

# NOTES FROM AVICC ROUNDTABLE 1 COASTAL COMMUNITY NETWORK

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## Attending:

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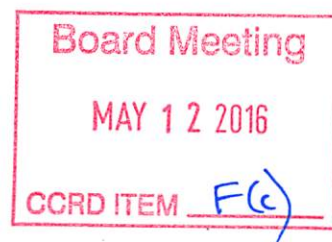
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**Alaska** South East Conference, Garry White, President  
**North Coast** Local Government Association, Brian Frenkel, President  
Association of **Vancouver Island** Coastal Communities, Barbara Price, Chair  
**Lower Mainland** Local Government Association, Corisa Bell, President  
Association of **Washington** Cities, Paul Roberts, President  
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**Network Roundtable Summary from the Association of Vancouver Island & Coastal Communities AGM  
Satellite Meeting Friday April 8<sup>th</sup> 2016, Nanaimo, Snuneymuxw Territory, Vancouver Island**

**The Issue**

The Coastal Community Network was founded on a co-chaired approach to the stewardship of land and coastal resources located in Canada’s Pacific Coastal Basin. This organization is repositioning itself to create certainty around environmental services, processes, and responsibility for the resource. The 2016 Roundtable at AVICC resulted in the following three priority subjects for UBCM Forum 2016:

- A Connected strategy for Harbours and Ports [HAABC];
- Link Communities on the resolution of Fisheries and Processing Issues [GFDA];
- Support Resolution of Derelict Vessels and Float Home Tenancies.

The subject matter list is not limited or restricted to these subjects. Patrick Marshall to assemble briefing notes on the state of each subject and who is leading resolution efforts for distribution prior to the Coastal Community Network Forum and Annual General Meeting scheduled for **Monday September 26<sup>th</sup> 2016**, UBCM Satellite Meeting, Victoria, Lekwungen Territory, Vancouver Island.

**Background**

The Coastal Community Network was created to enable regions, regional districts, and first nations to collaborate on regional issues and opportunities across the coast. It predates the Columbia Basin Trust [1996] and the Fraser Basin Council [1999].

As Canada’s Pacific Coastal Basin Network, the CNN is committed to creating a space where local and indigenous leaders are briefed and decide on what subjects they can support. It is not a decision making or advocacy body in the common sense, but rather, an information clearing house for issues of common interest to communities that reside on the coast.

**Local Government Leaders want Action**

Discussions with resident local government leaders indicate that:

- Many of the smaller communities and distant Regional District Corporations do not have the financial resources to contribute to such a function;
- Senior governments and other levels of government spend thousands on ad-hoc and unaccountable “Advisory Committees” that are detached from local constituents and often represent single interests;
- Post economic downturn and economic stimulus policies from senior governments will be followed by restraint, and that this approach combined with the consolidation of government departments and resource sharing will eliminate government reach into rural, remote and resource communities;
- Metro Vancouver and Metro Victoria are well served by sustainability administration in-house and see no value in collaboration with the rural areas; and;
- First Nation administrations have declining resources and may be hard pressed to sustain the number of resource management societies operating today.

**United Nations Resolution**

The Coastal Community Network acknowledges the United Nations Resolution adopted by the General Assembly [without reference to a Main Committee (A/61/L.67 and Add.1)] 61/295; United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, resolved at the 107th plenary meeting 13 September 2007

**Take Action: In-Progress**

The Coastal Community Network Goals continue to include:

1. To enhance the long-term viability of coastal communities through optimal involvement in building integrated and sustainable economies;
2. To empower coastal communities to assume greater levels of responsibility and self-reliance through the use of resources and the environment;
3. To provide strong common voice on behalf of coastal communities to ensure accountability in policy development; and;
4. To facilitate communication and relations among coastal communities and to build alliances with other groups who share our goals.





To achieve these goals, the Network is refreshing its business model, taking the best lessons from the WCVIAMB Board, the Fraser Basin Council and the Columbia Basin Trust, and applying them Canada's Pacific Coastal basin and Watershed wide. The Network has communities, both Local Government and Indigenous Administration, already been elected to do the job, thereby providing the Network with the social license to govern in ways that senior governments cannot, due to their hi-level responsibilities and non-resident operating levels.

