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September 26-28, 2023, Islands Trust Council Meeting Program Announced

Lək'wəḡən, METULIYE/Victoria, B.C. – Islands Trust Council invites the public to participate in its next business meeting being held on North Pender Island at the Pender Islands Community Hall, 4418 Bedwell Harbour Road, September 26-28, 2023. There will be multiple options for participating in or viewing the meeting. The public are able to attend in-person and are welcome to listen and participate by telephone, join the meeting by computer or smartphone, or simply watch the meeting on a computer or smartphone.

Trust Council meets quarterly to make decisions about matters that apply to the Islands Trust Area and Islands Trust operations. Trust Council receives, discusses, and makes decisions about policies, finances, and proposed work for the coming quarter.

Featured Sessions

Delegations and Public Comment Session – Present as a delegation to Trust Council or speak at the Public Comments portion of the meeting on matters affecting the Trust Area.

Anyone wishing to present as a delegation is required to submit [this form](#) along with your complete presentation by the **September 5, 2023 deadline**. Visit <https://islandstrust.bc.ca/contact-us/share-your-views/> for more details.

The final meeting schedule and agenda package will be posted to the [meeting page](#) and [document library](#) on the Islands Trust website by September 15, 2023.

Trust Council works to preserve and protect over 450 islands and their surrounding waters in the Salish Sea and, welcomes input, comments, ideas, and feedback on topics related to the jurisdiction of the Islands Trust.

The Islands Trust Area is located in the treaty lands and territories of the BOŖEĆEN, Cowichan Tribes, K'ómoks, Lyackson, MÁLEXEŁ, Qualicum, scəwəθən, səlilwətał, SEMYOME, shishálh, Skwxwú7mesh, Snaw-naw-as, Snuneymuxw, Songhees, Spune'luxutth', SṪÁUTW, Stz'uminus, łəʔəmen, Ts'uubaa-asatx, Wei Wai Kum, We Wai Kai, W JOŁŁP, W SIŁKEM, Xeláltxw, Xwémalhkwx, Xwsepsum, and xʷməθkʷəyəm First Nations.

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Islands Trust is a special-purpose government representing over 30,000 people living within the Islands Trust Area and 10,000 non-resident property owners. The Islands Trust Area is located within Coast Salish territory and is the homeland to many Coast Salish Peoples who have called this place home since time immemorial. Islands Trust is responsible for preserving and protecting the Islands Trust Area's unique amenities and environment through conservation-oriented land use planning and regulation, education, and cooperation with First Nations and other agencies. The Islands Trust Area covers the islands and waters between the British Columbia mainland and southern Vancouver Island. It includes 13 major islands and more than 450 smaller islands covering 5,200 square kilometres.

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Preserving and protecting over 450 islands and surrounding waters in the Salish Sea

Bowen, Denman, Gabriola, Galiano, Gambier, Hornby, Lasqueti, Mayne, N. Pender, Salt Spring, Saturna, S. Pender, Thetis