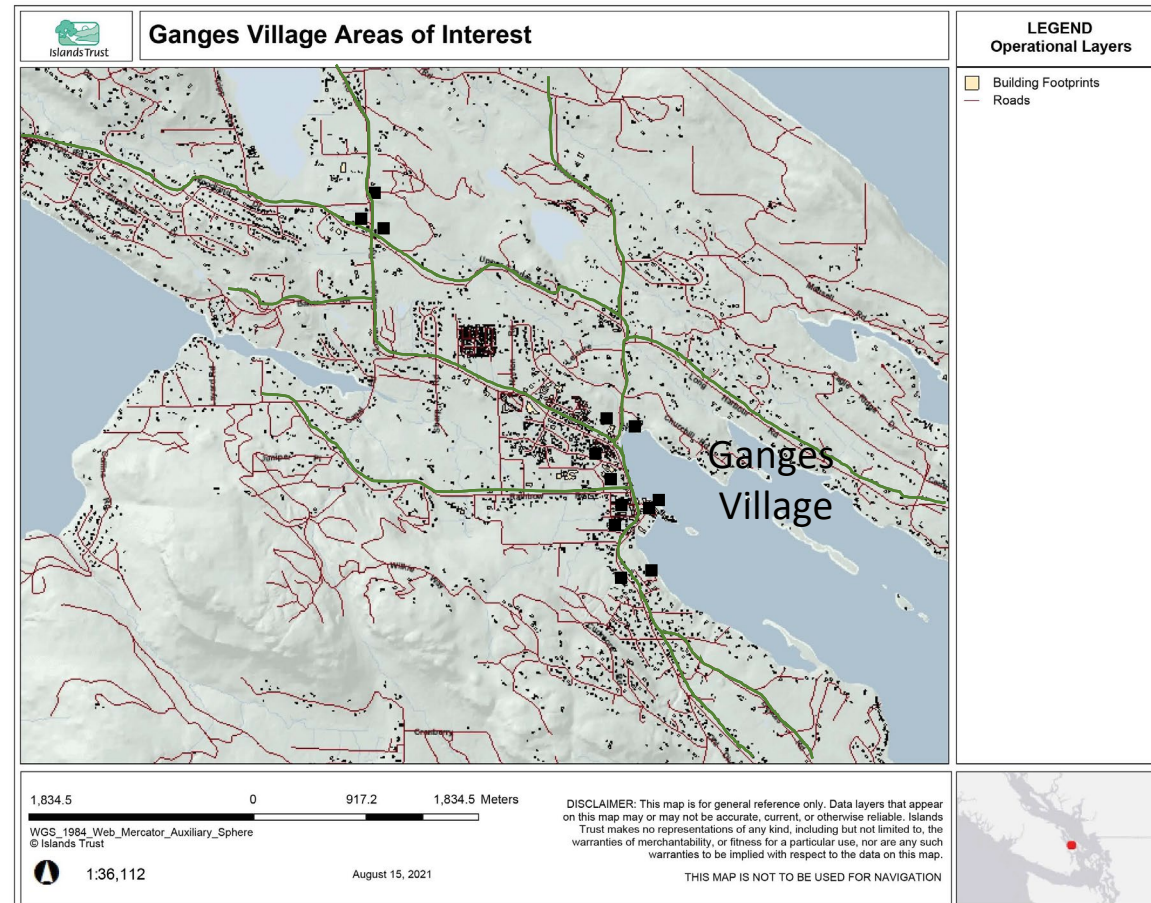




# Ganges and Area Yesterday



# Ganges and Area Today



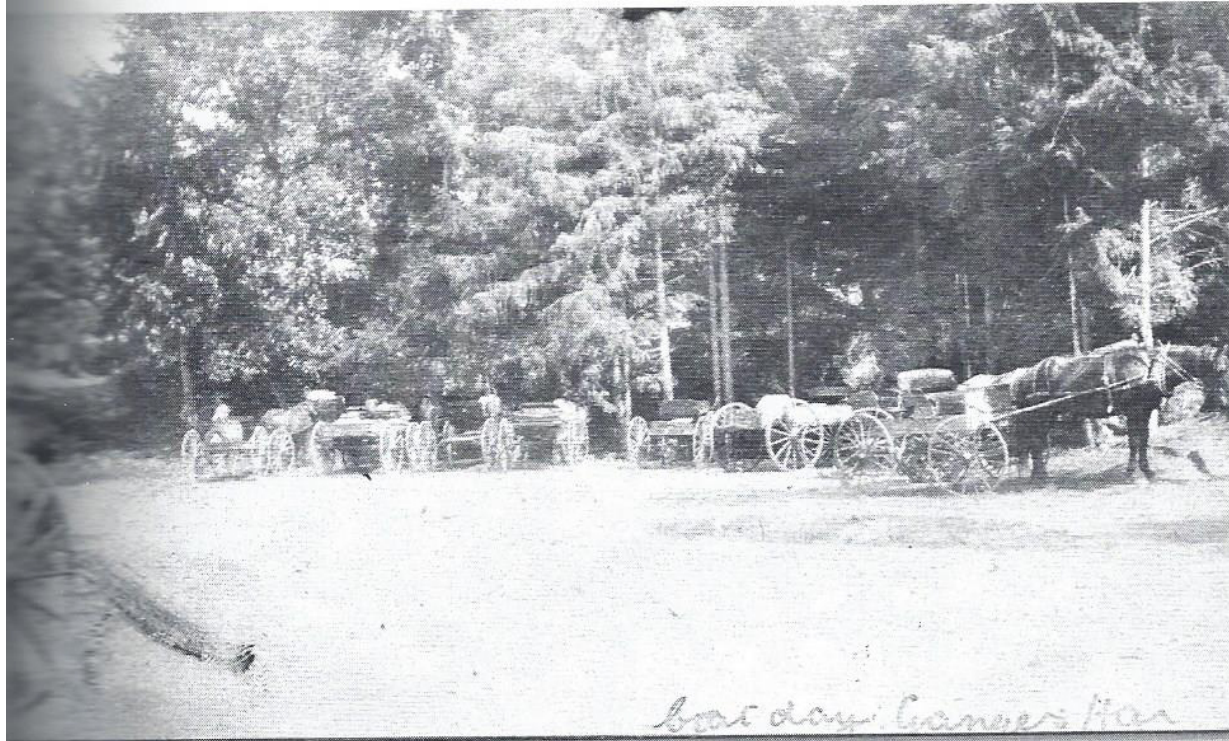
# Ganges Established

The opening of Mahon Memorial Hall in 1902 as an agricultural hall to serve all of the Gulf Islands and the establishment of mercantile stores in 1904 made Ganges Harbour the centre for Gulf Island commerce and society.

Land at the head of the harbour was acquired as a ranch (homestead) by the English Tolson brothers. Leonard sold the land to Arthur Ward who, in 1912, subdivided the land into what is now Ganges Village.

Salt Spring Archives

# Boat Day: Precursor to the Saturday Market



Boat Day • farmers' wagons, buggies and other equipment assembled under the trees at Ganges Wharf (c.1912)

Ganges Harbour has always been integral to the fabric of the Ganges Community

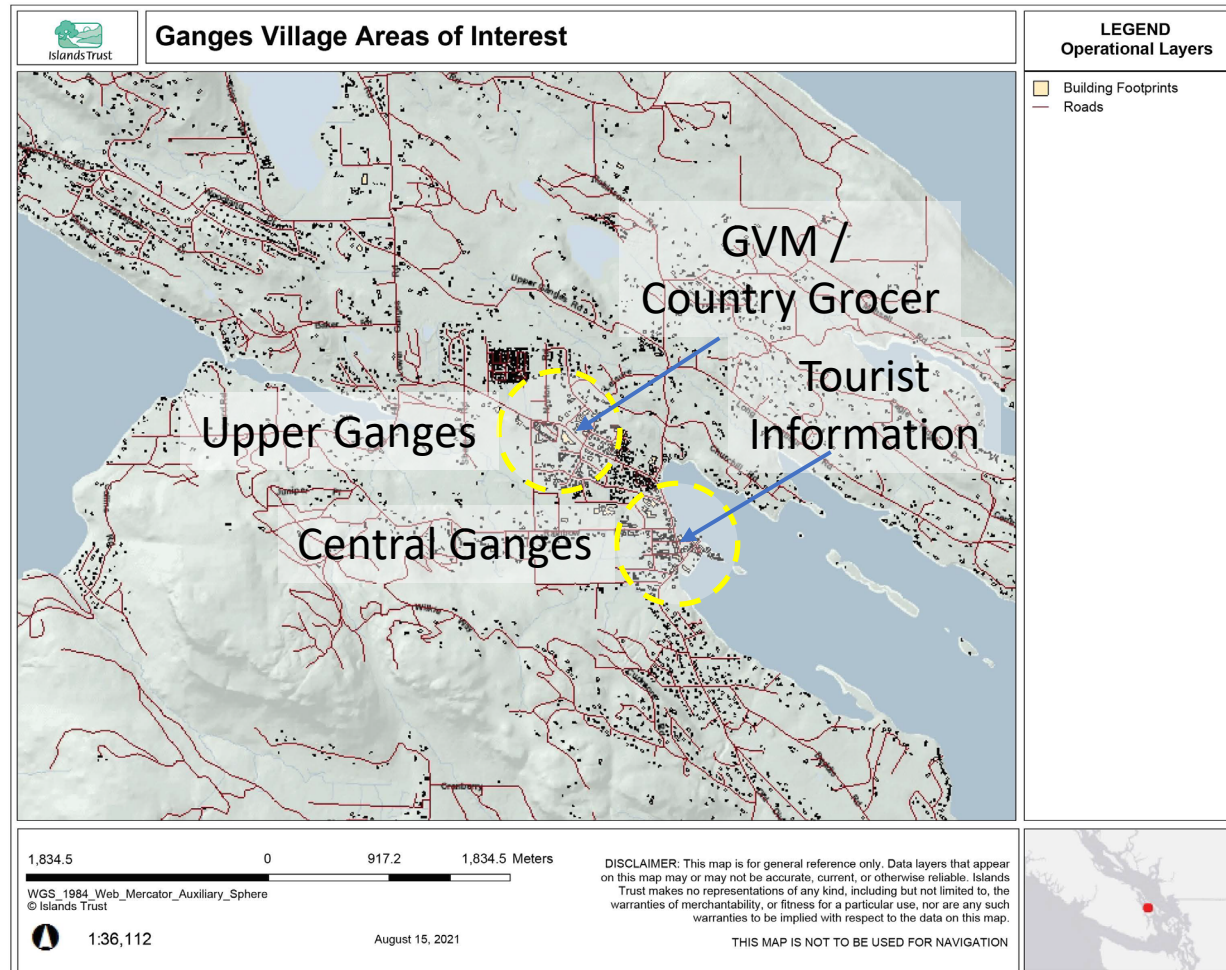
# Life Around Ganges Harbour



Ganges, Mouat's Bros. Ltd, Store  
Mouat's Boarding House,  
log boom,  
"Otter", circa 1928.  
Salt Spring Archives

Transportation & Shipping  
Fishing  
Logging  
Accommodation  
Marketplace

# 2008 Ganges Village OCP: Two 5 Minute Walkable Areas



# Ganges Village: Areas of Interest

## Extended Ganges:

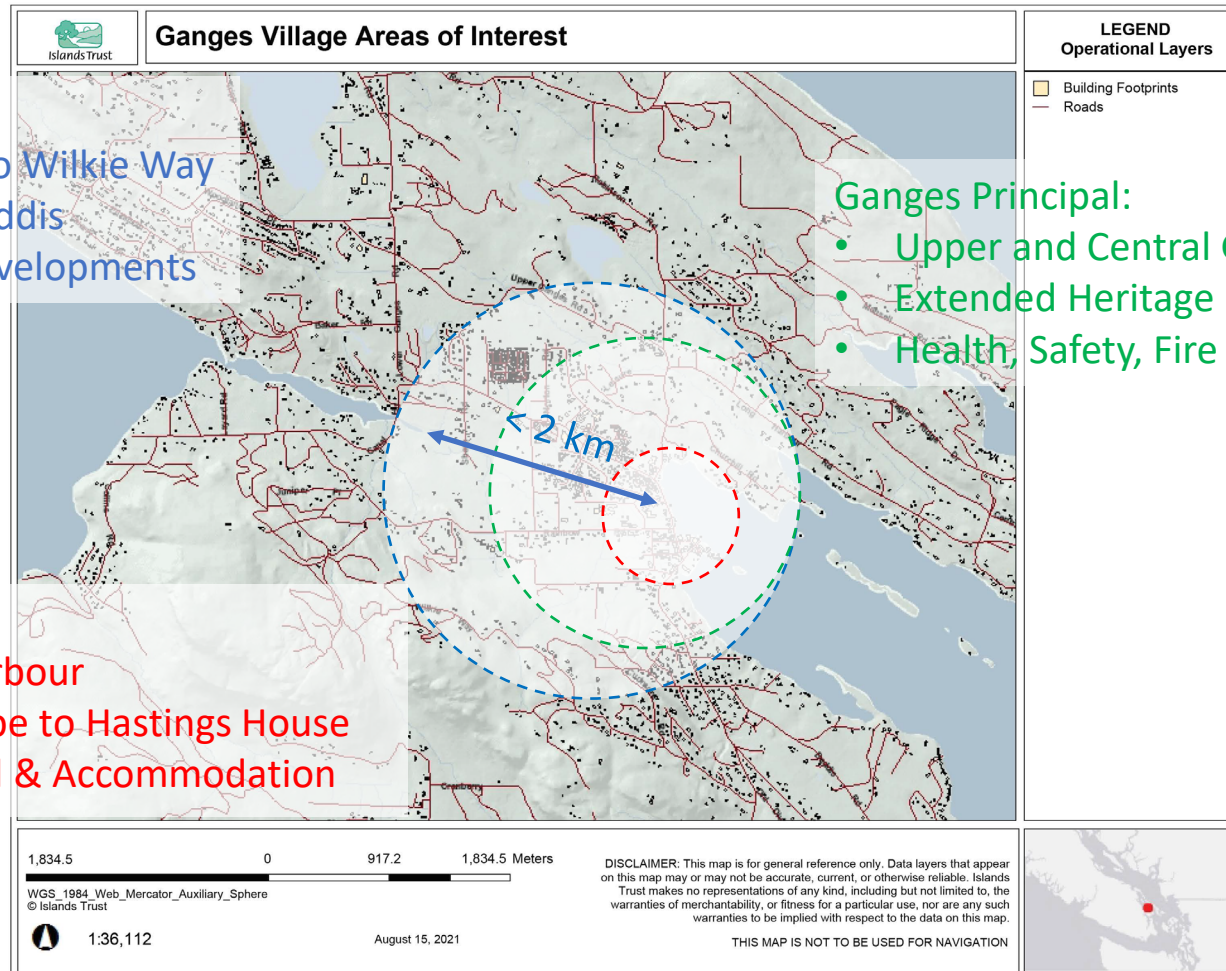
- Merchant Mews to Wilkie Way
- Booth Canal to Beddis
- Major Housing Developments

## Ganges Core:

- Wharf & Inner Harbour
- Heritage Area Embe to Hastings House
- Major Commercial & Accommodation

## Ganges Principal:

- Upper and Central Ganges
- Extended Heritage District
- Health, Safety, Fire and Community Services



# What and How?

Having considered how Ganges developed...

