



Islands Trust

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING REPORT
May 31, 2018

This document is intended to advise Trust Council about past or proposed external regulatory changes that could directly affect Islands Trust operations, local trust committee/island municipality bylaws or regulations, or Strategic Plan projects. The chart captures changes in the last six months and is organized according to the following categories:

- Planned legislation
- Legislation in process
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- Environmental assessment processes in the Trust Area
- Legislative change requests

Planned Legislation

PLANNED LEGISLATION	STATUS	BACKGROUND/ KEY IMPLICATIONS TO TRUST AREA	ISLANDS TRUST ACTIONS-PAST	ISLANDS TRUST ACTIONS – FUTURE
BC Species at Risk (SEAR) legislation	In development	<p>The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy is developing legislation for protecting and recovering species at risk in BC and has begun an active consultation process.</p> <p>Consultation with local governments on the Charter began in May, 2018 and will be followed up with requests to local governments to sign on to the Charter.</p> <p>Draft materials include:</p> <p>Goal: To manage human-related activities so that: species are recovered and are no longer considered at risk; species at risk are safeguarded from further threats; and native species are not lost from B.C.</p> <p>We will use the following principles to develop the species-at-risk legislation.</p> <p>Proposed Principles: The species-at-risk legislation will be developed in a manner that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • aims to stop the decline in the numbers of B.C.’s most vulnerable species, and improve the status of those species over time; • engages Indigenous people and stakeholders throughout development of the policy; • supports vibrant communities and livelihoods; • operates transparently, openly, and cooperatively; • supports sound decision-making, based on evidence, community knowledge, and Indigenous traditional knowledge; • does not use a lack of scientific information as a reason to postpone protecting a species at risk if there are significant threats to that species; and • minimizes unnecessary administrative burden for government and for those impacted by the legislation, to the extent possible. <p>In 2016, the Working Group struck a SEAR Charter Advisory Committee to help develop a SEAR Charter between the province and local governments to provide greater clarity on roles and responsibilities of both parties. -The Charter is expected to compliment the anticipated provincial SAR legislation.</p>	<p>May 16, 2018 Staff and Trustee Crumblehulme participated in information webinar</p> <p>LPS and ITF staff attended the 4th SEAR Local Government Working Group Symposium (31 Jan – 1 Feb 2017). The ITF Manager presented on tax incentives for conservation</p> <p>November 2016 <u>Chair letter</u> to Ministry of Environment commenting on Species at Risk,</p> <p>December 2010 <u>Chair letter</u> to BC Species at Risk Task Force,</p>	<p>LPS staff and ITF staff will continue to participate in the Working Group.</p>

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		<p>The SEAR LGWG consists of representatives from municipal, regional and provincial governments and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM). A jointly prepared <u>discussion paper</u> was completed in January 2011.</p> <p>The Species and Ecosystems at Risk Local Government Working Group (SEAR LGWG) was established in the fall of 2009</p>		

Legislation in process

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<p><u>Bill C-55</u> <i>An Act to amend the Oceans Act and the Canada Petroleum Resources Act (federal)</i></p>	<p>Third Reading and Passed House of Commons, April 25, 2018</p> <p>First Reading Senate April 16, 2018</p>	<p>The proposed amendments to the Oceans Act in Bill C-55 allow for the creation of a new type of Marine Protect Area (MPAs), interim marine protection areas, and create new powers to freeze the footprint of existing activities while MPAs go through the consultation and designation process.</p> <p>The bill also includes amendments that would require application of the precautionary principle when deciding whether to designate new marine protected areas.</p> <p>It also includes strengthened enforcement provisions. The Bill also proposes amendments to just one (among several) offshore oil and gas laws to allow for cancellation or suspension of oil and gas interests in MPAs.</p> <p>(amended from analysis by West Coast Environmental Law)</p>	<p>The Islands Trust <u>Policy Statement</u> includes Policy 3.4.2</p>	
<p><u>Bill C-64</u> An Act respecting wrecks, abandoned, and</p>	<p>Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure and</p>	<p>The proposed legislation will proactively deal with wrecked, abandoned or hazardous vessels. Bill C-64 will also bring the <i>Nairobi International Convention on the Removal of Wrecks, 2007</i> into force of law in Canada.</p> <p>The <i>Wrecked, Abandoned or Hazardous Vessels Act</i> will:</p>	<p>February 13, 2018 Chair Luckham and CAO met with TC Minister Garneau to discuss Bill C-64</p>	

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dilapidated or hazardous vessels and salvage operations	<p>Communities (TRAN) Reporting the Bill with Amendments</p> <p>Second Reading and Referral to Committee December 5, 2017</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • prohibit vessel abandonment; • strengthen owner responsibility and liability for hazardous vessels and wrecks, including costs for clean-up and removal; and • empower the Government of Canada to take proactive action on hazardous vessels. <p>March 2, 2018 Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN) report released (presently not available on-line)</p> <p><u>Chair Luckham’s presentation to the Standing Committee included:</u> “I ask you to strengthen Bill C-64 with actions that focus on preventing abandonment. For example, establish a program of review and approval under the Navigable Waters Protection Act for private mooring buoy registration, and actively conduct enforcement; perform regular mooring buoy sweeps with other agencies; inventory and monitor vessels at risk; provide opportunities for appropriate disposal of old boats; and establish a permanent program beyond the 2017-2022 funding.”</p>	<p><u>February 12, 2018.</u> Chair Luckham <u>presented</u> to the federal Parliament Standing Committee on Transport, Infrastructure and Communities (TRAN),</p> <p>November 27, 2017 TAS staff to attended Transport Canada briefing</p> <p>Significant <u>advocacy</u> over last 10 years</p>	
Bill C-68, <i>An Act to amend the Fisheries Act and other Acts in consequence.</i> (federal)	<p><u>Introduced</u> February 7, 2018</p> <p>Second Reading and Referral to Committee April 16, 2018</p>	<p>The proposed amendments would:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • restore lost protections by returning to comprehensive protection against harming all fish and fish habitat; • strengthen the role of Indigenous peoples in project reviews, monitoring and policy development; • recognize that decisions can be guided by principles of sustainability, precaution and ecosystem management; • promote restoration of degraded habitat and rebuilding of depleted fish stocks; • allow for the better management of large and small projects impacting fish and fish habitat through a new permitting 		

