

PROJECT SCOPE

MATTHEWS POINT REGIONAL PARK MANAGEMENT PLAN

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The management plan will identify a strategic direction and needed management and operational actions for Matthews Point Regional Park. The strategic direction will include a park vision, goals, objectives, park zoning and management statements relating to conservation and visitor opportunities.

The planning process will include two rounds of public engagement; one prior to drafting the plan and one when the draft plan is released for review. In-person sessions (e.g., open house) will be held on Galiano Island, where the park is located and where the highest level of interest and potential impact is likely. Additional opportunities to provide input will be provided through the website for the public who do not want to or cannot attend the sessions on Galiano Island. All of these opportunities will be advertised throughout the CRD through media releases, social media, and on the CRD website. Staff will also contact First Nations with lands on Galiano and/or traditional territories relating to Galiano Island to determine their interests in this project and meetings will be held if desired by the Nations. Other government agencies and non-governmental organizations will be invited to participate through various means, based on individual interests in and around this park.

PLANNING PROCESS – GENERAL TASKS

1. Update environmental/archaeological information taking in account possible First Nations interests
2. Develop public awareness information (website, project bulletin, on-site signs)
3. Prepare for and hold an initial public session on Galiano Island and First Nations engagement
4. Provide additional opportunity for input about the park, how the public use it, interests, and areas of concern, via the website and using other tools.
5. Review and consider all comments received
6. Develop draft plan
7. Provide Regional Parks Committee with public participation report and draft plan
8. Prepare for and hold second round of public participation highlighting the draft plan (session on Galiano Island and via CRD website)
9. Review and consider all comments received
10. Finalize management plan
11. Recommend to the Regional Parks Committee and CRD Board a final plan for approval

GENERAL OUTLINE/TABLE OF CONTENTS FOR THE PLAN

The management plan will include:

- Executive Summary
- Context
- Strategic Direction
- Park Zoning
- Development and Management Actions
- Proposed Implementation Strategy