

Capital Regional District

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Notice of Meeting and Meeting Agenda Regional Parks Committee

Wednesday, July 24, 2024 9:30 AM 6th Floor Boardroom 625 Fisgard St.
Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

C. McNeil-Smith (Chair), J. Brownoff (Vice Chair), C. Coleman, S. Goodmanson, G. Holman, L. Szpak, M. Tait, S. Tobias, K. Williams, R. Windsor, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex officio)

The Capital Regional District strives to be a place where inclusion is paramount and all people are treated with dignity. We pledge to make our meetings a place where all feel welcome and respected.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

2. Approval of Agenda

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. 24-740 Minutes of the June 26, 2024 Regional Parks Meeting

Recommendation: That the minutes of the Regional Parks Committee meeting of June 26, 2024 be

adopted as circulated.

Attachments: Minutes - June 26, 2024

4. Chair's Remarks

5. Presentations/Delegations

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5.1. Presentations

5.2. Delegations

5.2.1. 24-752 Delegation - Rob Thomas; Representing South Island Disc Golf Society:

Re: Agenda Item 6.1.: Royal Oak Golf Course Lands - Interim

Management Guidelines

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6. Committee Business

6.1. 24-508 Royal Oak Golf Course Lands - Interim Management Guidelines

Recommendation: The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Royal Oak Golf Course Lands Interim Management Guidelines be adopted.

<u>Attachments:</u> Staff Report: Royal Oak Golf Course Lands – IMGs

Appendix A: Royal Oak Golf Course Lands – IMGs (July 2024)

7. Notice(s) of Motion

7.1. <u>24-709</u> Motion with Notice: Accessibility at Island View Beach Regional Park

(Director Windsor)

Recommendation: The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That staff report to the Regional Parks Committee on the development and potential partnerships with the District of Central Saanich and Tsawout First Nation on park accessibility improvements in Island View Beach Regional Park around three major

areas:

1. Parking facilities;

2. Trails and kiosks; and

3. Development of a wheelchair accessible foreshore (beach) access.

Attachments: Letter from District of Central Saanich Council (June 11, 2024)

8. New Business

9. Adjournment

The next meeting is September 25, 2024.

To ensure quorum, please advise Tamara Pillipow (tpillipow@crd.bc.ca) if you or your alternate cannot attend.



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Meeting Minutes

Regional Parks Committee

Wednesday, June 26, 2024

9:30 AM

6th Floor Boardroom 625 Fisgard St. Victoria, BC V8W 1R7

PRESENT

Directors: C. McNeil-Smith (Chair), J. Brownoff (Vice Chair), C. Coleman, S. Goodmanson, C. Harder (for L. Szpak), G. Holman (EP), S. Tobias (EP), K. Williams, R. Windsor, C. Plant (Board Chair, ex officio)

Staff: T. Robbins, Chief Administrative Officer; L. Jones, General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Environmental Services; M. MacIntyre, Senior Manager, Regional Parks; T. Moss, Manager, Visitor Experience and Stewardship, Regional Parks; G. Tokgoz, Manager, Regional Trails and Trestles Renewal, Facilities Management and Engineering Services; M. Lagoa, Deputy Corporate Officer; T. Pillipow, Committee Clerk (Recorder)

EP - Electronic Participation

Guests: N. Arason, Island Health; M. Fyfe, Island Health

Regrets: Directors L. Szpak, M. Tait

The meeting was called to order at 9:31 am.

1. Territorial Acknowledgement

Vice Chair Brownoff provided a Territorial Acknowledgement.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Director Williams, SECONDED by Director Goodmanson, That the agenda for the June 26, 2024 Regional Parks Committee meeting be approved. CARRIED

3. Adoption of Minutes

3.1. 24-505 Minutes of the April 24, 2024 Regional Parks Meeting

MOVED by Director Williams, SECONDED by Director Coleman, That the minutes of the Regional Parks Committee meeting of April 24, 2024 be adopted as circulated. CARRIED

4. Chair's Remarks

There were no Chair's remarks.

5. Presentations/Delegations

There were no presentations or delegations.

