

**Unit 58.**      **Foster** [click here for a detailed map](#)

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<b>Marine Area</b>	2242 ha	<b>Shoreline</b>	8.2 km
<b>Substrate</b>	sand	<b>Slope</b>	flat (0-5%)
<b>Exposure</b>	moderate	<b>Depth</b>	mid-depth (50-200m)
<b>Current</b>	low (<3 Kn)	<b>Benthic Summer Temp</b>	cool (<9C)
<b>Roughness</b>	high		

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**Management Emphasis - Conservation**

**Description**

This unit features three moderately exposed, small island groups with significant migratory bird populations and a seal lion haulout.

**Unit Attributes**

CWS area of interest: Foster Island, Twin and Penfold Islets contain breeding colonies of Black Oyster Catcher, Glaucous-winged Gull, and Pigeon Guillemot

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

Sea lion haulout on Penfold Islet: The Northern Sea lion is a red listed species

High rockfish values

Moderate to high invertebrate values

Moderate prawn values

No shellfish aquaculture capability information available

Gwawaenuk traditional territory

**Current Uses & Activities**

First Nations: Fishing through Georgia Passage with culturally significant areas around Foster and Holford Islands

Kayaking routes throughout

Limited commercial ground fishery and salmon fisheries

Marine mammal viewing

## Acceptable Uses & Activities

### Tenured Uses

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Community & Public Institutional      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Conservation                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Light Industrial                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Log Handling, Storage & Infrastructure |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine Telecommunications & Utilities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Moorage                        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural Development                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> General Commercial                     |

#### Aquaculture:

- ☒ Finfish
- ☐ Marine Plant
- ☐ Shellfish Beach
- ☐ Shellfish Deep Water Aquaculture

#### Commercial Recreation:

- ☒ Lodges and Base Camps
- ☐ Guiding Operations

### Ongoing Non Tenured Activities

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial Fisheries  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> First Nations     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Marine Transportation | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public Recreation |

Code	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	The use or activity is considered acceptable and appropriate. Applications for tenure of this use should be accepted for processing and evaluation.
<input type="checkbox"/>	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.
<input type="checkbox"/>	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.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	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 conservation values, while acknowledging continued exercise of First Nation food fishery, social and ceremonial rights.

Licences or permits for commercial recreation guiding use of this unit are conditional on operating practices that follow established guidelines and / or performance based standards for minimizing impacts on bird colonies and migratory bird habitat.

New tenures should not alienate recorded commercial dive fishery sites.

All applications for use within 1km of bird colonies should be referred to CWS.

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