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SALTERY BAY PARK MASTER PLAN

ADDENDA

Plan for Saltery Bay Park

This plan has been reviewed and is approved with the following comments and conditions:

1. It does not conform to the Master Plan format in the following areas:

Statement of Purpose - clarification of parks purpose in system.

Park Resources Statement - more detailed description and analysis of the parks biophysical resources.

Zoning - to conform with approved zoning system for parks.

Park Management - specific reference to boundary review for the indicated foreshore addition must be in land management section.

Plan Implementation Strategy - include a reference to the proposed foreshore addition.

2. The plan will be reviewed in 5 years or if and when it is required for public distribution. At that time it should be updated to conform to the approved Master Plan format as outlined in 1. above.

Recommended:

Manager, Planning Section

Date: June 26 1981

Approved:

Director, Planning and Design Branch

Date: June 29 1981

Lower Mainland Region
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SALTERY BAY PROVINCIAL PARK

MASTER PLAN

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A MASTER PLAN FOR SALTERY BAY PROVINCIAL PARK

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A. INTRODUCTION

Saltery Bay, notched at the north entrance of Jervis Inlet, gives its name to a Class 'A', Category 6, Provincial Park four kilometres to the west (Figure 1). In fact, two separate waterfront areas make up the park; the first area was established in 1962 and, encompassing 10 hectares of Coastal Douglas fir shoreline, was developed as a day use area for boat launching and picnicking. The second area, similar in nature, 30 hectares in size and established five years later, has been developed as a provincial campground.

For the most part, this master plan reflects the current level of opportunities now in existence at Saltery Bay Provincial Park.

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PROVINCIAL PARKS ON SUNSHINE COAST 1980