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The following is representative of the roundtable conversation and is unattributed.

The Groundfish Development Authority exists for any community at which ground fish are landed. St. Jeans has just been purchased by an indigenous community and is one of the last processors in the Nanaimo area. The Jim Pattison Group closes a number of facilities in recent years. The resulting changes as a result of the Mifflin Plan [Government of Canada] is a subsistence mosquito fleet.

The issues associated with foreign workers and workforce issues still remain across all operations. When Eastern Canada was challenged by the same issues, all provinces and representatives work collaboratively. Not so in British Columbia. In many cases, the Executive Director for the Authority has to rely on strategic relations with east coast contacts to have access to Ottawa.

West Coast Aquatic <http://westcoastaquatic.ca/> has focused on the application of residual pacific salmon treaty dollars. There was a 30% reduction in Chinook species that resulted in the allocation of \$30 million dollars by the Government of Canada for remedies. \$1 million was spent on reallocation and \$565 thousand was allocated to community development. There remains ~\$17 million which will be the target of lobby efforts.

A summary of progress in the transitioning of the CCN following the Russ Hellburg Term as Chair. The Board worked with 14 RD Chairs, only to find that there was a lack of unanimity for assuming their place as Directors on the Board. Essentially 2 people held the group of Chairs back. This meeting took place at UBCM Vancouver in 2013.

The refreshed organization has four Members including the Alberni Clayoquot RD, Mount Waddington RD, Skeen Queen Charlotte RD and the City of Richmond for Metro Vancouver. The budget for 2016 is to be applied to hosting meetings at AVICC and the Forum | AGM to be held at UBCM Victoria September 26<sup>th</sup> 2016. A small honourarium will be paid to Patrick Marshall for facilitation and research on the Key Issues identified by the roundtable.

The fishy communities all require some coordination. The coalition of independent coastal Regional District Chairs on the BC Ferries issue is considered to be a failure by some people. Others would advise that the resolution of relationships at this level require more time and diplomacy. The Fisheries, Ports and Harbours strategy, derelict vessels and house boat subject as require some leadership, facilitation and advocacy.

The previous history of the Network in the nineties revealed that a structure of this kind needs to exist separate from the UBCM and Government as it links the NCLGA, AVICC and LMLGA on common issues related to the Coastal Basin. This organization is more responsive, nimble and flexible than other industry and environmental advocacy groups. Local Government is constrained by the Community Charter. The C2C process is not actually building relationships the way it was supposed to. CCN is a better conduit for like-minded communities of interest.

The observation of CCN's success was at the time of regime change in the Provincial Government, the incoming government felt CNN was a political entity of the previous party and so chose not to support it. That was of course, not the case.

It was suggested by one participant that the Network should dissolve to only representing fishing communities. It was also suggested that no industry supports the Network. The response was to ignore this and do what the Network does successfully which is to rally around subjects that people agree on and ignore the rest. The response was that the purpose of the Network is to be ground up not top down and to be supportive of communicates, not speak for them as that is not permitted.

The next steps for the Network are to focus on subjects from the four participating regions and regrow the profile of the organization using a different business model. The Ferries effort to resolve a subject on a coast wide basis is considered by some as a failure and was reported to be in progress subject to a meeting with a provincial Minister.

The Network is still respected by Fisheries and Oceans Canada as the goto connection with local government.





