



Council of BC Yacht Clubs

Current Issues that Affect Us All

Your Voice for Recreational Boating in BC

Advocating for Power and Sail



Our Members

- *45 boating clubs*
- *15,000 members*
- *Four regions*
- *VP for each region*
- *Engagement with you vital!*



Our Mission

*1. Preserve and add
marine parks and
anchorage*



Our Mission

2. Protect and enhance recreational marine facilities and moorage



Our Mission

3. Lobby to Improve boating safety



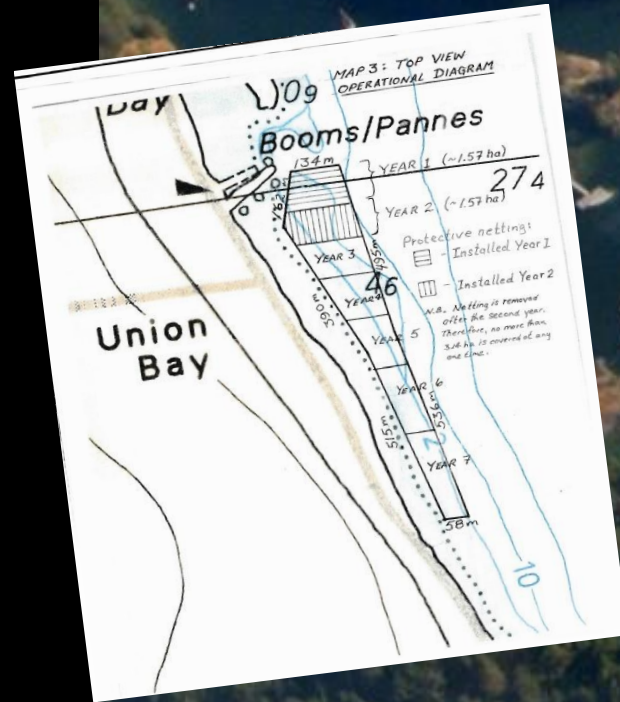
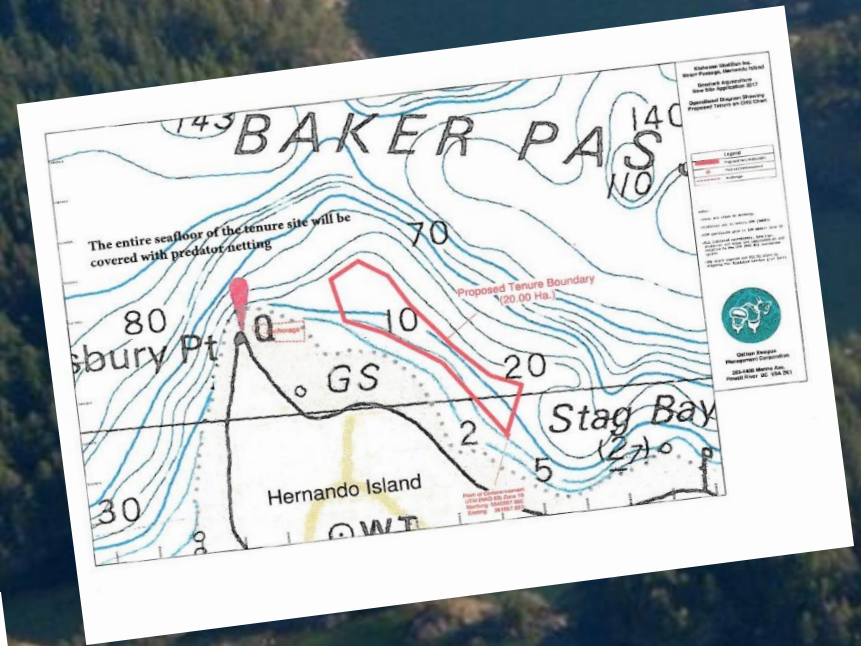
Our Mission

4. Advocate with other regulators, agencies and First Nations for thoughtful marine development

- ***Pacific Coast Marine Advisory Review Panel***
- ***Pacific Region Recreational Boating Advisory Committee***
- ***Recreational Boating Association of Washington***
- ***Canadian Power and Sail Squadrons (CPS)***
- ***Royal Canadian Marine Search and Rescue***
- ***BC Ocean Boating Tourism Association***
- ***Fisheries and Oceans Canada***
- ***Transport Canada***
- ***BC Parks and Parks Canada***
- ***1st Nations***