...We can next consider:

What should be included within a definition of “Ganges Village”?

and

How should Ganges Village develop into the future?

Thank You!



**From:** David Dunnison <dunnison@dunnison.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, August 17, 2021 8:01 PM  
**To:** Rob Pingle; mrb@aldersgroup.com; ericbooth@shaw.ca; Johndavisgauld@gmail.com; riverjenkinson@gmail.com; robertbmackie@gmail.com; orange.jenny@hotmail.com; farmartist@gmail.com; jesse@saltspringchamber.com  
**Cc:** Louisa Garbo; Salt Spring MinuteTaker; Geordie Gordon; Kristine Mayes; Stefan Cermak; Peter Grove; Laura Patrick  
**Subject:** Some Background Reference material (RE: Salt Spring Island Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force Agenda)  
**Attachments:** Ganges Village Area Plan Task Force Site Visit.pdf; OCP 2007 Reconciliation Summary.pdf

Hi Everyone,

Taking advantage of this email distribution to circulate a couple of background information pieces I had pulled together for the Task Force:

1. The package of maps that we had at the Site Visit/Ganges walkaround two weeks ago
2. A tabulated summary of Action Items (Objectives, Targets & Policies) from the 2008 OCP as provided in the 2021-05-20 agenda package

In terms of #2, the tabulated summary, this information was extracted from the work that Staff did to provide us with a status report on the Final Policy Proposals (May 2007) for the 2008 OCP.

I reformatted the proposed Policies and Targets into tabular form for (slightly) easier reference and to allow some simple statistical assessments. At the very bottom of the file there is a table that indicates there were a total of 235 items (Targets and Policies), of which 11% were indicated as "Implemented".

Thus, the information in the table is not new, but has just been restructured for easier review.

Please note that I hadn't planned on asking for these items to be included in our agenda. Thus, this is purely informational.

Regards, David

# Ganges Village Area Plan Task Force

## Site Visit

29 July 2021

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## TASK FORCE SITE VISIT PROTOCOL

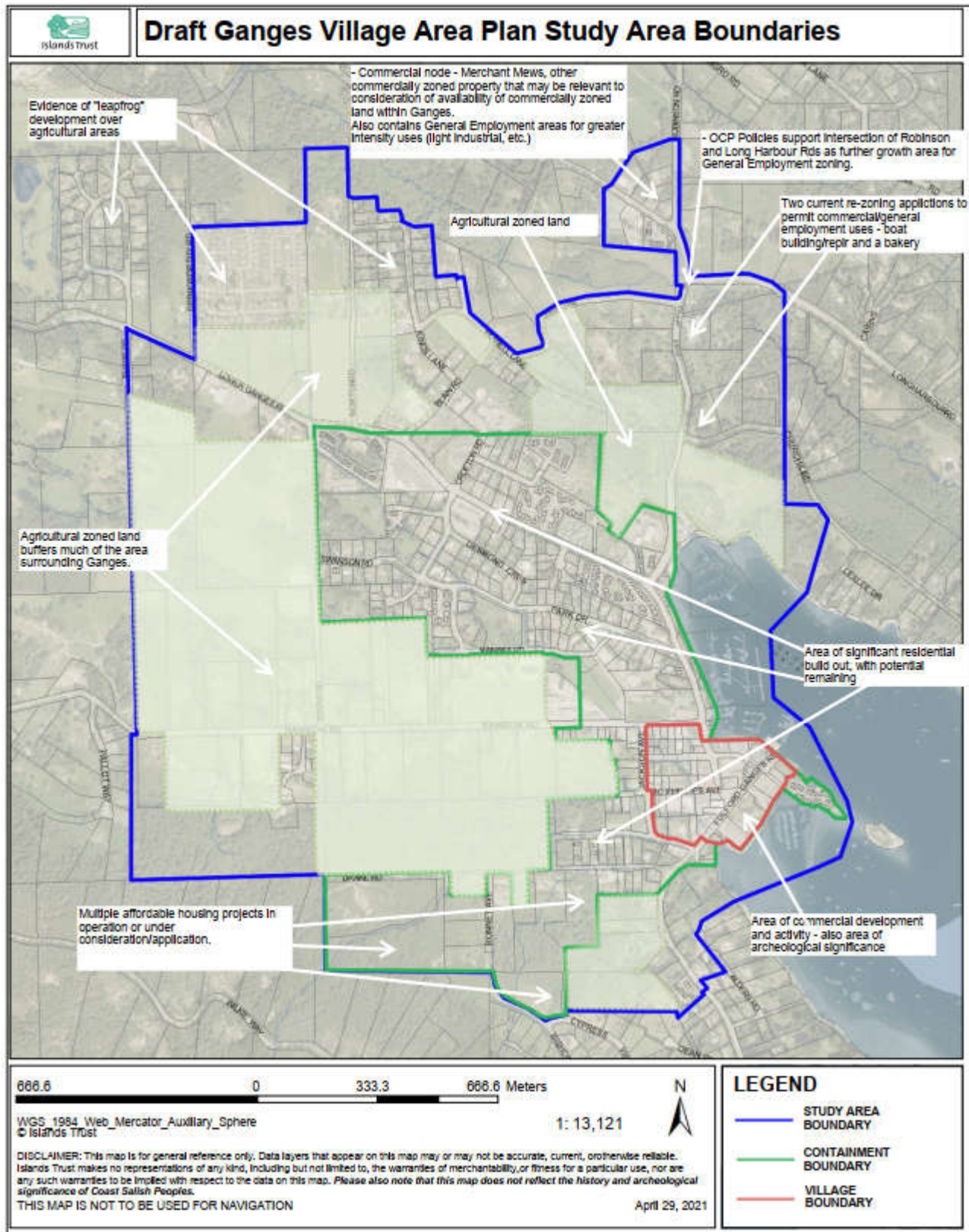
**Please note the following important points to remember if there is a quorum of the task force present:**

- A site visit is not a meeting, therefore **there is no minute taker present.**
- Task force members are welcome to ask questions and to take their own notes.
- In order to ensure that there is **full transparency**, all Task Force members must refrain from discussion and deliberations during site visits.
- Discussion and deliberations on the project **must occur at a properly convened meeting, open to the public.** The details of the site visit must be disclosed to the rest of the Task Force.

Please do not hesitate to speak to staff if you have any questions.

Thank you.

Attachment 1 – Draft Ganges Area Plan Study Area Boundaries

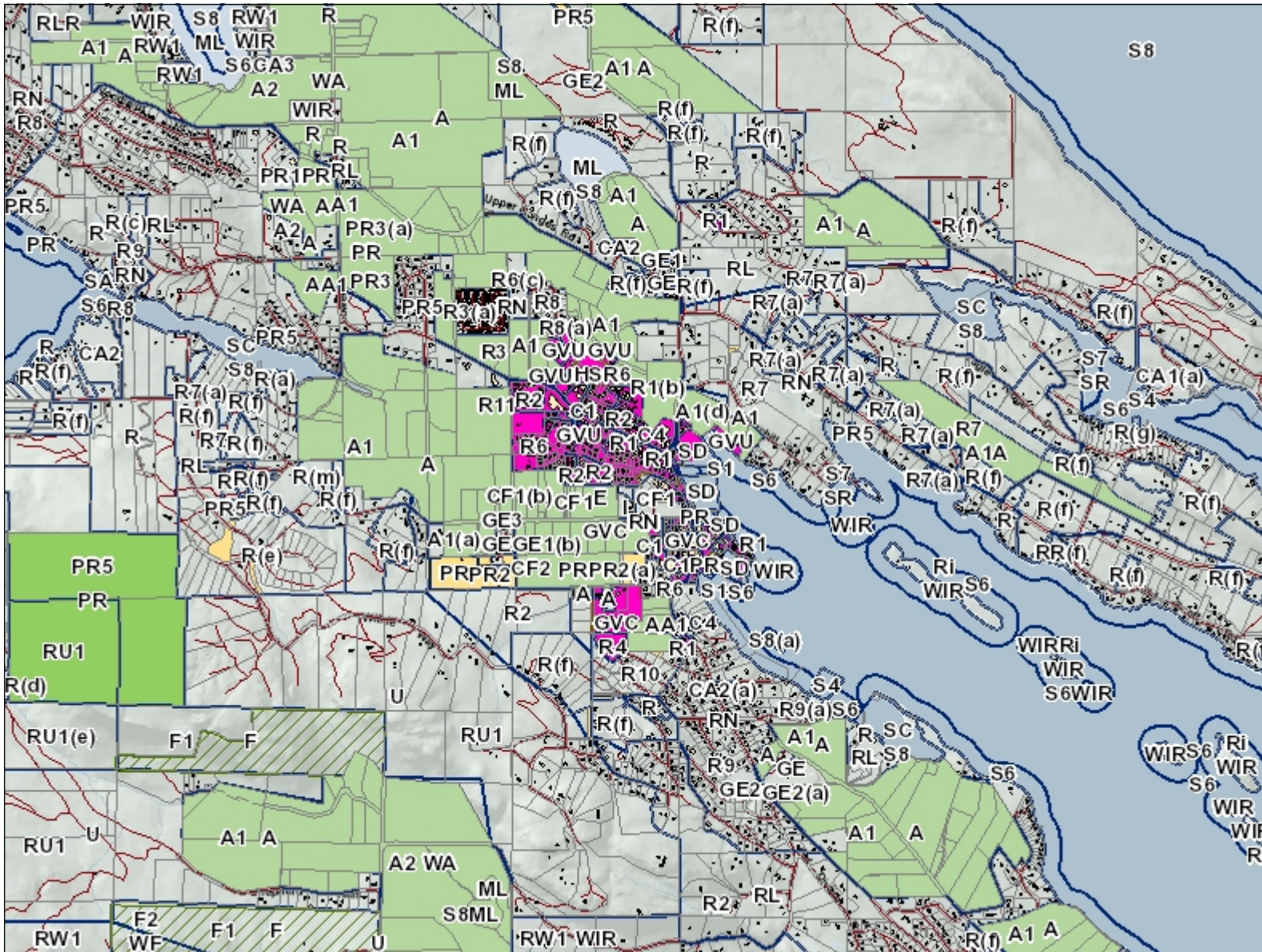




# Land Designations - Ganges & Area

## LEGEND Operational Layers

- Agriculture Land Reserve
- PMFL
- Building Footprints
- Zoning
- Land Use Designation
- Non-Village Commercial & G
- Island Villages
- Parks**
  - Federal Marine Park
  - Federal Park
  - Provincial Marine Park
  - Provincial Park
  - Regional Park
- Roads



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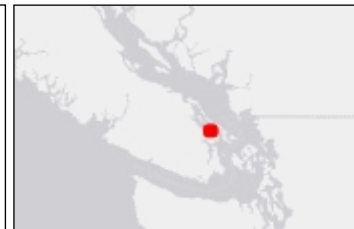
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July 27, 2021

Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force  
16 Sept 2021

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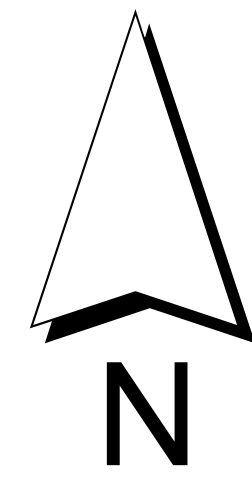




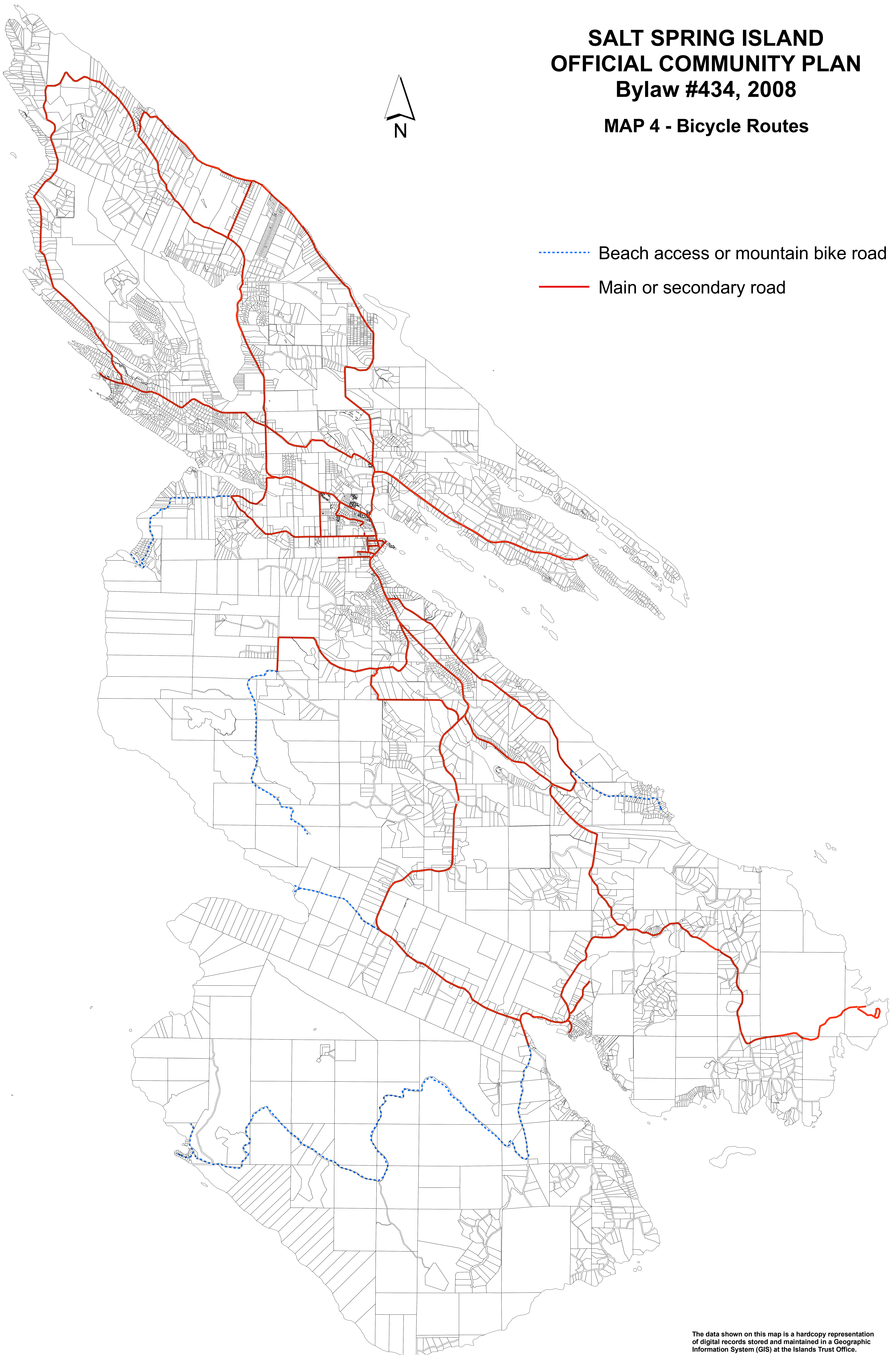


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## MAP 4 - Bicycle Routes



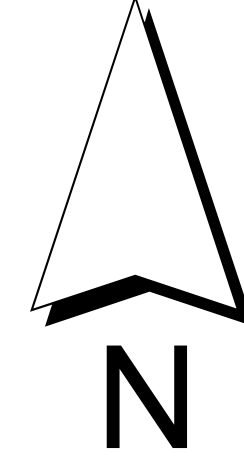
- ..... Beach access or mountain bike road
- Main or secondary road