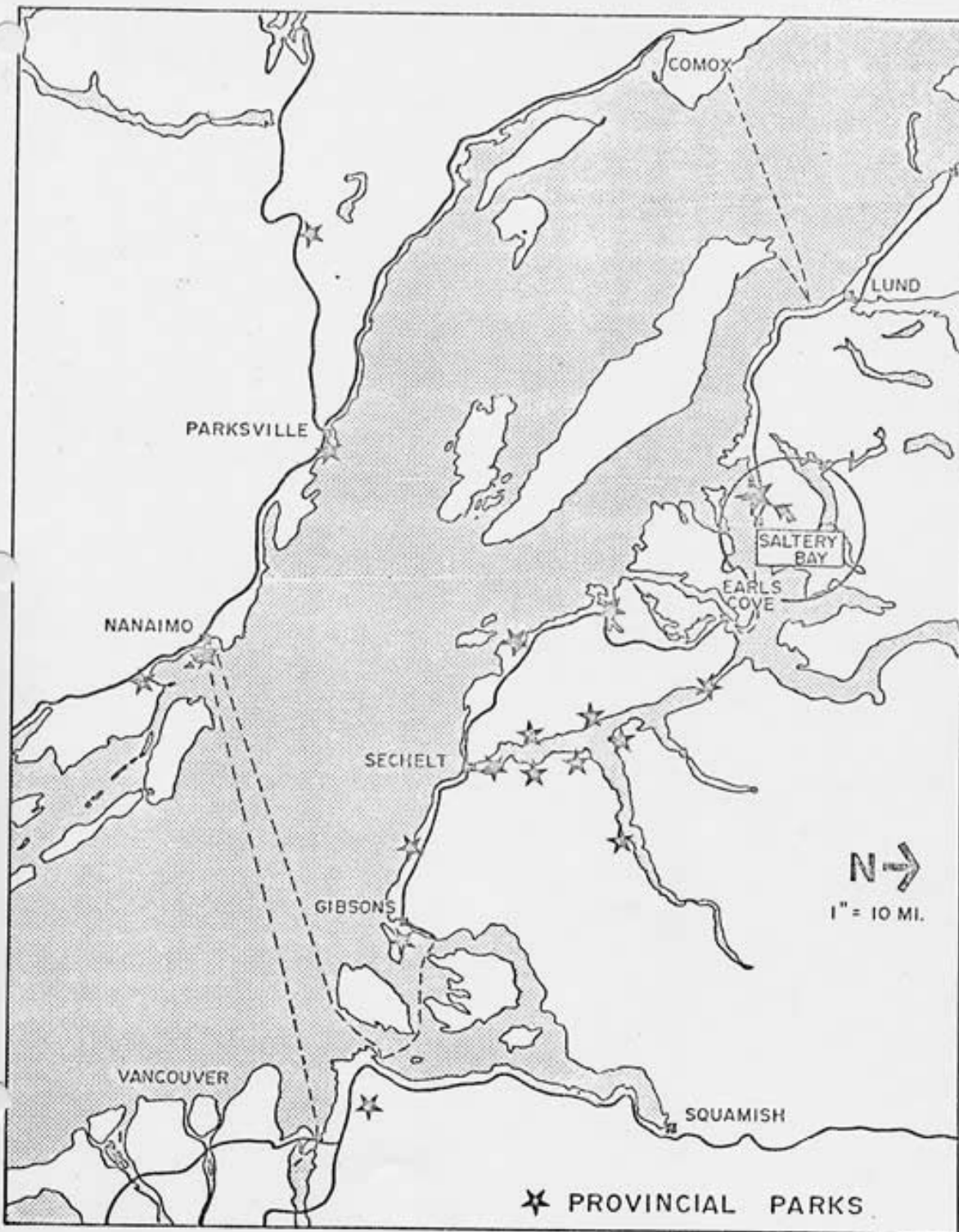


FIGURE 1

A. INTRODUCTION - Continued

The twin parks of Salter Bay (Figure 2) are located 30 kilometres south of Powell River, wedged between Highway 101 and the waters of Jervis Inlet. Within the regional plan for the Powell River Provincial Park system and the Regional District's Settlement Plan, Salter Bay is to continue to provide some 20,000 day and 12,000 overnight park opportunities for both tourists and residents of this section of the Sunshine Coast.