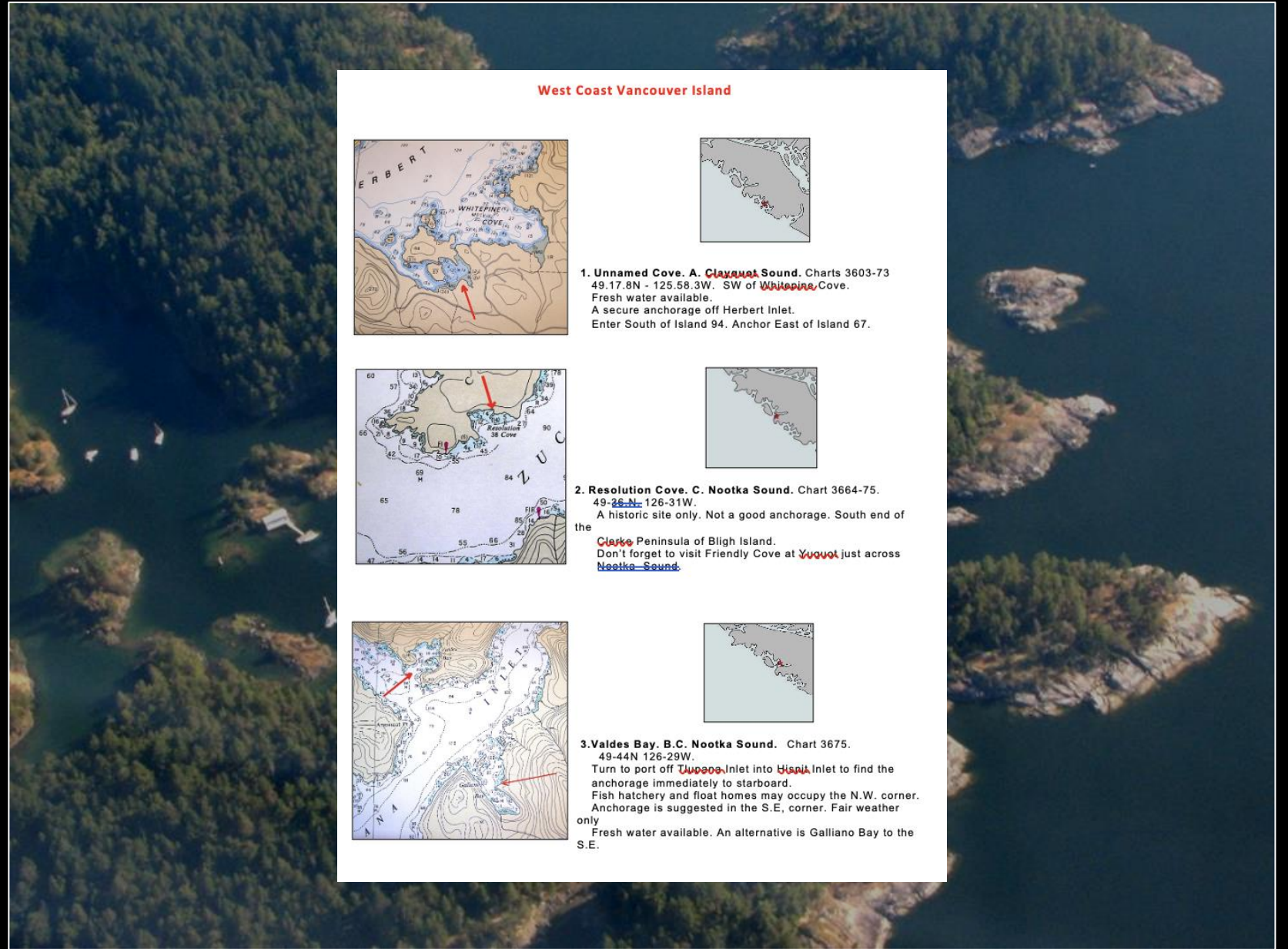
Our Accomplishments

- *Preserve and protect anchorages and moorage*
- *Now advisors to Ministry of Water, Land and Resource Stewardship*



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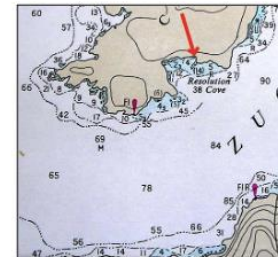
126 'Boat Havens'



West Coast Vancouver Island



1. Unnamed Cove. A. ~~Claxuat~~ Sound. Charts 3603-73
49.17.8N - 125.58.3W. SW of ~~Whitefish~~ Cove.
Fresh water available.
A secure anchorage off Herbert Inlet.
Enter South of Island 94. Anchor East of Island 67.