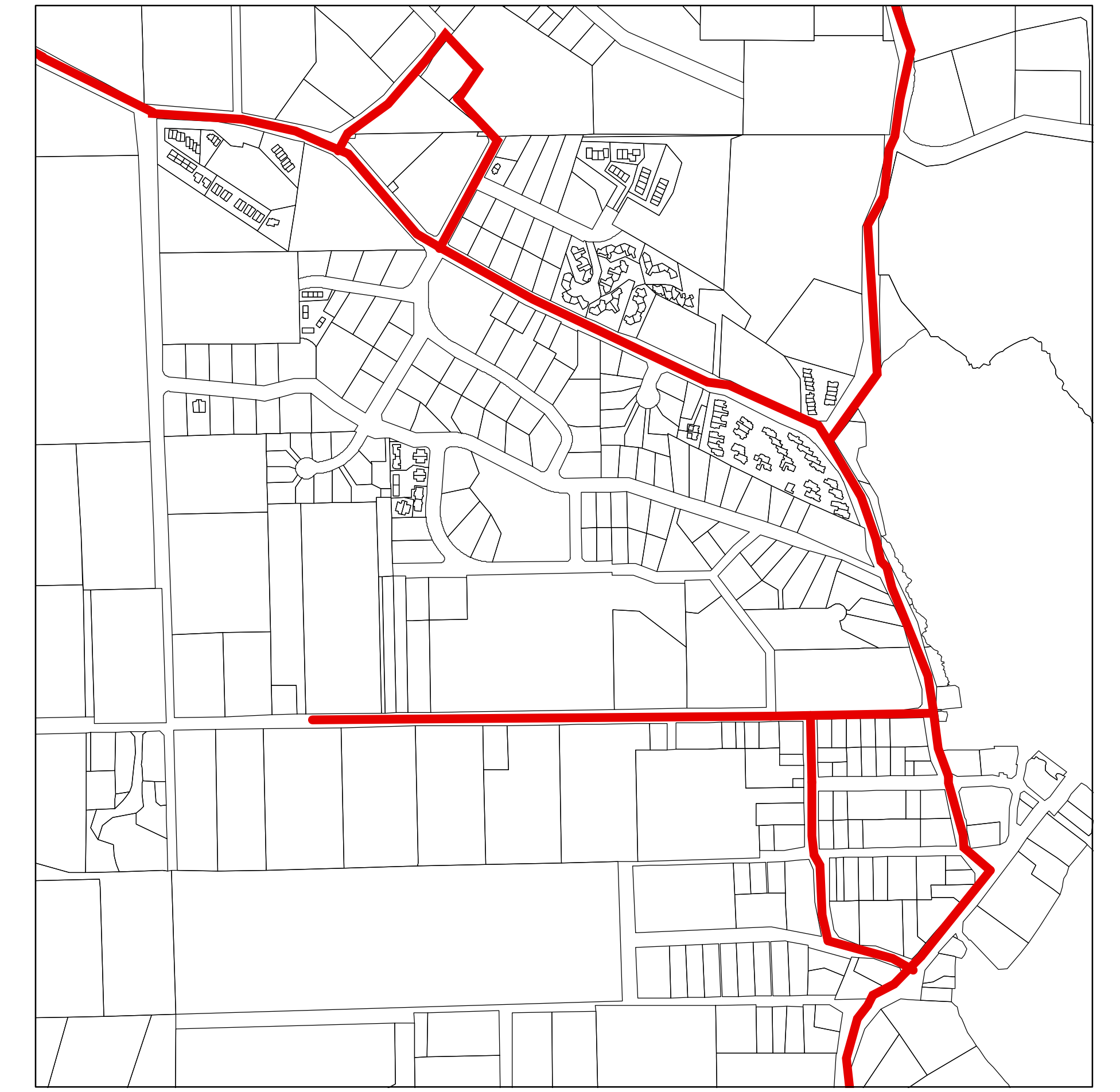
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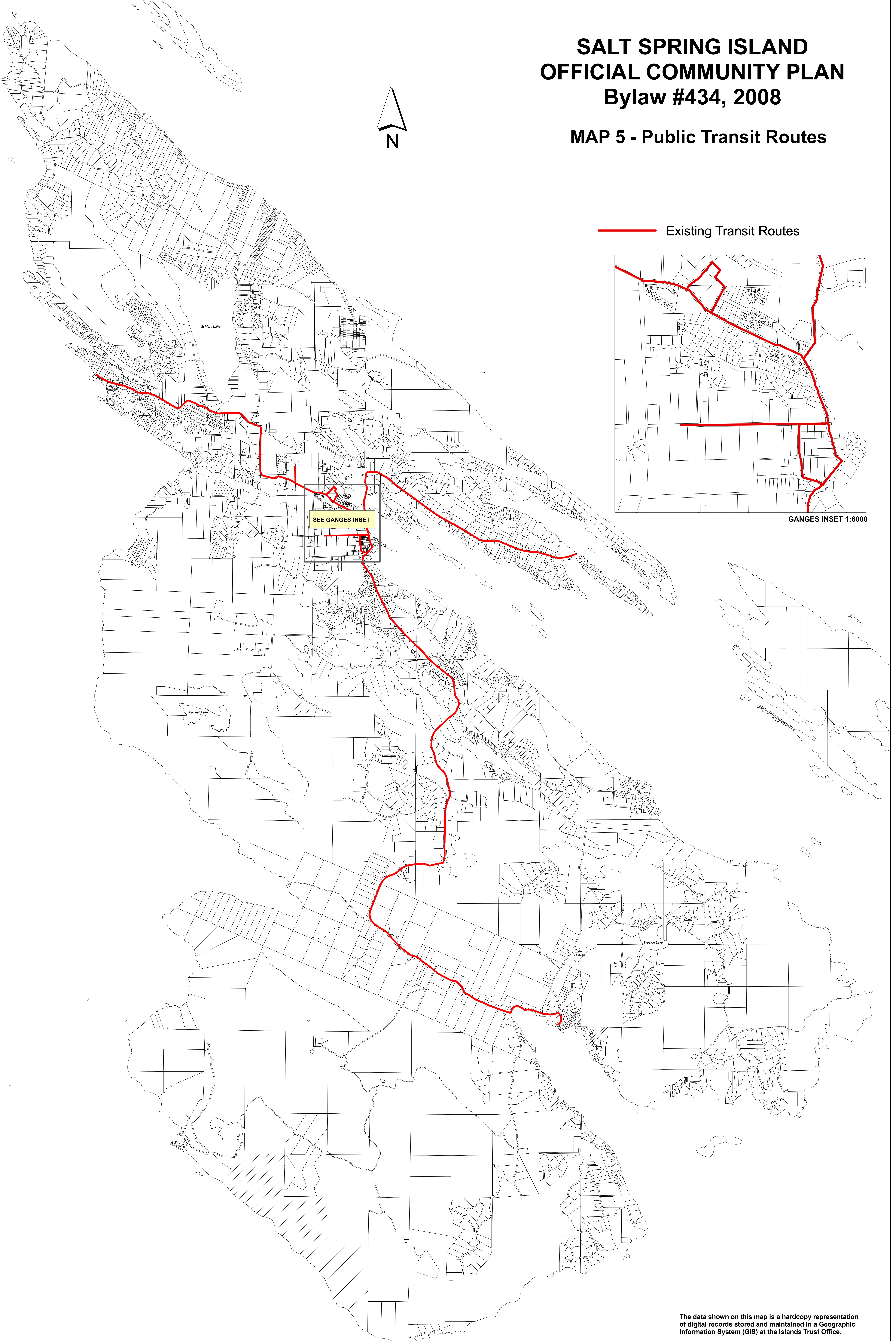
## MAP 5 - Public Transit Routes



— Existing Transit Routes



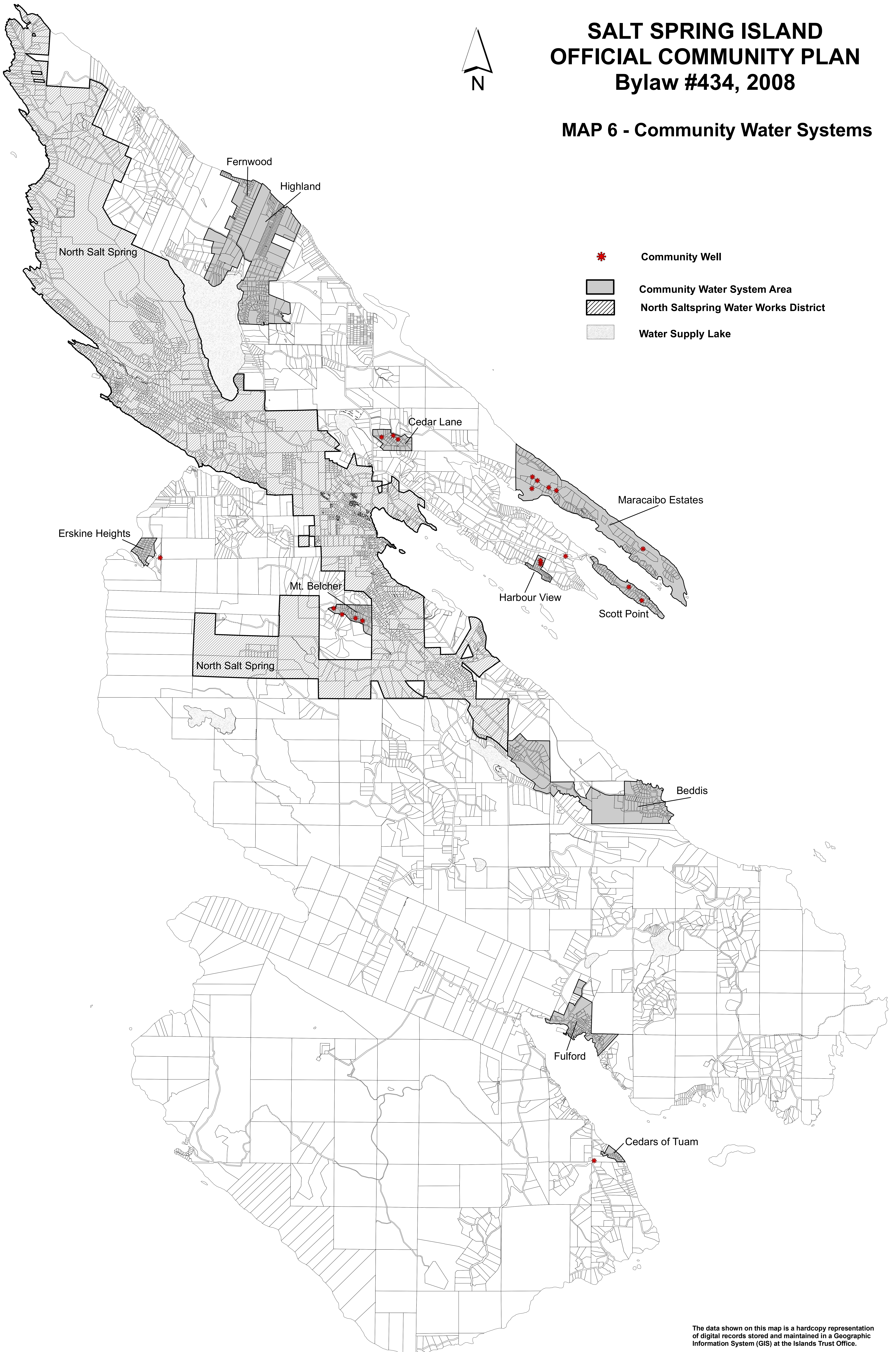
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## MAP 6 - Community Water Systems