Existing development (Figure 3) in the eastern component includes a 45 site easy-access campground, with attendant sanitary and informational facilities and with trail access to the rocky shoreline. A boat launch with 70-car parking and picnicking facilities upland of the pebbly beach is developed in the western component of the park (Figure 4). Both these developments meet the existing demand of the areas, although the campground is operating at over 90% capacity in July and August, a first time phenomenon for this park that is heavily dependent upon ferry access.

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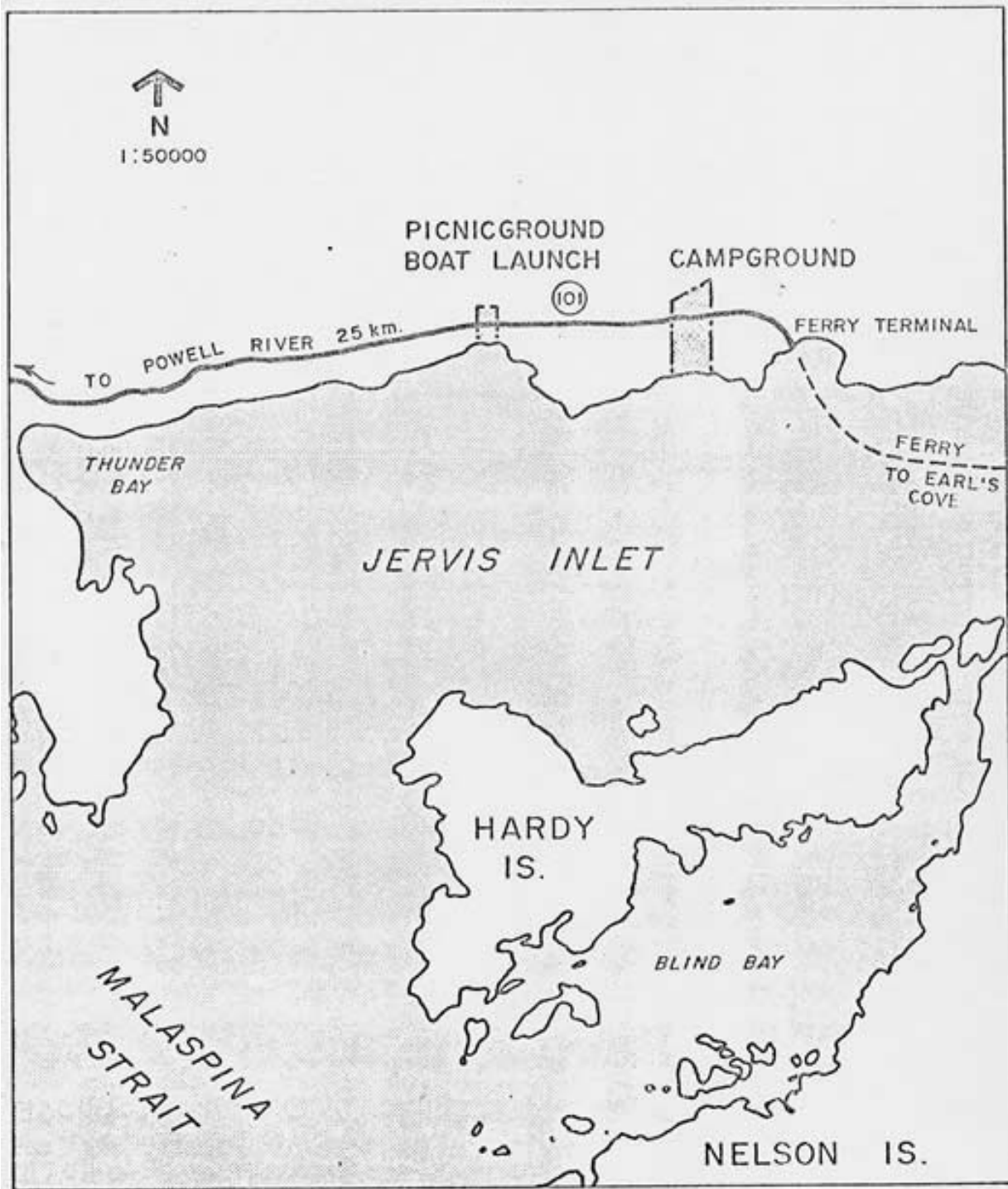


