

# THE DENMAN FIRESTARTER

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THE ISLAND

## CVRD apologizes for damage to Denman trail heritage sites

*The regional district says construction of the Denman Cross Island Trail damaged registered and unregistered K’ómoks Cultural Heritage Sites.*

REPORT — FACTS AND CITATIONS ONLY

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The Comox Valley Regional District apologized on October 29 for damage to registered and unregistered K’ómoks Cultural Heritage Sites during construction of the Denman Cross Island Trail. The district said the damage occurred in fall 2023 and that proper procedures could have prevented it.<sup>1</sup>

The CVRD said it had worked with K’ómoks First Nation through a restorative justice process to investigate the site and identify remedial actions. It said the actions include offsetting K’ómoks staff costs related to the incident and donating toward the Nation’s repatriation priorities.<sup>1</sup>

The district also committed to improving internal procedures and providing staff education about the K’ómoks Cultural Heritage Policy permitting process.<sup>1</sup>

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### Denman housing proposal advances through first reading

*The Denman Island Local Trust Committee gave first reading to a bylaw amendment for additional units and secondary suites at Triple Rock Land Co-op.*

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The Denman Island Local Trust Committee gave first reading to a proposed bylaw amendment for Triple Rock Land Co-op that would increase the permitted number of units and allow secondary suites in all units.<sup>1</sup>

At its October 8 meeting, the committee amended the draft to replace 15 with 19 in the density table, then gave the bylaw first reading and referred it to First Nations, local governments and agencies for comment.<sup>1</sup>

The minutes say a property owner must submit a septic filing from a Registered Onsite Wastewater Practitioner or Professional Engineer before constructing a suite. Island Health is responsible for approval and oversight of onsite sewage disposal systems on Denman Island.<sup>1</sup>

### CATCHWINDOW

The week on the water, for this island.

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

Thu 2024-10-31: Overcast; 9°C / 5°C; wind SE 14 kn; daylight 08:06–18:01; moon Waning Crescent, 2% lit; high water 6:43 AM (4.2 m), low water 11:54 AM (2.9 m), high water 5:24 PM (4.4 m).



<https://catchwindow.com/canada/british-columbia/denman-island/week/2024-10-31>

|          | Thu 31          | Fri 01      | Sat 02      | Sun 03          | Mon 04          | Tue 05          | Wed 06          |
|----------|-----------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Sky      | Overcast        | Rain        | Drizzle     | Light drizzle   | Heavy rain      | Overcast        | Overcast        |
| High     | 9°C             | 8°C         | 8°C         | 10°C            | 12°C            | 10°C            | 10°C            |
| Low      | 5°C             | 6°C         | 4°C         | 4°C             | 6°C             | 4°C             | 6°C             |
| Wind     | SE 14 kn        | NE 15 kn    | ESE 4 kn    | E 5 kn          | W 18 kn         | W 5 kn          | SSE 7 kn        |
| Daylight | 08:06–18:01     | 08:08–17:59 | 08:09–17:58 | 08:11–17:56     | 07:13–16:55     | 07:14–16:53     | 07:16–16:51     |
| Moon     | Waning Crescent | New Moon    | New Moon    | Waxing Crescent | Waxing Crescent | Waxing Crescent | Waxing Crescent |

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

### DENMAN FIRE RESCUE

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Burning restrictions change through the season. Check before you light anything — including this newspaper.

### Sources

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#### CVRD apologizes for damage to Denman trail heritage sites

- 1. CVRD press release published in The Islands Grapevine, October 31, 2024 — “The Comox Valley Regional District (CVRD) wishes to publicly apologize for damaging both registered and unregistered K’ómoks Cultural Heritage Sites during construction of the Denman Cross Island Trail.”

#### Denman housing proposal advances through first reading

- 1. Denman Island Local Trust Committee minutes, October 8, 2024 — “that Denman Island Local Trust Committee Bylaw No. 250 cited as “Denman Island Land Use Bylaw, 2008, Amendment No. 2, 2024” be read a first time.”

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