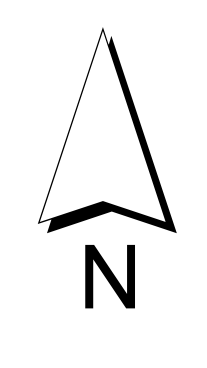
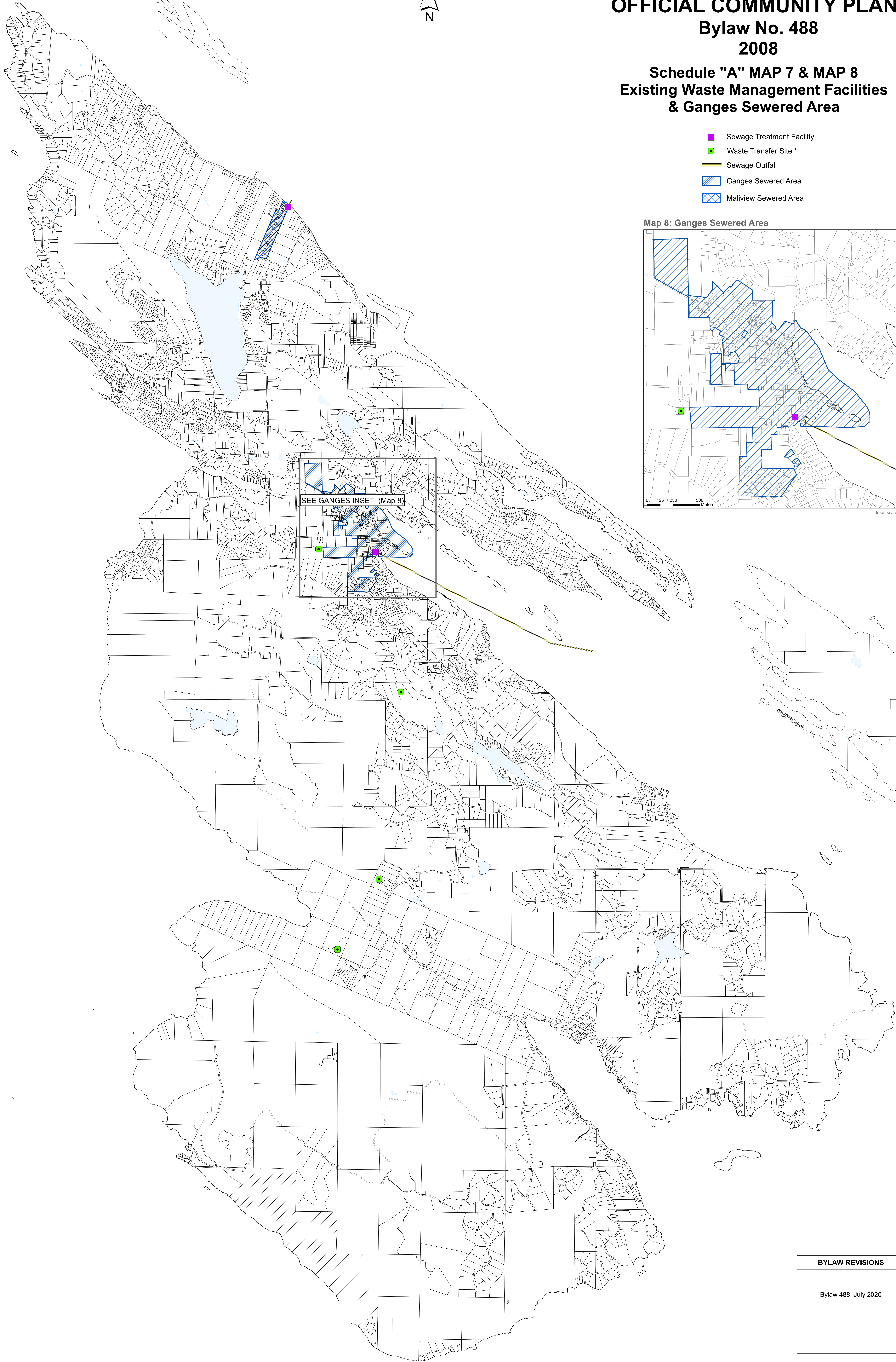
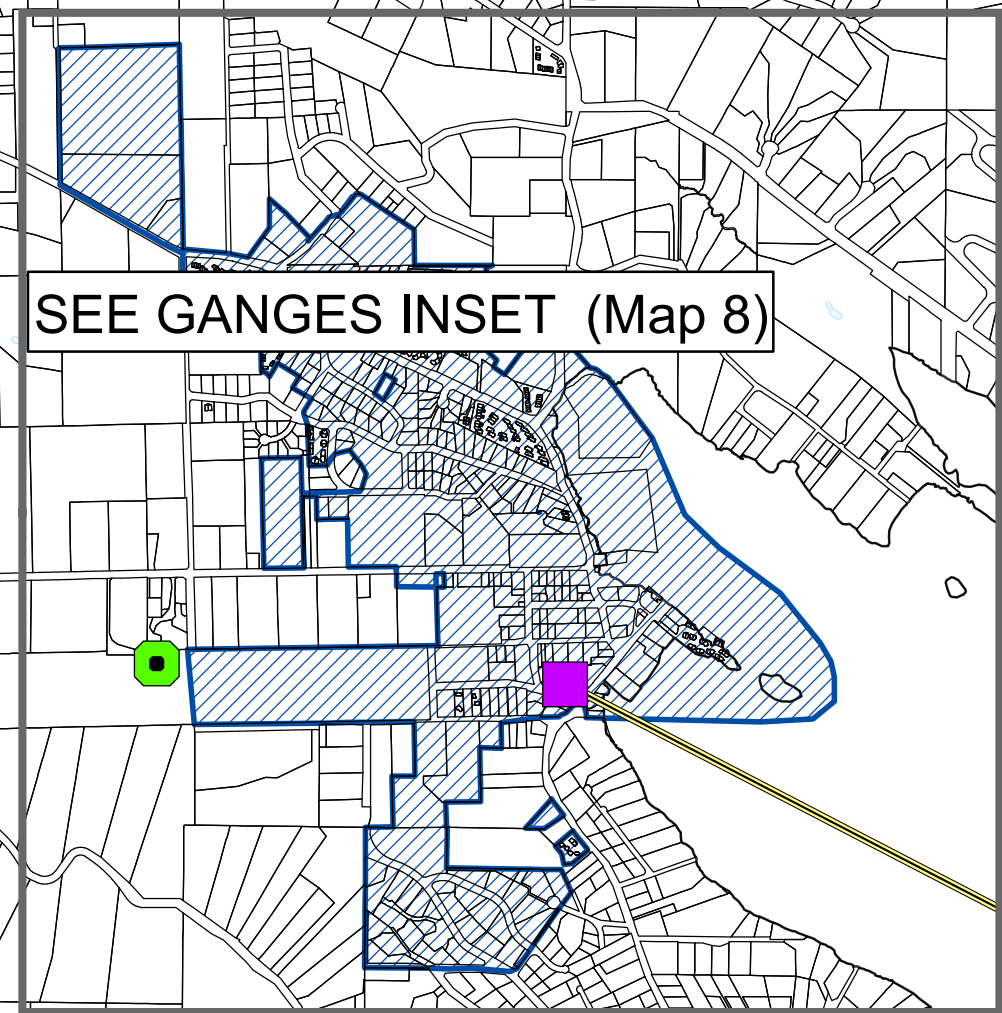
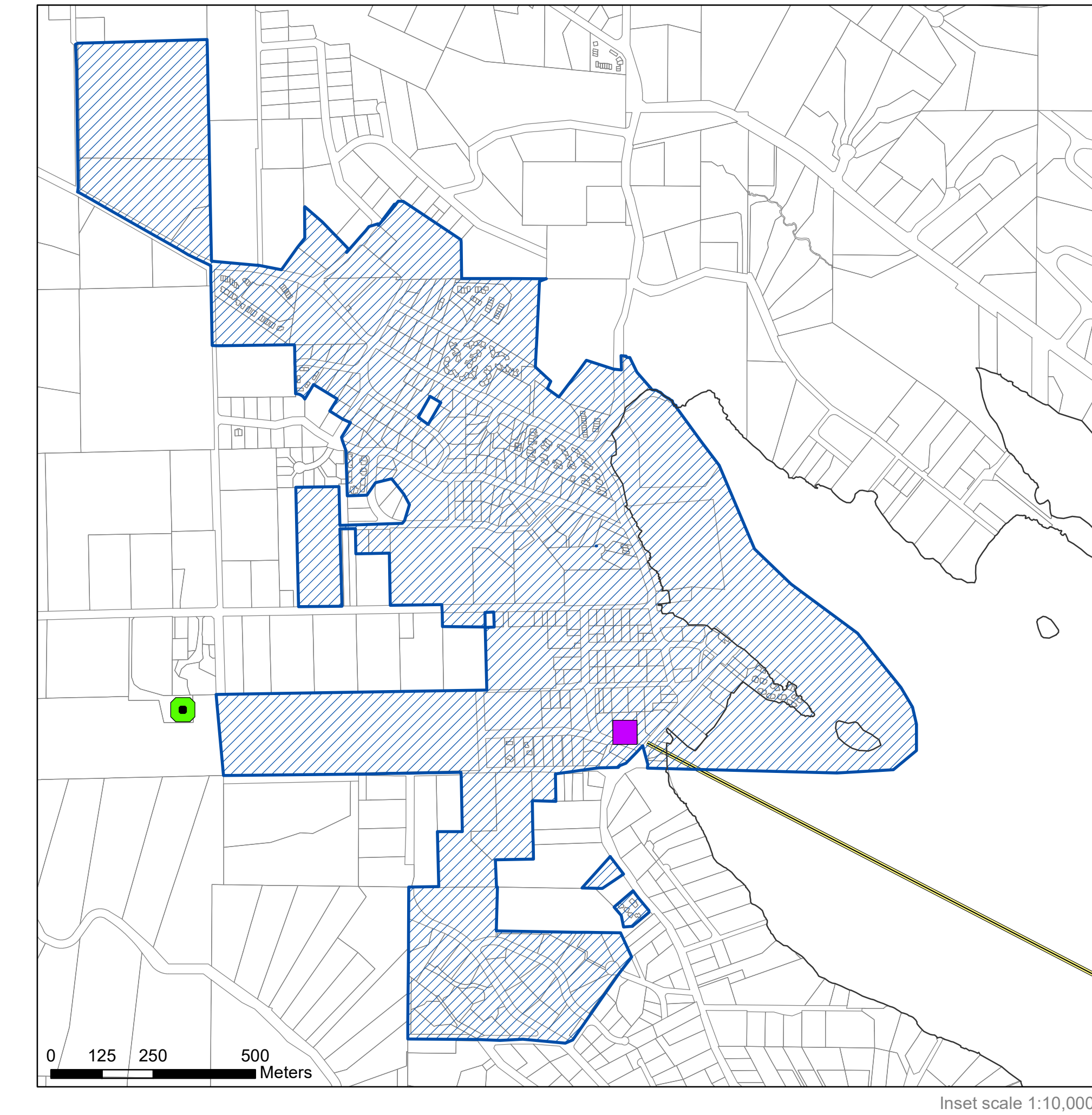
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# SALT SPRING ISLAND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN Bylaw No. 488 2008

## Schedule "A" MAP 7 & MAP 8 Existing Waste Management Facilities & Ganges Sewered Area

- Sewage Treatment Facility
- Waste Transfer Site \*
- Sewage Outfall
- Ganges Sewered Area
- Malview Sewered Area

Map 8: Ganges Sewered Area



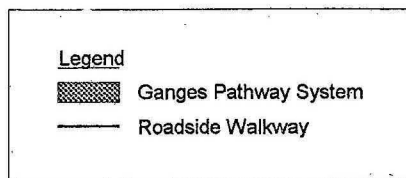
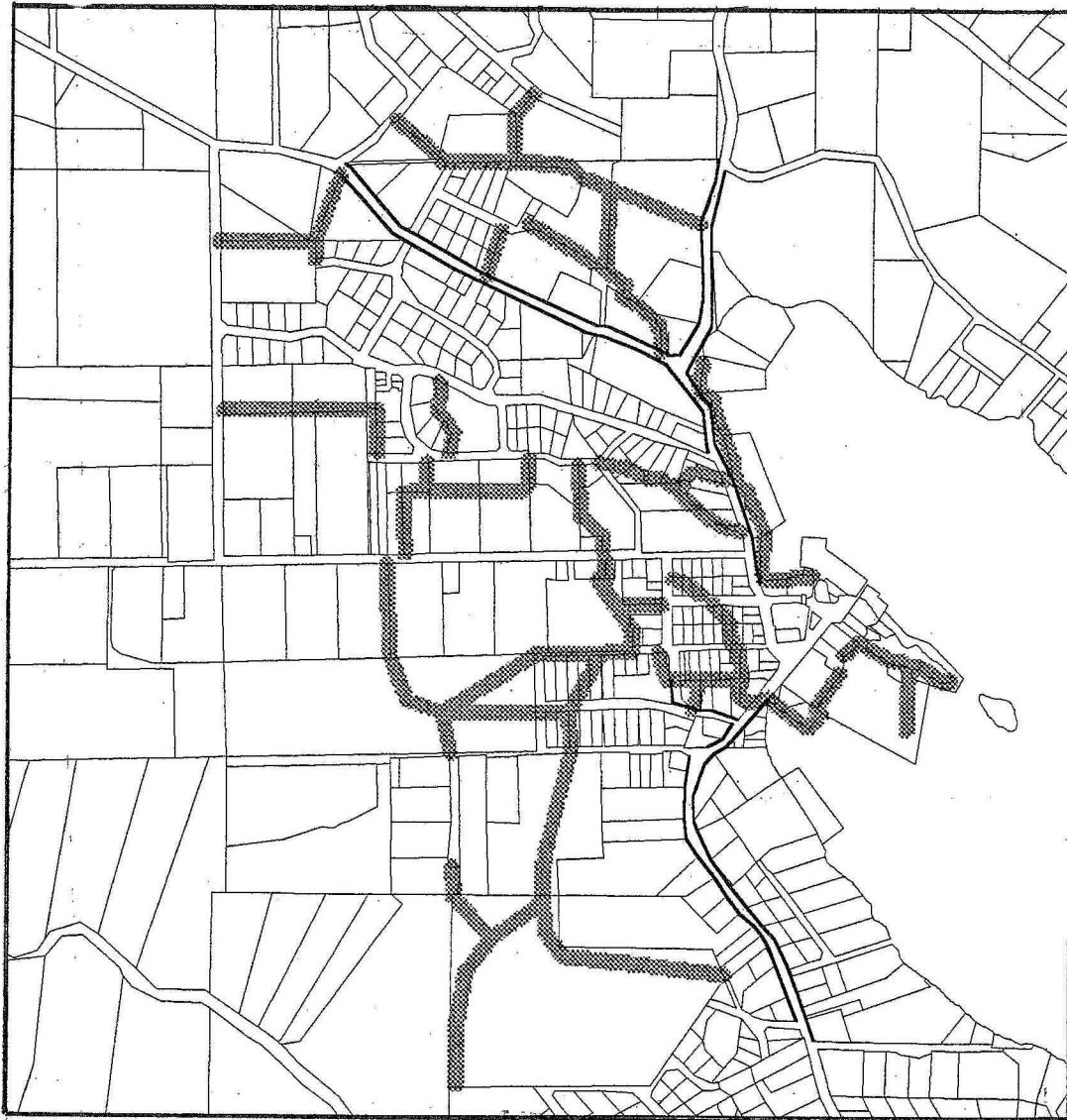
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\* Does not denote zoning conformance

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**MAP 17 - Ganges Public Pathway System**

