



2002 AWARD WINNER PROFILE

**WINNER: TRINCOMALI IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
NORTH PENDER ISLAND**

**CATEGORY: SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
'ORGANIZATION/BUSINESS'**

PROJECT: TRINCOMALI COMMUNITY WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM

NOMINATOR: PENDER ISLANDS TRUST PROTECTION SOCIETY

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Project Description:

The Trincomali Improvement District provides and maintains a secure and sustainable water supply to the Trincomali subdivision on North Pender Island.

The Improvement District was formed in 1983 to upgrade and operate a water system serving a subdivision that had been developed in 1968. At the time the Improvement District was formed, the community's water system was unable to supply the needs of its users. It now provides a secure, adequate and sustainable water supply to 87 properties and has room for expansion.

Two of the innovative aspects of the project are its use of meters for problem identification (rather than for billing), and the level of community education and involvement. Trustees of the Improvement District meet with new property owners to ensure they are aware of necessary restrictions on water use. These measures have allowed the District to serve all users, despite the natural limits on water on North Pender Island.

This project is consistent with Islands Trust policies that support island self-sufficiency and the sustainable use of freshwater resources.



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**WINNER: ISLAND WILDLIFE NATURAL CARE CENTRE
JEFF LEDERMAN, DIRECTOR
SALT SPRING ISLAND**

**CATEGORY: ECOSYSTEM AND RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP
'ORGANIZATION/BUSINESS'**

PROJECT: WILDLIFE REHABILITATION

NOMINATOR: JACKIE BALLERONE, SALT SPRING ISLAND

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Project Description:

Jeff Lederman founded the Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre in 1997 to care for sick, injured and orphaned wildlife. Jeff used his personal resources to set up operation on a 4-acre parcel of land on the north end of Salt Spring Island. Since then, the Centre has treated nearly 2000 animals.

The Island Wildlife Natural Care Centre now operates with a small paid staff, supplemented by over 20 volunteers. Ten interns from around the world also come to Salt Spring Island to assist, study and gain hands-on experience at the Centre.

The Centre focuses on a naturopathic approach to the rehabilitation of indigenous species. It has gained an international reputation among rehabilitators and has become established as a world leader in the wildlife application of alternative treatments. As a result, it has achieved a remarkable animal survival rate.

This project is consistent with Islands Trust policies that support protection of the diversity of native species in the Trust Area.



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**WINNER: MAUREEN MILBURN
SALT SPRING ISLAND CONSERVANCY**

**CATEGORY: ECOSYSTEM AND RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP
'INDIVIDUAL'**

PROJECT: MAXWELL LAKE CONSERVATION COVENANT

**NOMINATOR: MAUREEN BENDICK, SALT SPRING ISLAND
CONSERVANCY**

Project Description:

The Maxwell Lake conservation covenant protects the Maxwell Lake watershed on Salt Spring Island. The lake serves as an important community water supply, and its watershed had been included in the logging plan for Texada Land Corporation.

Development of the conservation covenant required many hours of negotiation between the Salt Spring Island Conservancy, Texada Land Corporation, the North Salt Spring Waterworks District, and The Land Conservancy. Because the covenant represented an Ecological Gift and would result in a tax credit for the Texada Land Company, it also had to be evaluated by both the federal and provincial governments.

Maureen Milburn's extensive experience with covenants was extremely important to the success of the negotiations. She facilitated the covenant negotiation process and volunteered all the time required. The result is permanent protection of the second-largest watershed on Salt Spring Island. The covenant guarantees that over 100 hectares of watershed land will be restored and maintained in a pristine state forever.

This project is consistent with Islands Trust policies that support the protection of freshwater resources.