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# Navigational Warning Request - 2023-04

**Organization Name and Contact Number:** Nanaimo Port Authority – 250-753-4146 Ext. 244

**Site Name and Contact Number:** Wolf Presslauer, Nanaimo Ocean Paddling Club – 236-544-2036

**Start and End Date and Time:** 2023-03-18 – 1000 - 1600 hours Local

**Start and End Date and Time:** 2023-03-19 – 1100 – 1300 hours Local

**Location of Activity:** Along the shores of Newcastle Island and Protection Island

N49°11'26.69, W123°56'50.52 – coordinates at Brechin Boat Launch

**Brief Description of Work:** On Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, the race course consists of 10, 6-person outrigger canoes per heat x 4 circumnavigating Newcastle Island and Protection Island in a figure 8. Start and finish at Brechin Boat Launch.

On Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, outrigger canoes and kayaks will be circumnavigating along the shores of Newcastle Island and Protection Island and away from motorized traffic. Safety boats will be deployed, and safety rules enforced. Racers will be accompanied by RCMSAR and 3 private vessels. The race will start and finish at Brechin Boat Launch. No interference with powered vessels is anticipated.

**Vessels on Site:** 20-40 boats

**VHF Channels Monitored:** VHF Ch. 72 (156.625 MHz) – Event Communications

## Special Requests or Additional Information

All mariners are requested to use extreme caution when navigating through this area.