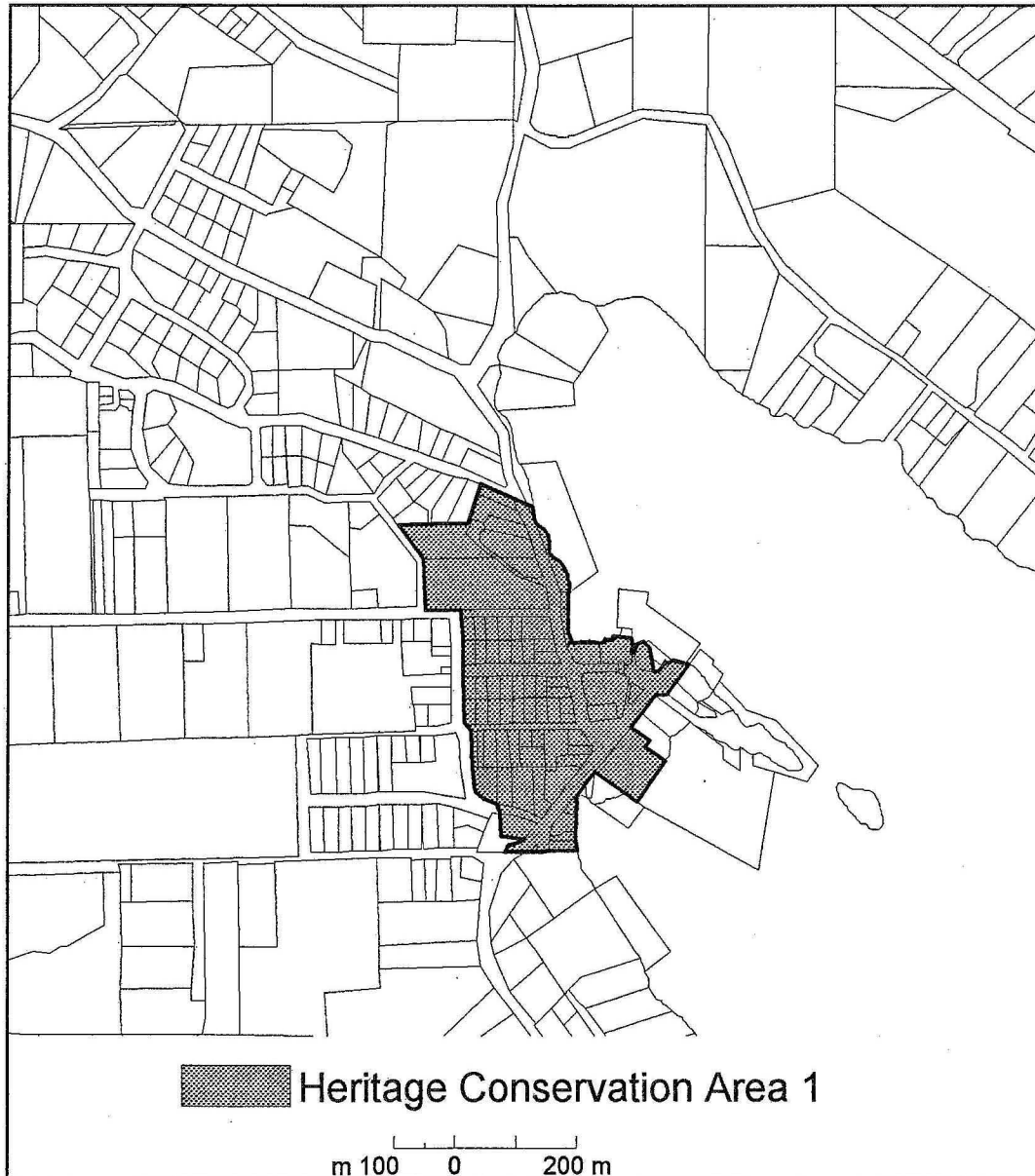
And Recommended Walkways Leading  
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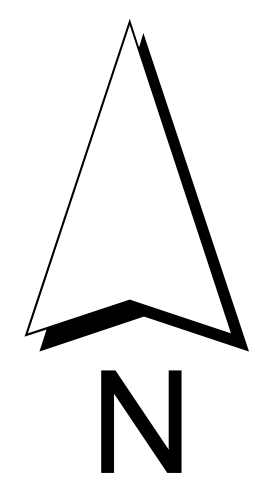
**MAP 25 - Heritage Conservation Area 1  
Ganges Village Core**

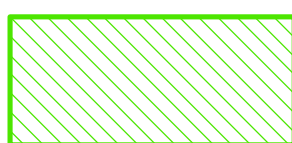
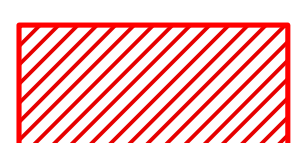
**Heritage Conservation Area provisions are  
found in Section F.1 of Volume 2 of the OCP**



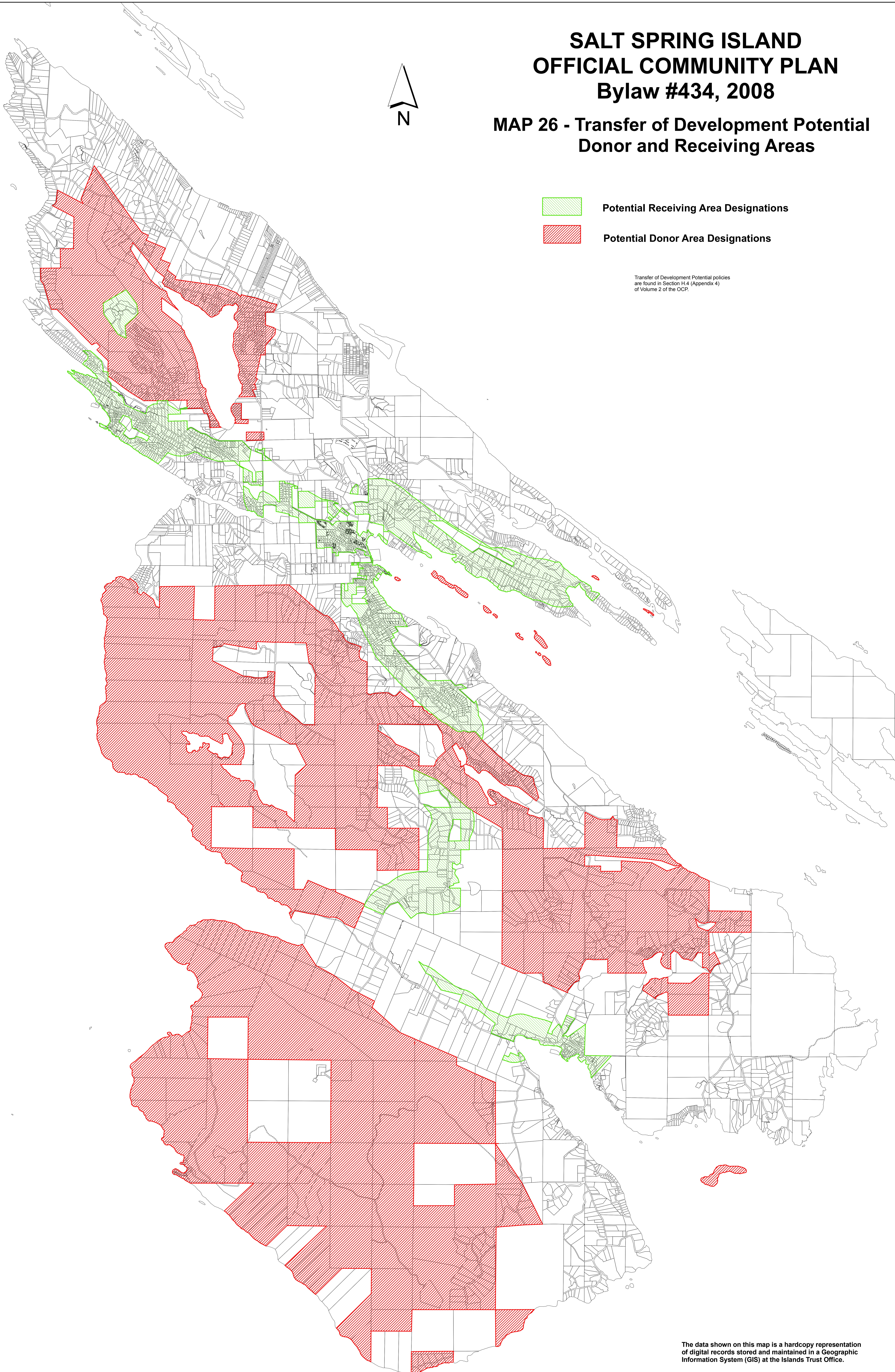
# SALT SPRING ISLAND OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN Bylaw #434, 2008

## MAP 26 - Transfer of Development Potential Donor and Receiving Areas



-  Potential Receiving Area Designations
-  Potential Donor Area Designations

Transfer of Development Potential policies  
are found in Section H.4 (Appendix 4)  
of Volume 2 of the OCP.



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Map 26 - Transfer of  
Development Potential

## 2021 Status Assessment

### SSI OCP Review Ganges Focus Group: Final Policy Proposals May 2007

As provided in SS-GVAPTF\_2021-05-20\_AGD\_PKG.pdf

Based upon 2021 IT staff status review of <https://www.crd.bc.ca/docs/default-source/salt-spring-island-ea-pdf/cedc/ganges.pdf?sfvrsn=2>

Goal	Item	Page #	Status	Responsibility
<b>Introductory</b>	Separate section (in OCP) for Ganges village	4	Implemented	
<b>Introductory</b>	DPA guidelines for Ganges and the design guidelines for the Heritage core	4	Design guidelines not implemented	
<b>Introductory</b>	Consolidating these boundaries into two village core areas (Lower and Upper Ganges Villages)	4	Implemented	
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	All residents and visitors, including children, seniors and persons with disabilities, can easily access services on their own and enjoy the local amenities and beauty of the village;	7		GVAP's Mobility Section
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	A convenient combination of parking, docking, transit and transfer locations allow individuals to arrive by land, sea or air and move easily into the surrounding village	7		GVAP
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	Circulation patterns and traffic calming measures serve to gently regulate the speed of motorized vehicles consistent with the ambience of a seaside village	7		GVAP
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	Through-traffic is provided alternate routes through and around the village	7		GVAP
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	A fine network of interconnected, multi-purpose pedestrian and cycle pathways, neighbourhood-scale streets and shoreline facilities create a diverse and delightful flow of people and vehicles	7		GVAP
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	The Harbour is recognized as an important asset for the community and is everywhere accessible to residents and visitors and facilitates participation in a variety of enjoyable waterside activities	7		GVAP
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	To make Ganges a barrier-free Village	7		
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	Five foot wide sidewalks with benches at appropriate intervals and wheelchair/baby carriage ramps at all intersections will be constructed along Rainbow Road from Lower Ganges Road to the Recreation Centre and along Lower Ganges Road from Fulford- Ganges Road to the GVM shopping centre by 2012	7		CRD - Trails - Sidewalks Implemented - Little/no street furniture - DPA1 Guidelines address pedestrian experience in Ganges, but only on private property
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	Significant sidewalk projects will be undertaken annually	7	Not implemented	CRD
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	All new public buildings will be barrier-free on all levels and all new private-sector buildings will be encouraged to be barrier-free	7		GVAP; Provincial legislation
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	sufficient parking is made available for the disabled and th	7		DPA Land use bylaws
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	3 convenient "pick-up/drop-off" locations will be in place	7	Not implemented	???
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	Collaborate with B.C. Ministry of Transportation (MoTH) and the Transportation Commission for the provision of sidewalks in the Village	7	Ongoing	(GVAP) Largely under purview of CRD
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	review the parking standards in Land Use Bylaw (LUB) 355	7	Not implemented	???
<b>1. Accessibility</b>	develop appropriate 'pick-up/drop-off' locations	7	Not implemented	???



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1. Accessibility	Comply with the vehicle and bicycle parking standards set out in LUB 355	8	Agreement not reached on absolute requirement	Developments must conform or seek a variance
1. Accessibility	By 2009, a study will be undertaken to determine the appropriate number of long-term parking stalls required for residents leaving the island by plane, boat or carpooling from Ganges. By 2010, the CRD will initiate a project to provide the subject parking spaces	8	- Parking study undertaken 2018 - No long term stalls dedicated	All off street parking in Ganges is private, on street under the purview of MOTI
1. Accessibility	Limited transit service to be operational by 2010	8	Implemented	
1. Accessibility	By 2009 the Transportation Commission will assume authority for parking regulations and enforcement within the Village	8	Not implemented	enforcement is under private owners or MOTI
1. Accessibility	Islands Trust should not deviate from the parking provisions outlined in LUB 355	8	No agreement was reached on the possibility of relaxing parking requirements for low-cost housing initiatives	Not a policy statement. Variances can be sought for parking reductions. See OCP policies
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with provincial and local agencies to create a reasonably viable shuttle service for the Village for moving people at peak times	8	On-going	- GVAP - Country Grocer operates seasonal shuttle
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with the Capitol Regional District (CRD) to provide public parking facilities for those using Ganges as a transfer station for leaving the island	8	Not implemented	
1. Accessibility	Transportation Commission to work with private property owners and MoTH to bring all parking in the Village into a 'parking pool' with the Transportation Commission enforcing agreed upon parking regulations	8	Not implemented	off street parking private
1. Accessibility	Traffic calming measures will be in place at all main intersections in Ganges by 2012	8	Not implemented	Not planning purview – requires MOTI. Some traffic calming measures recommended in DPA
1. Accessibility	The speed limit in Ganges will be reduced to 40 km/h by 2009	8	Not implemented	Not planning purview - MOTI
1. Accessibility	Dedicated, but as yet undeveloped, roads within Ganges between Seaview & Drake Roads and between Seaview Road & McPhillips Avenue will be constructed by 2010 to increase traffic circulation options	8	Not implemented	Not planning purview - MOTI
1. Accessibility	Connect Bonnet Avenue to Charlesworth Road via Bishop's Walk by 2012	9	Not implemented	Not planning purview - MOTI
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with MoTH regarding speed limit reductions, calming measures at intersections and connecting appropriate roads	9		GVAP
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with provincial and local agencies for the construction of all dedicated, but undeveloped, roadways in the Village	9		GVAP
1. Accessibility	Negotiate with the SSI Lions Club and/or adjacent landowners for the dedication of a portion of their land to extend Bonnet Avenue to the Bishop's Walk development and on to Charlesworth Road	9	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. Improved walking trail access to SS Commons anticipated this year
1. Accessibility	Alternate Routes to be in place by 2017	9	Not implemented	Outside planning purview

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1. Accessibility	All dedicated roads to be constructed by 2010 and all appropriate connecting roads to be constructed by 2012	9	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with MoTH to finalize the scope and budget for alternate routes to meet the scheduled 2017 completion date	9	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Work with provincial and local agencies to fund construction of dedicated, but unconstructed roads and to negotiate with property owners for the dedication of lands to connect appropriate roads	9		GVAP
1. Accessibility	10 kilometres of dedicated pathways in Ganges operational by 2012	9	- Unknown length - Dedication sought through rezoning	
1. Accessibility	Streetscape plans developed for all roads in Ganges by 2009	9	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Use the planned pathway between the upper and lower villages and the recreation centre to develop design guidelines and policies	9		GVAP - Pathway standards under CRD
1. Accessibility	Transportation Commission (or another agency) to develop appropriate streetscape plans and obtain permission from MoTH to use the dedicated right-of-way for planting of trees and development of neighbourhood-scale streets within the Village	9		GVAP - some streetscape policies in DPA 1 encourage tree planting
1. Accessibility	Complete a continuous "Marine Walkway" from an "east gate" next to Moby's boat launch ramp to a "west gate" at the creek beside Island Escapades by 2010	10	Not implemented	Ongoing
1. Accessibility	The MoTH property and shoreline along the waterfront at the head of the harbour (opposite the Harbour House) will be open to the public by 2008	10	Not implemented	Undetermined
1. Accessibility	Consideration be given for appropriate zoning to be put in place to support a variety of marine services by 2010	10	Not implemented	Rezoning possible at request of land owner
1. Accessibility	By 2020 assure public access to the Harbour	10	Ongoing	GVAP
1. Accessibility	Provide safety and protection of marine assets by developing two breakwaters for the Inner Harbour by 2020	10	Not implemented	outside planning purview, HASSI
1. Accessibility	Islands Trust to consider that appropriate zoning is in place to foster a variety of marine services	10	Not implemented	GVAP
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with the Harbour Authority and Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) for the provision of pump-out services and for additional moorage and dinghy dock space	10	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with DFO for the development of breakwaters. *See note above – agreement was not reached on this.	10	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	"The Local Trust Committee shall work cooperatively with adjacent landowners, CRD and PARC to identify the appropriate entity or entities to be responsible for the establishment, operation and maintenance of various sections of the Marine Walkway	10	Ongoing	GVAP