2. Resolution Cove. C. Nootka Sound. Chart 3664-75.
49-25-N-126-31W.
A historic site only. Not a good anchorage. South end of the ~~Clarke~~ Peninsula of Bligh Island.
Don't forget to visit Friendly Cove at ~~Yuquot~~ just across ~~Nootka Sound~~.



3. Valdes Bay. B.C. Nootka Sound. Chart 3675.
49-44N 126-29W.
Turn to port off ~~Tupoo~~ Inlet into ~~Hispit~~ Inlet to find the anchorage immediately to starboard.
Fish hatchery and float homes may occupy the N.W. corner.
Anchorage is suggested in the S.E. corner. Fair weather only
Fresh water available. An alternative is Galliano Bay to the S.E.

Our Accomplishments

- *Resolve anchoring conflicts*



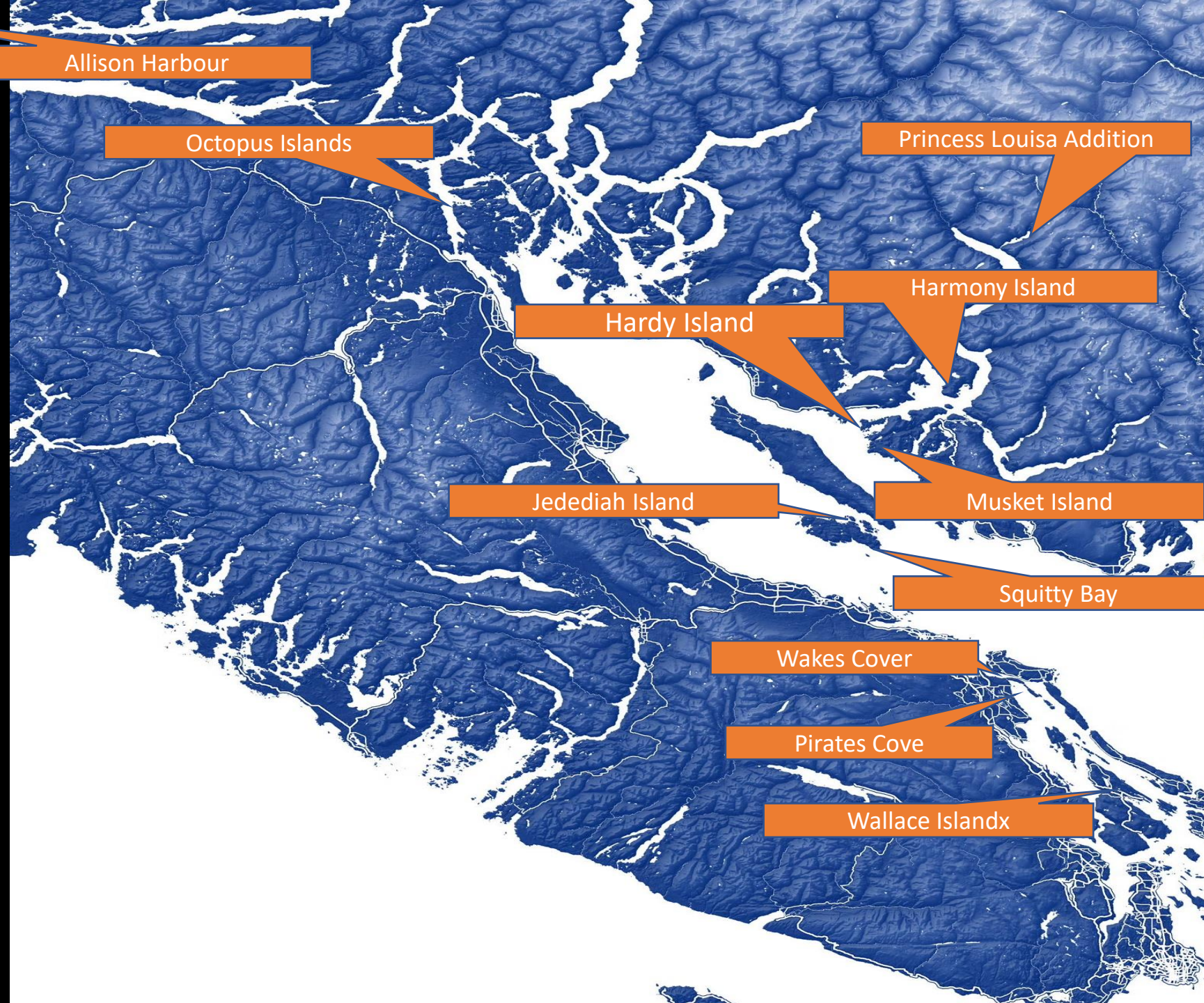
Our Accomplishments

- *Aquaculture debris
abatement and
control*



