



# Islands Trust

## 2011 By-election: Saturna Island Local Trust Area

### Introduction

Like other communities in British Columbia, island communities elect their Islands Trust representatives (Local Trustees) every three years, following procedures laid out by the province in the *Local Government Act*. The last General Local Election in British Columbia was in November 2008. The Local Trustees elected at that time began their term of office in December 2008 and will complete it in early December 2011. The next General Local Election in BC will take place in November 2011.

If a vacancy occurs during the term, the Islands Trust conducts a by-election to fill the vacant Local Trustee position for the remainder of the term.

### Vacancy for a Local Trustee Position -- Saturna Island Local Trust Area

In October 2010, a vacancy occurred for one Local Trustee position in the **Saturna Island Local Trust Area**. The Islands Trust is now preparing to hold a by-election to fill the vacant position until the current term ends in December 2011.

### Important Dates

At the end of November 2010, the Islands Trust Council will appoint Thomas Moore as its Chief Election Officer for the administration of the by-election for the Saturna Local Trustee position.

The Chief Election Officer will set **Saturday, February 19, 2011** as Voting Day, provided electors nominate more than one qualified candidate for the by-election. There will also be one advance voting opportunity on **Wednesday, February 9, 2011** for the by-election.

Here are the important dates related to this by-election, as determined by the *Local Government Act*:

<b>January 4, 2011</b>	<b>Nomination period begins at 9:00 a.m.</b>
<b>January 14, 2011</b>	<b>Nomination period ends at 4:00 p.m.</b>
January 17, 2011	4:00 p.m. – deadline for nominations if there is an extension due to insufficient candidates
January 18, 2011	4:00 p.m. – deadline for challenge of nominations

January 19, 2011	Last day to move or buy property and qualify as an elector
January 21, 2011	4:00 p.m. – deadline for withdrawal of candidates
January 24, 2011	4:00 p.m. – declaration of election by voting or of candidates elected by acclamation
<b>February 9, 2011</b>	<b>Advance voting opportunity</b>
<b>February 19, 2011</b>	<b>VOTING DAY</b>

### **Notices of Nomination, Nomination Forms and Information for Candidates**

A formal Notice of Nomination will be published in local newspapers that circulate in the Saturna Island Local Trust Areas between December 8 and December 15, 2010.

Nominations must be made on the forms provided by the Chief Election Officer in the Nomination Package available below. Candidates must also fill out and submit the Financial Disclosure form to the Chief Election Officer. Additional information for candidates is available on this page.

### **Saturna Island Local Trustee By-election Notice and Package**

Saturna Island By-election 2011 Notice of Nomination  
<http://islandstrust.bc.ca/pdf/saturnanoticeofnomination.pdf>

Saturna Island By-election 2011 Nomination Package  
<http://islandstrust.bc.ca/pdf/saturnanominationpackage.pdf>

Financial Disclosure Form  
<http://islandstrust.bc.ca/pdf/saturnafinancialdisclosureform.pdf>

### **General Information for all Voters and Candidates**

More information about local government elections in British Columbia, including a **Candidate's Guide** and a **Voter's Guide** is available at [http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/gov\\_structure/Elections/index.htm](http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/gov_structure/Elections/index.htm)

The following additional information for Islands Trust candidates may be accessed through: <http://www.islandstrust.bc.ca/byelections.cfm>

- ◆ Information for Voters and Candidates
- ◆ General Information for Islands Trust Candidates
- ◆ Statutory Rules of Conduct
- ◆ Standards of Conduct
- ◆ Oath of Office

### **Notice of Election and Information for Voters**

Provided electors nominate more than one qualified candidate for the vacant Local Trustee position, the Chief Election Officer will declare on January 24, 2011 that an Election by Voting will be held.

A formal **Notice of Election** will be posted, as required, on this webpage and published in local newspapers that circulate in the Saturna Island Local Trust Area between January 26 and February 2, 2011. A Notice of Election provides information about the candidates who have been nominated, voter qualifications and registration, voting times and voting places.

### **Saturna Island Local Trustee By-election Notice of Election**

(to be posted here after 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2011)

#### **By-election Results**

If electors nominate only one qualified candidate for the vacant Local Trustee position, the Chief Election Officer will declare on January 24, 2011 that the candidate has been Elected by Acclamation. If such a declaration is made, it will be posted here after 4:00 p.m. on January 24, 2011.

If electors nominate more than one qualified candidate and an Election by Voting is held for the vacant Local Trustee position, the preliminary results will be posted here after the close of polls on February 19, 2011 and after the Chief Election Officer has declared the results official.

For more information about the 2011 Saturna Island Trustee by-election, contact:

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