

Unit 52. Shelter Bay [click here for a detailed map](#)

Marine Area	1940 ha	Shoreline	64.8 km
Substrate	hard	Slope	flat (0-5% slope)
Exposure	moderate	Depth	photic (20-50m)
Current	low (<3 Kn)	Benthic Summer Temp	warm (9-15C)
Roughness	low		

Management Emphasis – General Marine

Description

The unit contains rocky shoreline, sporadic kelp beds, and several salmon farms.

Unit Attributes

Kelp beds (12 identified – 39 ha)

Moderate invertebrate values

Intertidal Clams: (4 beaches – 14 ha)

Adult salmon holding areas, salmon migration route

Salmonid Streams: 1 observed, 1 assumed

High rockfish values

Herring spawning: 5 spawns recorded

No shellfish capability information available

Finfish aquaculture potential: OA 1 (within 1 km of shore excluding Shelter Bay)

Gwa'sala'Nakwaxda'xw traditional territory

Current Uses & Activities

First Nations: shellfish areas along Richards Channel coastline with fishing concentrated around Jeanette Islands

Salmon farms (3)

Remote campsite

Boat haven at Shelter Bay

Sport salmon, ground fisheries

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

Local navigation and transport route along mainland coast (CCG)

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 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 opportunities for finfish aquaculture while accommodating recreation uses and activities.

Establish *Land Act* notation of interest over Shelter Bay boat haven.

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

New tenures should not preclude opportunity for temporary log transport tie-up.

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