



## **TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, April 19, 2018  
SCRD Board Room, 1975 Field Road, Sechelt, B.C.**

### **AGENDA**

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**CALL TO ORDER:** 2:45 p.m.

#### **AGENDA**

1. Adoption of Agenda

#### **PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

#### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

2. Lorne Lewis, Director, Electoral Area E, Chair  
Regarding Road Safety at Work Verbal

#### **MINUTES**

3. Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Recommendations  
of January 18, 2018 ~ *receipt* Annex A  
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#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

4. Diana Mumford, Southern Coast Ferry Advisory Committee  
Regarding 2018 March FAC Bulletin Annex B  
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#### **REPORTS**

#### **NEW BUSINESS / ROUNDTABLE**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

**NEXT MEETING** July 19, 2018 at 2:45 p.m.

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT  
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
January 18, 2018**

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RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
HELD IN THE CEDAR ROOM OF THE SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT AT 1975  
FIELD ROAD, SECHELT, BC

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<b>PRESENT:</b> (Voting Members)	Director, Electoral Area E, Chair Director, Electoral Area A Director, Electoral Area B Director, Electoral Area D Director, Electoral Area F Director, Sechelt Indian Government District Director, District of Sechelt Alt. Director, District of Sechelt Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Transportation Choices (TraC)	Lorne Lewis Frank Mauro Garry Nohr Mark Lebbell Ian Winn Keith Julius Darren Inkster Alice Lutes Don Legault Colin Midgeley Alun Wooliams
<b>ALSO PRESENT:</b> (Non-Voting)	GM, Planning and Community Development Manager, Transit and Fleet S. Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee RCMP Crimestoppers Recorder Media	Ian Hall Gordon Dykstra Diana Mumford Sgt. Mike Hacker Mary Bitroff Diane Corbett 2

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**CALL TO ORDER**      2:45 p.m.

**AGENDA**      The agenda was adopted as amended:

- Defer to next agenda - Item 2: Lorne Lewis, Director, Electoral Area E, Chair, regarding Road Safety at Work

**ROUNDTABLE INTRODUCTIONS**

**MINUTES**

**Recommendation No. 1**      *Transportation Advisory Committee Recommendations*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the recommendations of the October 19, 2017 Transportation Advisory Committee meeting be received.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **Recommendation No. 2**     *Communications*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the following communications be received:

- Diana Mumford, Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee, regarding BC Ferries New Ferry Schedule and Traffic Growth;
- Alun Wooliums, Transportation Choices – Sunshine Coast, regarding Access to Maintenance Contract Road Classifications.

#### **BC Ferries (BCF) New Ferry Schedule and Traffic Growth**

*Ms. Mumford highlighted aspects of the new schedule for the Langdale ferry and feedback received from the public:*

- *The number one issue was retention of a commuter ferry year round. The second issue was a need for later sailing times. Both are now available.*
- *Increased time between some sailings has been necessary to accommodate the added 5:25 p.m. commuter sailing.*
- *Ferry traffic and overloads have increased and it is believed that the rollback of fares and the return of a seniors discount Monday through Thursday will increase this further.*
- *Development of transit park and ride sites for ferry users was suggested at a recent FAC meeting. BCF is considering contracting the management of the Langdale parking lot.*
- *An additional ferry will be added in the summer, increasing sailings from eight to twelve.*

*BC Ferries is currently in Phase 1 of a five phase, 25-year terminal development plan for Horseshoe Bay.*

#### **Access to Maintenance Contract Road Classifications**

*Mr. Legault reported that road classifications are reviewed annually and subject to change. He will email the current classification for Marine Drive, Reed, Pratt, Lower, Roberts Creek and Redrooffs Roads to TRAC and the SCRD.*

#### **Overhead Lights**

*Overhead lighting at Highway 101 and Oceanview Drive was discussed. It was noted that overhead lights are only installed at intersections and crosswalks if traffic lights are present. Evaluation is on a case-by-case basis and includes pedestrian counts and traffic volumes.*

## **NEW BUSINESS / ROUNDTABLE**

- *Directors expressed appreciation for work completed near Flume Road, Katherine Lake and Brooks Road.*