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1. Accessibility	The Marine Walkway will have many access points including the east and west gates, a terraced ramp at the MoTH property at the head of the harbour, the boardwalk stairs at Rotary Park, the marinas, parking lots, parks, etc.	10	Ongoing	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Negotiate a shoreline pathway at the waters edge in at least three locations along the inner harbour so that the public is able to enjoy the natural shoreline	10	Ongoing	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Spur walkways with welcoming signage to be developed onto the west shore of Grace Point and onto existing and any new breakwaters	10		Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with the Harbour Authority for the provision of the new launch ramps and to ensure that the ramps and public beach access points are contained in the proposed Harbour Management Plan	10	Can't implement pro	Collaborate as required
1. Accessibility	Negotiate with MoTH for appropriate access to the waterfront/beach at the head of Ganges Harbour, and as many other locations as possible	11	Ongoing	Public access requires collaboration with CRD
1. Accessibility	As private shore leases come up for renewal or shoreline property owners apply for zoning changes the LTC shall ensure public access to the shore	11	Ongoing	Naturte of Crown tenure changing for some leases
1. Accessibility	Work with all stakeholders in the Harbour on a Harbour Management Plan that includes a balance between public and private uses, and ensures safety in the Harbour	11		GVAP
1. Accessibility	Develop a minimum of two well- maintained public launch ramps by 2010 and identify additional public access points to the Harbour	11	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	A doubling of dinghy-dock space by 2010	11	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
1. Accessibility	A study to determine the appropriate amount of moorage space required for the Village will be done by 2009 and the findings of the study implemented by 2012. This study will work to balance the public and private uses within the harbour	11	Not implemented	GVAP
1. Accessibility	Negotiate with private marinas to provide transient moorage to the public during busy summer period	11	Not implemented	GVAP
1. Accessibility	Negotiate with landowners to provide additional publicly maintained and accessible boat launching facilities	11	Not implemented	GVAP
1. Accessibility	Explore the options at the creek alongside Island Escapades for an improved canoe/kayak launching facility	11	Not implemented	GVAP
1. Accessibility	Collaborate with the Harbour Authority to install permanent buoys for affordable and efficient short-term moorage wherever such buoys do not conflict with other uses/users	11		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	ESA's are inventoried, surveyed and mapped	12	Completed	Sensitive Ecosystem Inventory – SEI mapping done by ITC
2. Environmental Footprint	A “green space” plan is developed that shows how to protect ESA's, wildlife habitat and corridor requirement	12	Not implemented	Some how-to info available from ITC
2. Environmental Footprint	The number of areas protected that contribute to a fully functioning ecosystem including covenants and outright purchase	12	Not implemented	Purview of ITC and other conservation groups
2. Environmental Footprint	The percentage of Ganges Village that is planted in native species	12		

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2. Environmental Footprint	Map Ganges at large scale to show existing green areas that contribute to the functioning of the island's natural ecosystem	12	Completed	Ecosystem mapping available
2. Environmental Footprint	Draw on best science available for habitat capability for wildlife. Where data is lacking, commission new research	12	Ongoing	ITC
2. Environmental Footprint	Identify and implement protection, restoration and mitigation measures needed for each area	12	Not implemented	Primarily done through DPAs
2. Environmental Footprint	All development proposals are guided by this objective, from the beginning of the approval process. For instance, new development protects ESA's	12	Not implemented	
2. Environmental Footprint	Use native species for new and replacement landscape plantings	12	Implemented	Encouraged by DPA 1 guidelines for landscaping
2. Environmental Footprint	Require plants that do not require irrigation in the summer	12	Implemented	Encouraged by DPA 1 guidelines for landscaping
2. Environmental Footprint	Restrict/ban the use of pesticides and herbicides for cosmetic purposes throughout Ganges	12	Implemented	Encouraged through OCP policy, not banned
2. Environmental Footprint	Percentage of stream courses within village boundaries that are day-lighted and functioning naturally by 2012	13		Unknown, minimal
2. Environmental Footprint	Amount of absorbent landscape in Ganges	13		Encouraged by DPA 1 on private property
2. Environmental Footprint	Number of salmon returning to spawn	13		Unknown
2. Environmental Footprint	Number of stewards involved on annual basis	13		Unknown
2. Environmental Footprint	Prepare a blue-ways plan for restoring streams over time. This plan will identify these environmentally sensitive areas: stream beds, riparian zone set-backs, storage ponds, wetlands and groundwater flows	13	No plan prepared	DPA 7 - Riparian Areas implemented
2. Environmental Footprint	All new developments will include restoration and remediation of their streams	13		DPA 7 encouraged restoration and remediation. Streams protected from development by DPA 7
2. Environmental Footprint	All water leaving a property will be as clean as when it entered	13	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Support existing awards programs that recognize and support stewards of the environment	13		GVAP
2. Environmental Footprint	% of reduced automobile free zones once public transportation is in place	13		
2. Environmental Footprint	All wood stoves meet the highest US EPA air quality standards	13		GVAP on green building
2. Environmental Footprint	Reduce automobile use in the Ganges core area	14	Data unknown	See parking study

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2. Environmental Footprint	New construction guidelines includes requirement that wood burning units meet the highest US EPA air quality standards	14		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	New light industrial businesses meet zero emissions standards	14	Encouraged through rezoning	Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	All new public buildings to achieve the highest possible industry developed green standards	14	Encouraged through rezoning	Otherwise, outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	All new private construction is encouraged to undertake industry developed green standards	14	Encouraged through rezoning	Otherwise, outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	New building and/or alterations to existing buildings will meet impact assessments for energy efficiency, solar access, and noise	14	Encouraged through rezoning	Otherwise, outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Enhance building design guidelines to the highest environmental standards (LEEDS), to be tested on the new library and new fire hall	14	Encouraged through rezoning	Otherwise, outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Apply to Ministry for permission to regulate enhanced energy efficiency of buildings	14	Not achieved	Requirements under BC Building code - CRD
2. Environmental Footprint	Herring is spawning in large numbers, similar to the early days of the harbour	14		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Where there is potential for aquatic life, the effect of shading is minimized through the use of decking material that lets light through	14		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	A system is in place to monitor the health of Ganges Harbour, to assure that health is maintained and remedial actions are taken immediately as needed	14		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	No pollution enters the harbour from the storm water management system	14		Addressed in DPA only
2. Environmental Footprint	No pollution enters the harbour from boats or other marine activities	14		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Implement green filtration of run-off along the shoreline – with an appropriate drainage plan for all properties adjacent to the water	15		GVAP/DPA
2. Environmental Footprint	Conduct an assessment to determine a baseline for the health of the undersea harbour environment, what needs to be done to restore it and provide a baseline for future evaluations	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Create a mechanism to fund ongoing monitoring of the harbour's health	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Support efforts to require boats to pump out waste at dump stations	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Percentage of average impervious rating of village in 2020	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Percentage of roadways using natural percolation in place of curb, gutter and drain	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Percentage of open space with tree canopy	15		DPA1
2. Environmental Footprint	Number of square metres of wetlands and ponds	15		??
2. Environmental Footprint	New street profiles and construction specifications for village streets and lanes, developed in collaboration with academic experts, practitioners and the Ministry of Transport	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Construction of storm water management systems to control and clean storm water before it enters groundwater and Ganges Harbour	15		Outside planning purview

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2. Environmental Footprint	Treatment of pollutants is done in innovative practices, including the use of wetlands	15		GVAP
2. Environmental Footprint	Creation of Surge ponds and filtration wetlands that create absorbent landscapes	15		DPA
2. Environmental Footprint	The sewage plant will provide water for landscaping purposes within the Village boundaries	15		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Install a two-pipe system throughout the Village Boundaries so that water for landscaping can be used for landscape watering	16		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Drip irrigation systems are required for all new landscaping	16		DPA
2. Environmental Footprint	Percentage of Ganges Streets with coverage by tree canopy and evergreen trees	16		Not clear
2. Environmental Footprint	Percentage of native trees and plantings	16		Not clear
2. Environmental Footprint	Number of heritage trees protected	16	Implemented	More in CDF
2. Environmental Footprint	Create a tree planting plan that emphasizes native trees	16		Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Require planting of street trees in new developments	16	Implemented	
2. Environmental Footprint	Encourage plantings in existing developments where possible	16	Not implemented	
2. Environmental Footprint	All new developments incorporate trees & plants that do not require irrigation in the summer	16		GVAP
2. Environmental Footprint	Restrict/ban the use of pesticides and herbicides for cosmetic purposes throughout Ganges	16		Implemented in OCP
2. Environmental Footprint	Expand heritage tree protection mechanisms to entire Village area	16		DPA
2. Environmental Footprint	An annual report-out on green practices in Ganges Village and the health of its ecosystem	16	Not implemented	
2. Environmental Footprint	Various interests with regulatory mandates, as well as citizen input, collaborate regularly to oversee planning for Village and for the environment	16	Not implemented	
2. Environmental Footprint	Residents, owners and the general public understand how decisions are made vis a vis the environment	16	Not implemented	
2. Environmental Footprint	Create an annual report of green practices for Ganges Village, with a public discussion at its release	16	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
2. Environmental Footprint	Create an interagency body that oversees environmental planning for the Village. This body will include citizen representation	16	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Sufficient multi-family and multi-use zoning will be created to enable several modestscale housing developments to take place within the village on an annual basis over the next 10 years	17	Not implemented	GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Islands Trust to consider rezoning an appropriate number of parcels to allow for increases in residential living within the village consistent with the numbers set out in the Housing Goal	17	Not implemented	GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	We will maintain the distinction of being the “Best Small Arts Community in North America” for the next 5 years	17	Not implemented	GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	By 2012 Ganges will have an appropriate public arts & crafts gallery as befits our Best Small Art Community status	17	Not implemented	Outside planning purview

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3. Livability and Aesthetics	By 2009 a plan will be in place for incorporating temporary and permanent displays of public art throughout the village	17	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Develop a plan by 2010 for the formation of a fulltime educational facility for the arts on the Island	17		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Live/work facilities and small studios within the village will be allowed and encouraged	17		GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	The LTC will expand the scope of the Advisory Design Panel to enable the community to maintain and build upon our reputation as the Best Small Arts Community in North America	18	Not implemented	GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Collaborate with private and public landowners for the display of art throughout the village. Provision for art displays should be incorporated into the planning phase for all new developments	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	By 2010 establish design guidelines to require that new developments emphasize key features intended to make the village distinctive as well as a communal 'work of art'	18	Implemented	DPA
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Revise regulations to allow for more live/work options	18	Implemented	LUB & GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Under the leadership of ISEA or the Community Arts Council explore options and determine feasibility of an accredited arts educational facility on SSI	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	A public, multi-use 'town hall' will be developed by 2012	18		GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Explore changes to the fire hall and associated site and MoTH right of away as a multifunctional space that can function as a venue for social and informational events	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Explore other 'town hall' options	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	A plan will be developed by 2009 by which community groups (Lion's, Rotary, Chamber, Conservancy, etc.) will be encouraged to take a leadership role in augmenting existing public spaces	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Use and adaptation of existing programs for Stewardship Recognition to honour the contributions of the stewards of the community will be in place by 2011	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	All sidewalks and pathways and the Marine Walkway will be in place by 2020 making Ganges fully 'pedestrian-friendly'	18	Not implemented	GVAP
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Interesting pocket parks, lookouts and benches will be incorporated into appropriate open spaces by 2012	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Collaborate with community groups for stewardship ideas concerning public spaces and community awards program	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	PARC to develop plans for adaptation of specific park space for outdoor theatre	18		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	PARC to devise guidelines and plans for areas of quiet solitude in all appropriate open spaces	19		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Ensure that Goal 1. (Accessibility) is implemented as set out in the plan to facilitate 'pedestrian' requirements	19		???

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3. Livability and Aesthetics	On an ongoing basis the APC will work with owners to ensure that business properties are not only functional but of a standard that will enhance the appearance and the overall working/shopping/living environment of the village	19		Ongoing
3. Livability and Aesthetics	The ADP will review the design guidelines to ensure that they are not overly burdensome with respect to form and function and still protect the eclectic appearance of the village. However, allowance could also be made for new and innovative ideas/products	19	Not implemented	
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Low and medium-rise buildings (two to four stories) with covered walks, pitched roofs and wood, metal or stone cladding will predominate, with a variety of scale and sequence of buildings that reflect the history, geography, and climate of our West Coast Island. However, allowance should also be made for new and innovative ideas/products	19	Implemented	DPA
3. Livability and Aesthetics	The LTC to remain sensitive to the evolutionary (growth over time) nature of development of the village and will continue to allow change to occur into the future	19	Ongoing	
3. Livability and Aesthetics	Guidelines will be developed by 2009 for cascading the height of buildings as they near the harbour	19	Implemented	DPA
3. Livability and Aesthetics	A plan for benches and gathering places at prescribed intervals along the Marine Walkway will be developed by 2011	19		Outside planning purview
3. Livability and Aesthetics	The APC will develop development guidelines (height restrictions, building restrictions, landscaping and open space planning	20	Implemented	DPA
3. Livability and Aesthetics	PARC will establish appropriate locations for benches and rest areas along the Marine Walkway	20		Outside planning purview
4. Housing	By 2010 regulatory and jurisdictional requirements preventing critically needed, socially desirable and economically viable residential development projects within Ganges Village, particularly within the Upper and Lower Village core areas, have been identified and revised through a politically sensitive process	20	Not implemented	GVAP
4. Housing	By 2020 Ganges Village is the year-round "home" to one-quarter of the Island's population. Residents of the Village enjoy the seaside ambience and the bustling activity of Ganges Harbour, and most live within walking distance of the shops and businesses of the core areas, and in close proximity to schools, parks, and medical facilities	21	Not Implemented	
4. Housing	By 2020 a more balanced community demographic has emerged due primarily to the availability of modest rental apartment accommodations and suitable alternative and affordable housing developments, essentially within Ganges Village, for young families, retired couples, service sector employees, and singles of all ages	21	Not Implemented	
4. Housing	By 2010, consortiums of project participants have successfully completed three "catalyst" housing projects within Ganges Village which demonstrate all aspects of the housing goals	21	Not Implemented	



