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## An Update from BC Ferries

Dear Haida Gwaii Ferry Travellers,

I'm Ivan, a member of BC Ferries' Terminal Development team responsible for establishing Terminal Development Plans for the Alliford Bay and Skidegate terminals. As BC Ferries moves forward with this project, I want to keep you up-to-date on what's happening. I will be providing you with regular updates so please keep an eye out for my updates in this publication.

BC Ferries is preparing a Terminal Development Plan to ensure we develop these terminals in a sustainable, cost-effective, phased and efficient way that meets our customers' needs.

An important aspect of our Terminal Development Plans is consulting with ferry users like you. We want to connect with Haida Nation, the organizations and communities impacted in any way by our terminals and route.

We have completed our first step in the consultation process, involving our terminal and vessel employees and an internal working group. They identified

the key issues and opportunities. We have also engaged with the local ferry advisory committee and government agencies to identify social and environmental needs.

Our next step is to invite public participation from the ferry travellers on Haida Gwaii. We know you have a lot of feedback to offer that will help us shape a terminal vision that best meets your needs. We will be asking your opinion about the holding compound layout, parking, terminal amenities, and pick-up and drop-off areas, just to name a few. Your feedback will help us identify opportunities to improve the terminal and provide a cost-effective, customer-focused travel experience.

On November 1, 2017 we will be hosting two drop-in sessions from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the following locations:

- Village of Queen Charlotte Community Hall, Graham Island
- Sandspit Community Hall, Moresby Island



I invite you to attend these sessions and provide your input. If you're not able to attend, there will be other opportunities in the future for you to provide feedback. We will let you know when those opportunities occur. We expect to finalize the plans for Alliford Bay and Skidegate in 2018.

If you are interested in following this project, please watch for these updates in the local paper or visit the Terminal Development Planning page under Public Consultation at [bcferries.com](http://bcferries.com). I hope you find the information valuable. If you have

any questions about the process, please don't hesitate to contact me at [ivan.leung@bcferries.com](mailto:ivan.leung@bcferries.com).

Thank you,

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