- *Items raised for the attention of MoTI included: faded line painting of crosswalks on lower Roberts Creek Road; signage for blind intersection at Church and Marine Drive in Granthams Landing; trees encroaching on road in Pender Harbour; Coopers Green Road; potholes near Trout Lake at Belair Road; pothole near B & K Road on Highway 101; drainage issues near 14<sup>th</sup> Street in Elphinstone.*
- *Highway litter removal is a responsibility of the maintenance contractor. The assistance of community groups through the Adopt-a-Highway program is encouraged and appreciated.*
- *SCRD planning work on Phase 2 of the Suncoaster Trail continues with support of a grant from Vancouver Coastal Health, in partnership with Sechelt and Gibsons.*
- *Bike Lane sweeping is expected to occur in February.*
- *MoTI has issued Requests for Proposals for maintenance contractors in Service Areas 2, 3, and 24.*
- *MoTI was asked to consider providing a location to dispose of the invasive plant species broom. Mr. Legault will research whether the Ministry was involved with invasive species incineration in the Powell River area.*
- *SCRD Transit expansion included adding smaller buses to the fleet. BC Ferries contacted SCRD Transit to explore park and ride options. Last month's snowfall caused only minor delays and disruption.*
- *The next revision of the Transit Riders Guide is targeted for May 17<sup>th</sup> to align with the ferry schedule changes.*
- *Aligning the bus schedule with Elphinstone Secondary School dismissal was discussed.*
- *Minutes of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) are forwarded to the Infrastructure Services Committee (ISC), and can be accessed online one week prior to the ISC meeting. From the ISC, any recommendations are forwarded to the Board for approval.*
- *The S-bend on Gower Point Road 1200 block will be addressed by MoTI and Capilano Highways with some rip-rap on the down slope side, with paving to occur in spring.*
- *MoTI and the Town of Gibsons are working on a design for Reed Road. Concerns were raised about the increasing traffic and road safety for cyclists.*

**NEXT MEETING**      April 19, 2018 at 2:45 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**      3:58 p.m.

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Committee Chair

# Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee

MARCH 2018

## Reduced Fares on Route 3

There are several good pieces of news for Coastal ferry users!

### REDUCED FARES

As announced by B.C. Ferries, “fares on the 21 interisland and northern routes, as well as the Horseshoe Bay – Langdale route, are reduced on average **by 15 per cent** and the fares on the three Metro Vancouver to Vancouver Island routes are remaining at current rates”.

### INCREASED SENIORS’ DISCOUNT

In addition, the B.C. seniors’ passenger discount increased from 50 per cent to 100 per cent for travel Monday through Thursday (excluding holiday Mondays) on major and inter-island routes.

### EXPERIENCE CARDS

The buy-in level for Experience Cards is reduced by 15 per cent to \$95 for vehicle and driver and \$55 for passenger fares.

<b>Route 3 FARES</b>	<b>April 2003</b>	<b>April 2008</b>	<b>April 2016</b>	<b>April 2017</b>	<b>April 2018</b>	<b>Cumulative increase % since 2003</b>
passenger	\$8.00	\$11.00	\$16.15	\$16.15	\$13.70	71.3%
passenger (Experience)	\$5.73	\$8.55	\$12.65	\$12.65	\$10.70	86.7%
vehicle	\$26.25	\$37.25	\$54.00	\$54.00	\$45.90	74.9%
Vehicle (Experience)	\$19.31	\$28.55	\$41.50	\$41.50	\$35.25	82.5%
commercial, cost per foot	\$3.35	\$4.80	\$7.05	\$7.05	\$5.95	77.6%

#### Ferry

#### Advisory

#### Committees

BC Ferries meets with local community representatives to discuss day-to-day operations, planned improvements and broader policy issues such as fares and strategic planning.

#### FAC Members:

Diana Mumford  
(Chair)

Robin Marriott

Greg Russell

Mike Shanks

Ed Steeves

Jeremy Valeriote

Mathew Wilson

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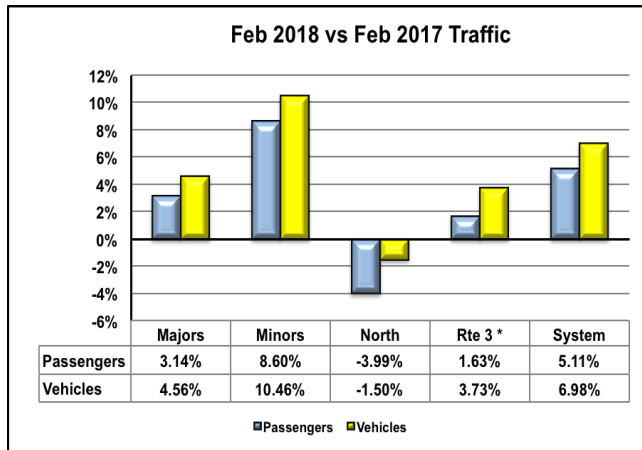
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	Schedule in effect: January 2 - May 16/18								<sup>1</sup> March 30 only <sup>2</sup> March 29 only <sup>3</sup> April 1 only <sup>4</sup> April 2 only							

