Islands Trust Freshwater Forum
World Water Day

Thursday, March 22, 2018
Oceanfront Suites, 1681 Cowichan Bay Road, Cowichan Bay, BC
9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

The Freshwater Forum will explore freshwater resource issues in the Islands Trust Area, and will feature technical discussions about the Water Sustainability Act, watershed ecosystems, groundwater resources, rainwater harvesting, and water utilities.

The forum will provide a framework for ideas, facilitate networking, and result in a report to the Islands Trust Council about outcomes from the Freshwater Forum with recommendations for freshwater sustainability strategies.

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| 10:15 - 10:30 | The Arrival of the Professional Well Driller:  
A Short History of the Relationship of Freshwater Resource Technology and Settlement in the Islands Trust Area | Brian Crumblehulme  
Trust Programs Committee Chair  
Mayne Island Trustee |
| 10:30 - 11:00 | Groundwater in the Islands Trust Area and the Water Sustainability Act | Mike Wei, P.Eng  
Groundwater Resource Engineer  
Hydro Geo Logic |
| 11:00 - 11:30 | Groundwater Protection Regulation, Well Registration, and Groundwater Licensing | Ben Robinson, MSc, A.Ag  
Groundwater Protection Officer  
BC Water Protection Section |
| 11:30 - 12:00 | Water Sustainability Regulation Town Hall                           | William Shulba, P. Geo.  
Senior Freshwater Specialist  
Islands Trust |
| 12:00 - 13:00 | Networking with Lunch                                                | Julie Pisani  
Program Coordinator  
Regional District of Nanaimo |
| 13:00 - 13:30 | Future of Freshwater in the Islands Trust Area                       | Scott Benson  
Registered Water Utility Operator |
| 13:30 - 14:00 | Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Program  
Regional District of Nanaimo                                          |                                                                      |
| 14:00 – 14:30 | Innovative Infrastructure for Sustainable Water Utility              |                                                                      |
| 14:30- 15:30 | Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Town Hall                    |                                                                      |

Trust Council holds that the freshwater wetlands, bodies of surface water, natural drainage patterns, water courses, fish-bearing streams, watershed and groundwater recharge, areas of the Trust Area should be identified, protected and, where possible, restored or rehabilitated.