FIGURE 2

B. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

It is the purpose of the Parks and Outdoor Recreation Division, along with other Provincial agencies and the Regional District, to provide a diverse recreation system offering varied park opportunities for both tourists and local residents of the Powell River area. Based on the existing opportunities provided by both the Ministry of Forests and the private sector, and the natural features of the park, the goals and objectives of this Division can best be met by continuing to provide marine access and upland day use and camping opportunities.

Park opportunities and facilities at Saltery Bay Provincial Park include camping, picnicking, hiking, and nature study, both upland and marine, at the campground, and marine access for boating, fishing and scuba diving at the day use area.

C. PARK RESOURCES STATEMENT

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The shoreline at the boat launch varies from blocky to sandy, providing excellent opportunities for beachcombing or swimming.

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Both areas are representative of the wet subzone of the Coastal Douglas fir biogeoclimatic zone.

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The shelving shoreline and tidal pools at the campground afford nature study opportunities.

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Although not in the park, the underwater area fronting the campground component is a favourite dive from both the shore and boats. The waters of Jervis Inlet are some of the finest in the world for diving.

D. ZONING

Figure 5 illustrates the zoning plan for this park.

The **Development Zone** includes the area where construction of facilities is necessary to enhance or enable public recreation for camping, picnicking, scuba diving, hiking, viewing, interpretation or boat launching.

The **Interpretation Zone** designates those special areas where development will be restricted to only that necessary to interpret features or representative landscapes.

The **Natural Zone** covers the largest area of the park. This zone has generally no development or specific preservation purpose.

The **Service Zone**, consisting of a small service yard and building, is a spot zone necessary for the management of the park.