Our Accomplishments

- *11 Properties by Marine Parks Forever*



Allison Harbour

Octopus Islands

Princess Louisa Addition

Hardy Island

Harmony Island

Jedediah Island

Musket Island

Squitty Bay

Wakes Cover

Pirates Cove

Wallace Islandx

Our Accomplishments

- *Stern Tie Program*
- *180 Stern Ties*



Copeland Isl's (19)
Galley Bay (9)
Grace Harbour (16)
Laura Cove (8)
Melanie x (16)
Prideaux x (25)
Roscoe Bay (22)
Scobell Isl (3)
Tenedos Bay (14)
Walsh Cove (15)

Halkett Bay (5)

Smugglers Cove (38)



Pirates Cove
Conover Cove(3)
Princess Cove (18)



Our Accomplishments

- *Marine Park Hosts*



Tree Island (CVYC)

Pirates Cove (MBYC)

Conover Cove (MBYC)

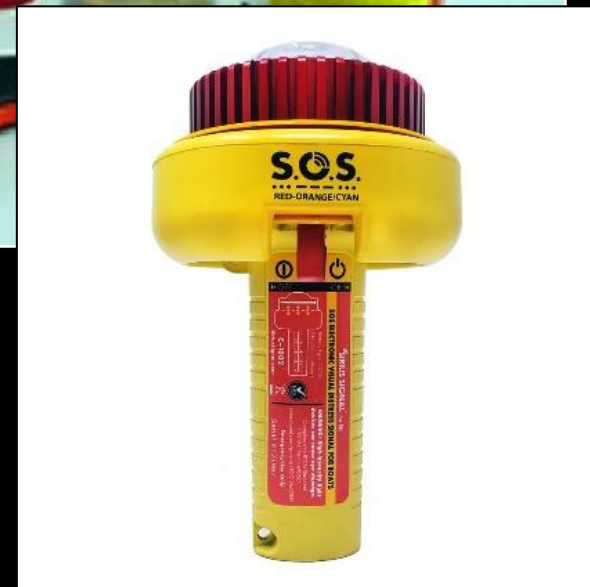
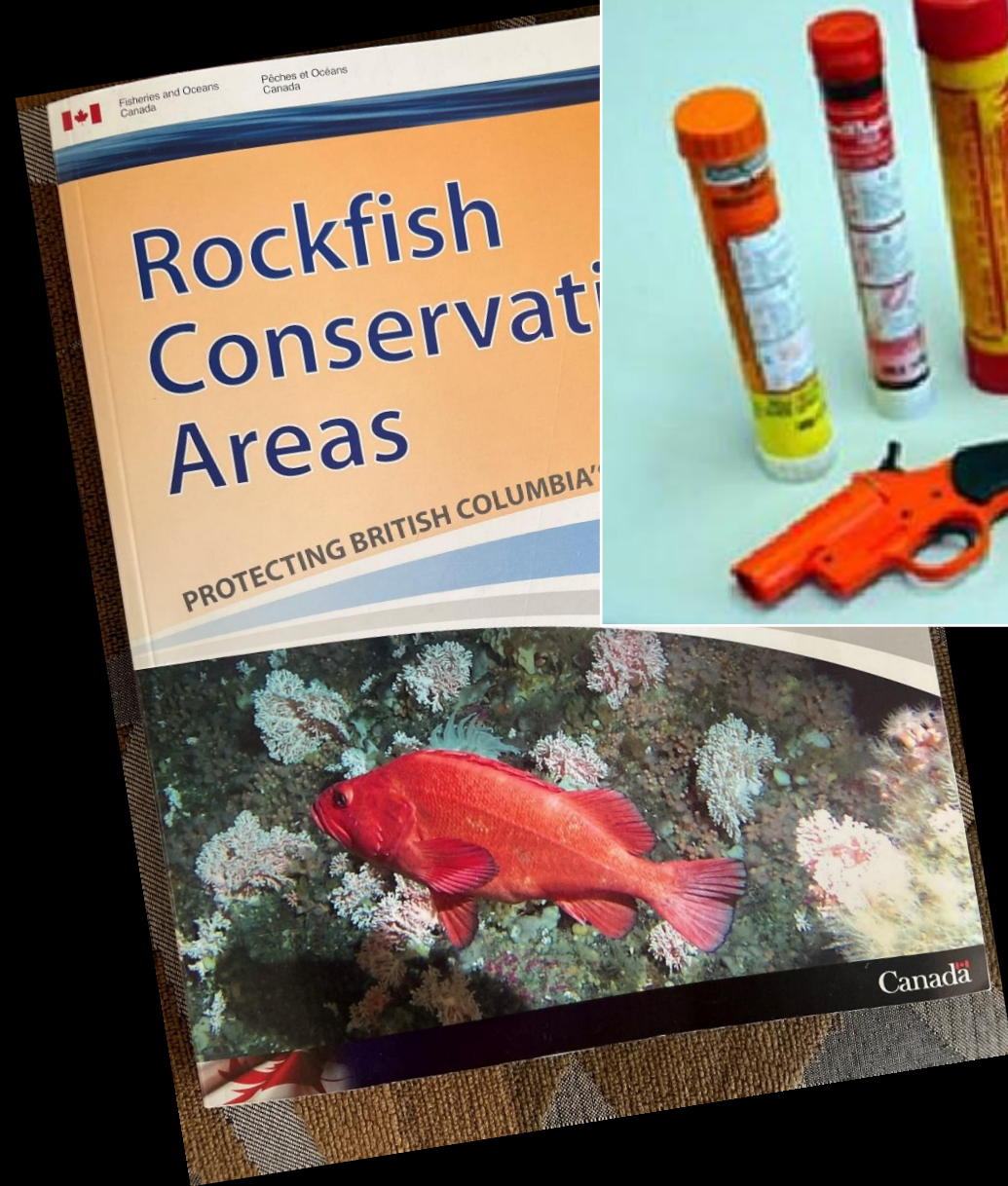
Poet's Cove (SNSYC)

