Denman Cross-Island Trail - A brief history

2010-2011 – Planning and public consultations for Denman Parks and Greenways Master Plan.

August 2011 – Denman Parks and Greenways Master Plan adopted by CVRD board. Plan identifies a ferry to ferry trail as priority. Islands Trust adds Denman parks plan map as schedule to the Denman Official Community Plan.

Fall 2011- 2012 CVRD staff and DIRA Trails Committee review trail alignment options. OnSite Engineering reviews ferry and Denman Road hills – feasible but require some prior road base work by Ministry of Transportation.

February 2012 – Denman Trails Committee recommends route following Denman - East roads over Lacon McFarlane roads for following reasons:

- Denman-East Road route serves the most places that islanders visit (fire hall, Old School, Central Park, Cable Beach, Graham Lake).
- links via Swan Road to Fillongley Park and Northland parks.









February 2012 – DIRA passes resolution to support Trails Committee recommendation to route the trail along Denman and East roads.

January 2013 – CVRD hosts community open house on proposed trail alignment:

- Majority of residents attending the open house support the proposed alignment from ferry hill to Swan Road.
- After Swan Road, opinions on best route diverge.

March 2013 – CVRD board approves working on first few sections of trail and approves funding from community works fund/federal gas tax funding.

October 2013 – Village section is constructed.