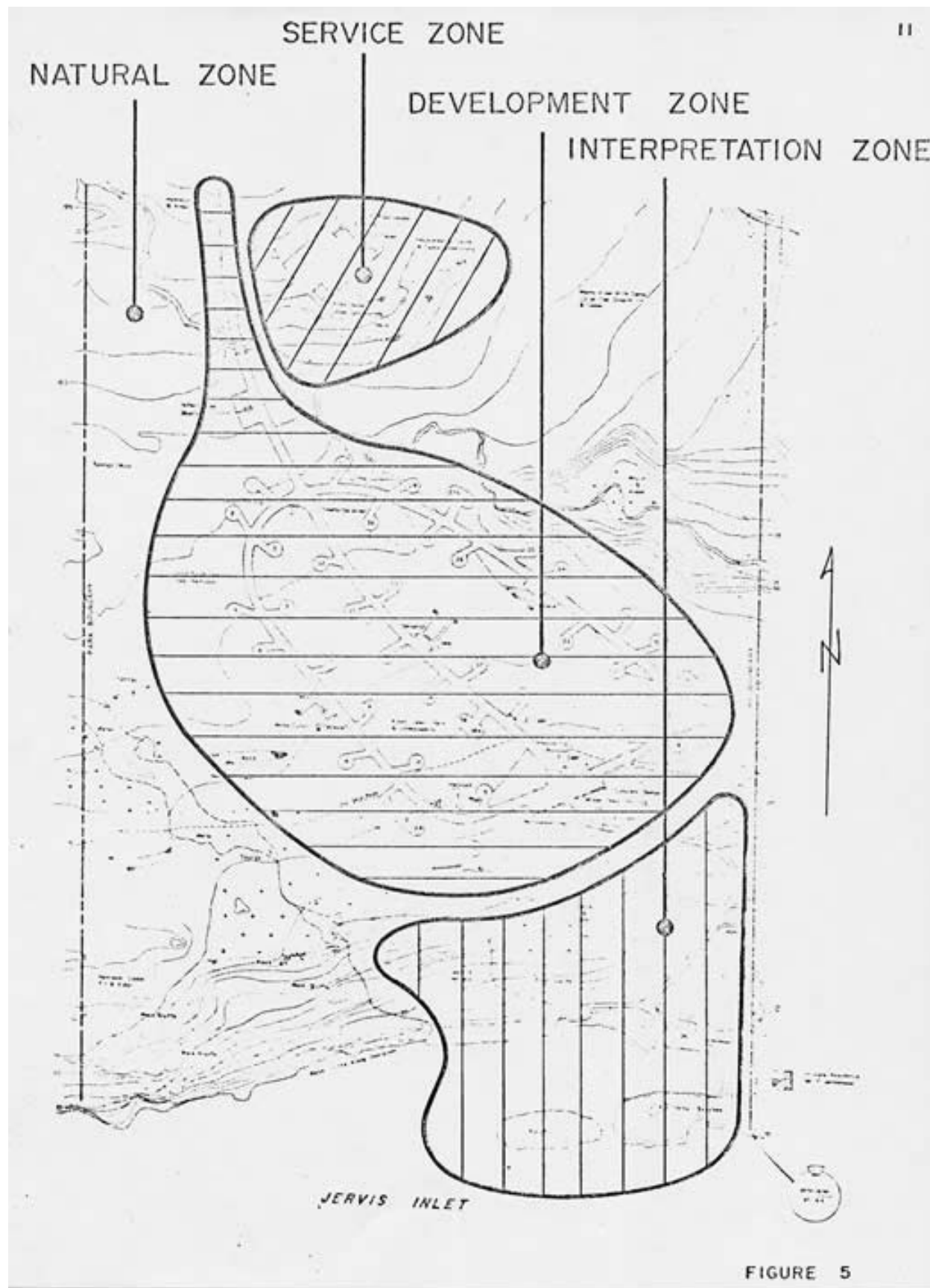


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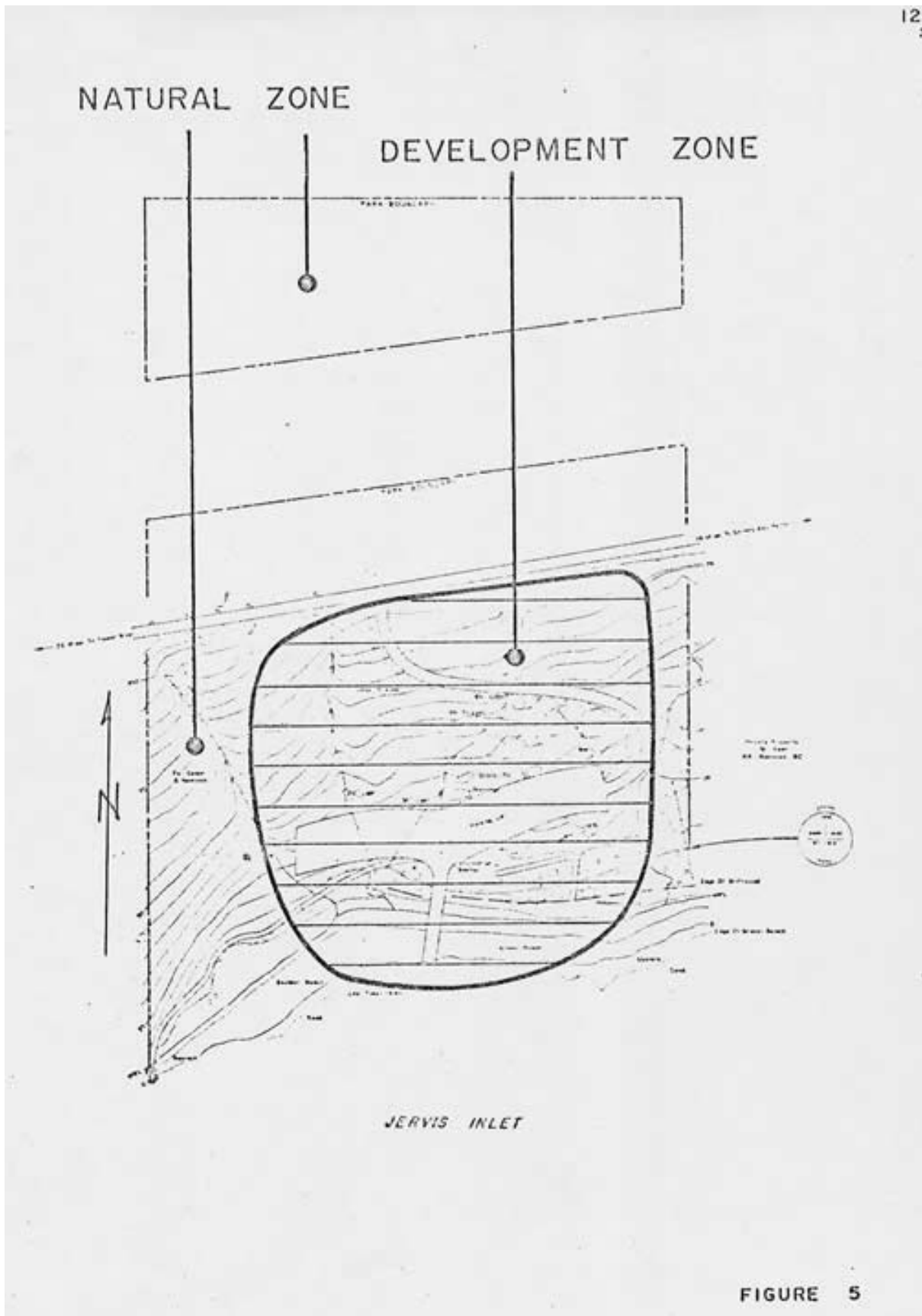


FIGURE 5

E. GENERAL MANAGEMENT STATEMENT

Overall management of Saltery Bay Provincial Park will come under the Garibaldi District Office, with specific park management procedures emanating from the local office at Porpoise Bay Provincial Park.

F. SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT PLANS

1. Visitor Management Plans

For the most part, Saltery Bay has been fully developed and unless camping continues to grow in this area with no resultant increase in private sector growth, no major additional upland facilities will be developed. Minor facilities will include providing play areas within the campground and upgrading the sanitary facilities to a flush toilet building.

