



## NEW DATE

Wednesday, March 27 - 6:30 - 8 PM

## Be Prepared for Climate Change Economic Disruptions

**Are you prepared for the risk of climate-related disruptions to your coastal region business, community organization, or livelihood?**

Over the past few years, many parts of British Columbia have been directly—and sometimes dramatically—affected by climate change. In 2023 alone, a record-breaking wildfire season, the closure of Highway 4, and windstorm power outages resulted in a disproportionate number of rural island and remote coastal communities being negatively impacted.

**It's very evident: We aren't immune to disaster by fire, flooding, or extreme weather events.** These are economic disruptions affecting travel, staffing, communications, shipping and business operations at all levels.

**Micro and small businesses across the islands and coast are even more impacted due to:**

- Lack of coordinated approaches and attention due to our geographic dispersion
- Reliance on ferry transportation

- Limited, dependable communication infrastructure

Register Now

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## Be Prepared: Connect with RIEP's Economic Resiliency Network

Learn From Specialists In:

- Business Interruption Insurance
- Cyber Security & Inventory Protection
- Evacuation Best Practices
- Trauma Coping Strategies
- Climate Change Mitigation

Be informed now to protect yourself and your rural island/coastal region business, non-profit organization, and community from a climate-related disaster.

## CONNECT With Fellow Rural Island & Coastal Community Residents

- SHARE Experiences
- PARTICIPATE in Topical Roundtables
- OBTAIN Free Resources

Register Today

**FREE**  
Virtual Event

**RIEP CONNECTION CAFE • March 27 - 6:30 PM**

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**STAY TUNED FOR  
MORE INFO ABOUT THE SPEAKERS...**

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## Help Build The Rural Islands & Remote-Coastal Community Network

### Become A RIEP Member

RIEP Members are the voice for BC's rural islands & remote coastal communities

Recognizing RIEP's alignment of common needs and shared goals with BC's rural-remote coastal communities RIEP membership includes. Chemainus, Port McNeill, Port Hardy, Port Alice, Sayward, Powell River, Campbell River and Ka:'yu:'k't'h'/Che:k'tles7et'h' First Nations are just a few of the many rural - remote coastal communities that can share in and contribute to the creation of business and community partnerships that are so critical to building rural-coastal resilience.

**Join Us!**  
RIEP memberships start at \$25/year.

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Join RIEP



**CONNECT**



Monthly Connection  
Café meetup

**GROW**



Affordable digital  
marketing tools



**INFLUENCE**



Become a voice for  
change + action

**SHAPE**



Participate in a  
RIEP Committee

*We respectfully acknowledge that this correspondence has been sent from the traditional unceded territory of the Coast Salish Peoples, including the WSÁNEĆ First Nations and Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group, whose historical relationship with the land continues to this day.*



**RURAL ISLANDS  
ECONOMIC  
PARTNERSHIP**  
CULTIVATING RESILIENT  
PARTNERSHIPS

The **Rural Islands Economic Partnership (RIEP)** leads, inspires, and cultivates sustainable economic resilience and community well-being through collaborative initiatives and partnerships for the benefit of BC's rural islands, rural-remote coastal regions, and the Indigenous communities who have traditional or reserve lands on these lands.

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