

2024 Piers Island AGM Report

Southern Gulf Islands Harbours Commission

Piers Island Extension:

From the CRD:

“The updated environmental assessment for the Piers dock extension is completed and has been resubmitted to the Province and Federal Gov’t for approval for us to proceed. We are still hoping to be able to install it this Fall.”

Rick: Does this mean the Cowichan Band has approved of the extension?

CRD: No, We are going back with better information.

Wharfinger Position:

CRD Southern Gulf Islands Harbours Service: RFP 2024-977- Piers Island and Swartz Bay Wharfinger Services has been posted. Applications close June 5, 2024. Hopefully we will have a dedicated wharfinger soon.

Dock Etiquette:

- Both the Swartz Bay and Piers docks are well over capacity.
- Both government docks are working docks, they are not intended as places to “park” boats without regular usage.
- Rafting is a reality of using the government docks. If you are the outside boat in a rafting situation, please ensure you have enough line to tie your boat to the dock and not the boat next to you. It is recommended that you carry a line that is 20-25 feet long and both port and starboard bumpers.

- The yellow bullrail is for emergency services and quick drop offs only.
- Moorage on both Piers and Swartz Bay docks is not free. Be sure to deposit your payment in the payment box at the time of use.

Rick Schnurr

CRD Harbour Commissioner