

CORTES ISLAND SCHOOL WETLAND RESTORATION PROJECT

Post-Construction Update



We are thrilled to announce that, as of July 16th, 2025, the construction phase of the Cortes Island School Wetland is complete!

Thank you to all who supported this project:

- Friends of Cortes Island Society removed invasive plants, coordinated volunteers, and led seeding and mulching post-construction.
- Heavy equipment was provided by True Foundations.
- Klahoose First Nation provided archeological monitoring & First Aid during construction.
- Over 30 volunteers helped install the 2,000lb aquatic-safe pond liner.
- Funding provided by BC Ministry of Emergency & Climate Readiness, Union of BC Municipalities, Disaster Risk Reduction - Climate Adaptation Fund.

Status update:

- Construction is completed. Seeding & mulching is ongoing.
- Field improvements are in progress. Soil has been spread on the fields. Both seeding & revegetation will occur in fall.
- Signage, monitoring, & maintenance will occur throughout next year. This project's funding will cover those efforts.
- Fundraising is planned to support this project in future.

Upcoming work parties/opportunities to help out:

Summer: Work party to rake soil on fields and pick rocks.

Fall: Revegetation work party.

→ **Stay tuned for more information!**

For your safety and to ensure wetland restoration success,
please avoid playing or walking on fresh dirt areas.



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