



Village Update

July 31, 2026

UPDATES FROM THE MUNICIPALITY



OFFICIAL COMMUNITY PLAN REFRESH PROCESS

The Official Community Plan (OCP) project team had a great time chatting with residents on Canada Day. Now, we are excited to invite you to our upcoming Futures Fair:

- Date: Saturday, August 22, 2026
- Time: 10 am - 2 pm
- Location: Broughton Hall

Drop by to learn about the OCP Update, share your thoughts and ideas, and talk with the project team. Plus, enjoy fun activities for the whole family!



The Village of
**LIONS
BAY**

2026 MUNICIPAL ELECTION KEY DATES

Important dates for candidates and voters

	Pre-campaign period begins	 July 20, 2026
	Deadline to apply to register an elector organization	 July 31, 2026
	Deadline for voter registration with Elections BC <i>(Voters may still register with their local government)</i>	 August 18, 2026
	Nomination period begins	 September 1, 2026
	Close of nominations	 September 11, 2026
	Campaign period begins	 September 19, 2026
	General Voting Day	 October 17, 2026



Stay informed.
Your community. Your vote.



Public Beach Water Quality - Swimming Closures

In accordance with Vancouver Coastal Health (VCH) requirements, Village staff send water samples from each of our three beaches on a weekly basis for e-coli testing. The water samples at the Lions Bay Beach Park have not met the guideline values and the beach is currently closed for swimming. Kelvin Grove and Brunswick beaches remain open.

From VCH website:

Every week from May through September, the water is sampled at many popular beaches throughout our region. Samples are tested for bacteria, which in turn tells us whether there is feces (poop) in the water from people, pets, or wildlife. Feces in water can make people ill or cause infections, from swimming or playing in the water. The standards we apply throughout our program comes from Health Canada's Guidelines for Canadian Recreational Water Quality. Our program is conducted in collaboration with partner agencies who manage our beaches, conduct the sampling, and analyze our recreational waters. [Public Beach Water Quality | Vancouver Coastal Health](#)

Additional information, including updates to the beach closures, can be found on the VCH website and the "Current beach status map": [Public Beach Water Quality | Vancouver Coastal Health](#)

What we are doing

Operations staff are removing goose poop from the Lions Bay Beach Park grass and beach on a weekly basis to reduce potential water contamination from this source. Staff are also working closely with VCH to determine when e-coli levels are back within acceptable levels to re-open the beach to swimming as soon as possible.

Staff have posted "No Swimming" signs at the Beach Park, for your own health and safety please avoid swimming when the signs are posted. Staff will remove the signs once VCH has determined the water quality is acceptable for swimming.



Trail Closure

Isleview Trail Closure Notice

The trail leading up to Isleview Place will be intermittently closed over the next two weeks while new stairs are being installed. Please be mindful of the construction activity and all posted signage during this time.

We appreciate your patience and cooperation as these improvements are completed.



Good day, Lions Bay!

As we close another busy week, I would like to thank the members of Lions Bay Fire Rescue for their continued dedication and professionalism. Whether responding to emergencies, supporting training, advancing departmental projects, or engaging in public education, your commitment to serving our community is greatly appreciated.

Provincial Wildfire Update

Wildfire conditions across British Columbia continue to be challenging, with **warm, dry, and windy weather** increasing the potential for new wildfire starts and continued growth of existing fires.

There are currently **127 active wildfires** across the province, including **13 new wildfires starting in the past 24 hours**. Firefighters have also successfully declared **17 fires out in the last 24 hours** and **103 fires over the past seven days**, demonstrating the tremendous efforts of wildfire crews across British Columbia.

The BC Wildfire Service has begun receiving additional firefighters and specialized resources from outside the province to strengthen wildfire response capacity. These

personnel are working alongside BC Wildfire Service crews, contractors, aviation resources, and partner agencies as wildfire activity continues.

While smoke continues to affect portions of British Columbia's Interior, **air quality across Lions Bay, Howe Sound, and the South Coast remains generally good**, with only limited smoke expected locally at this time.

Fire Danger Rating

Current fire danger across much of the **Coastal Fire Centre**, including the Sea to Sky region, remains **Moderate**, while many areas throughout British Columbia's southern Interior are experiencing **High to Extreme Fire Danger**.

As weather conditions can change rapidly, everyone is encouraged to remain vigilant and use caution with any activity that could ignite a wildfire.

Emergency Preparedness Reminder

Even if wildfire is not currently affecting Lions Bay, now is an excellent time to prepare.

Residents are encouraged to:

- Register for emergency notifications through the Village of Lions Bay.
- Discuss an evacuation plan with your household.
- Stay informed using trusted sources, including the **BC Wildfire Service**, **EmergencyInfoBC**, and **DriveBC** before travelling.
- Download the free **BC Wildfire Service App** to receive current wildfire information and report wildfires directly from your mobile device when safe to do so.

