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Ḥaw̓iiḥ Council

August 18, 2026

Notice to Huu-ay-aht Staff, Huu-ay-aht Group of Businesses Staff, and Huu-ay-aht Citizens

Re: Safe Ocean Access for Pachena Bay Campers (Private and Business side)

The Ḥaw̓iiḥ Council is aware of concerns raised by some citizens regarding business-side campers accessing private sites for launching kayaks and participating in other ocean-related activities. To address these concerns and help improve safety for all users, the road through the private camping area has been approved as the designated access route to the ocean for business-side campers.

The Ḥaw̓iiḥ Council would like to inform citizens that all Pachena Bay campers, on the business side, will be permitted to use this designated access route through the private camping area to reach the ocean. All campers are required to remain on the road and within the approved access route at all times, respect Huu-ay-aht private campsites and citizens, and help keep the area clean and free of litter.

Access through this route is provided solely for safe passage to and from the ocean and does not permit unauthorized use of private sites or other private areas.

This decision has been made to help ensure the safety of all Pachena Bay campers and visitors by providing a safe and direct route to and from the ocean. We ask citizens to be mindful of the increased foot traffic along this pathway and to continue supporting a safe, respectful, and welcoming environment for everyone.

We appreciate your understanding, cooperation, and continued support as we work together to promote public safety while respecting our lands, community, and the rights of all users.

Sincerely,

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