

**BOWEN**  
**ISLAND**  
Municipality

May 30, 2025

Laura Patrick, Chair  
and Islands Trustees  
Islands Trust Council

VIA E-MAIL: [execadmin@islandstrust.bc.ca](mailto:execadmin@islandstrust.bc.ca)

Dear Chair Patrick and Islands Trustees,

Re: Meeting with elected officials in ferry-affected communities

On behalf of Bowen Island Council, I am writing to thank you and your colleagues on the Executive Committee for attending our Special Council meeting on April 30, 2025, here on Bowen Island. It was a fruitful meeting that left us feeling optimistic about our important relationship with the Islands Trust and our shared interests in island issues in the Trust area.

The portion of the meeting where we discussed the Trust's history of advocacy on ferry fares and service levels was particularly interesting, and it was suggested that the Trust could serve as a convener, bringing together ferry authorities, small communities, and elected officials to try to find solutions with the Province. It was further noted that a shared priority for all ferry dependent communities within the Trust area is assured loading for island residents.

We would like to request that the Islands Trust consider convening such a meeting. Bringing these voices together would be a meaningful step toward addressing long-standing transportation challenges in ferry-dependent communities across the Trust area.

We look forward to hearing your thoughts on this proposal and offer to support this initiative in any way we can.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Andrew Leonard  
Mayor