Portland Is (RVicYC)

Tod Inlet (CCYC)

Our Accomplishments

- *Working w other agencies to improve environmental and safety regulations*



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- *Working w other agencies to improve rescue and border regulations*



Our Current Focus

- *Working w Transport Canada to regulate ownership and remove derelicts*
- *Rationalize mooring buoy regulations*
- *Preserve access to coastal anchorages*
- *Modify planned dock regulations and relieve moorage crisis*



Current Moorage Crisis

- *Mosquito Creek Marina*
- *Ladysmith Maritime Society*
- *Pender Harbour & Sunshine Coast*
- *Howe Sound, Gulf Islands and Central Coast*



Mosquito Creek Marina

- Closure of 400 slips by Squamish F/N as of May 2024
- After protests, float homes to stay
- BUT no plans or assurance for future moorage



Ladysmith Maritime Society

- 170 slips, museum, coffeeshop, workshop and dragon boat club.
- 2029 Lease arbitrarily ended Dec 31, 2023 without consultation
- BC gave the Stz'uminus First Nation control Jan 1, 2024
- LMS request to stay and pay refused
- LMS requests help for legal fees to recover \$6M for docks



Pender Harbour Dock Management Plan

- Planning since 2018 between shishalh and BC without any stakeholder input
- Expanded to include entire 'swiya' + inland lakes
- Over 700 docks and properties affected with strict new regulations
- Potential precedent for moorage regulations for all BC waters



DMP Update

- Lobbying has been effective:
 1. Now grandfathering, self registration and 10 year window to upgrade
 2. Separate planning for lakes vs tidewater
 3. CBCYC now accepted as advisory body
 4. BUT, impractical design constraints remain
 5. Still founded on thin environmental science



