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TAHSIS AWARDED GRANT FOR FLOOD MAPPING AND FLOOD RISK ASSESSMENT

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**TAHSIS** – Village of Tahsis has been awarded a \$126,500.00 grant to conduct sea level rise mapping and flood risk assessment.

The grant is made possible through the provincial government's Community Emergency Preparedness Fund, which is administered by the Union of BC Municipalities. The grant covers 100% of the project costs.

The project will include a hydrological study of the Village's coastal shoreline to assess the risk, taking into account sea level rises caused by extreme weather events and tides associated with climate change. The project will develop options for protection and mitigation of the coastal shoreline and help to inform the public about how expected sea level rises will affect Tahsis over the next 30 to 80 years. This information will also assist the Village in emergency and disaster response planning.

"We are very pleased that our grant application was approved for funding. As a coastal community, it is essential that we prepare for the impact that climate change will have on our community whether it is flooding or loss of shoreline," said Mayor Jude Schooner. "This project will provide us with the data we need to plan for these significant changes".

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