Galiano Island Local Trust Committee Orientation

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Acknowledgement

Islands Trust and Islands Trust Conservancy respectfully acknowledge that the lands and waters that encompass the Islands Trust Area have been home to Indigenous peoples since time immemorial and their deep connection to the islands continues to this day.

We are committed to reconciliation, to upholding the rights of Indigenous peoples, and to working together to preserve and protect this ecologically, culturally, and spiritually significant region in the Salish Sea.

The Islands Trust Area is located in the treaty and territorial lands and waters of the BOḰEĆEN, Cowichan Tribes, K'ómoks, Lyackson, MÁLEXEŁ, Qualicum, scəẃaθən, səlʼ ilwətaɬ, SEMYOME, shíshálh, Sḵwx̱wú7mesh, Snaw-naw-as, Snuneymuxw, Songhees, Spune'luxutth', SȾÁUTW, Stz'uminus, ɬaʔəmen, Ts'uubaa-asatx, Wei Wai Kum, We Wai Kai, WJOŁEŁP, WSIḴEM, Xeláltxw, Xwémalhkwu, Xwsepsum, and xʷməθkʷəyʼəm First Nations.

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LTC Orientation

- Introductions
- Overview of:
  - Projects
  - Applications & Processes
  - Bylaw Enforcement
  - First Nations Relationships
  - LTC Meetings – Preparation & Agendas
  - Advocacy & Communications
  - Advisory Planning Commissions
  - Questions & Discussion

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LTC Projects

- LTC Projects from last term
- Future Projects list review
- Strategic Plan
- LTC Priorities



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Application Process

- Typical Land Use Permit
- Contact with applicant
- Application submittal and review
- Planner's assessment
- What to expect on the agenda
- At the meeting



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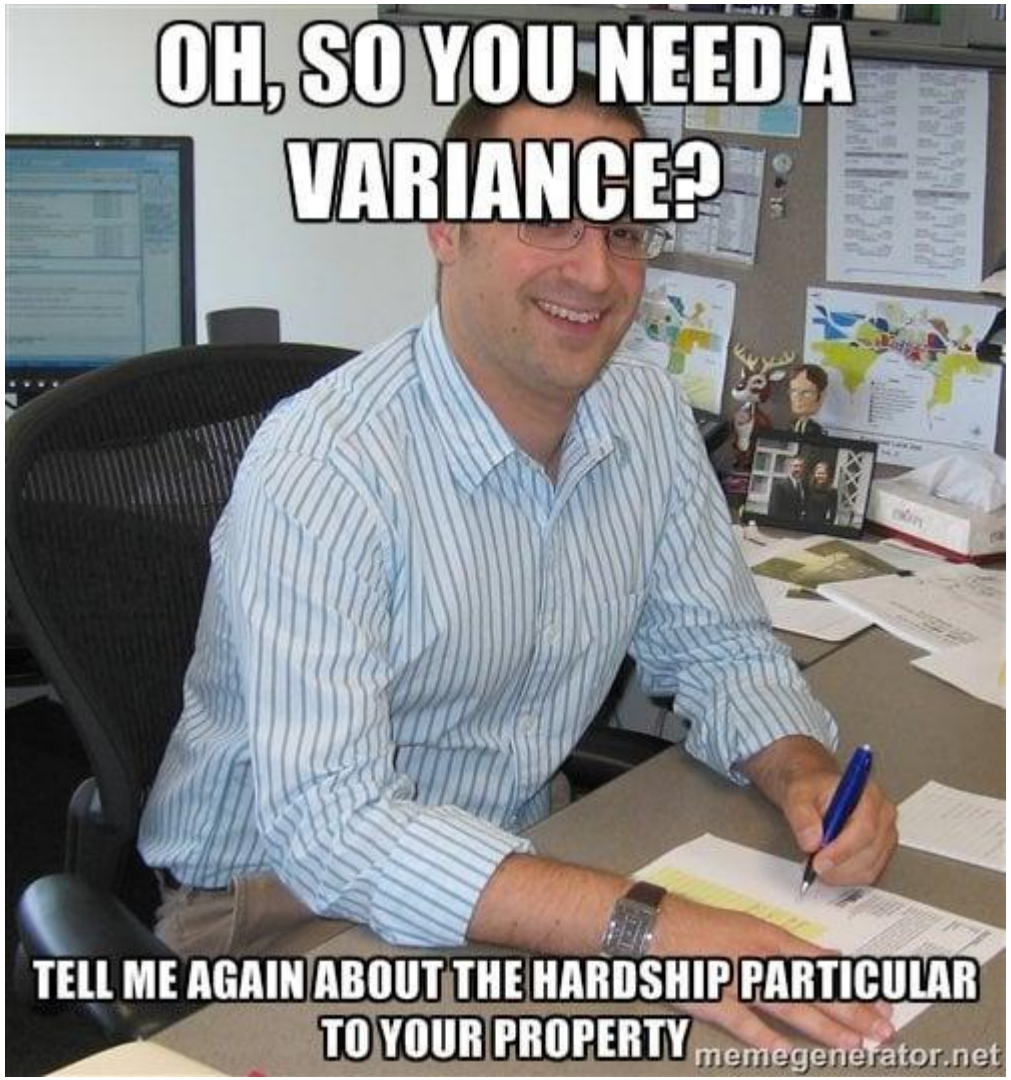
Current Applications