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		<p>framework and codes of practice;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • create full transparency for projects with a public registry; • create new fisheries management tools to enhance the protection of fish and ecosystems; • strengthen the long-term protection of marine refuges for biodiversity; • help ensure that the economic benefits of fishing remain with the licence holders and their community by providing clear ability to enshrine current inshore fisheries policies into regulations; and • clarify and modernize enforcement powers to address emerging fisheries issues and to align with current provisions in other legislation. <p><u>Video</u> explanation from Fisheries and Oceans Canada.</p> <p><u>West Coast Environmental Law review</u> of amendments and update May, 2018.</p>		
<p><u>Bill C-69</u> <i>An Act to enact the Impact Assessment Act and the Canadian Energy Regulator Act, to amend the Navigation Protection Act and to make consequential amendments to</i></p>	<p>Second Reading and referral to Committee on Environment and Sustainable Development March 19, 2018</p> <p>Introduced and First Reading February 2,</p>	<p>Proposing better rules for major project reviews to protect Canada’s environment and grow the economy — including early, inclusive and meaningful public engagement; nation-to-nation, Inuit-Crown, and government-to-government partnerships with Indigenous peoples; timely decisions based on the best available science and Indigenous traditional knowledge; and sustainability for present and future generations.</p> <p>The proposed Canadian Energy Regulator would be built on: modern effective governance, more inclusive engagement, greater Indigenous participation, stronger safety and environmental protection, and more timely decisions.</p> <p>New modern safeguards would create greater transparency, and give local communities a say in projects that could affect their navigation.</p>	<p>January 22, 2016, Chair <u>wrote</u> to the federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change re concerns with evaluation of marine shipping during environmental assessments and suggestions for improving public participation.</p>	<p>TAS staff will continue to monitor.</p>

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<i>other Acts.</i>	2018	<u>West Coast Environmental Law</u> review argues that “what is needed – and what is absent from C-69 – are legal bottom-lines that prevent decision-makers from approving projects with clearly unacceptable impacts. As well as lack of mandatory requirements for strategic and regional assessments. Industry, environmental groups and Indigenous peoples agree: only conducting assessments project-by-project fails to understand the bigger picture of cumulative effects from multiple developments in a region.” Feb 21, 2018		
<u>Bill M205 - Heritage Conservation (First Nations Protection) Amendment Act, 2017</u> (Provincial Private Members Bill)	First Reading October 26, 2017	MLA Adam Olsen’s bill would amend the <i>Heritage Conservation Act</i> to create a framework for First Nations to request the minister to issue emergency temporary protection orders to protect heritage sites or objects from injury or desecration. It would also create a First Nation heritage protection program which would provide funding to local governments to protect sacred sites.		
<u>Bill C-45, An Act respecting cannabis and to amend the Controlled Drugs and Substances Act, the Criminal Code and other Acts</u> (Federal)		Bill C-45 would provide legal access to cannabis and control and regulate its production, distribution and sale. The federal government intends to bring the Act into force by July 2018. Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General Mike Farnworth announced that the Union of B.C. Municipalities has been invited to establish a standing committee with the Province to support the development of the regulatory framework for cannabis legalization in British Columbia. To help provide some context to consultations, a <u>discussion paper</u> has also been developed on Cannabis Legalization and Regulation in BC. In September 2017, the province <u>invited</u> the Union of BC Municipalities to establish a standing committee with the provincial government to support the development of the regulatory framework for cannabis legalization in BC		LTCs will need to update their fees bylaws to include a fee for a Cannabis referral application. LTCs should begin to review their land use bylaws to ensure locations for commercial production and sale of recreational Cannabis are

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		<p><u>Legal Opinion on cannabis and local governments</u> – retail, zoning and enforcement (pages 10-13) March 2018</p> <p>Note that growing of recreation cannabis in the ALR is considered a permitted farm use under the ALC Act. Also, local government bylaws cannot prevent growing of up to 4 plants in a residence for personal use.</p>		appropriate for the community.

New legislation in effect

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<i>Local Elections Campaign Financing Amendment Act, 2017</i>	Royal Assent November 30, 2017	<p>Amendments will prohibit unions, corporations and non-B.C. residents from donating to local government candidates, third-party advertisers or elector organizations that endorse a slate of candidates.</p> <p>Under the Act, an individual will be able to donate a <u>maximum of \$1,200</u> a year to the campaign of a candidate or an elector organization.</p> <p>April 27, 2018 New <u>Regulations</u> under the Local Elections Campaign Financing Act to ensure that union and corporate donations cannot be used to fund any expenses of elector organizations during the year of a general local election.</p>		Information to Islands Trust candidates will be provided by the Regional Districts who administer elections.
<i>Bill 24 – Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act:</i>	Royal Assent May 31, 2018	<p>Amended Riparian Areas Protection Act – to allow Minister to refuse RAR report that does not conform to the prescribed methodology, and remove Technical manual from legislation so Minister can update at as necessary</p> <p>Islands Trust Fund name changed to Islands Trust Fund Conservancy, including transitional to allow current Trust Fund Board members to continue as Trust Fund conservancy members</p>		Communication Plan for name change in development

