

# Steveston Harbour Authority Presentation to the General Purposes Committee November 2, 2015

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A scenic photograph of a sunset or sunrise over a body of water. The sky is filled with vibrant orange, red, and purple hues, with a bright yellow glow near the horizon. The water in the foreground is calm, reflecting the colors of the sky. A line of bare trees is silhouetted against the horizon, their reflections visible in the water.

# Steveston Harbour Authority's Mandate

The Steveston Harbour Authority exists for the purposes of operating, maintaining and managing a public commercial fishing harbour at the Steveston Gulf site and the Steveston Paramount site in Steveston Harbour as well as surrounding lands.

# Steveston Harbour Authority's 4 Improvement Objectives

1. To enhance and expand our existing operations
1. To become more visible in the public realm
2. To clean up our properties
3. To encourage industry to be more involved in SHA's operations



## *To enhance and expand our operations*

In concert with Small Craft Harbours, SHA's travel lift bay and repair yard will be reconfigured to accommodate Strait Marine's newly purchased 70-ton travel lift expanding the number of clients we can accommodate in our yard.



*To become more visible in the public realm*

## Annual Fishermen Helping Kids with Cancer Herring Event

The annual *Fishermen Helping Kids With Cancer Herring Event* is held at the Steveston Harbour Paramount site in our seine net loft repair area. The sale draws people from all over the lower mainland and is always a huge success with close to \$300,000 raised over the years which goes directly to the *BC Children's Hospital Foundation*. Everything from the vessel, the fuel and the labour is donated by volunteers.

SHA is a proud sponsor of this event.



# *To clean up our properties*

Front Gate- fence replacement

Before



After



7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Lot clean-up

Before



After



# *To encourage industry to be more involved in SHA's operations*

## NEW MEMBERS INCLUDE:

Area E Gillnetters Association



Canadian Sablefish Association



# \$14 Million in Federal Funding Announced

## Paramount Site Projects

- Replacement of the timber floating docks in Paramount Pond
- Reconstruction of portions of the electrical systems in the service area and of all electrical systems on the floating timber docks
- Upgrades to Paramount site electrical systems
- Replacement of the wharves at the Fish Auction location with a new marginal wharf
- Maintenance dredging





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## Gulf Site Projects

- Replacement of the public fish sales floating docks with new, concrete structures as well as reconstruction of electrical, fire protection and water services
- Replacement of the deteriorated Third Avenue wharf
- Replacement of deteriorated components of the Sixth and Seventh Avenue wharves
- Maintenance dredging



# NET RECYCLING PROGRAM AT STEVESTON HARBOUR

SHA participated in an 18-month pilot project to see if it was sustainable to expand *Aquafil* and *Interface's* net recycling program *Net-Works* to Steveston Harbour. During this pilot project, old nets were collected, stripped, bagged and shipped to Slovenia to be regenerated into nylon 6 fiber, which is then used in carpet tiles. While this has been a great start, much more nylon 6 fishing net is required to sustain the program. SHA continues to collect nets in preparation for a second shipment to Slovenia and work is underway to expand the project to other harbours in British Columbia.



# SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT FEE

SHA and the City of Richmond continue to face a serious problem of infill of sediment in Steveston Cannery Channel.

The City of Richmond, the Province and Port Metro Vancouver have allotted funding to complete dredging of the channel

In order provide for a more predictable funding mechanism for future dredging, the SHA Board has acknowledged the need to come to the table with some of the necessary funding and has approved a 1% "sediment management fee" on all of its services.



# Steveston Harbour Authority

Becoming the hub of BC's commercial fishing industry

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