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### Haida Gwaii Marine Debris Clean-Up: Clean Coast, Clean Waters Initiative

HAIDA GWAI, BC (August 5, 2021). The Misty Isles Economic Development Society, in partnership with the Council of the Haida Nation, has received \$2.3 million in funding from the Province of British Columbia through the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy for a marine debris clean-up initiative.



We are excited to be at the helm of such an important project — one that will create local jobs and remove tonnes of marine debris from our extensive coastline. We have dedicated time and effort to ensure that the mainly plastic debris we collect is managed in an environmentally-friendly way. Thanks to funding from Gwaii Haanas National Park Reserve, National Marine Conservation Area Reserve, and Haida Heritage Site, we have been able to purchase a plastics chipper for more efficient disposal and recycling of plastic debris.


Project planning is well underway, and we hope to have boats on the water in the coming weeks. Our project deadline is Dec. 31, 2021, so we hope to quickly secure as much local support and participation as possible.

We are also excited to announce the youth focus of this project, which will include work contracts for youth ages 15 to 29.

If you have questions, or would like to join as a clean-up worker, a boat captain, an off- or on-road vehicle driver, please email us at the address below to learn more.

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