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<p>Bill 30 – 2018 <u>Cannabis Control and Licencing Act</u> (provincial)</p> <p>Bill 31-- 2018 <u>Cannabis Distribution Act</u></p>	<p>Royal Assent May 31, 2018</p> <p>Third Reading May 17, 2018</p> <p>First Reading April 26, 2018</p> <p>Royal Assent May 31, 2018</p> <p>Third Reading May 15, 2018</p> <p>First Reading April 26, 2018</p>	<p>The proposed <u>Cannabis Control and Licensing Act (CCLA)</u> establishes provincial control over the sale, supply and possession of non-medical cannabis, and establishes licensing of private cannabis retailers, including registration and training requirements for those who will work in cannabis retail. The act outlines restrictions on the possession, personal cultivation and consumption of cannabis by adults and prohibitions for minors. In addition, the act includes an extensive compliance and enforcement regime</p> <p>Division 3 includes provisions for consultation by local governments on issuance of license for production or distribution of Cannabis.</p> <p>The proposed <u>Cannabis Distribution Act (CDA)</u> will establish the Province’s exclusive jurisdiction over wholesale distribution of cannabis, and provide authority for public retail sales.</p> <p>The Liquor Distribution Branch (LDB), B.C.’s wholesale distributor of non-medical cannabis, is expected to open the first government-operated retail store by late summer, and is working to implement an e-commerce solution to offer online sales to the public.</p> <p>BC LDB Cannabis <u>Updates</u></p> <p>Note that growing of recreation cannabis in the ALR is considered a permitted farm use under the ALC Act. Also, local government bylaws cannot prevent growing of up to 4 plants in a residence for personal use.</p>		<p>LTCs will need to update their fees bylaws to include a fee for a Cannabis referral application.</p> <p>LTCs should review their land use bylaws to ensure locations for commercial production and sale of recreational Cannabis are appropriate for the community.</p>
<p><u>Bill 18 – 2018</u> <u>Local Government Statutes (Housing Needs Reports) Amendment Act, 2018</u></p>	<p>Royal Assent May 17, 2018</p> <p>First Reading April 24, 2018</p>	<p>This new legislation makes it <u>mandatory for local governments</u> to undertake an initial housing needs report within three years (by May 2021). Local governments will be required to consider the most recent housing needs report when developing an official community plan, or undertaking OCP text or mapping changes that affect housing. The reports must be updated every 5 years.</p> <p>Commissioned by CRD with Justine Starke, Island Planner, as a project co-lead on behalf of LPC.</p>	<p>Housing Needs Assessments completed in the Trust Area: <u>Northern Region Housing Needs Assessment, (Dillon Consulting, 2018)</u></p> <p>2018 Islands Trust</p>	<p>Staff will review the recently completed housing needs assessments and advice local trust committee on next steps (either adoption or edits and adoption). LTCs have three years to</p>

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			<p>staff supported the development of CRD <u>Southern Gulf islands Housing Needs Assessment, by CRD (JG Consulting, 2018).</u>: Justine Starke, Island Planner, as a project co-lead on behalf of LPC. <u>Salt Spring Island Affordable Housing Needs Assessment, (JG consulting, 2009; Updated in 2015 by IWAV).</u></p> <p>On June 13, 2016 Islands Trust held a Community Housing Forum.</p> <p>September 2016, Trust Council approved the final report: <u>Community Housing in the Trust Area</u></p> <p><u>Improving availability of affordable, accessible, appropriate housing using the land use</u></p>	<p>adopt a housing needs report under the legislation.</p> <p>Trust Council will need to consider funding for updates to the housing needs reports every five years, ideally coinciding with availability of census data.</p>

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			planning tools is a strategic priority for Trust Council (2014-2018 Strategic Plan 5.1).	
<p>Bill 23- 2018 <i>Local Government Statutes (Residential Rental Tenure Zoning) Amendment Act, 2018</i></p>	<p>In force, effective May 31, 2018</p> <p>First Reading April 24, 2018</p>	<p>Changes regarding <u>rental tenures</u> Charter amendments will now:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give local governments the authority to limit tenure of multi-family lots wholly or partially to rental through the use of a new rental zoning tool. • Allow local governments to ensure existing rentals cannot be redeveloped for another use. • Where applied, enable developers to know in advance that the permitted tenure will be rental, and if applicable, what portion of a development is required to be rental. <p>Rental zoning authority is optional for local governments.</p> <p><u>Rental Housing Task Force</u> May 28, 2018 Province has created a Rental Housing Task Force that will advise on how to improve security and fairness for renters and rental housing providers throughout the province. The task force includes MLAs Spencer Chandra Herbert, Adam Olsen and Ronna-Rae Leonard. Goal: to better understand what further changes may be needed to modernize B.C.’s tenancy laws. The Task Force includes <u>sessions</u> in Salt Spring Island June 22, 2018 and Victoria June 26, 2018</p>		<p>New zoning power to zone land for residential rental. Includes provision where strata corporations are in place, and legal non-conforming provisions.</p> <p>This is a new zoning tool that planners could use once the amendment to the LGA is in force.</p>
<p>Bill 7 – <i>Miscellaneous Statutes Amendment Act:</i></p>		<p>Interpretation Act</p> <p>Changes to the way time is calculated.</p>		<p>Staff will review: potential impact on anything requiring notice – such as public hearings,</p>

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Court Decisions

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City of Victoria seeking injunction to remove vessels and docks (BC Supreme Court)	Decision March 5, 2018	<p>The City of Victoria has a Licence of Occupation over the Gorge waterway and sought an injunction to remove 17 boats and four docks from a section of the waterway. The City asserted that the zoning bylaw provide powers to regulate anchoring while a boat owner has countered that the matter is under federal jurisdiction.</p> <p>Judge Justice Voith upheld the Licence of Occupation Decision/Reasons for Judgement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [57] The generally applicable legislative regime, which is largely permissive as to anchoring and mooring on navigable waters, does not trigger the doctrine of paramountcy in relation to zoning bylaws that restrict the duration of anchoring and mooring. There is no operational conflict or frustration of purpose in relation to such permissive federal legislation: <i>West Kelowna SC</i> at para 50 	BIM is enforcing all provisions of the Licence of Occupation and Use of Beaches and Water Areas Bylaw No. 418, 2016 (specific for Mannion Bay). BIM has developed a Fee for Mooring Buoys in Mannion Bay Bylaw No. 450, 2017 and is enforcing all provisions.	TAS staff will continue to provide details via participation in CRD Committee on Anchored and Abandoned Boats