## AGENDA

Please receive on the Agendas of the Leaders, Councils, Boards of Directors, Caucus and Administration for the following organizations:

### Sustaining Organizations

Alberni Clayoquot Regional District  
City of Richmond

Mt. Waddington Regional District

Skeena Queen Charlotte Regional District

### Corresponding Organizations and Individuals

Ahousaht Nation  
BokeĆen Pauquachin Nation  
Bowen Island Municipality  
Capital EDC Economic  
Central Coast Regional District  
Chemainus Nation  
City of Campbell River  
City of Colwood  
City of Courtenay  
City of Duncan  
City of Langford  
City of Nanaimo  
City of Parksville  
City of Port Alberni  
City of Powell River  
City of Prince Rupert  
City of Terrace  
City of Victoria  
City of White Rock  
Comox Valley R.D.  
Council of Haida Nations  
Cowichan Valley R.D.  
Da'naxda'xw Awaetlala Nation  
District of Central Saanich  
District of Delta  
District of Highlands  
District of Kitimat  
District of Lantzville  
District of Metchosin  
District of North Cowichan  
District of North Saanich  
District of Oak Bay  
District of Port Edward

District of Port Hardy  
District of Saanich  
District of Sayward  
District of Sechelt  
District of Sooke  
District of Squamish  
District of Stewart  
District of Tofino  
District of Ucluelet  
Ditidaht Nation  
Dzawada'enuxw Nation  
Ehattlesaht Nation  
Esquimalt Nation  
First Nation Summit  
Gingolx Village Nisga'a  
Gitga'at Nation  
Gitlaxt'aamix Village Nisga'a  
Gitwinksihlkw Village Nisga'a  
Gitxaala Nation  
Gwa'sala Nakwaxda'xw Nation  
Gwawaenuk Tribe  
Haisla Nation  
Halalt Nation  
Heiltsuk Nation  
Hesquiaht Nation  
Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group  
Hupacasath Nation  
Huu'ay'aht Nation  
Huu'ay'aht Treaty Office  
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Kaska Dena Council  
Katzie Nation

Kitimat-Stikine Regional District  
Kitselas Nation  
Kitsumkalem Nation  
Klahoose Nation  
K'ómox Nation  
Kwakiutl District Council  
Kwakiutl Nation  
Kwa'Wa'Aineuk Nation  
Kwia'ka Nation  
Kwicksutaineuk  
Ah'kwaw'ah'mish Nation  
Kwikwetlam Nation  
Laich'kwil'tach (Hamatla)  
Treaty Society  
Lake Cowichan Nation  
Lax Kw'alaams Nation  
Laxgaltsap Village Nisga'a  
Lyackson Mustimuhw Nation  
Malahat Nation  
Malahat Treaty Office  
Mamaleleqala  
Qwe'Qwa'Sot'Em Nation  
Metlakatla Nation  
Mowachaht Muchalaht Nation  
Musgamagw Tsawataineuk Tribal Council  
Musquem Nation  
Namgis Nation  
Nanaimo R.D.  
Naut'sa Mawt Tribal Council  
Nisga'a Nation  
Nuchatlaht Nation  
Nuxalk Nation





Ocean Initiatives British Columbia  
 Opetchesht Nation  
 Oweekenuikuinuv Nation  
 Pacheedaht Nation  
 Penelakut Tribe  
 Powell River R.D.  
 Qualicum Nation  
 Quatsino Nation  
 Quw'utsun Nation  
 Scia'new Nation  
 Shíshálh Nation  
 Sliammon Nation  
 Snaw'naw'as Nation  
 Snaw'naw'as Treaty Group  
 Snuneymuxw Nation  
 Songhees Nation  
 Squamish-Lillooet R.D.  
 Strathcona R.D.  
 Stz'uminus Nation  
 Sunshine Coast R.D.

