

Request to Appear as a Delegation

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Name of Delegation: City of Port Moody Bird Week 2020 Planning Committee
Name of Primary Contact Person: Christina Saremba
Name(s) of Delegation Member(s) in Attendance: Christina Saremba, John Saremba, Elaine Golds, Jim Atkinson, Judy Taylor-Atkinson, Rod Macvicar, Rob Butler, Ruth Foster, Kevin Ryans, and Gay Mitchell.
Purpose of Delegation: To invite the City of Port Moody to join the City of Vancouver's 10th annual Bird Week as one of ten communities in Metro Vancouver to host BIRD WEEK in Port Moody, May 3 - 9, 2020, and to ask the Mayor to deliver a proclamation on Sunday, May 3, 2020. See attached invitation from the Vancouver Bird Advisory Committee.
Details of Request: The City of Port Moody Bird Week is a week-long, free, family-friendly event which highlights Port Moody Inlet as a premier birding location in the Lower Mainland. Each day, the local public will be invited to join two-hour bird walks offered throughout the day and evening at Rocky Point park and Shoreline Trail. Other events will include a family-oriented art workshop; an evening outdoor event with projection of local bird images on the sails of Pacific Wildlife Foundation's sail boat, Matsu, at Rocky Point park; Inlet tours aboard Indian Arm Recreational Services' boat, Oceanwatch; and, a finale evening presentation at Inlet Theatre with a film, The Future of Birds, and guest speaker Dr. Rob Butler. Artists, Christine Yurchuk, and Gillian McMillan; Burke Mountain Naturalists Society photographers; a book release for the The Pacific Flyway: Waterbird Migration from the Arctic to Tierra Del Fuego; and, local business participants. The purpose of BIRD WEEK is to engage the people living in Port Moody to discover, appreciate, and protect birds and their habitat in their community. The proclamation is to be delivered at the Rocky Point pier at 8:00 pm prior to the Birds on Board event. See attached proclamation.
Additional Information in Support of Request: See attached Proclamation. See attached Invitation from Vancouver Bird Advisory Committee.

Vancouver Bird Advisory Committee



Port Moody City Council

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Port Moody, BC V3H 5C3

February 8, 2020

Dear Port Moody Council

As Chair of the Vancouver Bird Advisory Committee that organizes the annual Vancouver Bird Week, I invite you to join us as we spread our wings across Greater Vancouver to celebrate birds. Greater Vancouver, including Port Moody, is renowned as one of Canada's best birding locations in Canada. Ten communities, including Bowen Island, West and North Vancouver, Burnaby, New Westminster, Richmond, Delta and Surrey will hold their own Bird Week from 2-9 May culminating in World Migratory Bird Day. In Port Moody, Burke Mountain Naturalists is taking a lead role. A proclamation from Mayor would be a great way to kick off the event. A copy of the City of Vancouver is available should you want to see it.

Sincerely,

Robert Butler PhD, FRCGS

Chair

The Office of the Mayor
CITY OF PORT MOODY

Proclamation
BIRD WEEK

On the invitation of Bird Week Vancouver in their 10th annual year:

The City of Port Moody joins to celebrate Bird Week as one of ten communities in metro Vancouver home to over 300 bird species within four internationally recognized Important Bird Areas as is a major stop along the Pacific Flyway traversed by more than a billion migrating birds each year.

We will expand upon Migratory Bird Day activities with increased programming to highlight the need for protection of migratory birds and their habitat.

Birds inspire us with their beauty, their grace and their tenacity, pausing in our backyards and at our bird feeders along their incredible migration, singing in the dawn and reminding us of the interconnected web we live in from pole to pole.

I, _____, Mayor of Port Moody
Rob Vagramov

do hereby proclaim May 3- 9/2020 **BIRD WEEK**

in the City of Port Moody