New Resources

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BC Auditor General Report <u>Managing Climate Change Risks: An Independent Audit</u>	Released February 15, 2018	B.C. will likely not meet its 2020 emissions reduction target. Managing climate change requires two responses: mitigation and adaptation. Mitigation means reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Adaptation means taking action to reduce the potential harms from climate change. For a climate resilient province, we need both mitigation and adaptation, and they must complement one another. Auditor General report identifies key areas where government needs to improve its response to climate change, and made 17 recommendations, 15 for adaptation and 2 for mitigation.	March, 2018 Trust Council requested Executive Committee to bring back to council a report on options for Islands Trust to increase focus on climate change mitigation within its current budget.	
Stem to Stern: Crown Land Allocation and the Victoria International Marina.	January 10, 2018	The <u>Ombudsperson's investigation</u> resulted in eight recommendations for the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development relating to matters such as the quality and relevance of information available to the public, the ministry's public consultation process and the transparency of its decision making. All eight recommendations have been accepted by the ministry.		Staff will review recommendations for relevancy to work on Crown Land Agreements

Discussion/Planning/Trust Fund Board Related Advocacy Topics

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Capital Regional District Climate Action Inter-Municipal Working Group <u>Climate</u>	Released	The Climate Action Inter Municipal Working Group (IMWG) was developed in 2009 as a reporting and feedback mechanism for local government staff working on climate mitigation and adaptation related work in the Capital Region and meets quarterly. The purpose of this report is to quantify climate	Trust Council climate change session in March 2018. Seth Wright, Planner 2, has been a member of the working group since February 2015. Local Trust Committees have established GHG reduction targets in the OCPs.	Continue as member of CRD Climate Action Inter-Municipal Working Group

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<p><u>Projections for the Capital Regional District Report</u></p> <p><u>CRD Climate Change Strategy</u></p>	<p>April 2017</p> <p>Released April 2017</p>	<p>impacts (including changes to climate extremes) associated with global warming. This report focuses on the “business-as usual” emissions scenario and a 2050s timeframe.</p> <p>Guides CRD Services to support community-focused climate change mitigation and adaptation activities.</p>	<p>Islands Trust <u>Climate Action Revenue Incentive (CARIP) Public Report for 2016</u></p> <p>Islands Trust is committed to the actions agreed to under the BC Climate Action Charter. by being a <u>carbon neutral</u> organization since 2012</p> <p>Provided to trustees and relevant staff</p>	
<p><u>BC Municipal Climate Leadership Council</u></p>		<p>BCMCLC members are supported by Community Energy Association to engage their colleagues and communities to act on climate change. Rather than an advocacy group, members are mentored to develop strategies that work within the context of their communities while developing planning and implementation frameworks that can be adopted by other BC communities.</p>	<p>Trustee Sue Ellen Fast is a member.</p>	
<p><u>Federal Oceans Protection Plan</u></p>	<p>Announced November 7, 2016</p>	<p>The federal government announced a \$1.5 billion ocean protection plan, that addresses many but not all, of Islands Trust Council’s oil spill and derelict vessel advocacy requests, and may provide tools for better oversight of anchorages.</p> <p>The Oceans Protection Plan has four main priority areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> improved marine safety system, including new preventive and response measures; restoring and protecting the marine ecosystems and habitats, as well as taking measures to address abandoned boats and wrecks; strengthening partnerships and launching co- 	<p>Chair Luckham <u>wrote</u> Minister Garneau to express islanders concern about anchorages, March, 2018</p> <p>Chair Invitation to appear before the Standing Committee of Transport, Infrastructure and Communities regarding Bill C-64, 2018-02-1 (see New Legislation Bill C-64 above)</p> <p>Transport Canada staff presented to Trust Council, December 2017.</p> <p>Significant <u>advocacy</u> since 2010.</p>	<p>Staff will continue to monitor.</p>

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		management practices with Indigenous communities, including building local emergency response capacity; and investing in oil spill cleanup research/ methods.		

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<p><u>Addressing Canada's Abandoned Boats, an initiative under the Oceans Protection Plan</u></p>	<p>March 20-21, 2018</p> <p>Announced May 31, 2017</p>	<p>Oceans Protection Plan Dialogue Forum – South Coast</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anchorages • Proactive Vessel Management • Cumulative Effects of Marine Shipping • Emergency Towing Capacity • Response Planning • Update on Diluted Bitumen/Oil Science <p>T</p> <p>Two programs will address the issue of abandoned boats and vessels: Transport Canada’s Abandoned Boats Program and a related program by Fisheries and Oceans Canada.</p> <p>Assessment and Removal Projects (\$5.6 million over 5 years): Education and Awareness (up to \$750,000 over 5 years): Research (up to \$500,000 over 5 years):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • program will provide funding for research into processes and materials that help improve boat recycling and design • up to 100% for research projects. • Eligible recipients are: academia, researchers, universities, marinas or other industry and community stakeholders involved in boat design, construction and recycling. 	<p>The Chair and staff attended the two-day engagement March 20-21, 2018</p> <p>The Chair and staff attended an Ocean Protection Plan engagement session in Vancouver on November 2, 2017.</p> <p>Created a summary of programs/powers related to derelict vessels and structures and forwarded to federal government</p> <p>Attend engagement session in Victoria on November 27, 2017.</p> <p>On June 8, 2017 , staff attended Transport Canada briefing in Vancouver on the abandoned boats funding program.</p> <p>TAS staff are participating on the CRD derelict vessel working group.</p> <p>TAS staff researched regional districts applying for TC funding – very few at this time.</p> <p>TAS staff sent a notice to subscribers inviting reports of abandoned vessels and posted information to the Islands Trust website and provided the inventory to Transport Canada and Coast Guard</p>	<p>Continue to liaise with CRD committee.</p> <p>Monitor abandoned boat reports and forward to potential removal agencies.</p>