## February 2018 Traffic:

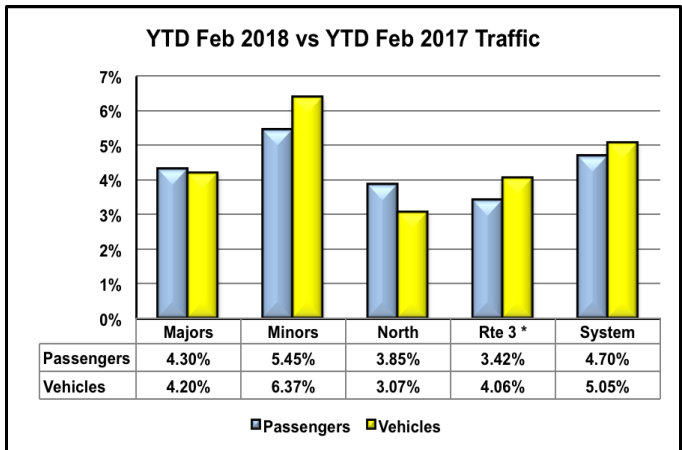
There continues to be strong traffic growth this year for most routes. Across the Coastal ferry system, vehicle traffic is up 7.0% and passenger traffic up 5.1%. The increase on route 3 is a very modest 3.73% for vehicles and 1.6% for passengers.

This traffic increase shown in graphs below does not take into consideration the fare cut and the return of the BC seniors' Monday to Thursday free travel that just started April 1. With the continued increases will also come challenges of overloads and ferry capacity for users.

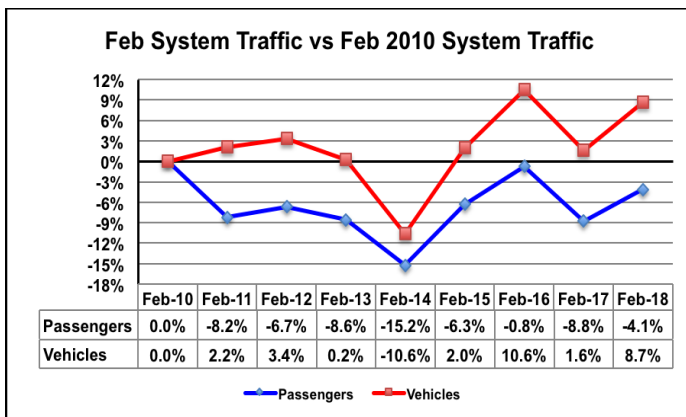
**Graph 1** Ferry traffic use (passengers, vehicles) increase/decrease % comparing months of February 2017 vs February 2017



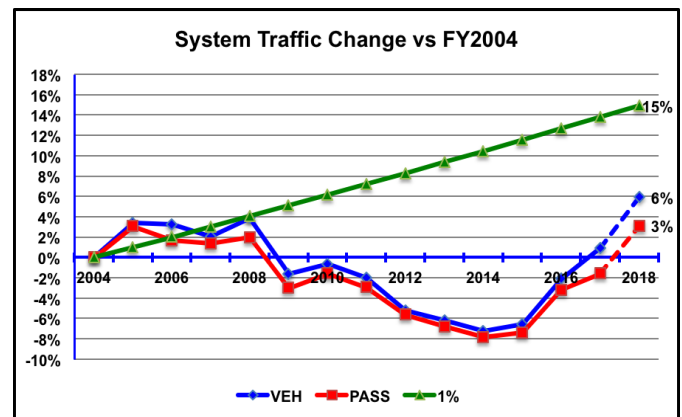
**Graph 2** Ferry traffic use (passengers, vehicles) increase % comparing Year to Date, vs Previous Year  
note: Route 3\* data included in Majors; also shown separately for information only



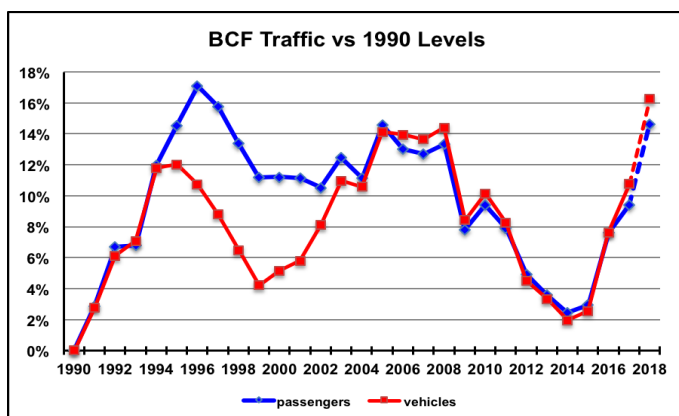
**Graph 3** System Traffic for the Feb. 2018 vs Feb. 2010



**Graph 4** System Traffic Changes vs 1% growth since FY2004



**Graph 5** System Traffic Changes – the Long Look - Since 1990



**Graph 6** Route 3 Vehicle Traffic change from 2004 to present.

