



TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Thursday, January 18, 2018
SCRD Board Room, 1975 Field Road, Sechelt, B.C.

AGENDA

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 October 19, 2017 ~ *receipt* Annex A
pp 1-3

COMMUNICATIONS

4. Diana Mumford, Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory
Committee Annex B
Regarding BC Ferries New Ferry Schedule and Traffic
Growth pp 4-5
5. Alun Woolliams, Transportation Choices - Sunshine Coast Annex C
Regarding Access to Maintenance Contract Road
Classifications pp 6

REPORTS

NEW BUSINESS / ROUNDTABLE

ADJOURNMENT

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

**SUNSHINE COAST REGIONAL DISTRICT
TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE
October 19, 2017**

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

PRESENT: (Voting Members)	Director, Electoral Area E, Chair Director, Electoral Area A Director, Electoral Area B Director, Electoral Area D Director, Electoral Area F Director, Town of Gibsons Director, District of Sechelt Trustee, School District No. 46 BC Ferries Transportation Choices (TraC)	Lorne Lewis Frank Mauro Garry Nohr Mark Lebbell Ian Winn Jeremy Valeriotte Darren Inkster Dave Mewhort Hanna Josephson Alun Wooliams
ALSO PRESENT: (Non-Voting)	GM, Infrastructure Services/Regional Engineer Manager, Transit and Fleet Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure RCMP Recorder Public Media	Michael Day Gordon Dykstra Don Legault Colin Midgeley Sgt. Mike Hacker Diane Corbett 1 1

CALL TO ORDER 2:50 p.m.

AGENDA The agenda was adopted as amended:

- Defer item 5. "Road Safety at Work" to next meeting

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Lesley Roberts regarding slow moving electric vehicles (golf carts) as a form of transportation in our localized communities

Ms. Lesley Roberts addressed the committee on the potential advantages of permitting slow moving electric vehicles (EV's, e.g. golf carts) and other mobility devices as a form of transportation. For communities on the Sunshine Coast, this could enhance residents' access to services and amenities and reduce social isolation.

Points raised in ensuing discussion included:

- *Experience of permitting golf carts on roads in Chase, BC and Qualicum Beach, which are pilot projects with a term attached.*
- *Public safety challenges presented by Highway 101 as well as lack of significant infrastructure for slow moving vehicles on the Sunshine Coast.*
- *Challenges and complexity of changing regulatory frameworks.*
- *Municipalities can pass bylaws to permit EV's, whereas rural areas (i.e. the SCRD) need provincial legislation changed to enable EV's on roads, including side roads.*
- *Motorized scooters on sidewalks must yield to pedestrians. Vehicles must be over 50cc and capable of minimum 50 km/h for travel on roadways.*
- *Further study would be required on the potential impacts of formally permitting electric vehicles on roadways.*
- *Regulations around transportation prioritize public safety, weighed against environmental considerations and access by the community. As the demographics change, regulations may change.*

The Chair thanked Ms. Roberts for her presentation.

MINUTES

Recommendation No. 1 *Transportation Advisory Committee Recommendations*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the recommendations of the July 20, 2017 Transportation Advisory Committee meeting be received, as corrected as follows:

- Page 1, third last entry on list of attendees should read *Sergeant Mike Hacker*, not *C/O*.

Recommendation No. 2 *Presentation Handout*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended receipt of the presentation handout on slow moving electric vehicles.

COMMUNICATIONS

Recommendation No. 3 *Communications*

The Transportation Advisory Committee recommended that the communication from Diana Mumford, Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee regarding BC Ferries Update, be received.

Director Jeremy Valeriote reviewed the document in Ms. Mumford's absence, noting the responsiveness by BC Ferries to significant participation by residents. Also discussed were the repeated concerns of TransLink bus coordination and parking capacity.

ROUNDTABLE

- *Roadway maintenance contracts were discussed. Contract terms are posted on-line, and involve road classification which are based on projected traffic volume. Information on the maintenance requirements of specific roads can be requested from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI).*
- *Cycling lanes between Sunnycrest Mall and North Road will be completed this winter.*
- *MoTI has arranged to pave road depressions around Pender Harbour lakes, at Flume Road, and in the Gibsons area.*
- *Report on meetings at UBCM Convention with new Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure, Claire Trevena.*
- *MoTI to remind Capilano Highways to install signage for the blind intersection at Church, Central and Marine Drive in Grantham's Landing.*
- *Request that MoTI provide greater transparency regarding road classification and terms of the maintenance contract. Mr. Legault to bring information and an inventory of paving work to the next meeting.*
- *MoTI to follow-up on concerns about Redroofs Road, especially around Coopers Green.*
- *Complaints about the road condition in the 1200 to 1300 block of Gower Point Road; MoTI to ask Capilano to install some riprap to stabilize the shoulder.*
- *Transit expansion is underway and running smoothly. Thanks to MoTI, the new Field Road stop is being paved. Buses will need to re-align with ferry schedule changes on January 2.*

NEXT MEETING To be announced

ADJOURNMENT 3:54 p.m.