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			From 2012-2016, staff have participated in Joint Working Group for Removal of Problem Vessels.	
Salish Sea Biosphere Initiative Society		<p>The purpose of the society is to co-create a new stewardship model working with First Nations, the Islands Trust, and other organizations who work to protect the sensitive marine and terrestrial environment of the Salish Sea in the CRD region. Our purpose is to raise awareness and promote the unique relationship between the people, their languages and the land and connections with the inner coastal waters known as the Salish Sea and to collaborate with First Nations and others on new models for sustainable development.</p> <p>The Society's vision to become a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve or Region and its World Network of Biosphere Reserves (2016 - 2035).</p>	Peter Luckham attended a meeting Tuesday, January 16th 2018	

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New initiatives to <u>protect whales</u> under the Oceans Protection Plan	Announced March 15, 2018	<p>\$9.1 million in new science funding to develop and test technologies able to detect the presence of whales. The ability to capture near real-time information could help alert mariners of whales in a particular area, reducing the risk of collisions.</p> <p>Also \$3.1 million for four research projects to study the impacts of underwater noise and reduced availability of prey on marine mammals including the Southern Resident Killer Whale.</p>		
Rainwater Harvesting as drinking water source	May 7, 2018	<p>Adam Olsen <u>wrote</u> to Ministry of Health encouraging them to complete, as soon as possible, their work on developing standards that would allow local health officers to approve rainwater catchment systems as a drinking source.</p> <p><u>National Building Standards</u> announced to contribute to provincial standards</p>	<p><u>Water Resource webpage</u> created that includes information on rainwater harvesting.</p> <p>Rainwater harvesting being considered by various LTCs</p>	Staff will monitor Ministry of Health for information on rainwater catchment standards.
Regulations, strengthening the <i>Environmental Management Act</i>	January 30, 2018	<p>For the <u>Phase 2</u>, the Province will be looking for feedback in five areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Response times, to ensure timely responses following a spill; • Geographic response plans, to ensure resources are available to support an immediate response, that take into account unique characteristics of a given sensitive area; • Compensation for loss of public and cultural use of land, resources or public amenities in the case of spills; 	On September 30, 2016, the Chair <u>wrote</u> to the Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project (TMX) Ministerial Panel re Islands Trust Council comments on the proposed Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion Project.	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maximizing application of regulations to marine spills; and Restrictions on the increase of diluted bitumen (“dilbit”) transportation until the behaviour of spilled bitumen can be better understood and there is certainty regarding the ability to adequately mitigate spills. 		
<u>UBCM Housing Strategy report</u>	Released February 1, 2018	<p>Calls upon all levels of government to take action to address the issue of housing affordability</p> <p>A special committee drawn from local government, the academic community, not-for-profit sector and the housing industry developed the report, <i>A Home for Everyone: A Housing Strategy for British Columbians</i>. The strategy characterizes the current housing situation in British Columbia as a “crisis”, and states that all levels of government have failed to fully gauge the magnitude of the issue.</p>		
OceanWatch – Howe Sound Edition Action Plan Task Force	Formed in June 2017	<p>The Ocean Watch Task Force members are elected officials and staff representatives of the Howe Sound Community Forum member communities. The Task Force has a mission to advance the implementation of action items outlined in the <u>Ocean Watch – Howe Sound Edition</u> report. To achieve this goal, the Task Force will provide recommendations to Howe Sound’s local governments to support initiatives and projects that further marine ecosystem protection and ocean health.</p>	<p>Gambier LTC is a member of the Task Force. Trustee Stamford is Co-Chair of the Task Force.</p> <p>The Islands Trust Fund will contribute \$500 towards the Task Force’s planned Howe Sound Marine Reference Guide. Bowen Island Municipality has committed \$1742 a year for three years.</p>	<p>Invoice for contribution yet to be received, Tides Canada will be forwarding soon.</p>

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<p><u>Coastal Douglas-fir and Associated Ecosystems Conservation Partnership (CDFCP)</u></p>	<p>Islands Trust signatories include: the Islands Trust Council, Trust Fund Board, Gambier, Gabriola Galiano and Hornby Island LTCs.</p>	<p>The CDFCP is a partnership of 40 organizations that have signed on to the CDFCP Statement of Collaboration,</p> <p>In 2015, the CDFCP issued a Conservation Strategy that will begin to address a multi-variable approach to ecosystem conservation.</p>	<p>May 2018: CDFCP completing a Conservation Planning Guide for the CDF.</p> <p>January 2018: CAO & Directors of TAS and LPS met with FLNRORD staff re: CDFCP funding levels and support.</p> <p>January 2018: <u>Chair letter</u> sent to FLNRORD regarding proposed protected areas for the CDF.</p> <p>September 2017: Executive Committee met with the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy and discussed CDFCP funding levels and support.</p> <p>June 2017: Mapping contract deliverables provided to Gambier planning staff for use in Gambier OCP Review Evaluation of next steps delayed but now underway.</p> <p>April 27, 2017 meeting: Gambier Island LTC currently working with CDFCP contractor to inform its OCP review.</p> <p>November 2015: Chair sent a letter to the CDFCP Steering Committee in support of the Conservation Strategy.</p> <p>September 2015: Islands Trust resolution at UBCM to support CDFCP approved and forwarded to the Minister of Forests, Lands</p>	<p>LPS staff to liaise with CDFCP regarding LPC's CDF Ecosystem Protection Project.</p> <p>TAS staff to follow up with Jennifer McGuire, ADM at MoE re: funding levels for CDFCP.</p> <p>Gambier Island planner to review mapping information and follow up with the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee and CDFCP.</p> <p>The Islands Trust Fund Ecosystem Protection Specialist will</p>