Te'mexw Treaty Association  
 Tlatla'sikwala Nation  
 Tloquiaht Nation  
 Tlowitsis Mumtagila Nation  
 Toquaht Nation  
 Town of Comox  
 Town of Gibsons  
 Town of Ladysmith  
 Town of Lake Cowichan  
 Town of Port McNeill  
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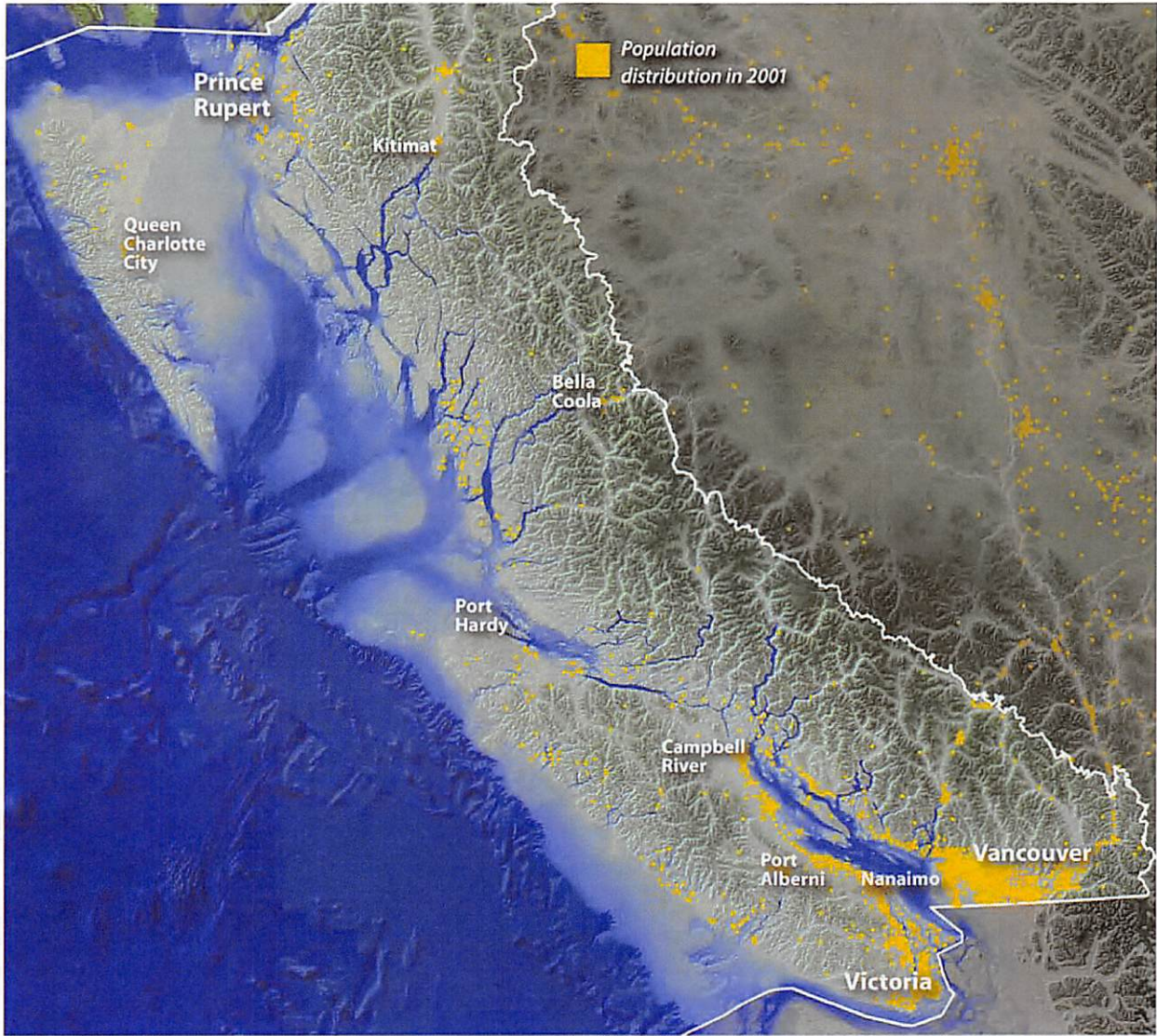
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 Village of Sayward  
 Village of Tahsis  
 Village of Zeballos  
 We Wai Kai Nation  
 Wei'Wai'Kum  
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### Pacific Coast Council Operating Area & Settlement Density 2011



