HARMONY ISLANDS MARINE PROVINCIAL PARK

PURPOSE STATEMENT AND ZONING PLAN

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Primary Role

The **primary role** of Harmony Islands Marine Provincial Park is to protect a highly scenic anchorage in the Hotham Sound area. The steepness of this coastal fiord does not afford an abundance of suitable anchorages. Harmony Islands is well situated as a central point in this marine boating area.

Known Management Issues	Response
Lack of knowledge about natural or	As resources allow, obtain more
cultural values found within the park.	knowledge of park values.
One island is entirely within the park while	Improve park boundary signage.
the majority of the other island is private.	
This occasionally causes infringement	
upon the private land by park visitors who	
are unaware of the private land status.	

Zoning

<u>Natural Environment</u> – The entire park is zoned Natural Environment.

Conservation Representation - ecosection This park makes a very minor contribution to the well represented Southern Pacific Ranges. 16.46% of this ecosection is protected. Harmony Islands Marine Park contributes only 0.003% of the overall protected area representation of this ecosection. Harmony Islands Marine Park contributes only 0.35% to the representation of the Strait of Georgia Marine Ecosection (SOG) which is poorly protected at only 0.94%. Ranks 22nd out of 25 in terms of contribution. - biogeoclimatic subzone/variant The park makes a very minor contribution to the representation of the under-represented CWHdm,(5.89%). Special Feature Rare/Endangered Values Scientific/Research Opportunities Recreation Representation backcountry destination travel corridor Good anchorage along a marine travel corridor. local recreation Special Opportunities Education/Interpretation Opportunities **Cultural Heritage** Representation Unknown Special Feature **Other Management Considerations** Other Designations Relationship to other PAs Co-operative Management Arrangements Partnerships

Vulnerability		
Relationship to	other Strategies	
Area:	31 hectares (5 hectares of upland and 26 hectares of foreshore)	
Date of Establishment: Septe		September 16, 1992

