



Tofino-Ucluelet Service Plan Update

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Request for Information

April 2021 - To inform a future Request for Proposal

Purpose:

- How to approach the maintenance of vehicles
- Potential facility options/location

Transit Operations Facility

Phase 1

- Maintenance to be provided through third party provider, likely in Port Alberni
- BC Transit/Operating Company secure space to park buses

Phase 2

- BC Transit purchase or lease suitable land and construct facility that supports the maintenance and servicing of medium or heavy duty buses
- Cost effective facility style (e.g. pre-fab, Sprung Structure, tilt-up construction)
- Needs to support the future roll-out of battery electric buses
- Transition successful operating company to in-house maintenance

Fleet

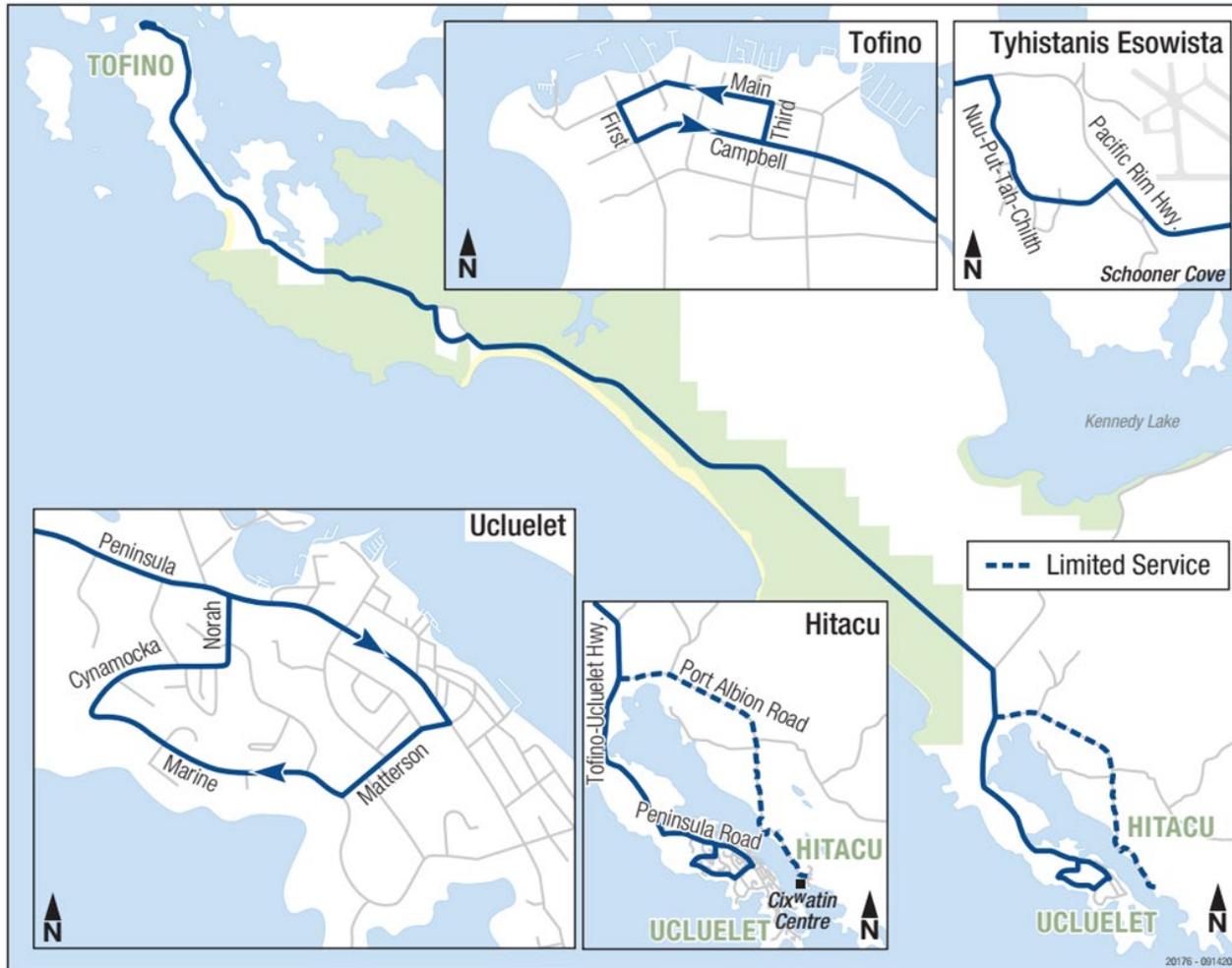
Recommendation: Light duty vehicle

20 passengers, no standees

- 5 vehicles required for recommended service levels and maintenance occurring in Port Alberni



Routing



Estimated Service Levels

Season	Service Days	Service Span	Service Frequency	Trips per day	Hitacu Trips per day
Summer (May-Oct)	Monday – Sunday	7:00 am - 9:00 pm	140 minutes (base) 70 minutes (peak)	18	4
Winter (Nov-April)	Monday – Sunday	7:00 am – 8:00 pm	140 minutes (all day)	10	4



Resources and Estimated Costs

Total Vehicles	Annual Service Hours	Estimated Annual Revenue	Estimated Annual Total Costs	Estimated Net Municipal Share
5	7,500	\$105,000*	\$891,843	\$418,003

*\$2.00 cash fare was assumed

Next Steps

- RFP issued for service operator
- Fare strategy approved
- Funding indicated
- Implementation Memorandum of Understanding issued
- Schedule development
- Marketing and media materials developed
- Service implementation

Tentative Implementation Plan

Date	Milestone
Fall 2021	Final route timing
April 2022	Service inception meeting
April 2022	Marketing and Communications Plan drafted
May 2022	Detailed service specification complete, schedule development begins
June 2022	Schedules completed and approved, Rider's Guide development begins
June 2022	Service summary completed
July 2022	Rider's Guide completed
June/July 2022	Bus stop installation
August 2022	Marketing campaign begins
September 2022* <i>tentative</i>	Service implementation