6. Committee Business

6.1. 24-558 Regional Trestles Renewal, Trails Widening and Lighting Project Update

G. Tokgoz presented Item 6.1 for information.

Discussion ensued regarding:

- consideration of solar power lighting and protected lanes on sections of the trails
- ensuring any existing heritage structure status remains
- environmental considerations to preserve habitats along the trails
- the status of grant applications for this project

6.2. 24-660 Water Safety in CRD Regional Parks

M. MacIntyre spoke to Item 6.2.

MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Goodmanson, To allow Dr. M. Fyfe and N. Arason to participate in the discussion on Item 6.2. Water Safety in CRD Regional Parks.

CARRIED

Discussion ensued regarding:

- whether there is a rising trend of drowning incidents in the CRD
- Island Health to present updated data to the committee this Fall
- whether the current budget can support additional initiatives such as installing safety device borrowing stations at some regional parks
- sharing our best practices with municipal partners
- accessibility and placement of signage within the parks
- consideration of incident debriefs between CRD staff and other agencies when an incident occurs in a regional park

MOVED by Director Windsor, SECONDED by Director Brownoff, The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

- 1. That current service levels be maintained, focusing on continued public education to address water safety in regional parks, and that staff work with partners to increase education and awareness for key demographic groups.
- 2. To implement a pilot program this summer for personal floatation devices and life rings at Thetis Main Beach and Elk Lake Hamsterly Beach and report back after one season of implementation.

CARRIED

7. Notice(s) of Motion

7.1. 24-623 Motion with Notice: Safety on Multi-Use Trails (Director Tobias)

Discussion ensued regarding the timeline for this scope of work.

MOVED by Director Tobias, SECONDED by Director Williams, The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

That the Capital Regional District Board directs staff to undertake a comprehensive study on the safety of multi-use trails, with a particular focus on the risks associated with cyclist speed and the use of e-bikes:

- 1. Review of Recent Accidents: A detailed review of recent documented accidents involving e-bikes and other trail users.
- 2. Risk Assessment: An assessment of current risks and contributing factors to accidents on multi-use trails.
- 3. Public Consultation: Engagement with the public to gather feedback and concerns regarding trail safety.
- 4. Best Practices: Identification of best practices from other jurisdictions in managing e-bike speeds and trail safety.
- 5. Actionable Recommendations: Development of actionable recommendations to mitigate identified risks and enhance the safety of all trail users.
- 6. That staff report back to the Regional Parks Committee with their findings and recommendations as soon as practical so that prompt and effective measures can be implemented to address these safety concerns.

Referral Motion:

MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Director Windsor, That this item be referred to staff to bring back an approach report to the Regional Parks Committee. CARRIED

Motion Arising:

MOVED by Director Plant, SECONDED by Alternate Director Harder, The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board:

Direct staff to augment a signage program on our regional trails to provide information that reinforces current legal requirements and courtesy protocols (i.e. speeds, passing with courtesy).

CARRIED

7.2. <u>24-691</u>

Notice of Motion: Accessibility at Island View Beach Regional Park (Director Windsor)

Director Windsor provided the following Notice of Motion for consideration at the next meeting of the Regional Parks Committee:

"That staff report to the Regional Parks Committee on the development and potential partnerships with the District of Central Saanich and Tsawout First Nation on park accessibility improvements in Island View Beach Regional Park around three major areas:

- 1. Parking facilities;
- 2. Trails and kiosks; and
- 3. Development of a wheelchair accessible foreshore (beach) access."

8. New Business

There was no new business.

9. Adjournment

MOVED by Director Coleman, SECONDED by Alternate Director Harder, That the June 26, 2024 Regional Parks Committee meeting be adjourned at 11:26 am. CARRIED

CHAIR	 	
RECORDER		



REPORT TO REGIONAL PARKS COMMITTEE MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024

SUBJECT Royal Oak Golf Course Lands – Interim Management Guidelines

ISSUE SUMMARY

Capital Regional District (CRD) staff are seeking approval to implement the Royal Oak Golf Course Lands Interim Management Guidelines (IMG). The purpose of the IMG is to guide the operation of the former Royal Oak Golf Course property (the property) until First Nations interests are addressed and land from the property is included within an approved park management plan.

BACKGROUND

The CRD purchased the property, a 10.92-hectare (27-acre) lot located in the District of Saanich and adjacent to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park and Saanich Commonwealth Place, on October 31, 2023. The property has remained vacant since the golf course closed in 2017, with the exception of some informal recreational use of the grounds by the public and a private golf business operating from the former clubhouse building whose lease was transferred to the CRD during the acquisition.

