# Unit 44. North Malcolm <u>click here for a detailed map</u>

Marine Area	3979 ha	Shoreline	32.6 km
Substrate	hard (west) sand (east)	Slope	flat
Exposure	moderate	Depth	mid-depth
Current	low	<b>Benthic Summer Temp</b>	cold (west) warm (east)
Roughness	low		

# **Management Emphasis - Recreation**

# **Description**

This unit is characterized by moderate exposure, high westerly winds (summer), and low current shoreline along the north side of Malcolm Island. The unit contains extensive kelp beds and experiences considerable public recreation use by local residents.

## **Unit Attributes**

Important orca habitat: Resident and West Coast transient populations are listed as threatened nationally (T), and imperiled provincially (S2). They are provincially red-listed.

Moderate prawn values

High invertebrate values

Kelp beds (35 identified – 829 ha)

Traditional territories of Kwakiutl and Namgis First Nations

Potential for kelp aquaculture

Private holding at Black Bluff

## **Current Uses & Activities**

First Nations: Extensive fishing and shellfish areas along entire coast with one area of cultural significance

Marine based wildlife viewing

Boat ramp

Swimming, beachcombing

Electric power lines (3)

Sand & gravel extraction (1)

Sport salmon, ground fishery

Commercial salmon troll, gillnet, seine fisheries; hook & line, longline ground fisheries; urchin fishery

Regional parks at Bear Point, Lizard Point

## **Acceptable Uses & Activities**

#### **Tenured Uses**

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

#### Aquaculture:

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

# Ongoing Non Tenured Activities

- ✓ Commercial Fisheries
- ✓ Marine Transportation

- ✓ Conservation
- X 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 opportunities for public recreation.

Foreshore and nearshore uses on Malcolm Island must be consistent with the Malcolm Island Official Community Plan.

New tenures should not alienate recorded commercial dive fishery sites.

The regional district should address local recreational interests in its review of tenure referrals.

New tenures should be located and designed to minimize visual and aural effect on identified campsites.

Conditional shellfish and marine plant aquaculture uses require submission of supporting biophysical information with license or lease application.