Unit 4. Port Harvey <u>click here for a detailed link</u>

Marine Area	308 ha	Shoreline	18.1 km
Substrate	sand	Slope	sloping (5-20%)
Exposure	low	Depth	mid-deep
Current	low	Benthic Summer Temp	warm
Roughness	low		

Management Emphasis – General Marine

Description

The area is an inlet with low exposure and low currents. It features several anchorages and commercial uses. Water quality concerns limit interest for salmon aquaculture.

Unit Attributes

Estuary (21 ha)

Adult salmon migration; juvenile salmon holding & migration area (local knowledge)

Moderate to high invertebrate values

Intertidal clam beach (15 ha)

Good off bottom scallop and oyster capability (Port Harvey and Range Island), beach culture capability

Finfish aquaculture potential: OA1 (southern half only)

Tlowitsis traditional territory

Indian Reserve at Keecekiltum; shorefront private parcels

Private upland at northwest end of inlet, Mist Islets

Current Uses & Activities

First Nations: Shellfish areas along coastline and Range Island; fishing grounds near entrance to Port Harvey; three areas of cultural significance along east side of the inlet.

Log dumps (2), upland logging camp

Remote residential

Private moorage adjacent to Canoe Pass

Safe anchorages at Mist Islets & one north of Range Island.

Towboat reserves (2)

Commercial salmon gillnet, seine fisheries; prawn & crab fisheries

Acceptable Uses & Activities

Tenured Uses

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

Aquaculture:

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

Ongoing Non Tenured Activities

- ✓ Commercial Fisheries
- ✓ Marine Transportation

- ✓ Conservation
- ✓ Log Handling, Storage & Infrastructure
- ✓ Private Moorage
- ✓ 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 development of commercial and recreational uses outside of estuary boundaries.

Tenure applicants are encouraged to develop working relationships with Tlowitsis First Nation.

New tenures should be located and managed to minimize impact on the estuary in this unit.

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

New tenures should not impede safe anchorage at Mist Islets and Range Island area.

New tenures should not alienate recorded commercial dive fishery sites.

Shellfish deepwater aquaculture tenures should not infringe on existing recreational, commercial and First Nations fisheries.

Conditional marine telecommunications/ utilities uses require submission of supporting biophysical information with license or lease application.