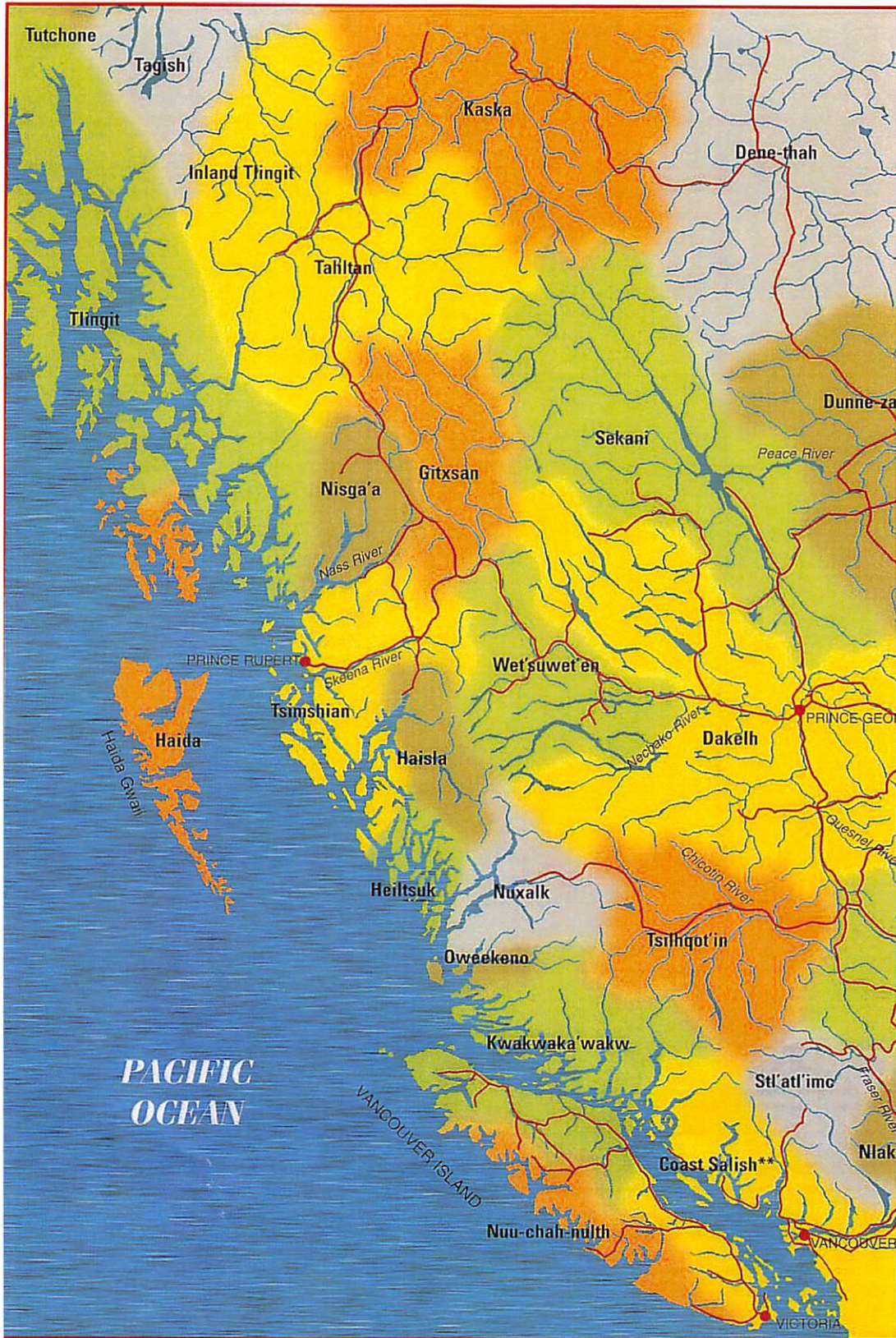
\* Area to the North of Stewart cut off of this map version. Should include area to the Border with Yukon and collaboration extended to Alaska's South East Conference.<sup>7</sup>

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# Pacific Coast Council Nation Languages





