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## **Islands Trust reorganizes planning teams**

The Islands Trust has announced interim staff assignments in its local planning unit, following the departure of Wayne Quinn, former director of local planning services, earlier this month.

'We will begin our recruitment process for a new director shortly, but it will likely take some months to fill the position,' said Linda Adams, the Islands Trust's chief administrative officer, 'I appreciate the willingness of our senior planning staff to take on some of the director's responsibilities on an interim basis.'

Regional planning managers David Marlor and Brodie Porter will both join the Islands Trust Management Team as acting co-directors with specific responsibilities in addition to their current roles as team managers. Marlor will be responsible for managing operations of the Northern Office planning team, bylaw enforcement and legal matters. Porter will be responsible for overall management of the planning teams located in the Victoria and Salt Spring Island offices.

Porter will also supervise the planning staff in the Salt Spring office and be responsible for coordinating the day-to-day business of the Salt Spring Island Local Trust Committee.

This change will enable regional planning manager John Gauld to focus on the review of the Salt Spring Island Official Community Plan and the Salt Spring Island soil removal and deposit bylaw, the top two priorities established by Salt Spring's Local Trust Committee (LTC).

'We recognize the need to re-focus management attention in the Salt Spring office', said Adams. 'We also hope to identify ways to reduce workloads by streamlining operations and working with the Salt Spring LTC to manage the demand for day-to-day planning services. We appreciate everyone's patience as our staff takes on new responsibilities and as we reorganize our operations in a way that we believe will make some necessary improvements.' ✍

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