



**ISLAND COASTAL ECONOMIC TRUST ANNOUNCES ELECTION OF EIGHT MEMBERS TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**Lake Cowichan, B.C.** - W.J. (Jack) Peake, Chair of the Island Coastal Economic Trust (ICET), today announced the outcome of the recent election of municipally elected members for the Board of Directors. Under Bill 7, a thirteen member Board of Directors governs the Island Coastal Economic Trust.

“Under the Trust’s enabling legislation, there are eight (8) Board members that must be elected every two years by the members of the two Regional Advisory Committees. Elections have been held recently and I am pleased to advise that the following Mayors have been elected to the Board for a two-year term beginning July 14, 2008,” explained Chair Peake. “The other five (5) Board members, appointed by the Provincial Government, will serve until August 2009,” he added.

**Elected by the North Island-Sunshine Coast Regional Advisory Committee:**

- Gerry Furney – Mayor of Port McNeill
- Barry Janyk – Mayor of Gibsons
- Roger McDonell – Mayor of Campbell River
- Ken McRae – Mayor of Port Alberni

Starr Winchester, Mayor of Courtenay, was re-elected as Chair of the North Island-Sunshine Coast Regional Advisory Committee.

Barry Janyk was elected Vice-Chair of the North Island-Sunshine Coast Regional Advisory Committee.

**Elected by the Central-South Island Regional Advisory Committee:**

- Sandy Herle, Mayor of Parksville
- Phil Kent, Mayor of Duncan
- Gary Korpan, Mayor of Nanaimo
- W.J. (Jack) Peake, Mayor of Lake Cowichan

Jon Lefebure, Mayor of North Cowichan, was re-elected as Chair of the Central South Island Regional Advisory Committee.

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Continuing five members of the Board, appointed by the Province of B.C. for a three-year term (to August 2009) include:

- Bob Bennie
- Dave Formosa
- Dave Mannix
- Dallas Smith
- Camela Tang

**About the Trust**

The Island Coastal Economic Trust was established by Provincial legislation on February 27, 2006. It provides \$50 million that is managed by an independent board of directors made up of 8 locally elected government representatives and 5 provincially appointed members from the community. The board's mandate is to make strategic investments in regional economic priorities such as forestry, transportation, tourism, mining, energy, economic development, Olympic opportunities, agriculture and aquaculture, and small business. Information about the Trust can be found on [www.islandcoastaltrust.ca](http://www.islandcoastaltrust.ca).

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