



Do you have any stories, experiences, or comments to contribute to a local area plan for west side of Douglas Channel? All comments are welcome.

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Do you want to be included on our email list for updates on this process? Yes No (Please Circle)

What are your Top Priorities?

To keep the area intact as one ecosystem as much as possible.
No clear cutting, as that would segment the area in a highly detrimental way. Retention of public access.

Many DCW members use this area for hiking, biking, wildlife observing , berry picking and/or just plain quick family outings. It is important for the public to have trails down to the coves and beaches.

These few places must be protected from industry.

The shoreline trail from Half Moon Bay to North Cove should be re-established. It was once quite popular with the locals.

We would like to see the area Northwest of Kitimat's Service Centre included with this plan as it is home to a very important and unique wetland. As the townsite and Industry took up most of the wetlands in the estuary on the northshore of Douglas Channel, we feel it is important to preserve the remaining wetlands surrounding Kitimat, they have a unique habitat that cannot be found elsewhere. The Duck and Goose Creek areas must be preserved for those of us who enjoy observing wildlife and for those animals that have been chased out of the rest of the area by Residential and Industrial developments.

What are your Top Concerns?

Restricted or loss of access.

Further loss of wild life habitat, ie. heavy logging. Industrial noise, light and air pollution.

Having more public land being excluded from the area (sold or leased to private interests).

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What Special Places do you visit in the study area and how do you get there?

Our Members have been to all areas of this study area, by snowshoe, ski's, hiking, canoeing, ski-doing, boat etc.

At one time on the westside on the banks above Douglas Channel just north of the shale slide area there was a well used Scout Camp...if you hike in there you can still see part of the old cabin.

At the South end of Half Moon Bay, there was a deep pool where you could dive for shrimp, and shrimp and crab traps used to be seen there just near a rock that would get covered by the tide.

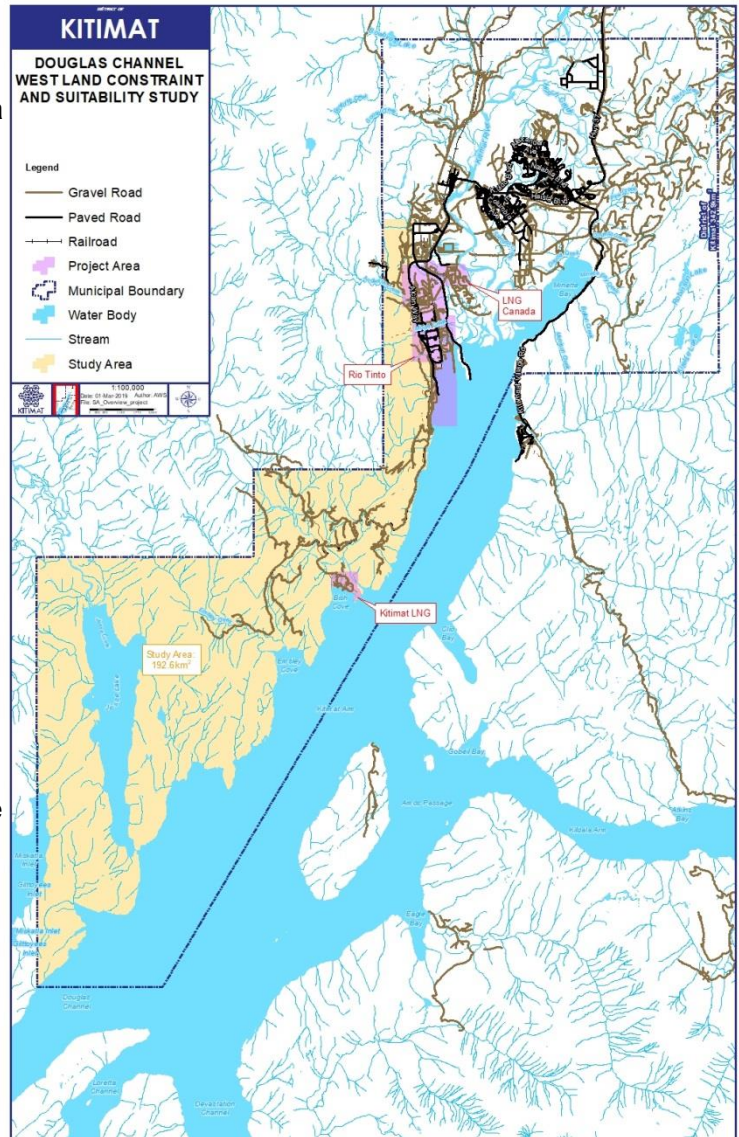
North Cove was an old forestry campsite that was at one time well looked after. It is a bit more difficult to access than it used to be, but many people used to hike in with camping gear and fish off the rocks for halibut and cod.

General Comments

Many people have decided to retire in Kitimat as they have enjoyed many years of leisure activity that involves rustic communing with nature.

Sometimes we forget that it important to just enjoy that aspect of life. This is not a big city, we need to keep that in mind as we move forward and preserve what we can.

Clean air, clean water and just open spaces.



Thank you for your time and feedback! Completed comment forms can be delivered to the front desk at Municipal Hall; faxed to 250-632-4995; or scanned and e-mailed to dok@kitimat.ca. Public comments become part of the public record and included as background material for this local area plan.

Information regarding the South West Kitimat Area Plan is available on the project page of the *District of Kitimat* website: <https://www.kitimat.ca/swkap>. Public Handbook is available at *District of Kitimat* Municipal Hall, 270 City Centre, from 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding holidays).

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