CRD staff are currently engaging with First Nations to determine their interests in the property. Once these interests are understood, staff will determine whether any land from the property should be added to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park or if it should be established into a separate, new regional park. Given the age of the existing 2010 *Elk/Beaver Lake and Bear Hill Regional Parks Management Plan*, which last went through a full management planning process in 1992, staff recommend that this plan be repealed and replaced if land from the property is added to it. The development of a new management plan for Elk/Beaver Lake and Bear Hill regional parks would provide the opportunity to incorporate all past acquisitions made to both parks since the original plan was approved, in addition to providing updated management direction that aligns with *the Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan 2022-2032* (Strategic Plan). If land from the property is used to establish a new regional park, a separate management plan will be developed for this park. Creating a separate park management plan provides the opportunity to consider a unique park classification and management direction for the land that is distinct from Elk/Beaver Regional Park.

While discussions with First Nations are ongoing and prior to a new management plan being in place, direction is needed to guide the interim management of the property. Staff developed the IMG (Appendix A), which prioritizes building relationships and gathering information needed to better understand the property's park values and inform the development of a new park management plan. The IMG further guides the securement of the property and establishes how it is to be utilized on an interim basis, prior to a park management plan being in place. Once First Nations interests have been addressed and land from the property has been included within an approved park management plan, the IMG will no longer be used to manage the property.

ALTERNATIVES

Alternative 1

The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board: That the Royal Oak Golf Course Lands Interim Management Guidelines be adopted.

Alternative 2

That the Royal Oak Golf Course Lands Interim Management Guidelines be referred back to staff with direction for revision.

IMPLICATIONS

Alignment with Existing Plans & Strategies

The IMG broadly supports the five priority areas within the Strategic Plan. It provides guidance to establish collaborative working relationships with First Nations to continue the CRD's reconciliatory action. It further guides gathering information needed to inform conservation, visitor experience, climate action and resiliency, and access and equity-related park management actions that could be implemented through a future park management plan.

Environmental & Climate Action

The property provides habitat for several native plant and animal species and has an important role within natural systems in the region. The IMG includes multiple interim management actions that support ecological restoration and conservation initiatives and seeks to better understand the property's natural values. It further includes interim management actions that support the development of climate change mitigation and adaptation measures that could be implemented through a future park management plan.

Initial observations have confirmed the presence of the threatened Pacific Coast population of western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta bellii*). Steps will be taken to monitor and mitigate threats to protect and enhance habitat for this species on the property.

First Nations Implications

Six First Nations governments were identified as having asserted Territory over the property. Discussions between the CRD and these Nations began during the land acquisition process to advise them of the purchase and to begin to understand their interests in the property. An additional Nation communicated interest in the property after acquisition and has since been included in the discussions.

The CRD recently forwarded a draft copy of the IMG to these Nations for information and committed to continuing discussions to identify and pursue opportunities that respect and support First Nations self-determination. This includes identifying approaches that support First Nations environmental, social, cultural, and economic interests in the property.

Equity, Diversity & Inclusion

The IMG includes an interim management action that supports the identification of barriers to access and equity within the property that could be addressed through a future park management plan.

Financial Implications

No major capital projects are proposed to be implemented while the IMG is in place and implementation costs can be covered through the CRD's regular annual budgeting process.

Staff do not intend to pursue any major repairs to the existing clubhouse building and adjacent parking lot until First Nations interests are understood. This area will remain restricted to public use while these investigations are ongoing and the existing business lease renewed on a month-to-month basis once it expires in April of 2025.

Service Delivery Implications

Since the golf course ceased operations in 2017, the former golf cart pathways have been used by the public for walking, running, dog walking and cycling. The former fairways are also frequented by disc golf players who have set up an informal disc golf course with metal tone poles (tonals) as targets. Based on observational data, CRD staff estimate that of all recreational activities currently taking place on the property, 75-80% are pedestrian pathway users and 20-25% are disc golfers.

Staff's recommendation is that the CRD continue to make the property available for public use while the IMG is in place and that the existing pathways be maintained as hiking trails for walking, running, leash-optional dog walking and similar pedestrian uses. CRD staff are currently exploring options to partner with an established recreation group to continue to allow disc golf on the property on a temporary basis while staff assess its compatibility within the regional parks system through the development of the Stewardship Plan. The consideration of formally sanctioning disc golf on the property on a long-term basis, as well as other more active outdoor recreation opportunities, such as cycling and equestrian use, would need to occur through the development of a park management plan. This will provide an opportunity for all voices to be heard and interests expressed as part of the public and First Nations engagement processes that inform management plan development.

