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GOVERNANCE

Denman trustees advance farm-bylaw changes

The proposed changes include limits on agri-tourism sites, seasonal egg sales, and dwelling sizes, with further analysis requested on water, septic and impacts.

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Staff are asked to prepare revised draft bylaws for consideration of second reading

at a subsequent meeting, including limits of no more than four tents or RV sites and one cabin per property for agri-tourism accommodation. The request also includes setbacks for those uses.¹

The same request includes seasonal egg sales on R1 and R2 lots over 1ha outside the Agricultural Land Reserve, with roosters prohibited on those lots. It also proposes a maximum principal dwelling size of 410 metres² on Agricultural Land Reserve land, or 500 metres² where the dwelling contains a secondary suite.¹

The Denman Island Local Trust Committee also asks staff to bring back options and analysis for water and septic

requirements for secondary dwellings and agri-tourism accommodations.¹

A separate request asks staff to bring back options and analysis for minimizing the impact of agri-tourism accommodation. The minutes record possible approaches including clustering, contiguous accommodations, setbacks or siting near the main dwelling.¹

The decisions follow a presentation on the Denman Island Farm Regulations Review Engagement Summary and Key Directions. The project objectives include enhancing and preserving farming activities through bylaw updates, and the next steps include receiving feedback, making final revisions and

presenting a proposed Farm Bylaw to the committee.¹

The committee also nominates Trustee David Critchley to represent it on the Fisheries and Oceans Canada Shellfish Aquaculture Management Advisory Committee, with Trustee Laura Busheikin as alternate.¹

DENMAN FIRE RESCUE

Emergencies: **911**. Denman Island Fire Rescue is a volunteer department. This space is theirs in every edition, free, and is not for sale. Burning restrictions change through the season. Check before you light anything — including this newspaper.

Sources

Every claim in this edition is cited. Full documents, and the checks each source passed, are at denmanisland.co/news — or ask us and we will post you a copy.

Denman trustees advance farm-bylaw changes for review

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee Special Meeting Minutes — July 27, 2022 — “that the Denman Island Local Trust Committee request staff to prepare revised draft bylaws for consideration of second reading at a subsequent meeting including the following:”

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