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March Trust Council Program Announced

VICTORIA - The Islands Trust Council will hold its next quarterly business meeting March 23-25, 2010 on Hornby Island. The public meeting starts Tuesday, March 23 at 3:30 p.m. and is expected to finish by approximately 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 25.

The 26-member Council makes decisions about overall policy, staff resources and financial management for the Islands Trust and has broad responsibilities to uphold the Islands Trust mandate. Trust Council invites members of the public to participate in a town hall session, a regular forum to promote informal dialogue between islanders and trustees, starting at 10:15 a.m. on Wednesday, March 24. Persons or organizations wishing to reserve time to make a formal delegation to the Islands Trust Council at the beginning of the town hall session must receive an appointment through the Executive Committee. Please forward your request to the Islands Trust Victoria office, to the attention of Marie Smith (email: msmith@islandstrust.bc.ca; fax: 250.405.5155) including the subject, and the speaker's name and address, by Monday, March 1. Guidelines to help those planning a presentation to Council are available on the Islands Trust website at www.islandstrust.bc.ca/tc/addresstips.cfm. Please note that the Islands Trust Council does not make local land use decisions, which are the responsibility of the local trustees within their respective local trust area. A copy of the agenda package for the March Council meeting will be available for viewing at our Victoria, Salt Spring and Gabriola offices after March 15.

Trust Council Sessions will include:

2010-2011 Budget Overview (March 23) – The Islands Trust's Financial Planning Committee will present Council with its overall budget recommendations, along with a more detailed explanation of projected revenues, staffing levels, expenses and implications of the proposed budget for Trust Council's Strategic Plan.

Delegations and Town Hall Session (March 24) – Trust Council encourages members of the public to participate in dialogue between islanders and the trustees. The public is invited to discuss issues, ask questions and make suggestions about the work of the Islands Trust.

2010-2011 Budget Discussion (March 24) – Trustees will discuss the proposed budget for Council's core operations and potential special projects. Trustees will consider the public input received and discuss options for amending the proposed budget. Council will then finalize and approve the Islands Trust's 2010-2011 budget and consider its annual Financial Plan Bylaw. Following budget adoption, trustees will consider and adopt an amended Strategic Plan.

Planning Session (March 24 & 25) – Trustees will receive presentations on riparian area regulations, sensitive ecosystems mapping, GHG emissions reduction, a report by the Community Housing Task Force, and a review of work programs and priorities with trustees and staff from the Northern, Southern and Salt Spring planning teams.

Information and Decision Items (March 23 & 24) – Trust Council will consider a variety of routine business updates and decisions and will review recommendations from each Council Committee regarding its proposed work program for the coming quarter. Decision highlights will include expansion of the Natural Area Protection Tax Exemption Program to Hornby and Denman Islands, options to address concerns about freighter traffic, new bylaw enforcement tools, and planning initiatives related to community housing and food security.

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Attached: 3 day agenda program; Information and Decision Items Agenda

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March 2010 Islands Trust Council Agenda Program

Location: Hornby Island Community Hall

Feb 17/10

	Tuesday, March 23	Wednesday, March 24	Thursday, March 25
A.M.		8:15 – 10:15 Information and Decision Items 10:00 – 10:15 Break 10:15 – 11:15 Delegations/Town Hall Session 11:15 Final Notice of New Items 11:15 – 12:15 Information and Decision Items	8:15 – 10:30 Planning Session (cont'd) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Community Housing Task Force Report</i> • <i>Team Meetings</i> 10:30 – Meeting adjourned (approx)
P.M.	1:30 Call to Order/Notice of New Items 1:30 – 3:15 ** Closed Meeting** <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>CAO Update</i> • <i>TFB Update – Funding Strategy</i> • <i>Litigation Update</i> • <i>Legal Update</i> 3:15 – 3:30 Break 3:30 – 5:00 2010/11 Budget Overview <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Revenue</i> • <i>Non-Discretionary Expense Changes</i> • <i>Discretionary Expense Changes</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ <i>Base Budget changes</i> ➢ <i>Program Budget</i> ➢ <i>OCP Budget</i> • <i>Strategic Plan Implications</i> 5:00 -5:30 Information and Decision Items	12:15 – 1:30 Lunch 1:30 – 3:00 2010/11 Budget Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Surplus (Reserves)</i> • <i>Budget Debate and Approval</i> 3:00 – 3:15 Break 3:15 - 4:15 Information and Decision Items (cont'd) 4:15 – 5:30 Planning Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Riparian Area Regulations – Mapping and Strategy for compliance</i> • <i>Sensitive Ecosystems Mapping Update</i> • <i>GHG Emissions Reduction Update</i> 	