Social Implications

Implementing the IMG clearly communicates how the CRD intends to manage the property and what recreation opportunities are available while it's in place. The IMG includes flexibility to adapt management activities based on public feedback and new information, while the CRD continues to learn more about the property and engages with First Nations.

CONCLUSION

CRD staff are seeking approval to implement the IMG to guide the operation of the Royal Oak Golf Course Lands property while conversations with First Nations are ongoing and in the absence of a park management plan. The IMG supports Strategic Plan direction and prioritizes building relationships and gathering information needed to inform the development of a new park

management plan. It further guides the securement of the property and establishes how it is to be utilized on an interim basis. Once First Nations interests have been addressed and land from the property is included in an approved park management plan, the IMG will no longer be used to manage the property.

RECOMMENDATION

The Regional Parks Committee recommends to the Capital Regional District Board: That the Royal Oak Golf Course Lands Interim Management Guidelines be adopted.

Submitted by:	Mike MacIntyre, Senior Manager, Regional Parks	
Concurrence:	Luisa Jones, MBA, General Manager, Parks, Recreation & Environmental Services	
Concurrence:	Ted Robbins, B. Sc., C. Tech., Chief Administrative Officer	

<u>ATTACHMENT</u>

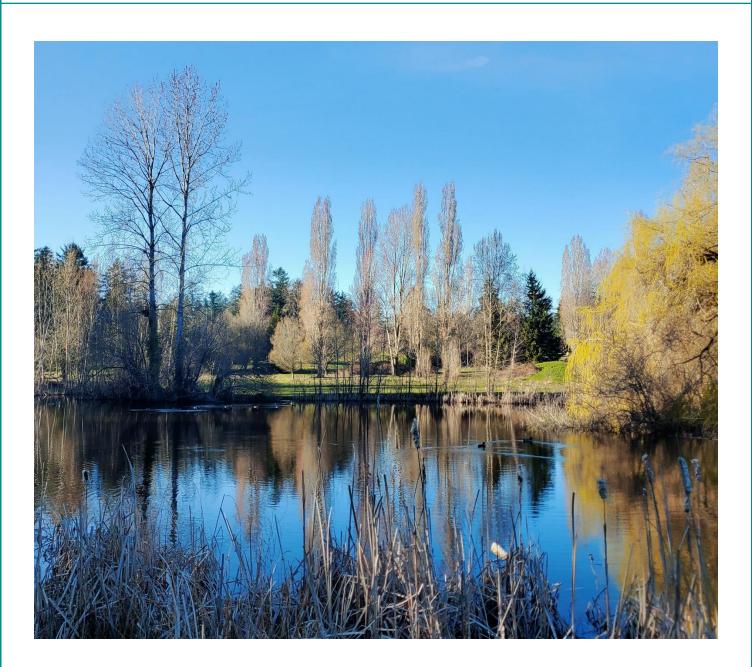
Appendix A: Royal Oak Golf Course Lands – Interim Management Guidelines (July 2024)

Royal Oak Golf Course Lands



Interim Management Guidelines

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1. Context

1.1 Background

The Capital Regional District (CRD) purchased the 10.92-hectare (27-acre) former Royal Oak Golf Course property (the property) on October 31, 2023. The property is located within the District of Saanich and the traditional territory of multiple First Nations who have stewarded the land since time immemorial (Map 1). Uniquely situated adjacent to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park, Saanich Commonwealth Place and several multi-family residential developments, the property holds value as a public outdoor recreation area and serves as a linkage to other regional green spaces and community facilities.

The property was most recently operated as a private golf course, which closed in 2017. It has remained vacant since, with the exception of some informal recreational use of the grounds by the public and a private golf business operating from the former clubhouse building. Preexisting facilities include the clubhouse building, adjacent parking lot and workshop, a series of pathways connecting the former fairways, four constructed ponds, and a number of tone poles or "tonals" (vertical metal cylinders used as targets) that were recently set up by disc golf players. Current public recreational uses include walking, running, dog walking, disc golf and cycling.

