

THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

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THE ISLAND

Ferry terminal expansion and tree cutting discussed at Trust meeting

Trustees reported meeting with BC Ferries representatives about proposed Gravelly Bay plans and community consultation.

REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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The proposed Gravelly Bay terminal expansion and tree cutting plans were discussed at the Denman Island Local Trust Committee meeting on April 4. The chair reported that he and the regional planning manager had met with BC Ferries representatives and that community consultation on the issues was planned.¹

Trustee Sam Borthwick also reported attending a Ferry Advisory Committee meeting where concerns about the proposed expansion were discussed.¹

A Grapevine community survey asked residents about summer tourist traffic and the proposed terminal project, including whether

BC Ferries had conducted fair and proper community consultation. The survey described more than 120 trees as slated to be cut down.²

THE ISLAND

CityWest says fibre project scope now covers roughly 875 properties

A March 30 update says construction challenges have delayed work in northern Denman and the company expects first customers online this spring.

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CityWest said its Denman fibre-optic project now covers roughly 875 properties, after the company expanded the original scope following community consultation. The March 30 update said the expanded project represents 93% of island residents.¹

The company said shipping delays, higher labour and materials costs, difficult terrain and weather had challenged construction. It said crews would bring fibre to the edge of eligible properties, with a free connection to eligible homes and businesses up to 80 metres for customers who sign up.¹

CityWest said work in northern Denman had been delayed because the route requires passage through park land and additional permitting. The update said the company could not provide a construction or service-activation timeline for the 68 properties in that area.¹

The company said it expected its first Denman customers to be online this spring.¹

CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

Forecast on record for this week. Later weather is not in this box.

Thu 2023-04-06: Rain; 9°C / 6°C; wind SE 14 kn; daylight 06:49–19:56; moon Full Moon, 100% lit; low water 12:18 AM (2.2 m), high water 6:22 AM (4.6 m), low water 12:55 PM (1.5 m), high water 7:12 PM (4.3 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2023-04-06>

	Thu 06	Fri 07	Sat 08	Sun 09	Mon 10	Tue 11	Wed 12
Sky	Rain	Light rain	Light rain	Rain	Overcast	Overcast	Overcast
High	9°C	13°C	11°C	12°C	11°C	11°C	12°C
Low	6°C	6°C	6°C	6°C	3°C	4°C	1°C
Wind	SE 14 kn	SSW 12 kn	SE 20 kn	SE 19 kn	SE 8 kn	NE 9 kn	N 6 kn
Daylight	06:49–19:56	06:47–19:58	06:45–19:59	06:42–20:01	06:40–20:03	06:38–20:04	06:36–20:06
Moon	Full Moon	Full Moon	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous	Waning Gibbous

Open-Meteo historical forecast. Tides: Canadian Hydrographic Service.

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.

Ferry terminal expansion and tree cutting discussed at Trust meeting

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, April 4, 2023 — “He and Regional Planning Manager Jamurat attended a meeting with BC Ferries representatives to discuss the proposed Gravelly Bay terminal expansion and tree cutting plans;”
- 2. The Islands Grapevine, April 6, 2023 — “in which over 120 trees are slated to be cut down?”

CityWest says fibre project scope now covers roughly 875 properties

- 1. The Islands Grapevine, April 6, 2023 — “After consultation with the community, we increased the scope of the project by an additional 35% to include roughly 875 properties, which represents 93% of the residents on the island.”

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