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5. Commercial Services	By 2009 a study will be commissioned and completed to forecast the amount and type of commercial and light industrial space that will be required to meet the demand of the population that is expected to be resident on Salt Spring over the next 25 years	21	Zoning Implemented	
5. Commercial Services	Using the results of the above study, a village boundary will be set with the goal of providing enough commercial and industrial development potential to meet the forecast demand	21	Anecdotal evidence that need is not being met	
5. Commercial Services	Once the boundaries and areas are set, there will be no further commercial or industrial uses allowed outside of those areas	21	Not implemented	OCP Policies support further GE area
5. Commercial Services	The Islands Trust is to work with the CRD to implement this study and follow through with setting the appropriate boundaries	21	Not implemented	
5. Commercial Services	The Islands Trust to rezone the appropriate amount of developable land to satisfy the demand of both commercial and light industrial development forecast in the study	22	Not implemented	GVAP
5. Commercial Services	The Islands Trust is to approve no further commercial/industrial development outside of the new boundary	22	Not implemented	Legal issue
5. Commercial Services	The Islands Trust is to create appropriate definitions for home based businesses that will be allowed outside of the new boundary	22	Implemented	LUB & GVAP
5. Commercial Services	Commercial/Light Industrial development should occur using Green building practices	22		
5. Commercial Services	An increase in the residential population in the Ganges Village core is supported in all future commercial development	22		
5. Commercial Services	Commercial/Light Industrial development should only be approved when water supply, sewage treatment, parking, accessibility, and safety requirements are met	22	Implemented	
5. Commercial Services	Commercial building styles should support the eclectic feel that is attractive about the present Village. Future development should support qualities and items such as beautiful gateways, an attractive waterfront that is accessible to the public, continued use of covered walkways on storefronts and the successful continuation of the Saturday Market	22	Some Implemented	GVAP
5. Commercial Services	Strong consideration should be given to making feasible the development of a single property that could house many of the public services that are required by the Island. This should be located with good access to alternate routes to both the Northern and Southern parts of the island. Some potential services which could be housed there include Police, Fire, Ambulance, Trust Offices and public parking	22		Outside planning purview
5. Commercial Services	Explore the potential for more long-term moorage and live-aboard zoning in the harbour	23	Not implemented	
5. Commercial Services	To foster the growth of a variety of businesses which provide marinerelated services in the harbour	23	Supported by OCP Policies	

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5. Commercial Services	A stakeholder discussion will be encouraged to determine the key factors required to maintain a viable commercial sector in the village. Based upon the results of this study, specific policies will be developed to address the needs identified	23		
6. Security	20% of village energy needs derived from on-island sources by 2015	24		Outside planning purview
6. Security	Zoning and guidelines for buildings are aligned by 2008 with a credible long-term scenario for water supply to the village	24	Not implemented	
6. Security	Achieve consensus on how we provide long-term security for potable water in Ganges	24	Not implemented	
6. Security	Develop strategies that lead to self-reliance in power generation within the village	24	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Create capacity for achieving food security within village boundaries	24	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Electrically powered transportation	25	Not implemented	
6. Security	Parents with young children can be found in Centennial Park on every warm and sunny day by 2008	25	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	100% of children living within village walk to school by 2010	25	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Zero accidents involving motorised transport with pedestrians or cyclists within village, by 2010	25	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	Safety through environmental design	25		GVAP
6. Security	Coordinate a Homeless facility with drug enforcement policy for village	25	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	Re-design parking to provide secure passage and well-supervised public spaces	25	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	Encourage through zoning and incentives a more distributed mix of residential and commercial land uses in core area	26		GVAP
6. Security	Improved long-term management of boat and plane movements within harbour	26	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Physical separation between motorised traffic lanes and bicycle lanes	26	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	50% reduction in reported losses for 2010 relative to 2005	26	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	Involve police in plan to address understaffing	26	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	Design for a regular police presence in core of village	26	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	No power outages within village boundaries by 2020	27	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	No flooding in Ganges	27	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support

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6. Security	Shoreline reinforcement	27	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Storm water management practices	27	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Buried power cables	27	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
6. Security	Enhanced truck ramp to village shore allows easy access by barge for full size goods trucks by 2010	28	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
6. Security	Alternative by-pass routes	28	Not implemented	OCP Policies support
6. Security	Truck access to village via barge unloading dock	28	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
7. Ganges Governance	Create partnerships to align the goals and programs of various agencies such as the Local Trust Committee (LTC), Capitol Regional District (CRD), Harbour Authority, Ganges Sewer Committee, water districts, and other appropriate agencies	28	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
7. Ganges Governance	The Local Trust Committee will assist in identifying a mechanism to implement the Ganges Goals including assessment of barriers to achievement of the Ganges Goals	28	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
7. Ganges Governance	The LTC will take a leadership role in creating mechanisms for collaboration among other elected officials, groups, agencies and community members to achieve the management goals and targets established for Ganges Village	28	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
7. Ganges Governance	The LTC will take a leadership role in requesting working agreements between the trust and other agencies and organizations to assist in achieving the Ganges Village Goals and targets	29	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
7. Ganges Governance	By 2008, the Local Trust Committee will assist in forming a working group or groups composed of elected officials, agencies and community group, to perform one or more of the following key roles/tasks: 1. Continuity of leadership; 2. Monitor OCP achievements; 3. Support collaboration; 4. Help community understand government & non-government organizational roles	29	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. Not supported by Local Government Act & Community Charter
7. Ganges Governance	The LTC will create partnerships to provide a range of educational and communication programs which would inform and involve the general public and community leaders in solving community problems	29	On-going	GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	The LTC will in cooperation with others, develop a communications strategy to inform the public on planning process committees, events and documents such as posting information on the committees including their meeting times and minutes on the SSI website	29	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	Provide a regulatory authority through a Development permit Area to achieve the Ganges Village Goals	29	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	Create a sense of identity through gateways and distinctive design features	29		GVAP

Goal	Item	Page #	Status	Responsibility
7. Ganges Governance	Create a community that is walk able and accessible by children, seniors, visitors, residents and workers	29		GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Achieve a complementary balance of land uses and landscapes such as natural areas, open space, housing, commercial, industrial and tourist accommodations	29		GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Create distribution areas for new “green” infrastructure systems to cope with emissions or to take advantage of mixed loads. This includes reclamation water, and two pipe systems for buildings, water piping and connections for district heating, constructed wetlands, and best practices for storm run-off	30		GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Create buffer zones at the containment boundary to avoid conflicts in land use and create access to green spaces	30		GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Preserve key ecological functions such as avoiding construction on productive wetlands or in the floodplain	30	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	Reserve sufficient local resources for village survivability and choice such as opportunities to grow food, sufficient water and incrementally lower cost sewer capacity	30		GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Ensure access, views and development control along the waterfront	30	Partial	GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Ensure sufficient land and zoning to accommodate the many commercial functions that the island expects to find in a village	30	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	Providing a good balance of jobs to dwellings within the village	30		Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
7. Ganges Governance	Avoid leapfrog development (which tends to make infill development more costly) by achieving densification incrementally from the center outwards towards the containment boundary	30	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	The village cores shall correspond to a limited area around a central point such as the Tourist Information Center for Lower Ganges Village and the GVM store for the Upper Ganges Village	30		GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	The Containment Boundary shall correspond to a specific boundary within which will be built all new high-density development such as multi-family development and higher density commercial or tourism-oriented development	30	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	The Village Containment Boundary shall contain land zoned for agricultural, residential, commercial use, industrial use, and parkland	30	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	Land within the Village Containment Boundary currently zoned ALR shall be maintained as agricultural land within the village. Production of food on this land will be supported, in combination with other complementary uses.	30	Implemented	

Goal	Item	Page #	Status	Responsibility
7. Ganges Governance	The ALR lands directly north of Jackson occupy a central place within the village boundaries and if possible this land shall be acquired without rezoning, possibly in partnership with a not-for-profit society, and developed to serve as a diverse, active 'green heart' to the village	30	Requires ALC approval	
7. Ganges Governance	Encourage infill development by rezoning land in the village cores for greater density and mixed use by transferring densities from outside the containment boundary.	31	Not implemented	GVAP can support
7. Ganges Governance	Economic benefit bestowed on landowners by rezoning, relaxing standards, increasing height limits, etc will be balanced by requiring a certain percentage of affordable housing and other community benefits such as energy efficient construction, sidewalks, etc. based on formula that reflects realistic economic feasibility	31	Not implemented	GVAP
7. Ganges Governance	Sewer service is most efficiently used and financially supported in more densely populated areas. Availability of sewer service tends to encourage more dense development. Therefore a target is to confine sewer service to within the Village Containment Boundary	31	Not implemented	Outside planning purview. GVAP Can support
7. Ganges Governance	Ensure that adequate water is available in Ganges Village	31	Implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	The LTC will ask the Liquid Waste Committee to prepare an estimate of how much sewer capacity can be developed at the lower incremental cost, and how many residents and business this can serve. Lady Minto Hospital, RCMP, Fire District will be asked to estimate their water and sewer needs for a population of 18,000 people	31	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
7. Ganges Governance	The Local Trust Committee will work with the Ganges Liquid Waste Committee to allocate the lower cost sewage capacity among the following demands so that lower cost capacity is not exhausted before the above needs are met	31	Not implemented	Outside planning purview
7. Ganges Governance	To prevent sprawl, the LTC and Liquid Waste Committee will create an agreement not to extend service beyond the Village Containment Boundary	31	Not implemented	
7. Ganges Governance	An agreement will be created between the LTC and the North Salt Spring Waterworks District regarding reservation of sufficient water supplies for existing zoning capacity within the Ganges Village Containment Boundary and adoption of water conservation programs to meet that demand	32	Implemented	

Proposed Items	Total	Implemented	
Targets (T)	102		
Policies (P)	133		
Overall	235	26	11%

**From:** Louisa Garbo  
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**Subject:** Re: Some Background Reference material (RE: Salt Spring Island Ganges Village Area Planning Task Force Agenda)

Thanks David, this tabular format is very helpful.

It inspired me to consider why the implementation numbers might be as low as they are.

I looked at the “Responsibility” column to determine how many of the proposed targets and policies are achievable within the legislated authority (land use planning authority) of the Islands Trust. My results are;

- 20% (48) of the proposed targets and policies are clearly within the legislated authority of Island Trust;
- 62% (144) of the proposed targets and policies are clearly not within the legislated authority of Islands Trust; and
- 18% (40) of the proposed targets and policies are partly with the the legislated authority of Islands Trust but also with the jurisdiction of other agencies.

These numbers might help explain the relatively low implementation numbers. Of the targets and policies that are reported as implemented (26 or 27);

- 60% (16) of the implemented targets and policies are clearly within the legislated authority of Island Trust;
- 11% (3) of the implemented targets and policies are clearly not within the legislated authority of Islands Trust; and
- 29% (8) of the implemented targets and policies are partly with the the legislated authority of Islands Trust but also with the jurisdiction of other agencies.

(I appreciated that we don't know if targets and policies that have been implemented by others can be attributed to the 2008 document)

From this information and to the extent that we might choose to review the proposed policies, we might consider re-ordering them. First, those proposed policies that are clearly within the legislated authority of Island Trust; second, the proposed policies that are partly within the legislated authority of Islands Trust but also with the jurisdiction of other agencies and third, the proposed policies that are clearly not within the legislated authority of Islands Trust. This order might help us prioritize our discussions.

Thanks again  
John

On Aug 18, 2021, at 11:28 AM, David Dunnison <[dunnison@dunnison.com](mailto:dunnison@dunnison.com)> wrote:

Hi Bob,

Sure thing.

Please find the Excel spreadsheet attached.

Is there some sort of 'public' drive where we can put/keep stuff like this?

Also, please note that there are some 'hidden' columns (B, C and D). I created a numbering system to try and keep track of things as I went, and also included a column for the overarching Objectives on each Goal area. Without hiding the three columns, the spreadsheet becomes unreadable on a single page width.

Regards, David

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Area Planning Task Force Agenda)

David -

This is excellent! I particularly like the fact it is dealing with specific aspects of implementation. Thanks for all your effort.

Is it possible to get a copy as a Google Doc or something I can keep my own notes on? It might be worthwhile to make a copy available to all GVAPTF members and staff for online comments and notes as a live working document.

Thanks again.

- Bob MacKie

On Tue, 17 Aug 2021 at 20:00, David Dunnison <[dunnison@dunnison.com](mailto:dunnison@dunnison.com)> wrote:

Hi Everyone,

Taking advantage of this email distribution to circulate a couple of background information pieces I had pulled together for the Task Force:

1. The package of maps that we had at the Site Visit/Ganges walkaround two weeks ago
2. A tabulated summary of Action Items (Objectives, Targets & Policies) from the 2008 OCP as provided in the 2021-05-20 agenda package

In terms of #2, the tabulated summary, this information was extracted from the work that Staff did to provide us with a status report on the Final Policy Proposals (May 2007) for the 2008 OCP.

I reformatted the proposed Policies and Targets into tabular form for (slightly) easier reference and to allow some simple statistical assessments. At the very bottom of the file there is a table that indicates there were a total of 235 items (Targets and Policies), of which 11% were indicated as "Implemented".

Thus, the information in the table is not new, but has just been restructured for easier review.

Please note that I hadn't planned on asking for these items to be included in our agenda. Thus, this is purely informational.

Regards, David

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**Subject:** Sept 2 meetin

I just thought I would summarize what I derived from today's meeting. My notes are meant to be informal and are just my own feedback on what I learned.

Robin Jenkinson came prepared with print outs of the information provided to us so far. She also brought copies of the items we found to be relevant as part of our study tasks in relation to Ganges.

The list is as follows,

Land use

Housing

Transportation

Environment

Ecosystems

Infrastructure servicing

First Nations

Harbour

Climate Change Resiliency

Health, Safety, Fire, Community Services, Education

Economics - Tourism

Heritage over Time - History and Culture

Community Events

Business Development

Water and Watersheds

Urban Design, Art, Culture

## Recreation and Parks

### Islands Regional and Geographic Context

#### Futurism/ Vision

We also added RCMP as a category and I thought of Schools, however, I do note we have Education listed above. Fire Hall was added.

We were each looking into deciding which categories we would like to individually study on a deeper level or bring in deeper expertise on the matter.

From my point of view, we noted that there are already work projects and studies going on here on Salt Spring that we can draw from.

For example, the Islands Trust has projects currently going on to study Coastal Douglas Fir ecosystems as well as a watershed study project.

I brought it up that the CRD PARK and REC has been in communication with RCMP and has invited the RCMP rep to their meetings in the past. This is to do with their interest in Ganges safety.

In terms of future directions, I believe that we refreshed our minds on how to approach this long list.

In terms of time being short, we are able to directly access many studies that are already being undertaken by the Islands Trust, so none of us has to go back to the beginning to learn of what is what around Ganges.

