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## **ISLANDS TRUST TO POST PRELIMINARY ELECTION RESULTS NOVEMBER 19**

VICTORIA — The Islands Trust will post preliminary results for local trustee candidates on its web site as soon as the results are available after polls close on November 19. The initial results are subject to confirmation by Chief Election Officers on November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 pm.

Fifty two candidates, including 13 incumbents, are running for positions on ten of twelve local trust committees and Bowen Island Municipal Council. Voting day is Saturday, November 19, 2011.

In the North Pender Island and South Pender Island Local Trust Areas, voting will not be necessary as the two candidates nominated for the two positions were declared elected by acclamation in each case.

Biographies and photos of candidates who supplied their information to the Islands Trust have been posted on the Islands Trust web site at: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/elections.cfm>. Polling times, dates and locations are also available on the web site.

Like other communities in British Columbia, island communities elect their local government representatives every three years. Voters in each of the 12 local trust areas elect two local trustees to represent them, both on a local trust committee and on the Islands Trust Council. Local trustees serve a three-year term and make land use planning and regulatory decisions for their communities. They are responsible for decisions about official community plans, zoning and subdivision regulations and a variety of development applications. At Trust Council, they make decisions about broader policy, budget and advocacy matters.

On Bowen Island, voters elect two municipal trustees at the same time they elect the Bowen Island Municipal Council. The municipal trustees represent Bowen Island on the Islands Trust Council.

The Islands Trust Area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island, including Howe Sound and as far north as Comox (excluding Texada Island). The area is approximately 5200 square kilometres in size and includes 13 major islands and over 450 smaller islands.

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