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			and Natural Resource Operations.	continue to be on the CFDCP Steering Committee.
<u>Provincial Species and Ecosystems at Risk and Local Governments Working Group</u>	Active since 2009.	<p>The Species and Ecosystems at Risk Local Government Working Group (SEAR LGWG) was established in the fall of 2009</p> <p>The SEAR LGWG consists of representatives from municipal, regional and provincial governments and the Union of British Columbia Municipalities (UBCM). A jointly prepared <u>discussion paper Working Together to Protect Species at Risk: Strategies Recommended by Local Government to Improve Conservation on Municipal, Regional and Private Lands in British Columbia</u> was completed in January 2011.</p> <p>In 2016, the Working Group struck a SEAR Charter Advisory Committee to help develop a SEAR Charter between the province and local governments to provide greater clarity on roles and responsibilities of both parties. Consultation with local governments on the Charter is expected in 2018 with a subsequent request to local governments to sign on to the Charter.. A SEAR Charter was one of the four short-medium term recommendations that came out of a 3-year SEAR Incentive Project, which supports the <u>Five Year Plan for Species at Risk in B.C.</u> The Charter is expected to compliment the anticipated provincial SAR legislation.</p>	<p>Staff and Trustee Crumblehume participated in information webinar May 16, 2018</p> <p>LPS and ITF staff attended the 4th SEAR Local Government Working Group Symposium (31 Jan – 1 Feb 2017) in Victoria. The ITF Manager presented on tax incentives for conservationThe full report and highlights from the symposium have been posted to the <u>SEAR LGWG webpage</u>. (links at bottom of page)</p> <p>Marnie Eggen, Island Planner, and Jennifer Eliason, Islands Trust Fund Manager are members of the Species and Ecosystems at Risk (SEAR) Local Government Working Group (LGWG); Marnie Eggen is a member of the a SEAR Charter Advisory Committee and Jennifer Eliason is a member of the SEAR Incentive Project Committee.</p> <p>Staff provided a response to the Province’s survey of local government in 2014.</p>	LPS staff and ITF staff will continue to participate in the Working Group.

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<u>Mount Arrowsmith Biosphere Region Roundtable (MABR)</u>		Biosphere area includes Ballenas Winchelsea LTC (of which the entire LTA falls within the MABR)	Sonja Zupanec Islands Trust representative on Advisory Committee to the Roundtable	LPS staff will continue to participate in the committee.
DFO Shellfish Aquaculture Management Advisory Committee (AMAC) working group on environmental performance,	Established spring 2018	<p>The shellfish Aquaculture Management Advisory Committee (AMAC) established by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) Pacific Region to provide formal advice and make recommendations to the Department on planning, policy and operational decisions related to aquaculture management in BC</p> <p>Shellfish AMAC Working Group on Environmental Performance Goals and Objectives</p> <p>The working group would follow up on objectives which have been identified at previous AMACs, and would report to the shellfish AMAC at the spring and fall meetings in 2018 on two deliverables:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Examining and making recommendations relating to better communicating the roles and responsibilities of various governments and parties related to environmental performance and debris issues 2. Recommendations for improving the environmental performance of shellfish aquaculture in British Columbia <p>The working group will have a representative member from each sector on the shellfish AMAC (ie, aquaculture industry, aquaculture industry organizations, First Nations, environmental & conservation nongovernmental organizations, and local government), as well as Provincial government and additional community interest participation.</p>	Chair letter sent to DFO designating Trustee David Critchley as the Islands Trust member on the committee , with Trustee Laura Busheikin as alternate	Trustee Critchley will attend future meetings.

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<p>DFO project for co-Development, co-Design, and co-delivery of Indigenous Fisheries programs</p> <p>Indigenous Program Review – <u>Final Report Phase One</u></p>	<p>Announced October 5, 2017</p> <p>Released May 2018</p>	<p>DFO is undertaking a major <u>review</u> of Indigenous programs and developing a joint vision for the future of these programs that support Indigenous participation in fisheries, aquaculture and the management of aquatic habitat and resources.</p> <p>Recommendations from the review committee to DFO</p>	<p>The Islands Trust has a strong desire and vision for enduring relationship with First Nations based on trust, honour and goodwill. See <u>webpage</u></p> <p>First Nations with interests in herring and shellfish fisheries participated in the Baynes Sound/ Lambert Channel Ecosystem Forum</p>	<p>Staff and Trust Council will continue to learn of First Nations fishery interests</p>
<p><u>Sunshine Coast Fixed Link Study</u></p>	<p>Released December 7, 2017</p>	<p>Ministry of Transportation released results of Sunshine Coast Fixed Link Study. The study concludes that a fixed-link crossing would have considerable technical and financial challenges. Therefore, the Province will not be proceeding with a fixed link.</p>	<p>In 2016, the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee Chair wrote a letter to the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure’s consultants.</p> <p>In 2016, Ann Kjerulf, Regional Planner Manager and Aleksandra Brzozowski, former Island Planner, attended a local government staff consultation and Trustee Stamford attended an elected officials session.</p>	
<p>Anchorage concerns</p>	<p>Federal efforts to create Gabriola anchorage on hold.</p>	<p>The Pacific Pilotage Authority has put a hold on the proposed new Gabriola anchorages based on stakeholders’ and partners’ concerns regarding the consultation process.</p> <p>At the end of August Transport Canada advised that they have an anchoring initiative under the Ocean Protection Plan that will lead to the development of a national framework for identifying and designating</p>	<p>Highlights: TOPIC CONTINUED IN “NEW LEGISLATION BILL C-64 and OPP ABOVE</p> <p>On April 18, 2017 Chair Luckham , Trustee McConchie and Trustee O’Sullivan attended a Chamber of Shipping of BC roundtable discussion about anchorage issues in the Gulf Islands.</p>	<p>TAS staff will continue to monitor.</p>