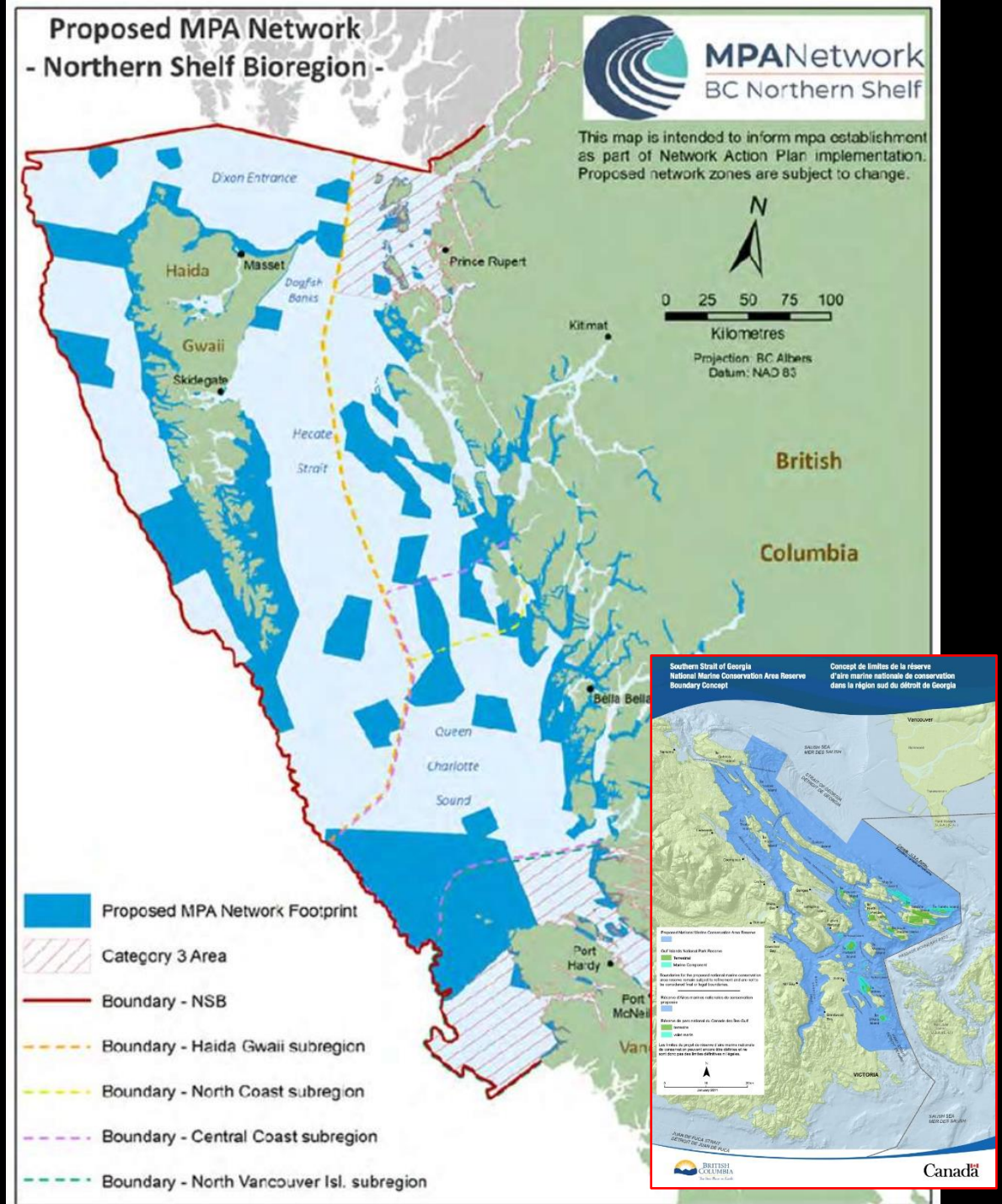
Southern Gulf Islands Waterfront Management Plan

- Moratorium on 180 private waterlot applications extended to August 2025
- 5 First Nations consensus required
- CBCYC engaged for comment