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



**March 2010 Islands Trust Council
Binder Section E
Decision and Information Items**

5:00 – 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 23, 2010

8:15 – 10:00 a.m.; 11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.; 3:15 – 4:15 p.m., Wednesday, March 24, 2010

revised: Feb 16/10

* Info Enclosed ^ Pending	Section/Item	Who	Action
1. <u>General</u>			
*	1. Trust Council Follow-Up Action List	Chair (LA)	Info
*	2. Resolutions Without Meeting	Chair (MS)	Info
	a. RWM 03-09		
	b. RWM 03-10		
*	3. December 2009 Council Meeting - Draft Minutes	Chair (MS)	Consent
2. <u>Trust Area Services</u>			
*	1. Director of Trust Area Services Report	(LD)	Info
*	2. Trust Fund Board Report	TFB (LD)	Info
*	3. Trust Programs Committee Report	TPC (LD)	Decision
*	4. Islands Trust Policy Statement – RFD	TPC (LD)	Decision
*	5. Islands Trust Fund & Local Planning Services Coordination Policy	TFB/LPC (LD)	Decision
*	6. NAPTEP Program – Denman and Hornby Local Trust Areas - RFD	TPC (LD)	Decision
*	7. Freighter Traffic in the Gulf Islands – RFD	TPC (LD)	Decision
*	8. BC Oceans and Coastal Strategy – Briefing	TPC (LD)	Info
*	9. Local Government Elections Task Force – Briefing	TPC (LD)	Info
3. <u>Local Planning</u>			
*	1. Local Planning Committee Report	LPC (MF)	Info
*	2. Director of Local Planning Services Report	(MF)	Info
*	3. OCP/LUB Status Report	(MF)	Info
*	4. Local Planning Services Time Tracking Report Format - RFD	LPC (MF)	Decision
*	5. Bylaw Enforcement Investigations Report - Briefing	(MD)	Info
*	6. Bylaw Notice Dispute Adjudication Joint Registry – RFD	LPC (MD)	Decision
*	7. Food Security – RFD	LPC (MF)	Decision
*	8. Community Housing Task Force Report – RFD	LPC (DM)	Decision
4. <u>Organizational/Finance</u>			
*	1. Financial Planning Committee Report	FPC (CE)	Info
*	2. Director of Administrative Services Report	(CE)	Info
*	3. December 30, 2009 Financial Statement and Report - RFD	FPC (CE)	Decision
*	4. Financial Forecast to March 31, 2010 – Briefing	(CE)	Info
*	5. Revenue Anticipation Borrowing Bylaw – RFD	FPC (CE)	Decision
*	6. 2010/2011 Financial Plan Bylaw – RFD	FPC (CE)	Decision

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5. <u>Executive</u>			
*	1. Executive Committee Report	EC (LA)	Info
*	2. Chief Administrative Officer's Report	(LA)	Info
*	3. 2008-2011 Islands Trust Strategic Plan – RFD	EC(LA)	Decision
6. <u>Correspondence</u>			
7. <u>New Business</u>			
	1. Raven Coal Mine	T Law	
8. <u>Summary/Updates</u>			
*	1. Trustee Updates		
	a. BC Ferries	T. Law	Info
	b. Gulf Islands National Park	W. Scholefield	Info
	c. First Nations		
	2. Priorities Chart	EC (LA)	Consent
*	3. Trust Council – Plan for Continuous Learning 2008-11	EC (LA)	Info
*	4. Quarterly Trust Council Meetings Schedule	EC (MS)	Info
*	5. 2010 Calendar: April - December	EC (MS)	Info
*	6. Proposed June 2010 Trust Council Agenda Program	EC (MS)	Info
	7. Disposition of Delegations and Town Hall Requests	Chair	Direction