Preparing before an emergency occurs helps ensure you and your family can respond quickly and safely if conditions change.

Thank you for your continued support in helping keep Lions Bay a safe, prepared, and resilient community.

Have a safe and enjoyable BC Day long weekend.

Lorenzo De Arcangelis
Fire Chief
Lions Bay Fire Rescue



LIONS BAY FIRE RESCUE

WORKING TOGETHER. PREPARED TO SERVE. PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITY.

FIRE CHIEF'S WEEKLY UPDATE

FRIDAY, JULY 31, 2026

PROVINCIAL SITUATION REPORT

Updated Jul 29th 2026

Warm, dry and windy conditions remain challenging for firefighting. The possibility for new wildfire starts and increased fire behaviour remain possible in the days ahead.

Personnel from outside of the province are beginning to arrive and more will be arriving in the coming weeks, strengthening our response capacity alongside BCWS crews, contractors, industry and aviation resources. We are grateful for the continued partnership and support of our wildfire community and continue to engage with CIFFC and other resource sharing partners to secure additional resources over the coming weeks. Wildfire response is a shared effort and these partnerships ensure additional support is available when conditions are most challenging.

While crews continue responding to new wildfire starts and maintaining sustained action on existing incidents, everyone in B.C. has a role to play in preparedness.

Even if there isn't a wildfire affecting your community today, take time now to:

- Register for emergency notifications from your local government
- Discuss evacuation plans with your household and know where you would go if you needed to leave quickly
- Stay informed using trusted sources, including the BC Wildfire Service app and website for wildfire information, DriveBC for road conditions and closures, and EmergencyInfoBC or your local government for evacuation alerts and orders

Conditions can change quickly, and weather can vary significantly across the province. Preparing before an emergency occurs helps you act confidently and safely if wildfire impacts your community.

ACTIVE WILDFIRES

127

STARTED IN THE LAST 24 HOURS

13

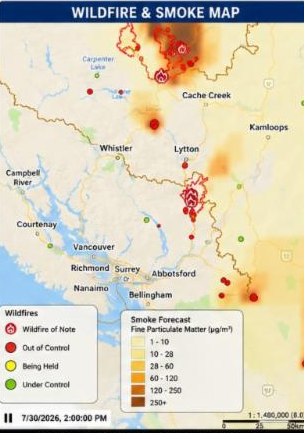
DECLARED OUT IN THE LAST 24 HOURS

17

DECLARED OUT IN THE LAST 7 DAYS

103

WILDFIRE & SMOKE MAP



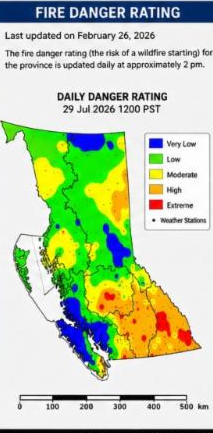
Source: BC Wildfire Service - Active Fires & Smoke Forecast

FIRE DANGER RATING

Last updated on February 26, 2026

The fire danger rating (the risk of a wildfire starting) for the province is updated daily at approximately 2 pm.

DAILY DANGER RATING
29 Jul 2026 1200 PST



Source: BC Wildfire Service - Fire Danger Rating

SMOKE FORECAST

Smoke from wildfires continues to be concentrated over northeastern British Columbia.

LITTLE TO NO SMOKE EXPECTED TO IMPACT LIONS BAY OR THE SOUTH COAST.



Source: BC Wildfire Service - Smoke Forecast

CURRENT FIRE RESTRICTIONS

Category 1 - Current open fire prohibitions and restrictions

Please ensure that you are familiar with all current provincial and municipal fire restrictions before conducting any outdoor burning activities.

Category 1 Campfire

Prohibited in the Southeast Fire Centre. Also prohibited in the Cariboo, Kamloops Fire Centres and most of the Coastal Fire Centre. Effective 12 p.m. (noon) on July 23, 2026.

Thank you, LBFR and the Village of Lions Bay, for the outstanding efforts during last week's residential structure fire. Your professionalism, teamwork, and dedication helped protect our community. Well done!

STAY INFORMED. BE PREPARED. LET'S KEEP LIONS BAY SAFE THIS SEASON.