My understanding of what we are doing in the Ganges Task Force is to find a way to densify Ganges without compromising the watersheds or the coastal douglas fir areas and to have a walking village that can serve the needs of a mixed demographic. I have been holding this concept in my mind as we work. Please feel free to write your other understandings of our purpose as you see it.

I did find our meeting beneficial and I did take home my own to do list from what we discussed.

- Robin mentioned that she is interested in studying the sewer infrastructure for Ganges. I do have sewer maps to share with Robin that show how where the sewer is currently, and how it has been added to and developed every year since it was first built
- I have already been attending the SSI Transportation Commission meetings again, so I will endeavor to continue with those meetings as well as to attend more meetings including CRD PARKS.
- I am hoping to communicate with the schools, as I believe Robin will too, as there is a large youth population right in Ganges and most of the public lands are owned by School District #64. I may possibly resume attending the school board meetings as I once did. My two youngest are still in school, one in the elementary school building and one

in the secondary school building. So, I can find out through them about some opportunities to work together. And I will keep in communication with Robin on this.

- I have already had conversations with Lisa Wilcox and she has been hired by Islands Trust to work as a liaison for the indigenous history of Ganges. I will set up to speak to her again.
- I will continue to educate myself about the indigenous history of Ganges.
- I will look over the information that I have gathered on Ganges watersheds and see if there is anything I can contribute.
- I will continue to attend the monthly LTC meetings to see what the local trust is up to with their work in order to keep in touch with their direction for Ganges.

I believe that we agreed that the more we learn about what other groups have already done, and also about the working projects currently ongoing through the Islands Trust, and communicate with the other groups too, then we will get things done and it won't be too much for each one of us. There are concurrent projects already going on, and they do address the needs of Ganges, so I am sure we can work to pull that together and it will work well.

I must say that I still had the information from the LTC (local trust committee) meeting I attended via zoom on August 31 going through my mind.

The task forces were one of the topics and Jennifer Fix was introduced. She is a consultant who will be working on public engagement for the Ganges vision, and she will be facilitating public engagement and milestones. I am certain we will manage this project in an easy and enjoyable manner.

This is my summary from today, I definitely learned a lot more from each of you than what I have written and it has brought us closer by meeting today.

Thank-you for your attendance!

Sincerely,  
Jenny McClean

## Ganges Village Planning Public Engagement Plan

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### What is this Engagement Plan?

On October 6, 2020, the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee (SSI LTC) directed staff to develop an area plan for Ganges Village to be referenced in the Official Community Plan for Ganges Village to ensure a healthy, resilient and environmentally sustainable village and future generations. The parameters for this village planning initiative include the Islands Trust's commitment to preserve and protect the unique and fragile environment of the island; to address the Climate Emergency; and to advance reconciliation efforts set forth in the Reconciliation Declaration and the Reconciliation Action Plan 2019-2022. This project will build on work by community groups, government agencies and collaboration with First Nations and stakeholders.



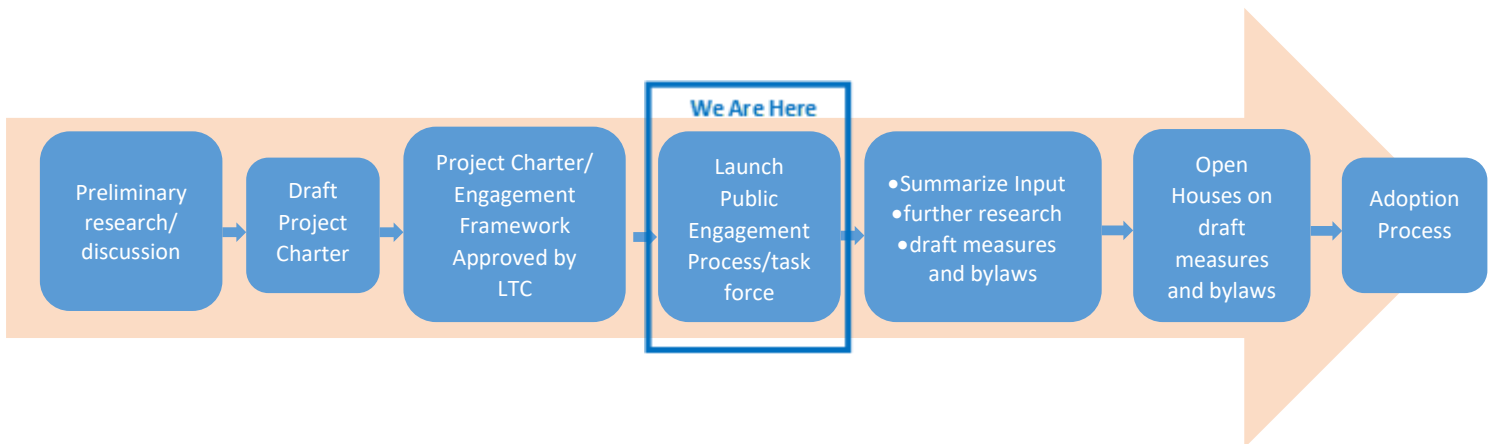
This Engagement Plan intends to implement the principles identified in the approved Ganges Village Planning Public Engagement Framework by providing a detailed plan of engagement activities with the stakeholders, agencies and the general public. The interest of First Nations is a key element of this plan, and the First Nations Engagement Principles of the Islands Trust will apply in the engagement process. To ensure a meaningful consultation with First Nations, the processes will include on-going engagement with First Nations with treaty and territorial interests in the area of Salt Spring Island. The collaboration and consultation will be reflective of the Trust Council adopted policy on First Nations Engagement Principles, and the foundation documents of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP), Truth and Reconciliation Commission Calls to Action, and Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls Calls for Justice. Engagement process will be guided by concerns or responses from First Nations on how to proceed in a mutually respectful, collaborative relationship-building framework. Finally, this Engagement Plan intends to allow for flexibility to respond to any unforeseen circumstances and changes in the resource capacity, to adjust any gaps in the strategies, or to improve any deficiency in the process midstream. The Plan will also be revised should funding become available for a consulting service to take over the public engagement process.

## 1. Public Engagement Process Objectives

The intent of the engagement process is to provide a meaningful public engagement process and to achieve the following goals:

- a. To **promote** awareness amongst islanders and the general public
- b. To **inform** the community, agencies and First Nations on relevant issues and critical information in the planning process
- c. To **collaborate** effectively with the community on brainstorming of issues and exploring solutions
- d. To **offer** opportunities for all to be heard and to voice their concerns
- e. To **commit** to a transparent process with ongoing updates and opportunities for feedback

## 2. General Planning Process





## 4. Key Activities in the Planning Process

The project will be implemented in three key phases over the next two years:



## 5. Who are We Engaging?

Approaches	Timeline	Activities	Comments/status
Early engagement with First Nations (12 Nations with treaty and territorial interest)	12/2020 – 02/ 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email &amp; ground mail of Project Charter</li> <li>• Zoom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zoom meetings with Halalt, Malahat, WSÁNEĆ Leadership Council, and Cowichan Nation Alliance</li> <li>• Process is on-going</li> </ul>
Early conversation with agencies/islanders	12/2020-02/2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Email Project Charter</li> <li>• Zoom</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Zoom/telephonic meetings with agencies responded</li> <li>• Invite to Technical Working Group</li> </ul>
Early conversation with community groups	02/2021	Phone/zoom/email	In progress
Develop outreach communication on project	12/2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public meeting on Project Charter</li> <li>• Project webpage</li> <li>• Subscribers notice</li> </ul>	Posted on project webpage
Community-to-community forum between First Nations representatives and LTC	03/2021	Preparation of forum in progress	Zoom meeting to be held on March 15, 2021
Formation of Task Force	03/2021	Appointments of members from community at-large	Application submission in progress
Technical Working Group	04/2021	Collaboration with Agencies	In progress



## 6. List of Nations, Agencies, Stakeholders and Community Groups (*this list is not meant to be exhaustive*)

First Nations with treaty and territorial interests	Agencies	Community groups
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ts'uubaa-asatx (Lake Cowichan) First Nation</li> <li>• Lyackson First Nation</li> <li>• MÁLEXĒĻ (Malahat) Nation</li> <li>• Penelakut Tribe</li> <li>• Stz'uminus (Chemainus) First Nation</li> <li>• WJOLEĒP (Tsartlip) First Nation</li> <li>• SẂÁUTW (Tsawout) First Nation</li> <li>• WSIKĒM (Tseycum) First Nation</li> <li>• BOKEĆĒN (Pauquachin) First Nation</li> <li>• WSÁNEĆ Leadership Council</li> <li>• Halalt First Nation</li> <li>• Cowichan Tribes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CRD</li> <li>• NSSWD</li> <li>• School District (SD64)</li> <li>• Salt Spring Fire and Rescue (SSIFR)</li> <li>• Agricultural Land Commission (ALC)</li> <li>• Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>• Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure</li> <li>• Salt Spring Island Harbour Authority</li> <li>• Health Service Agencies VIHA (Salt Spring Island Health Unit)</li> <li>• Community Services</li> <li>• BC Housing</li> <li>• Ministry of Municipal Affairs</li> <li>• Islands Trust Conservancy</li> <li>• FLRNORD - provincial authority of crown leases)</li> <li>• Coast Guard (federal authority)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wagon Wheels Society</li> <li>• Salt Spring Conservancy</li> <li>• Development community</li> <li>• Salt Spring Island Arts Council</li> <li>• Salt Spring Island Housing Council Society</li> <li>• Salt Spring Island Watershed Protection Alliance (SSIWPA)</li> <li>• Water Preservation Society</li> <li>• Green Community Design</li> <li>• others</li> </ul>

## 7. Ganges Village Planning Task Force

The complex nature of developing an area plan and the plan's potential impacts on land use planning for the Ganges Village community, a task force encompassing members from a diverse background that will apply objectively their expertise, experience and knowledge will assist in the development of the "Ganges Village Area Plan" process.

Task Force	Timeline	Status
Formation of Ganges Village Planning Task Force	03/2021	Application submission in progress

## 8. Tentative Timeline on Outreach Process

Methods	Date	Locations	Status
Virtual open houses, and/or in-person if proper physical distancing is achievable	Summer/fall 2021	TBA	Have yet to develop RFP for consulting service
Virtual design charrettes, and/or in-person if proper physical distancing is achievable	Summer/fall 2021	TBA	Have yet to develop RFP for consulting service
Virtual/telephonic conversation with the planner and/or in-person if proper physical distancing is achievable	Every Thursday 9:30 am – 11:00 am		Website update in progress
Online survey			Upon appointment of Task Force

Subscribers option	On-going		Website update in progress
Direct mail (to properties affected by the planning process)	Prior to public hearings		
New release			
Letter to editor/editorial			
Webpage			Ongoing updates
Paid ad			Ongoing updates
Brochures		Online/hard copies	

**9. Public Engagement Tools**

Various engagement tools will be utilized to ensure a meaningful outreach and engagement process. The tools utilized below are not exhausted, should additional resources become available to the project for additional public engagement activities, this Public Engagement Plan will likely expand and more tools could be incorporated.

**Project Webpage**

A project webpage will be maintained for the duration of the planning process. The webpage will provide information about the project, including the Ganges Village Planning Project Charter, Ganges Village Planning Task Force Terms of Reference, Ganges Village Planning Public Engagement Framework, and a list of relevant documents. The webpage will also provide an online survey, as well as various public engagement updates to keep the community informed. Understanding some people may not have access to the internet, the Project Webpage provides a cost-effective means to post notifications, project updates and various community outreach activities, and to reach a diverse population on the island and beyond.

**Brochures/Paper Mails**

An easy-to-understand and graphically-engaging document that highlights key elements of the project, updates and general information will be made available online, printed copies may also be available at various locations such as Salt Spring Island Local Planning Office, community centers, and various community-organizations. Paper mailings on legal notifications will be available to properties on public hearings and on properties that will be affected by any particularly proposed regulatory requirements.

**Advertising**

Paid advertising from local newspaper will be provided on any public meetings and may be utilized to promote upcoming project events.

**Survey**

Various surveys related to different phases of the project will be posted on the Project Webpage to seek input from the community. At different stages of the project, a set of questions will be posted online in an attempt to seek input from the respondents. Well-crafted questions can elicit a wealth of valuable insight with statistical validity. This technique is effective for understanding public opinion and preferences to help identify key issues.

**Workshops**

When permitted under B.C. Health protocols, a variety of workshops such as community events, stakeholders’ workshops, classroom workshops, and design charrettes may be held throughout the duration of the project. Café-style workshop is often a great way to bring a diverse group of people

together to have simultaneous conversation, to share community’s concerns and to explore alternative solutions. Each round of discussion per table or small group focuses on one key question, before each person moves to a new different group for the next round. This type of setting has been proven to be very successful in allowing diverse perspectives to be heard and collaborating on collective solutions. Design charrettes have also been a popular part of a public engagement process as they bring together a diverse range of expertise (architects, landscape architects, engineers, planners, content specialists, educators, students, community representatives, and governmental staff) to collaborate on innovative design solutions that are based on mutual interests. Design charrette helps translating ideas into visual form which and is an effective form of engagement in generating creative solutions to difficult problems in the least amount of time. Classroom workshop is another option to partnering with local schools, which offer a fun and interactive means to engage with students, and a great way to stimulate ideas from the future generation while fostering youth in civic engagement.

**Open House**

Open house is an informal setting with the project team present to highlight specific topics. The public is free to peruse the various areas and interact with the project team. This is a good technique for seeking input on specific options or alternatives, but it is fairly resource-intensive and capturing all public comment in this format may be challenging.


**Virtual Coffee with Planner**

In an attempt to provide additional opportunities for the public to discuss the project with the project planner, a web-based (Zoom) or telephonic ½ hour conversation will be available every Thursday morning from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. A request to have the conversation can be emailed to the project planner via the Project webpage or at lgarbo@islandstrust.bc.ca by noon of the Wednesday before. Due to the limited time available, conversation should be within the scope of the project and not bylaw enforcement, development application or permit on a specific property.

**Public Hearing**

Public hearings allow affected citizens to provide their views to their elected representatives on any proposed bylaw. It is a formal meeting with a presentation and dedicated time for public comment. At the public hearing, all persons who believe that their interest in property is affected by the proposed bylaw must be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard. This involves an opportunity to make a speech or presentation to the elected officials or to present a written submission. In many cases, notices about the public hearing may also indicate a time and location to submit comments prior to the public hearing.

**10. Summary of Public Engagement Tools (the list of the tools is not meant to be exhaustive)**

Community Engagement Events			On-going Efforts			
						
Stakeholders Workshops	Community Design Charrettes		Online Survey	Social Media	Letters	Phone Calls
						
Virtual Open Houses	Open Houses	Virtual coffee with Planner	Website update	Press Release/Editorial	Email	Virtual/in-person Public Meetings