



## *Certificate of Coastal Sand Ecosystem Stewardship*

Sand Ecosystems on the South Coast of BC are rare and unique. The foundation of a coastal sand ecosystem involves sand and plants – with the plants often scattered in patches on beaches, spits and dunes. Marine-related natural processes such as tides, storm surges and ocean spray play a role in building and maintaining these ecosystems. These areas support many endangered species and ecological communities, provide recreational benefits and provide buffering to inland areas.

We, \_\_\_\_\_, agree to be good neighbours to local coastal sand areas.

Our local community supports:

- A coastal sand ecosystem with significant natural features;
- Important plant and animal species; and
- Essential wildlife habitat.

We agree be good neighbours by:

- Treading carefully and staying on designated trails;
- Keeping pets away from sensitive natural areas;
- Keeping wheeled vehicles off the beach;
- Avoiding playing on, digging into or sliding down dunes or sand cliffs.
- Helping to stop the spread of invasive species.

In return, the South Coast Conservation Program agrees to:

- Give recommendations and assistance to enhance plant and animal habitats in the community.

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Date signed

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Nature Steward

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South Coast Conservation Program