REPORT WILDFIRES IMMEDIATELY: CALL 911 OR *5555 ON YOUR CELL PHONE (IF SAFE TO DO SO)

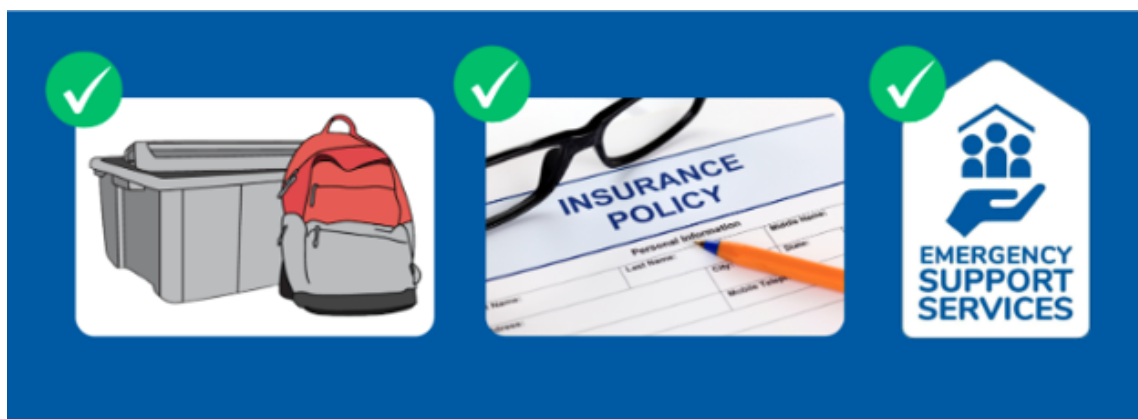


From the Office of the Emergency Program Coordinator

Be prepared and check your insurance

Many home and tenant insurance policies include coverage for evacuation-related living expenses. You are encouraged to review your insurance coverage before an emergency happens, keep a copy in your emergency kit and [register in advance for Emergency Support Services](#).

Read and share the [Insurance: Why it matters blog post](#) for more information about the importance of insurance.



Boat Space Permits

Boat Space Permits Are Now Available

Council has approved a temporary solution for vessel storage at Lions Bay Beach Park. During this temporary arrangement, vessels will be stored:

- Along the chain-link fence on the upper grass field
- Along the south-side wooden fence behind the washroom

A valid permit is required, and a current decal must be clearly visible on every vessel. Any vessel stored without a valid decal will be seized, and a retrieval fee will apply.

If you rented a boat space last year, please check your email for important information about renewing your permit. At this time, all available spaces are full, and we are not accepting new renters under this temporary storage plan.

Council will re-evaluate the installation of a new boat rack this fall. Stay tuned for future updates.



UPDATES FROM THE BYLAW OFFICER



A NOTE FROM YOUR
BYLAW DEPARTMENT

LIVE HERE? PROVE IT.

PUT YOUR NEW ANNUAL
PARKING PERMIT ON
BEFORE **JULY 31ST, 2026.**

DON'T BE
THE REASON
WE CAN'T FIND
PARKING.



THIS PASS IS FOR
LIONS BAY RESIDENTS.



Helps keep parking
available for locals.



Supports fair parking
in our community.



Helps us keep Lions Bay
safe and accessible.

THANK YOU FOR DOING
YOUR PART! ♥

NO PASS =
TICKET.

STEVE,
I GOT A
TICKET.

PARKING
VIOLATION

REASON:

No valid
annual pass
displayed

BYLAW DEPT.



DEADLINE:

JULY 31ST, 2026

GET IT.
PUT IT ON.
AVOID THE TICKET.

2026 CENSUS REMINDER

Thank You!



Thank you to residents who have completed their census by the due date of **Tuesday 12th May.**

Your participation helps ensure accurate population information and supports informed planning and service delivery.



STILL NEED TO COMPLETE YOUR CENSUS?

There is still an opportunity to do so!

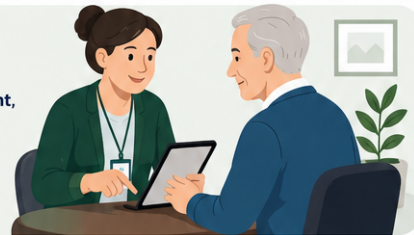
Please log in using your **unique identifier** and complete the online questionnaire.

The process is quick, secure, and helps ensure that records remain current and accurate.



NEED ASSISTANCE?

As completion is a **statutory requirement**, there will be follow-through visits by **Jaime Cunliffe and Elizabeth Moore** to walk you through its completion if you had trouble doing so.



WHY YOUR CENSUS MATTERS



Supports municipal planning



Helps maintain accurate community records



Assists with future service delivery decisions



Ensures reliable population information



**PLEASE COMPLETE
YOUR CENSUS TODAY!**



Your participation makes a difference for our community.



Thank you for helping keep our community informed, connected, and prepared for the future.



Council & Committee Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Committee of the Whole - September 1st, 2026 at 6:00pm

Regular Meeting of Council (OPEN) - September 1st, 2026 at 7:00pm

Note: Please check the Village website [calendar](#) for meeting schedule changes or cancellations.

