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BC Marine Trails Unveils Code of Conduct Video Series to Protect British Columbia's Coast

Recognizing the unique environmental challenges of recreating along British Columbia's coastline, BC Marine Trails, in collaboration with dedicated researchers, spent four years developing the groundbreaking Marine Trails Code of Conduct. Released in 2018 after a thorough peer review, the Code is specifically designed to mitigate the environmental impact of marine recreation, offering tailored guidelines that go beyond general strategies like *Leave No Trace*.

In August 2024, BC Marine Trails released a series of seven professionally produced videos, each focusing on a tenet of the Code:

1. Campfire management
2. Respectful First Nations Territory visitation
3. Human waste management
4. Footprint reduction

5. Grey water management
6. Minimizing wildlife disturbance
7. Preserving the natural state of the coast

In addition to these individual tenet videos, two summary videos have been produced to provide a comprehensive overview of the Code.

These videos are invaluable viewing for anyone recreating on the BC coast, including paddlers, hikers, and small boaters. By following the guidelines laid out in the Code of Conduct, recreational users can help reduce environmental degradation, preserving the coast's natural beauty and ecological health for future generations.

The Marine Trails Code of Conduct is more than just a set of guidelines – it is a commitment to stewardship and respectful engagement with BC's coastal environments and the First Nations that have cared for these lands for millennia.

Links

[Marine Trails Code of Conduct summary video](#)

[All Marine Trails Code of Conduct videos](#)

[Marine Trails Code of Conduct Online Classroom](#)

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