The property is located within the Coastal Douglas-fir Moist Maritime Biogeoclimatic Zone and includes areas of woodland, open fields, wetlands, and several mature trees that support a variety of bird species. Observations have confirmed the presence of the threatened Pacific Coast population of western painted turtle (*Chrysemys picta bellii*) within the property. Critical habitat has been federally designated for this population and it is protected under the *Species at Risk Act (2021)*. The property falls within the Normandy Creek sub-watershed, which drains into the Colquitz River watershed, an important river system supporting native salmon and trout species. Additional research is needed to fully understand the property's ecological values, including an assessment of ecosystem restoration opportunities, and verifying the presence and critical habitat of known and potential species at risk.

Under Saanich's *Official Community Plan Bylaw 2023*, the eastern portion of the property is within an Urban Containment Boundary and designated as Neighbourhood, while the remainder of the property is designated as Rural Areas. Under Saanich's *Zoning Bylaw 2003*, the entire property is zoned Recreation and Open Space (P-4). The majority of the property is additionally within BC's Agricultural Land Reserve.

1.2 First Nations Reconciliation

Reconciliation Goal 1, within the *Regional Parks and Trails Strategic Plan 2022-2032* (Strategic Plan), is to pursue "Strong, collaborative and mutually beneficial relationships with First Nations through

working in partnership." Priority action 1-1a within the Strategic Plan supports this goal and sets out that the CRD will "Work collaboratively with First Nations to develop and implement priority initiatives related to regional parks and regional trails, such as: Involving First Nations in land acquisition and park management planning and operations."

Six First Nations governments were identified as having asserted Territory over the property. These include the x*sepsum (Esquimalt Nation), BOKEĆEN (Pauquachin First Nation), Songhees Nation, WJOŁEŁP (Tsartlip First Nation), STÁUTW (Tsawout First Nation) and the WSIKEM (Tseycum First Nation). Conversations between the CRD and these Nations began during the land acquisition process to advise them of the purchase and to begin to understand their interests in the property. The MÁLEXEŁ (Malahat First Nation) more recently expressed interest in the acquisition and has since been included in the conversations. CRD staff will continue engaging with First Nations, during the lifespan of this Interim Management Guidelines (IMG) and beyond, to identify and pursue opportunities that respect and support First Nations' self-determination.

1.3 Purpose & Connection to the Parkland Acquisition & Management Planning Processes

The CRD's Land Acquisition Strategy 2020 to 2021 guided the identification of the property as a desirable addition to the regional parks and trails system and the CRD's Land Acquisition Fund was used to facilitate its purchase. The land acquisition process involved assessing the property for conformance with a wide range of criteria, discussions with the property owner, notifying relevant First Nations governments and obtaining approval from the CRD Board.

The purpose of this IMG document is to guide how CRD staff will operate the property while discussions with First Nations are ongoing and in the absence of a park management plan. This includes providing guidance on site securement and how the property is to be utilized on an interim basis. It further guides building relationships and gathering information needed to inform a management planning process.

Once land from the property has been included within an approved park management plan, the IMG will no longer be used to manage the property. The development of a park management plan is a multi-year process which involves extensive First Nations, stakeholder and public engagement, and approval by the CRD Board. CRD staff have refrained from determining whether any land from the property should be added to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park while discussions with First Nations are ongoing. Once First Nations interests are understood, CRD staff will determine whether land from the property should be added to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park or if it should be used to create a new regional park. If land from the property is added to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park, an updated management plan will be developed, which will establish management directions for that park. If land from the property is used to establish a new stand-alone regional park, a new management plan will be developed for the new park with unique management direction.



2. Park Classification

The Strategic Plan establishes a park classification system that is used to assign each regional park one of four classifications based on the intended management outcome. No classification will be assigned to the property while the IMG is in place. The classification will be determined through the future development of the park management plan once more is known about the property and First Nations interests are understood.

3. Interim Park Management Goals

The following interim park management goals are applicable to all park acquisitions and establish the outcomes of implementing the IMG to help to prioritize efforts and resources. They are intended to provide the necessary groundwork for securing the site and undertaking the future development of a park management plan.

Build Relationships

Identify First Nations, local governments, partners, and stakeholders interested in the management of the property and develop working relationships to identify shared goals and future opportunities for collaboration.

Gather Information

Gather baseline archaeological, cultural heritage, ecological, outdoor recreation and infrastructure information to identify park values and priorities to be included within a future park management plan.

Protect Park Values

Conduct site securement, including addressing interim operational, cultural, conservation and outdoor recreation needs, to protect park values.

