

Media Advisory - Get Out Migration Update (Thursday May 6th)

Three Days to Victoria – Schooling for Wild Salmon

The Get Out Migration is massing together for the final push to the BC Legislature (and a rally at 4 pm on May 8) with public events in Ladysmith, Duncan and Sidney.

Today (May 6), Alexandra Morton will speak to schoolchildren at Ladysmith Primary School from 9am and walk to Duncan for a 5pm event at Civic Square. The migration will be swelled by supporters from Salt Spring Island who will bike from the Crofton ferry – with a 4pm rendezvous point at Cowichan High School where the Spirit Drummers will lead the march into Civic Square.

Tomorrow (Friday May 7), the Migration will converge in Sidney with a public event at the Mary Winspear Theatre at 7.30pm. The walk from Duncan will leave at 9am from Island Bagel and catch the 1.50pm ferry from Mill Bay to be welcomed into Brentwood Bay at 2.15pm by local First Nations and supporters. The Fraser River Paddlers for Wild Salmon will arrive in Sidney late afternoon following a crossing of the Georgia Strait escorted by the Sto:lo First Nation.

On Saturday (May 8), the final 30km of the migration starts at the Shaw Ocean Discovery Centre at 8am with a 12.30pm meeting point at Lana Popham's Saanich South constituency office and a 2pm-2.30pm arrival into Centennial Square. At 3.30pm the migration will walk together for the final 1km to the BC Legislature for a rally joined by boats, kayaks and canoes in the Inner Harbor.

Yesterday (May 5), Alexandra Morton addressed assembly at Gabriola Primary School before leading a walk of several hundred schoolchildren, parents and supporters. The Grail Dancer, a traditional wooden schooner, led the migration from Silva Bay on Gabriola Island into Ladysmith for an evening event hosted by Doug Routley MLA.

For more details about the itinerary and meeting points en-route, visit: <u>http://www.salmonaresacred.org/itinerary</u>

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