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[Click here](#) for Summary of the April 2020 Virtual Forum.

Save the Date for the Fall 2020 Forum! – October 23rd – hosted by the Resort Municipality of Whistler in the Longhouse at the [Squamish Lil'wat Cultural Centre](#). [Details here.](#)

Atl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound UNESCO Biosphere Reserve review of the nomination by the Canadian Commission for UNESCO is underway. Comments from reviewers have been received, next step is a strategic planning for the Governance of the Biosphere organization end of May. To learn more contact Ruth at howesoundbri@gmail.com

Ocean Watch - Howe Sound Edition Phase 2 – Release expected late summer 2020.

Summary Vessels of Concern and Marine Debris Workshop - February 28th. [Read more here about the](#) workshop review and next steps.

Marine Reference Guide – Join the June 8th Celebrate Atl'ka7tsem/Howe Sound storytelling event – click here: howesoundguide.ca. For report on activities and developments to April contact [Fiona Beaty](#).

David Suzuki Foundation's Marine Conservation Map – free webinar for planners and decision makers April 30th from 2 to 3 p.m. to explore how to use this dynamic, interactive GIS map. Click [Here to register](#).

Sea to Sky Air Quality – Following discussions with Fraser Basin Council a roundtable on the state of the Howe Sound sea to sky airshed is being planned, date TBD. To register your interest in planning email howesoundbri@gmail.com

Cumulative Effects Assessment for Howe Sound – Following the release of the assessment and reports and the launch of the Sustainable Baseline Objectives Tool, a webinar on the results and use of the information in decision making is being planned. Date TBD. To register your interest in planning email howesoundbri@gmail.com.



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To provide a forum for local governments, Regional Districts and First Nations discussion to maintain and enhance the economic, environmental, cultural and social well being of the Howe Sound for the benefit of present and future generations.