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4. Interim Management Actions

The following table outlines a series of interim management actions that will guide the operation of the property over the lifespan of the IMG.

Interim Management Actions	Timing
Reconciliation	
 Work with interested First Nations to gain an understanding of the property's values, including areas, features and/or species of cultural significance 	Ongoing
• Determine the environmental, social, cultural, or economic interests in the property of interested First Nations	Short-term
Complete an archaeological assessment to determine the archaeological potential of the property and document evidence of past human activity	Short-term
Identify opportunities to partner with First Nations to undertake conservation and restoration projects aimed at protecting and strengthening cultural values that could be included as actions within a future park management plan	Long-term
Conservation	
• Inventory and monitor ecological values and recreational use impacts within the property, assess potential threats and implement necessary mitigation measures	Ongoing
• Implement the impact assessment process and use best management practices, as needed, to mitigate potential impacts on the natural environment	Ongoing
Identify and manage property encroachments	Ongoing
 Undertake actions to mitigate potential impacts to known ecological values, including critical habitat and species at risk occurrences based on the current use of the property 	Short-term
• Identify, assess, and remediate sources of environmental contamination and degradation from former land use	Short-term
• Complete an assessment of priority invasive species within the property and identify and implement appropriate management actions	Short-term
• Complete an initial ecological impact assessment of the existing disc golf use on the property and amend the current use, as needed, to mitigate negative impacts to known ecological values, including western painted turtle critical habitat	Short-term
 Complete a full ecological inventory and impact assessment to document all ecological values, including species at risk, and identify potential threats, mitigation options and restoration opportunities 	Short-term
Visitor Experience	
Identify and mitigate visitor safety hazards	Ongoing
Document visitor-use patterns to better understand recreation potential	Ongoing

 Public access to the property will be provided from the adjacent Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park, which provides appropriate visitor amenities as a primary access node 	Ongoing
• No new public vehicle or bicycle parking, toilets, benches, or garbage cans will be provided within the property—existing facilities at the adjacent Filter Beds and Beaver Lake main parking lots at Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park will serve visitors	Ongoing
• Maintain existing established trails that provide circulation within the property and access from the adjacent Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park as hiking trails	Ongoing
• Under the CRD's <i>Dog Management Policy Framework,</i> dogs may be off leash but must remain under effective control at all times	Ongoing
 Enforce Capital Regional District Parks Regulation Bylaw No. 1, 2018 Install minimal infrastructure needed to secure the site 	Ongoing Short-term
• Prepare an interim sign plan to guide the installation of necessary orientation and basic park regulation signage at key trail accesses and intersections	Short-term
 Provide information on the CRD's website informing the public of what outdoor recreational opportunities are available on the property in the interim and what visitor amenities can be expected 	Short-term
• Visitor access to the clubhouse building and adjacent parking lot will be restricted while the future use of this area is being considered	Short-term
• Following an initial impact assessment and implementing priority impact mitigation measures, consider entering a license agreement with an established recreation group to operate the disc golf course on a short-term basis	Short-term
• Reevaluate the disc golf license agreement once a full ecological inventory and impact assessment is complete and amend the agreement, as necessary, to protect ecological values, including critical habitat for species at risk.	Medium-term
Climate Action & Resiliency	
 Identify opportunities to mitigate climate change, including facilitating active transportation to and from the property and improving natural atmospheric carbon sequestration on site that could be included as actions within a future park management plan 	Long-term
Identify opportunities to adapt to climate change, including identifying natural hazards to and from the property and necessary mitigation measures that could be included as actions within a future park management plan	Long-term
Access & Equity	
 Work with partners to identify accessibility and equity barriers and opportunities for improvement that could be included as actions within a future park management plan 	Ongoing