Committee Chair

Southern Sunshine Coast Ferry Advisory Committee

Annex B

DECEMBER 2017

Happy New Year!!

2018

and a new ferry schedule . . .

Starting January 2nd, there will be new schedules for Langdale to Horseshoe Bay (route 3), as well as from Bowen Island to Horseshoe Bay (route 8) and Horseshoe Bay to Nanaimo (route 2). After extensive consultation with the Sunshine Coast communities and ferry users in spring and summer of 2017, these new schedules were provided by BC Ferries to improve on-time performance for route 3. The new schedule also offers a 5:30 p.m. commuter time for Coast residents from Monday to Friday all year round, and later sailings in the evening for returning home to the Coast. The last sailing each evening from January 2nd to May 16th is 10:55 p.m. and from May 17th to October 8th is 11:20 p.m. The new schedule for route 3 is below:

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

PLEASE NOTE: For those that do 'grandparent return runs' of picking up and/or returning grandkids to family in the city, using the Langdale to Horseshoe Bay ferry, please carefully choose your sailings. To be able to accommodate the new commuter time of 5:30 p.m., the Queen of Surrey switches routes with the Queen of Cowichan in mid day, so that the 3:15 p.m. from Langdale does return at 4:20 p.m. from Horseshoe Bay. However the next sailing from Langdale (the 5:25 p.m.) arrives in Horseshoe Bay at 6:05 p.m. to unload, and then loads for Nanaimo. The next ferry back to Langdale would be 7:50 p.m.

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 Valeriotte

Mathew Wilson

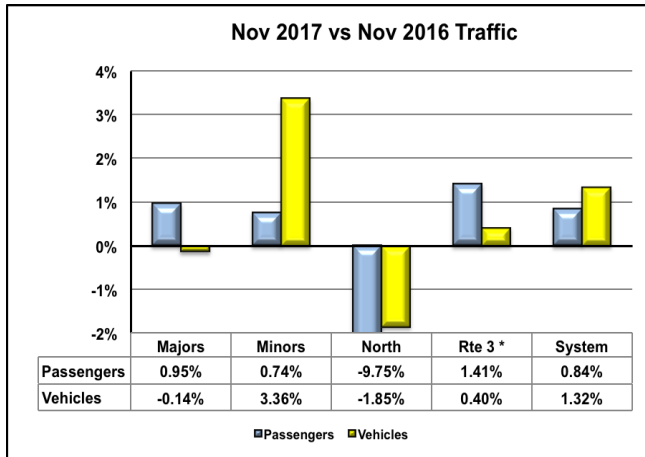
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Or phone Diana Mumford (Chair) at 604-836-9651

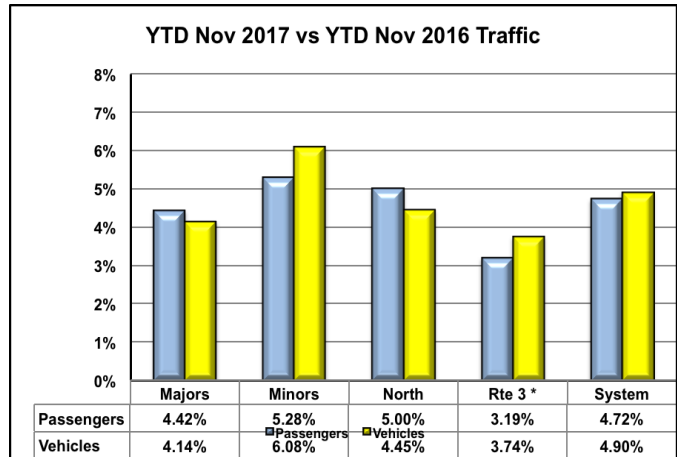
November 2017 Traffic: Good News . . . and a caution

There has been strong traffic growth this year and vehicle traffic may meet or exceed the 2008 level, which is the highest ever seen. This is good news for the economy of our ferry dependent communities, but it is also becoming a concern. We're now experiencing more frequent and greater overloads on some of our route's sailings. This traffic increase will be further impacted by the upcoming fare cut and the return of the BC seniors' Monday to Thursday free travel. If the ferry system is to adequately accommodate the traffic expected next year, we need more than just longer spaced ferry sailing times. At the end of the day, long waits and frequent overloads will drive away ferry users coming to our communities just as surely as high-priced fares. To maintain and enhance our ferry service to meet the needs of our coastal communities, focused action is required now.