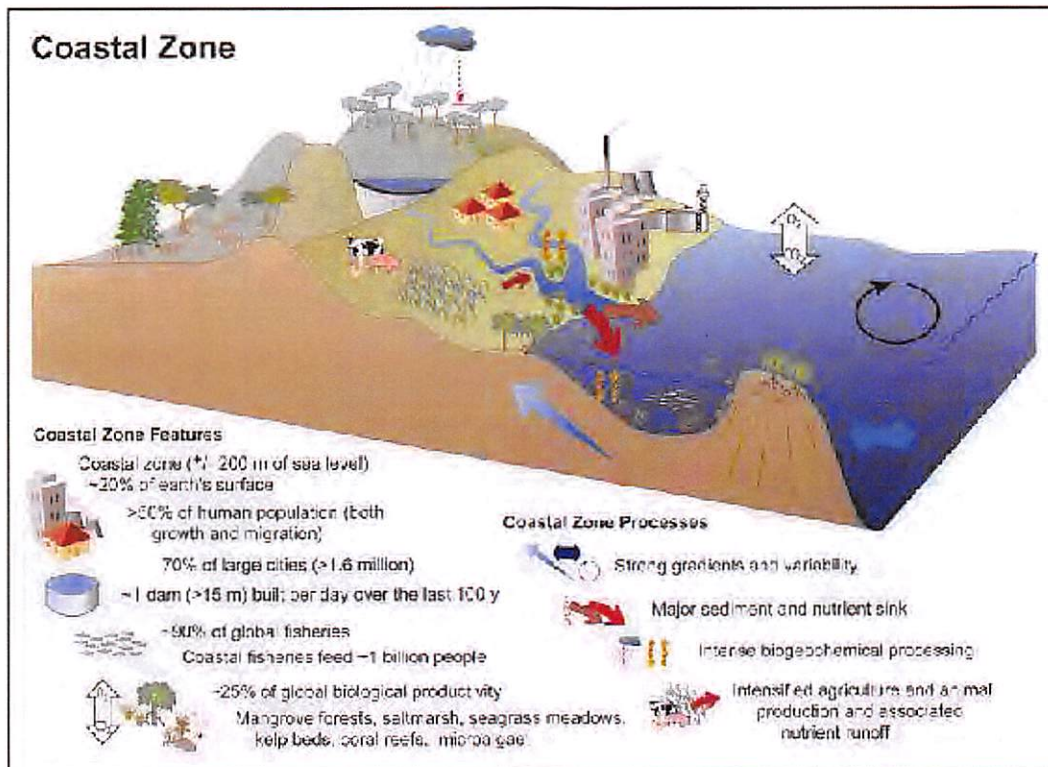


### Pacific Coast Council Ecosystem Components



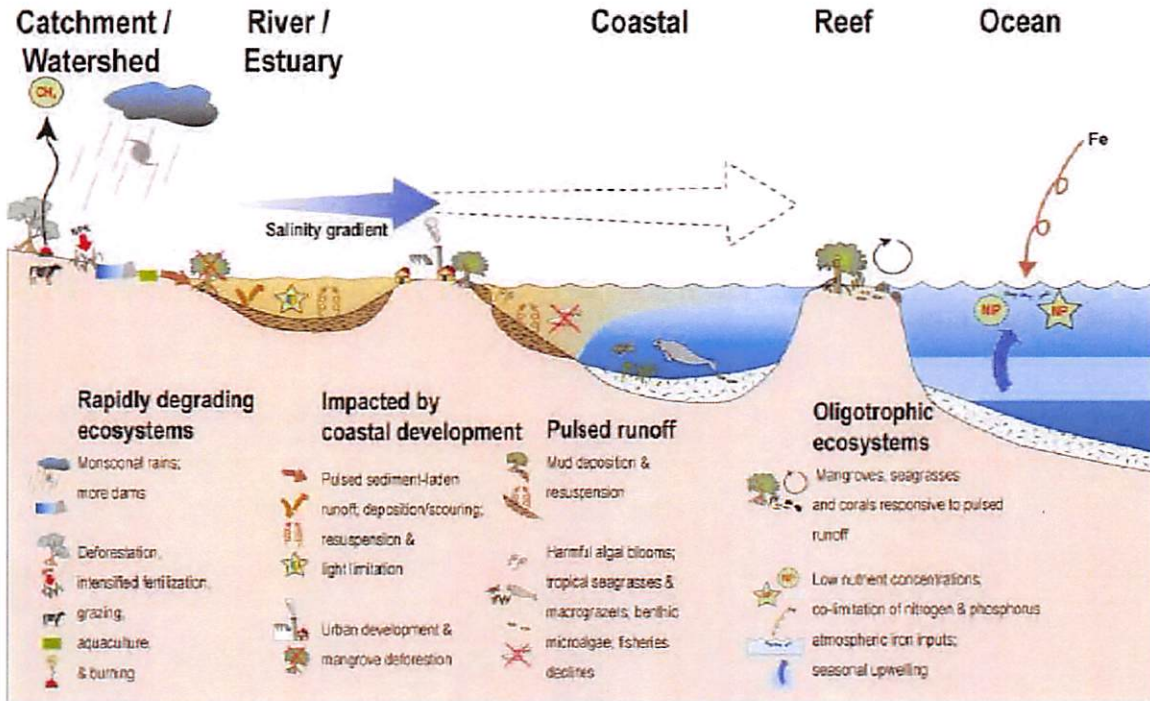
Conceptual diagram illustrating climate change impacts on ecosystem components and management practices. Diagram courtesy of the Integration and Application Network (ian.umces.edu), University of Maryland Center for Environmental Science. Source: Kaufman L. and Tschirky J 2010. Living with the Sea. Science and Knowledge Division, Conservation International, Arlington, VA, USA.