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		<p>new anchorages, as well as best management practices for the behaviour of vessels while at anchor. This initiative will involve engagement with interested parties and organizations, including the Islands Trust.</p> <p>In the meantime, Transport Canada is working with the Pacific Pilotage Authority, the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority, the Chamber of Shipping and the Shipping Federation of Canada, and possibly others, to develop an interim protocol for the management of vessels anchoring in the Southern Gulf Islands.</p>	<p>In 2016, Chair Luckham <u>wrote</u> to the Prime Minister to express Council's ask for a moratorium until Transport Canada does proactive planning/mitigation and <u>wrote</u> to the Minister of Transport encouraging Transport Canada to engage in full community consultation and a detailed public analysis of the potential implications of extending the jurisdiction of the Nanaimo Port Authority,</p> <p>In 2016, Chair Luckham <u>wrote</u> to Pacific Pilotage Authority regarding the timing of the planned public meeting about the proposed Gabriola Island anchorages.</p> <p>In 2015, Chair Luckham <u>wrote</u> to the Honourable Marc Garneau, Minister of Transport, re minimizing anchorage use.</p> <p>In 2015, the Islands Trust hosted a stakeholder meeting about the Plumper Sound, Cowichan Bay and proposed Gabriola anchorages to promote dialogue and increased understanding of the issues.</p>	
Integrated Geoduck Management Framework (IGMF) 2017	Released in March 2017. Implementation underway.	<p>Policy guidance for the licensing of geoduck aquaculture. Guidance on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coast wide opportunities - Siting guidelines aimed at minimizing overlap with commercial wild fishery while providing opportunities for aquaculture 	<p>Islands Trust resolution endorsed by AVICC April 2018 and will be forwarded to UBCM convention September 10-14, 2018 DFO Minister Dominic LeBlanc <u>responded</u> February 6, 2018</p> <p>Chair <u>wrote</u> a letter to DFO Minister Dominic LeBlanc requesting ecosystem-based study of potential and cumulative impacts of the IGMF</p>	Staff will monitor UBCM Resolution.

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		- Wild harvest 'opportunities' prior to aquaculture	on the health of the Salish Sea, January 2, 2018 Staff report prepared. Chair <u>wrote</u> a letter on the draft Framework to Jeff Johansen, Regional Manager for Invertebrates, Pacific Region, DFO in 2014.	
2017/2018 Pacific Herring Integrated Fisheries Management Plan	Consultation closed February 8, 2018	On January 24, 2018 Islands Trust staff learned that Fisheries and Oceans Canada was soliciting comments regarding the draft 2017/2018 Pacific Herring Integrated Fisheries Management Plan (IFMP), through the Fisheries Notices, with a closing date for comments of February 8, 2018. DFO staff apologized for not making staff or Trustee Law aware of the posting site.	February 8, 2018 Chair <u>wrote</u> to DFO regarding draft 2017/2018 Pacific Herring Integrated Fisheries Management Plan June 8, 2018 Islands Trust hosting a herring fisheries meeting on Hornby Island with DFO staff.	
2018 Spring Reports of the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development to the Parliament of Canada Report 1—Salmon Farming	Released May, 2018	<u>Federal Environment Commissioner Gives DFO Failing Grades on Salmon Fish Farms: report</u> cites failure to protect wild salmon. DFO and the Canadian Food Agency have accepted all recommendations and will be taking action and reporting back.		TAS staff will continue to monitor.

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Operational review of BC Ferries	Launched in fall 2017	The Province of BC has initiated an operational review of BC Ferries. Media reports suggest this full operational review will look at everything from the reservation system through to information technology, through to executive structure	On November 21, 2017 the Chair attended a meeting with the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure with the Coastal Regional District Chairs. The operational review was discussed.	TAS staff will continue to monitor.

Environmental Assessments in/near the Islands Trust Area

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<p><u>BURNCO Aggregate Project environmental assessment process update</u></p>	<p>May 10, 2018</p> <p>March 20, 2018</p> <p><u>Draft Summary Assessment Report</u> released on October 27, 2017.</p>	<p>Catherine McKenna, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, announced that the proposed BURNCO Aggregate Mine Project is “not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects when the mitigation measures described in the Comprehensive Study Report are taken into account”.</p> <p><u>BC government</u> issues an environmental assessment certificate for the BURNCO project.</p> <p>BURNCO Rock Products Ltd is proposing to construct and operate a sand and gravel mine within the Lower McNab Valley, approximately 22 kilometres (km) southwest of Squamish and 35 km northwest of Vancouver. The projected lifespan of the proposed Project is 16 years. The average estimated rate of sand and gravel production is 1,000,000 tonnes per year, with one barge (two transits) every other day.</p> <p>The Draft Summary Assessment Report for BURNCO Aggregate Project (Burnco Project) notes that as a member of the working group, the representative for the Gambier Island Local Trust Committee expressed concern about the mineral composition of the mine site, cumulative effects, noise generation and air quality monitoring.</p> <p>The report notes that with regard to glass-sponge reefs, it was determined during the EA that they were at a depth and in locations that would be unaffected by the project. As far as the other concerns raised by local governments, the report states that there are proposed conditions for fish and fish habitat, marine mammals, air quality, noise and visual impacts, and the implementation of a Community Advisory Group that local governments will be invited to participate on.</p>	<p>Trustee Stamford joined the Working Group in January 2016.</p> <p>In 2016, Chair Luckham <u>wrote</u> a letter to the BC Environmental Assessment office</p> <p>In 2016, 2016 Gambier LTC Chair <u>wrote</u> a letter to the BC Environmental Assessment office</p> <p>In 2013, Chair Malcolmson <u>wrote</u> a letter to the BC Environmental Assessment Office.</p>	

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<p><u>Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Canadian Environmental assessment</u></p>	<p>Consultation on the application closed on October 29, 2016</p> <p>May 1, 2017</p> <p>May 16, 2017</p>	<p>Port Metro Vancouver (PMV), proposes to build a new container terminal at Roberts Bank, Delta, B.C. consisting of a new three-berth marine container terminal located at Roberts Bank, Delta, B.C. The terminal could result in 520 additional vessel transits in the Salish Sea.</p> <p>In April 2015, CEAA issued the Roberts Bank Terminal 2 Project Review Panel Final Terms of Reference which stated that the environmental assessment must also take into account the environmental effects of marine shipping associated with the project which is beyond the care and control of the proponent (PMV) and within the 12 nautical mile limit of Canada’s territorial sea. However, for the purposes of the Minister’s decision on whether the project is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects, the environmental effects of marine shipping are not considered environmental effects and will not be subject to conditions to the proponent in any decision statement issued by the Minister under CEAA 2012. CEAA has received correspondence from number First Nations, local governments, non-profits agencies and individuals criticizing this approach.</p> <p>The Review Panel has received revised responses to its requests for additional information from the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority . The 282 page <u>report</u> focuses on coastal geomorphology and geotechnical/seismic information.</p> <p>The Review Panel requested that the Proponent prepare and maintain a <u>compilation document</u> of the Review Panel information requests (IRs) and the Proponent’s responses</p>	<p>In 2016, Chair Luckham <u>wrote</u> a letter to CEAA.</p> <p>In 2013, Chair Malcolmson <u>wrote</u> a letter</p>	<p>None planned.</p> <p>Staff will monitor for final report and decision</p>