**View the Council and Committee Schedules, Agendas, and Minutes
HERE!**

Video conferencing is available for public participation via Zoom. Instructions on viewing etiquette, and how to attend and publicly participate in a meeting can be found [here](#).



Explore the shore!



Fun for all ages
BBQ
Bird/whale spotting

NEW DATE
Lions Bay Beach
Saturday, Aug 1st, 11 - 1

Suitable for all levels of mobility

Co-hosted by



**BIRD FRIENDLY
CITY**
LIONS BAY, BC
CERTIFIED BY NATURE CANADA



GOT SUMMER GUESTS???

Make sure they:
Know what to do if they see a bear.
Keep attractants out of reach.
Stay alert & keep dogs on leash when walking.
Keep doors & windows closed.



www.lionsbaybearsmart.ca has all the info.



Nature Lions Bay Joins BC Nature

We're thrilled to announce that **Nature Lions Bay** is now a member club of **BC Nature**!

This means our members also become members of BC Nature and will, in addition to local news, events and initiatives, have access to other clubs' field trips, webinars, events and conservation initiatives around BC and receive BC nature Magazine and their "Nature's Voice" e-newsletter.

We offer collaborative opportunities for independent nature partners in Lions Bay and support initiatives that in turn support our Society's goals. This includes opportunities to apply for grants in partnership with Nature Lions Bay and donations can receive tax receipts through BC Nature.

Anyone is welcome to participate in any of the activities our nature partners provide as always. However, additional events and activities on a wider range of topics are planned for society members.

Learn more by visiting naturelionsbay.ca or read this week's [article in The Watershed](#). You can also find us on [Facebook](#).

If anyone is interested in starting a related new project, please [contact us](#).



LAST CALL \$10 EARLY BIRD



Ryan McMahon & his Band Live in Concert

"The complete package. Singer. Songwriter. Performer. Troublemaker. Passionate human being. For me... priceless."— Terry David Mulligan

Award-winning Vancouver Island artist **Ryan McMahon** returns to Lions Bay after a stellar solo performance here in 2023. This time, he is bringing his full band and a fistful of brand-new music. McMahon's signature sound is a soulful, raw blend of Americana, folk, and rock. A definitive fixture on the Canadian live circuit, he has released seven full-length albums and spent years honing a career defined by heartfelt songwriting and a captivating stage presence.

From his early days in Vancouver clubs to sharing massive stages with the likes of **Burton Cummings**, **Nickelback**, **Mother Mother**, **Aaron Pritchett**, **Barney Bentall**, and **The Sheepdogs**, McMahon's music has earned global reach, even being featured on hit **TV shows**

like [Californication](#). Following the October 2025 release of his poignant single, "[There She Is](#)," this upcoming performance promises to showcase a beautiful mix of [original music](#) and [covers](#) that reflect his ongoing creative evolution.

The evening will also feature an exhibition by talented local Lions Bay visual artist Barbara San Severino. Additional participating artists to be announced. **This community concert is generously sponsored by Thyra McKilligan of Re/Max Masters.**

Genre: Folk / Roots / Rock. **Tickets: \$10 Early Bird** (Price ends **BC Day, Aug 3**).

Date: Saturday, September 19, 2026 (6:00PM–9:00PM) at Lions Bay Village Hall.

Format: Two full sets with an intermission.



 **17** Saturday, Sept. 19 | 6–9 p.m.

 Early-bird tickets: \$10

 Tickets available now

Ryan McMahon Tickets

sing!

*A community
in harmony*

**Register for the upcoming Fall Term of *sing!*
Lions Bay's community choir.**

(Subsidizing of this wonderful opportunity has been gifted by generous
resident donors, Victoria Rogers and Kim Mailey.)

**Come and try us out at a *sing!* Open House
7-9 pm, August 25th – [rsvp here!](#)**

Learn More or To Register hit the link below!



[Click here!](#)

Howe Sound Artist Collective

Welcoming all levels of paint on canvas artists

Thursday evenings, 6-8:30 pm

September 10th - October 29th

[Learn More & Register](#)





Village of Lions Bay | lionsbay.ca

Encourage
friends to
Subscribe

Meeting
Calendars

Real-time Air
Quality Map

Real-time Air
Temperature

Curbside Solid
Waste
Timeslots

Drop-off service for wildlife attractant solid waste, as well as non-curbside recyclables (styrofoam, batteries, lightbulbs, soft plastics, electronic e-waste) is available at the **Public Works Yard, 5 Tidewater Way, Fridays 6-9 am and Saturdays 8-11 am.**



Reception: (604) 921-9333

Public Works Voicemail: (604) 921-9833

Public Works After-hours On-call: (604) 290-1498

Bylaw Enforcement Officer: (604) 834-3404



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