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June Islands Trust Council Program Announced

VICTORIA - The Islands Trust Council will hold its next quarterly business meeting June 23-25, 2015 on Galiano Island, and invites members of the public to observe and participate.

The 26-member Council, made up of members from 12 local trust committees and Bowen Island Municipality, makes decisions about overall policy and financial management for the Islands Trust and has broad responsibilities to uphold the Islands Trust mandate to preserve and protect the islands. Islands Trust Council does not make local land use decisions, which are the responsibility of the local trustees within their respective local trust areas.

Trust Council invites members of the public to participate in a town hall session, a regular forum to promote dialogue between islanders and trustees, starting at 1:30 pm on Wednesday, June 24th. The public is invited to ask questions and make suggestions about the work of the Islands Trust Council.

Persons or organizations wishing to reserve time to make a formal delegation to the Islands Trust Council must receive an appointment through the Executive Committee. Please send the topic, speaker's name and contact information to Jas Chonk (email: jchonk@islandstrust.bc.ca; fax: 250.405.5155) by Wednesday, June 3rd. [Guidelines for presentations to Council](http://islandstrust.bc.ca/trust-council/council-meetings/talk-to-council/tips-addressing-council.aspx) are at <http://islandstrust.bc.ca/trust-council/council-meetings/talk-to-council/tips-addressing-council.aspx>. The public meeting starts Tuesday, June 23rd at 12:30 pm and is expected to finish by 10:45 am on Thursday, June 25th. The agenda package for the meeting will be posted on the Islands Trust website by June 15th.

Trust Council Sessions will include:

BC Ferries – Trustees will hear an update from Michael Corrigan, President and Chief Executive Officer of BC Ferries, who will attend a one-hour session, accompanied by Deborah Marshall, Director of Media Relations. Trustees will also have an opportunity to ask questions of the BC Ferries' representatives.

Strategic Planning – On the afternoon of Tuesday, June 23rd, trustees will participate in a facilitated session, as part of their continuing work to develop a Strategic Plan for the 2014-2018 term.

Dialogue with San Juan County Council – Trustees will meet with San Juan County Council members to discuss common issues and interests that affect islands in the Salish Sea. The [protocol agreement](http://islandstrust.bc.ca/tc/pdf/orgagrjun122007oth.pdf) between the Islands Trust Council and San Juan County Council can be found at <http://islandstrust.bc.ca/tc/pdf/orgagrjun122007oth.pdf>

Delegations and Town Hall – On the afternoon of Wednesday, June 24th, Trust Council will invite members of the public to present their federation-wide concerns to trustees. The public is invited to ask questions and make suggestions about the work of the Islands Trust Council.

Closed Sessions – In closed sessions, trustees will review and consider nominees for Community Stewardship awards and will receive information on a number of items related to litigation, personnel and legal advice.

Decision and Information Items – Trust Council will consider a variety of routine business updates and decisions and will review recommendations from each Council Committee regarding proposed work programs for the coming quarter. Highlights will include a decision about the recipients of Trust Council's Community Stewardship Awards.

The Islands Trust is a federation of special-purpose local government bodies representing 25,000 people living within the Islands Trust Area and another 10,000 non-resident property-owners. The Islands Trust is responsible for preserving and protecting the unique environment and amenities of the Islands Trust Area through planning and regulating land use, development management, education, cooperation with other agencies, and land conservation. The area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island. It includes 13 major and more than 450 smaller islands covering 5200 square kilometres.

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Attached: June 23-25, 2015 Trust Council agenda program

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DRAFT June 2015 Islands Trust Council Agenda Program

Location: Lion's Hall, 992 Burrill Road, Galiano Island

May 5/15

	Tuesday, June 23	Wednesday, June 24	Thursday, June 25
Morning		8:30 – 9:20 **Closed Meeting** (3) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Stewardship Awards - review and consideration of nominees 9:20 – 9:45 Break 9:45 – 12:00 Decision and Information Items (4)	8:20 – 9:25 **Closed Meeting** (7) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAO Update Litigation Update & Legal Issues 9:25 – 10:45 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decision and Information Items New Business (4 - cont'd) 10:45 am Meeting adjourned
Afternoon	12:30 Call to Order Notice of New Business Items 12:35 – 1:30 BC Ferries Session (1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update from BC Ferries CEO Trustee questions and answers 1:35 – 3:00 Strategic Planning (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitated trustee discussion 3:00– 3:15 Break 3:15 – 4:45 Strategic Planning (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Facilitated trustee discussion 	12:00 – 1:30 Lunch and Island Tour 1:30 – 1:35 Community Stewardship Awards – Announcement of Recipients 1:35 – 2:30 Delegation & Town Hall Session (5) 2:30 – 3:15 Decision and Information Items (4 - cont'd) 3:15 – 3:40 Break 3:40 – 5:15 Dialogue with San Juan County Council (6) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experiences with development of a vision Experiences with strategic planning Other island issues of mutual interest 	

Members of the public are invited to attend all sessions except any closed meeting (** ***) and meals