Islands Trust Requests to the Province of BC for Changes to the Islands Trust Legislation/Regulation (during past 10 years)

Note: On March 14, 2018, Trust Council received a staff report that summarized the relevant strengths and weaknesses for each of 20 potential amendments, including some not listed below. In June 2018, Trust Council will receive a briefing regarding potential legislative amendments. The recommendation is that Trust Council identify a prioritized list of amendments to the *Islands Trust Act* for forwarding to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, using agreed-upon criteria.

ISLANDS TRUST COUNCIL REQUEST	WHEN	METHOD	RESPONSE
1. Amendments to the <i>Islands Trust Act</i> that would cause four local trustees to be elected to sit on the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee and Trust Council.	July 20, 2007	Letter to Hon. Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services	<p>May 2008 Minister Chong suggested Islands Trust hold a referendum in the Salt Spring Island LTA. If the referendum was successful, Minister Chong was willing to approve four local trustees for the SSILTC, but not to increase Salt Spring Island representation on Trust Council.</p> <p>Turned down by Salt Spring Island LTA referendum November 15, 2008.</p>
2. Changes to the <i>Islands Trust Act</i> that would enable the Islands Trust Council to determine the size of its Executive Committee.	July 20, 2007	Letter to Hon. Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services	Not advanced by the Ministry. Never formally turned down.
	June 2008	Trust Council later requested a simpler amendment - that S. 20(3) of the <i>Islands Trust Act</i> be amended to increase the number of vice chairs from three to four.	
	June 2011	Raised during a meeting between the Executive Committee and the Hon. Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services	
3. The necessary changes to provincial / legislation and regulations to permit Islands Trust bodies to hold meetings through electronic or other communication facilities.	July 20, 2007	Letter to Hon. Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services	Achieved in 2009 through provincial creation of a new Islands Trust Regulation.

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4. Changes to provincial/legislation and regulations be made, if necessary, to confirm that Islands Trust bodies may perform their duties and functions while outside of the Islands Trust Area.	July 20, 2007	Letter to Hon. Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services	This topic originally arose in response to a court case, where a bylaw was quashed because the public hearing was held outside the jurisdiction. Further evaluation determined that the relevant legislation had been amended and did not apply to local trust committees.
5. Natural Area Protection Tax Exemption Program (NAPTEP) – extension to Bowen Island Municipality	October 27, 2009	Meeting with Hon. Bill Bennett, Minister of Community and Rural Development	Achieved June 2010 through minor amendment to legislation.
6. Bylaw dispute adjudication system	October 27, 2009	Meeting with Hon. Bill Bennett, Minister of Community and Rural Development	Achieved in 2011
7. Trust Fund Board corporate status and name change	May 31, 2018	Name change achieved via <i>Miscellaneous Statutes Bill</i>	Hurray!
	January 23, 2018	Executive Committee raised the name change request as number one Trust priority during meeting with the Hon. Selina Robinson, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing	Advised by Minister she would investigate further.
	June 2011	Name change raised during a meeting with the Hon. Ida Chong, Minister of Community Services	Advised by Minister to explore other solutions first to determine if can resolve challenges in other ways. Trust Fund Board has asked Trust Council Chair to seek this change in writing. Several requests have been made
	June 2011	Staff met with Ministry staff	
	November 20, 2012	Letter to Hon. Bill Bennett, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development	Response received Feb 2013. Minister Bennett stated that changing the corporate structure of the Trust Fund Board has broad implications that require careful consideration. He further noted that government often requires a compelling reason, such as a legislative barrier to operations, prior to considering such a

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			legislative request. He suggested that Islands Trust staff contact the Assistant Deputy Minister to arrange for further evaluation of the proposal.
	Sept 2013 and Feb 2014	Letters to Hon. Coralee Oakes, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development	Several contacts with Ministry staff have been made, most recently in May 2015. The Assistant Deputy Minister repeated earlier advice that that the ministry does not currently have the capacity to undertake this complex a legislative change, given other provincial priorities.
	May 12, 2015	Executive Committee and senior staff met with new Assistant Deputy Minister Jay Schlosar, who has since left government	
	September 2015	Letter to Hon. Peter Fassbender, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development	Minister Fassbender was not responsive to Trust Council's request for legislative changes. Conversation during the meeting focused on Salt Spring governance and his request that Executive Committee meet with the Aboriginal Aquaculture Association.
	November 2015	Executive Committee and CAO met with Hon. Peter Fassbender, Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development	
8. Support in principle amending the Islands Trust Act to add "First Nations" to the list of those with whom we work "in co-operation."	September 2015	Trust Council requested the Executive Committee to consider asking the Minister of Community, Sport and Cultural Development to make this amendment, at an appropriate time, with respect to available resources and the potential for the amendment to be achieved.	

TRUST COUNCIL DIRECTION	WHEN	METHOD	COMMENTS FROM TC MINUTES
That Trust Council approve in principle a review of the <i>Islands Trust Act</i> .	Dec 2016	Resolution TC-2016-099	Discussion included the history of past requested changes to the Act, the capacity for the review to be added to the work program, the timing of the request, the desire for sustained provincial funding to support the Trust Fund Board and the opportunity to ask for tools in order for Islands Trust to be more effective.
That Trust Council add to the 2014-2018 Strategic Plan the project of investigating the principle of amending the <i>Islands Trust Act</i> and assign the project to the Executive Committee.	Dec 2016	Resolution TC-2016-100	It was indicated that the Executive Committee would decide when it was appropriate to assign a priority to this.