### Pacific Coast Council Zones

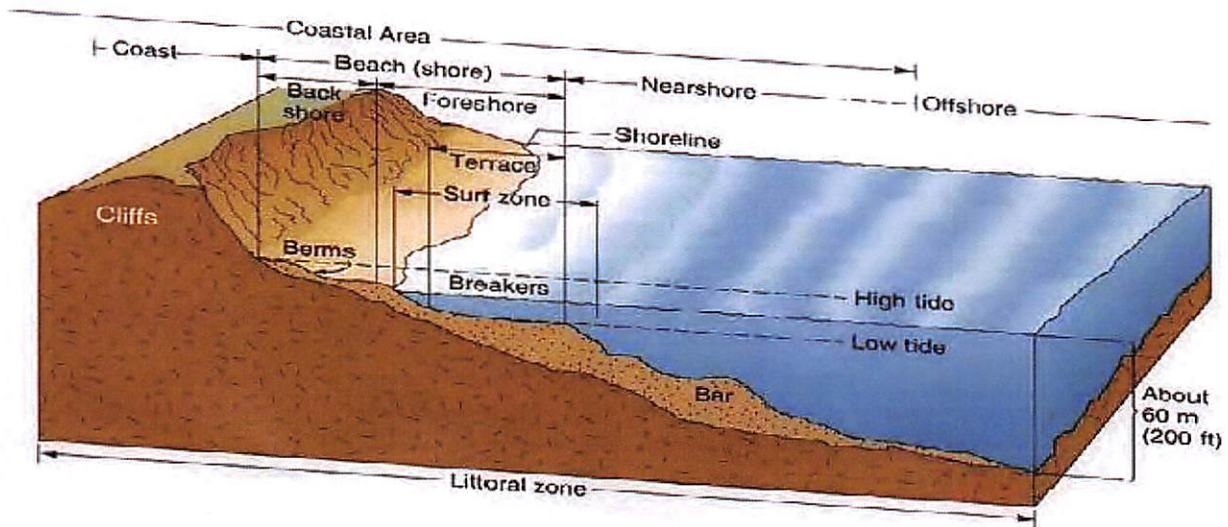




### Pacific Coast Council Zone Segments



### Pacific Coast Council Zone Names







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## Pacific Coast Council · Resource Management Boards

- 1 · Gwaii Haanas Management Board
- 2 · North Coast Management Board
- 3 · Central Coast Management Board
- 4 · West Island Management Board
- 5 · East Island Management Board
- 6 · Sunshine Metro Coast Management Board