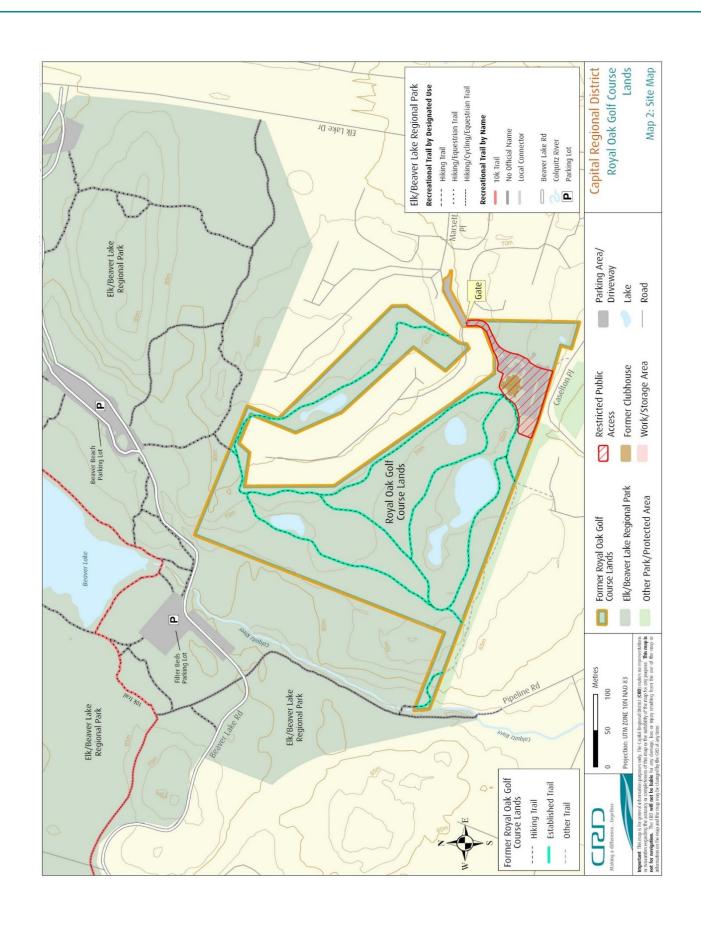
5. Implementation Strategy

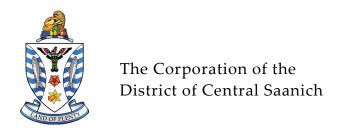
5.1 Interim Development Concept

The Interim Development Concept establishes the location of key infrastructure and visitor amenities that will be available while the IMG is in place (Map 2). It should be noted that this concept is temporary and subject to change once First Nations interests are understood and a determination is made about whether land from the property should be added to Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park or become a new regional park. If land from the property is added to the Elk/Beaver Lake Regional Park, an updated development concept will be prepared during the preparation of the new management plan for the park. If the land from the property is to become a new regional park, a final development concept will be prepared as part of the management plan for the park. The management planning process will include opportunities for the public and First Nations to provide feedback on the development concept, including on what park infrastructure and visitor amenities are included. The types of infrastructure and resources dedicated to installation during the IMG stage are, therefore, very limited and selected accordingly.

5.2 Monitoring and Review

At the beginning of each year, CRD staff will prepare an annual operating plan (AOP) for the property, which will outline the interim management actions that are to be completed within the property over the year, including estimated timelines and required resources. Monitoring of the implementation status of the IMG will occur during the preparation of the AOP and will provide an opportunity for staff to review implementation progress, identify outstanding management actions or new actions that are to be completed, and evaluate the success of completed or ongoing management actions.





June 11, 2024 0400-60/2024

Regional Parks Committee Chair McNeil Smith 625 Fisgard Street Victoria, BC V8W 2S6

Via email: cmcneilsmith@crd.bc.ca

Dear Chair Cliff McNeil-Smith:

Re: Island View Beach Regional Park

At the Council meeting of June 10, 2024, the District of Central Saanich requested the following notice of motion be submitted by myself, Director Windsor to the Committee. We ask that this motion be placed on the next Regional Parks Committee agenda for consideration.

WHEREAS it is reported that the Island View Beach Regional Park receives over 325,000 visits per year;

WHEREAS the Capital Regional District has not officially updated the Island View Beach Park Management Plan since 1989;

WHEREAS the District of Central Saanich is working within its strategic plan to prioritize accessibility improvements for residents of varying ages and abilities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Regional Parks Committee consider the development and potential partnership with the District and Tsawout First Nation on park accessibility improvements around three major areas:

- 1. parking facilities;
- 2. Trails and kiosks; and
- 3. Development of a wheelchair accessible foreshore (beach) access.

Should you have any questions and or concerns please do not hesitate to contact Emilie Gorman, Director of Corporate Services/Corporate Officer at emilie.gorman@csaanich.ca or 250.544.4202.

Sincerely,

Director Ryan Windsor

cc: Luisa Jones, General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Environmental Services