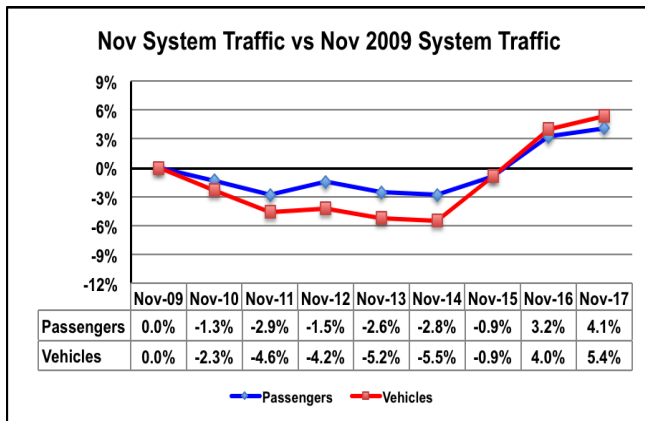
Graph 1 Ferry traffic use (passengers, vehicles) increase/decrease % comparing months of November 2017 vs November 2016



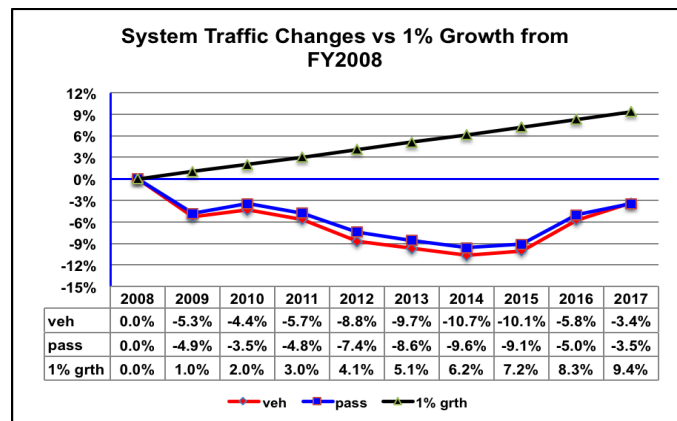
Graph 2 Ferry traffic use (passengers, vehicles) increase % comparing Year to Date, vs Previous Year
note: Route 3* data included in Majors; also shown separately for information only



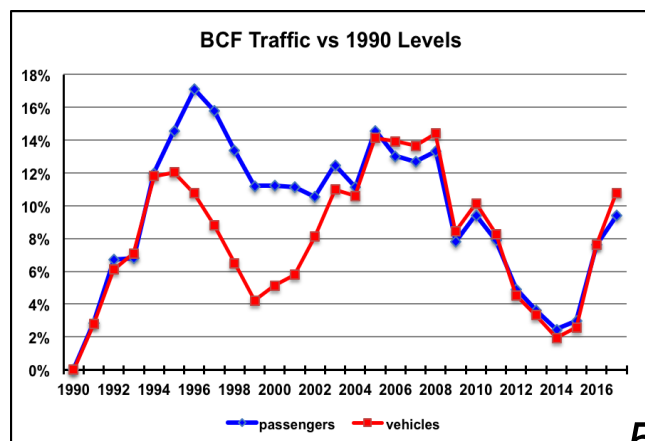
Graph 3 System Traffic for the Nov. 2017 vs Nov. 2009



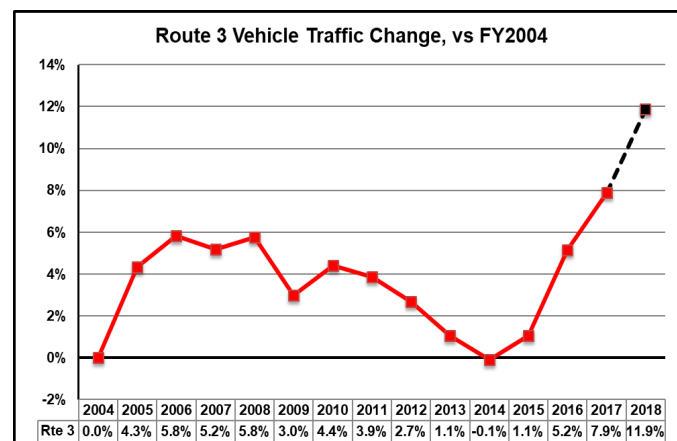
Graph 4 System Traffic Changes vs 1% growth since FY2008



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



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





TAC Agenda Item for Jan 18th 2018

Maintenance contract road classifications

TraC would like to follow up on the previous meeting's request for access to the maintenance contract road classifications.

We would like to prioritize the following specific roads:

- 101 - all sections if the classification differ
- Marine Drive - Langdale to Gibsons
- Reed and Cemetery
- Lower Road
- Roberts Creek Rd
- Redroofs Rd

Related to this, TraC would like to better understand how safety related assessments are made. For example, overhead lights were installed to improve pedestrian safety at Oceanview Drive and Highway 101. In other locations on the highway, crosswalks have been installed. What method does MOTI use for evaluating if overhead lighting is adequate for a road width and subdivision of this size?