Unit 1. Haylahte (Adam & Eve Estuary) click here for a detailed map

Marine Area	238 ha	Shoreline	6.6 km
Substrate	sand	Slope	sloping (5-20%)
Exposure	low	Depth	mid-depth
Current	low	Benthic Summer Temp	warm
Roughness	low		

Management Emphasis – Conservation

Description

The unit is characterized by low exposure and low current and is dominated by the Adam and Eve river estuaries.

Unit Attributes

The unit is significant for migratory birds and is a CWS area of interest

Includes Adam and Eve river estuaries > 15 ha

Migration route for Orcas: Resident and West Coast transient populations are listed as threatened nationally (T), and imperiled provincially (S2). They are provincially red-listed.

Periodic Humpback Whale sightings: provincially blue listed species

Salmonid streams: 11 observed, 9 assumed

Important holding area for juvenile and adult salmon (local knowledge)

Blue-listed species: Trumpeter Swan overwintering area (generally October through March)

Moderate to high invertebrate values

Tlowitsis traditional territory

Indian Reserve at Haylahte

Private upland along eastern edge of estuary

Current Uses & Activities

First Nations: Food fishery throughout

Marine-based wildlife viewing

Kayak staging area

Marine transportation route

Commercial salmon fisheries

Sport ground fishery and salmon fishery

Private boat launch on log dump tenure, staging area for finfish aquaculture and remote

community services

Road-accessible campsite

Log dump, upland logging camp leased to Tlowitsis for development

Acceptable Uses & Activities

Tenured Uses

- **X** Community & Public Institutional
- X Light Industrial
- X Marine Telecommunications & Utilities
- X Rural Development

Aquaculture

- X Finfish
- X Marine Plant
- X Shellfish Beach
- X Shellfish Deep Water Aquaculture

Ongoing Non Tenured Activities

- ✓ Commercial Fisheries
- ✓ Marine Transportation

- ✓ Conservation
- Log Handling, Storage & Infrastructure
- Private Moorage
- X General Commercial

Commercial Recreation:

- X Lodges and Base Camps
- ✓ Guiding Operations
- ✓ First Nations
- ✓ Public Recreation

Code

- ✓ The use or activity is considered acceptable and appropriate. Applications for tenure of this use should be accepted for processing and evaluation.
- **o** The use is considered conditionally acceptable. Applications for tenure for use require more specific information on capability and potential to accompany a tenure application before it is accepted for processing.
- The use is acceptable at existing levels of tenure, subject to limited modifications as required by government. Applications for new tenures should not be accepted. Abandoned or unutilized sites should not subsequently be made available for the same use.
- X The use is considered inappropriate. Applications for tenure of this use should not be accepted for processing and evaluation.

Management Provisions

This unit should be managed to maintain high conservation values for birds, salmon, and marine mammals, particularly blue-listed Trumpeter Swans.

Use should be encouraged of private boat launch on log handling tenure for servicing of salmon farms, adjacent communities, and for control of recreational boating and kayaking staging and access.

Uses should be restricted to current levels, except where they are compatible with priority conservation values.

MSRM & LWBC should work with affected groups, the regional district and the Tlowitsis First Nation to develop a strategy for management and allocation of campsites in this unit for both recreational and tourism uses.

Management plans for commercial recreation guiding should attempt to reflect consultation with Tlowitsis First Nation to avoid harm to sensitive cultural sites.

New tenures and activities should avoid disturbance to blue listed species site.

All applications for uses in or within 1km of the estuaries should be referred to CWS.

New tenures should not interfere with seine fishery shore tie-ups in the western portion of this unit.

New tenures should not alienate recorded commercial dive fishery sites.

Opportunities should be maintained for beach use for commercial and public recreation.