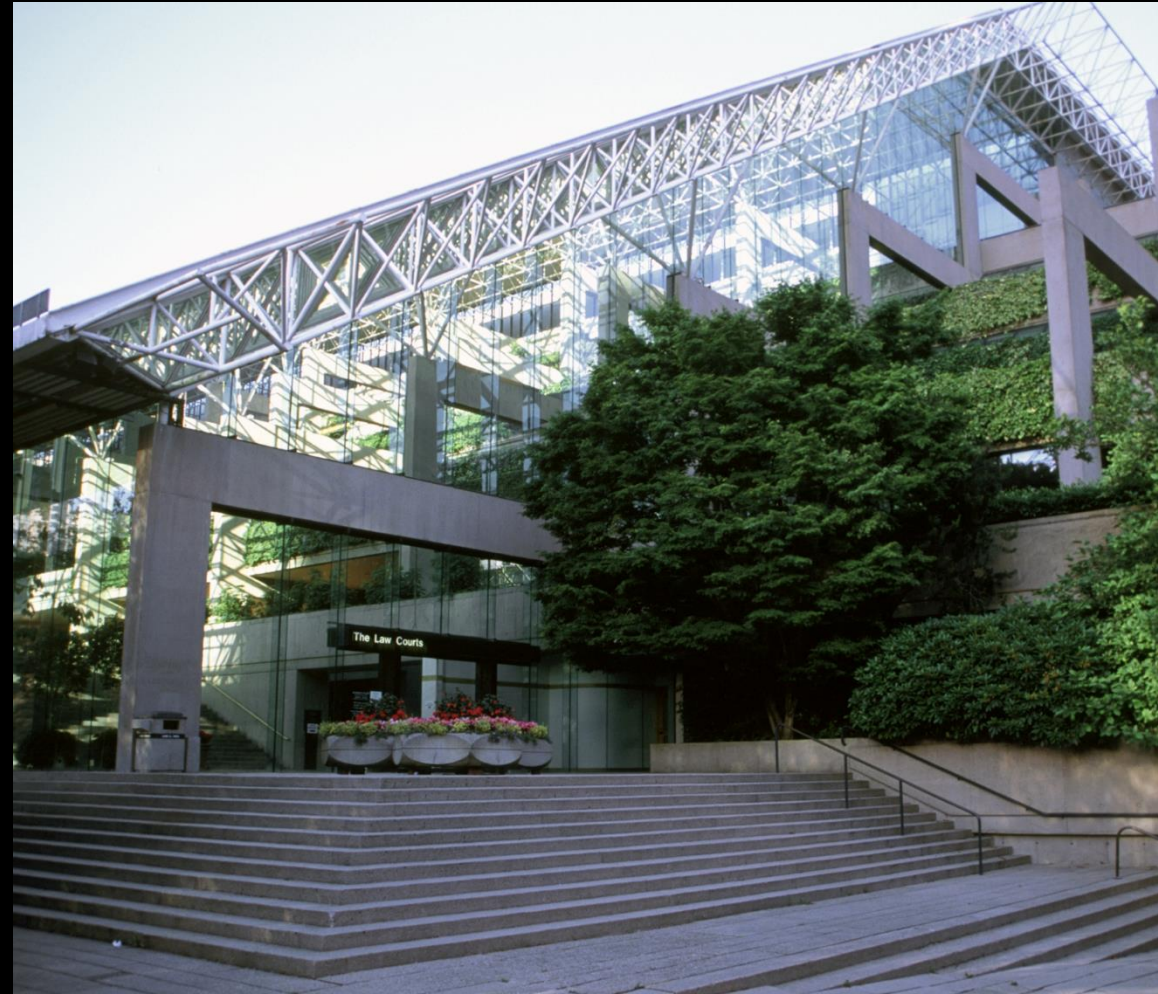
National Marine Conservation Area Reserve

- Federal initiative to support FN economic development
- BC/First Nations want restrictions to anchorage access
- CBCYC challenging BC's authority to close anchorages in Boat Havens



PHARA Legal Challenge

- Exclusion leads to confrontation and expensive legal challenges!
- Petition to BC Supreme Court on constitutional authority for BC to negate rights and freedoms in Canadian constitution:
 1. Give veto on land use decisions to unelected parties, i.e. First Nations
 2. Overreach into federal jurisdiction and existing treaty agreements
 3. Lack of consultation by those affected by decisions
- CBCYC has supported legal effort to clarify the decision making authority over land use decisions



Lessons for Us All

- Don't expect any decisions on the subject until after BC election
- Contact your MLA and MP to propose more inclusive approach to T&R
- We must not be part of the problem!



We Need Your Participation

- *2 way communications is vital*
- *Survey and database underway for all member clubs*
- *Each club's rep is channel for concerns*
- *5 Zoom meetings per years to hear concerns from your rep*
- *Multi page circular from each meeting for your distribution*
- *Website contains all latest information*



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Thank You

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