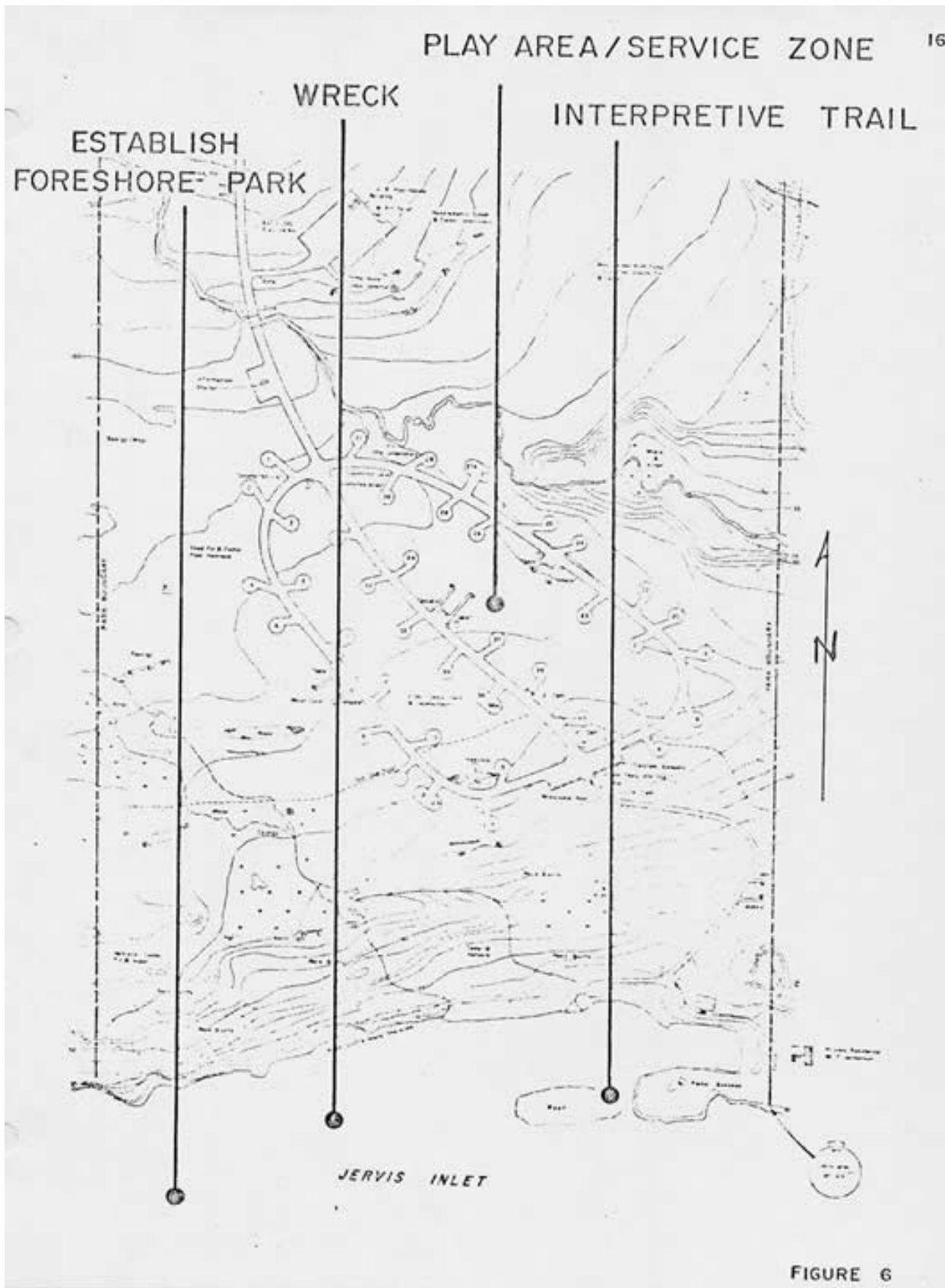
The marine component of the park in conjunction with other Jervis Inlet diving opportunities has yet to be highlighted. To this end, foreshore lands will be proposed for park status and provision will be made to improve scuba diving opportunities through sinking of a wreck, additional diving information, and closure of the foreshore area to taking of marine life (Figure 6).

2. Administrative Plan

The administration of this park will be based at Porpoise Bay Provincial Park with normal management practices implemented.

3. Interpretive Plan

Saltery Bay is one of a few provincial parks in the Lower Mainland Region that possess the inherent natural features for marine interpretation. As such, displays and a seaside/underwater trail system will focus on this excellent area.



G. PLAN IMPLEMENTATION STRATEGY

Given the current and projected levels of use and development in this park, only one stage of implementation is necessary.

Phase 1

1. Development of a seaside/underwater interpretive trail.
2. Development of a play area in conjunction with a central toilet building.