- On-going applications
- Pending applications
- Getting answers to questions



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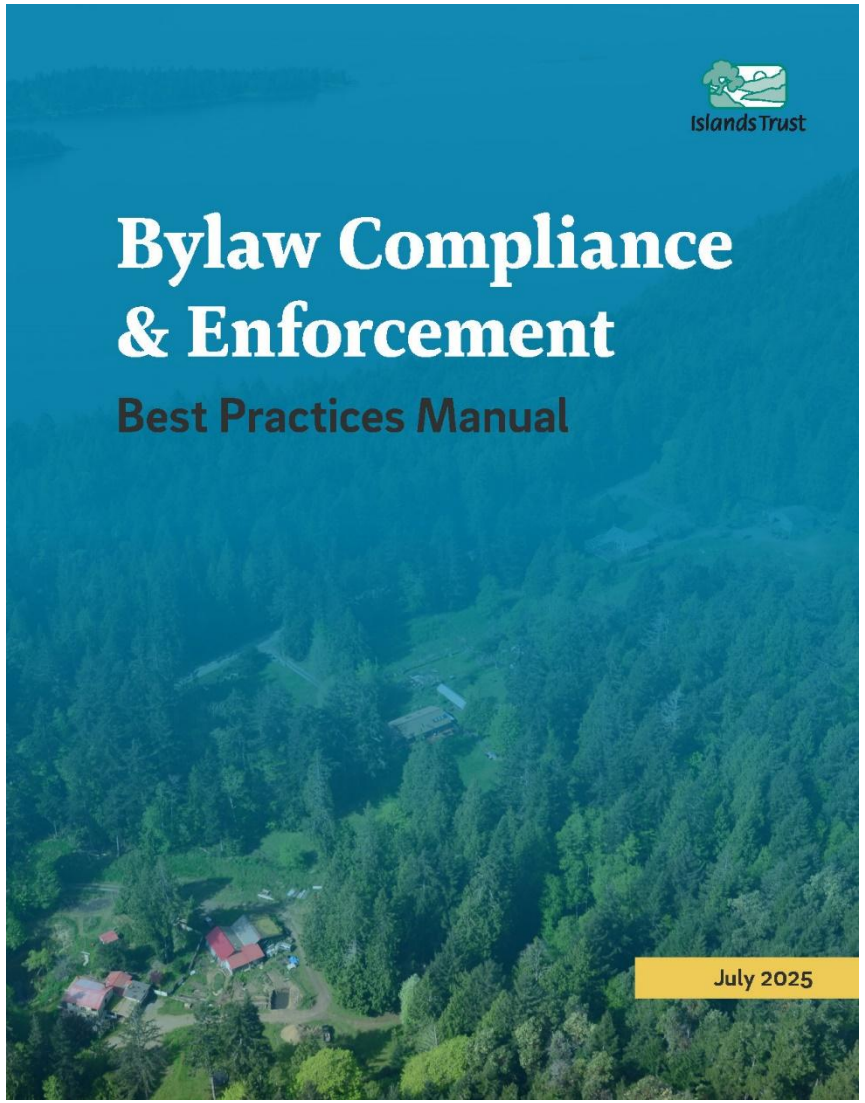

Bylaw Enforcement

- Trust Council Policy
- LTC Bylaw Enforcement Notification Bylaw
- LTC Enforcement Policy
- Bylaw enforcement trends
- Questions

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First Nations Relations

- First Nations in the local trust area
- Past consultation initiatives
- Recent and on-going engagement
- Opportunities



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LTC Meetings

- Regular Meetings and Annual Meeting Schedule
- Special Meetings
- Open meeting rule
- Agendas
- Questions about meetings?



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Public Participation

- The role of the public in planning
- The importance of engagement
- The range of engagement
- Mandatory engagement
- Optional engagement
- Pitfalls





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LTC Advocacy and Communications

- Assessing Request to the LTC for Advocacy
- Undertaking LTC Advocacy
- Local Trust Committee Communications
  - Communications as part of an LTC Project
  - Planners can undertake planning related work
  - Trust Area Services can provide support for projects
  - Media inquires and releases
- Trustee Communications
  - Local updates
  - Webpage
  - Social Media



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Advisory Planning Commission Vs Board of Variance

- APCs are optional
- Appointed by LTC
- APC provide advice to LTCs



- BOVs required
- Appointed by LTC
- Only for hardship and minor variances
- Decision is final

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Questions and Discussion

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