



## A Gambier Island Conservation Success Story

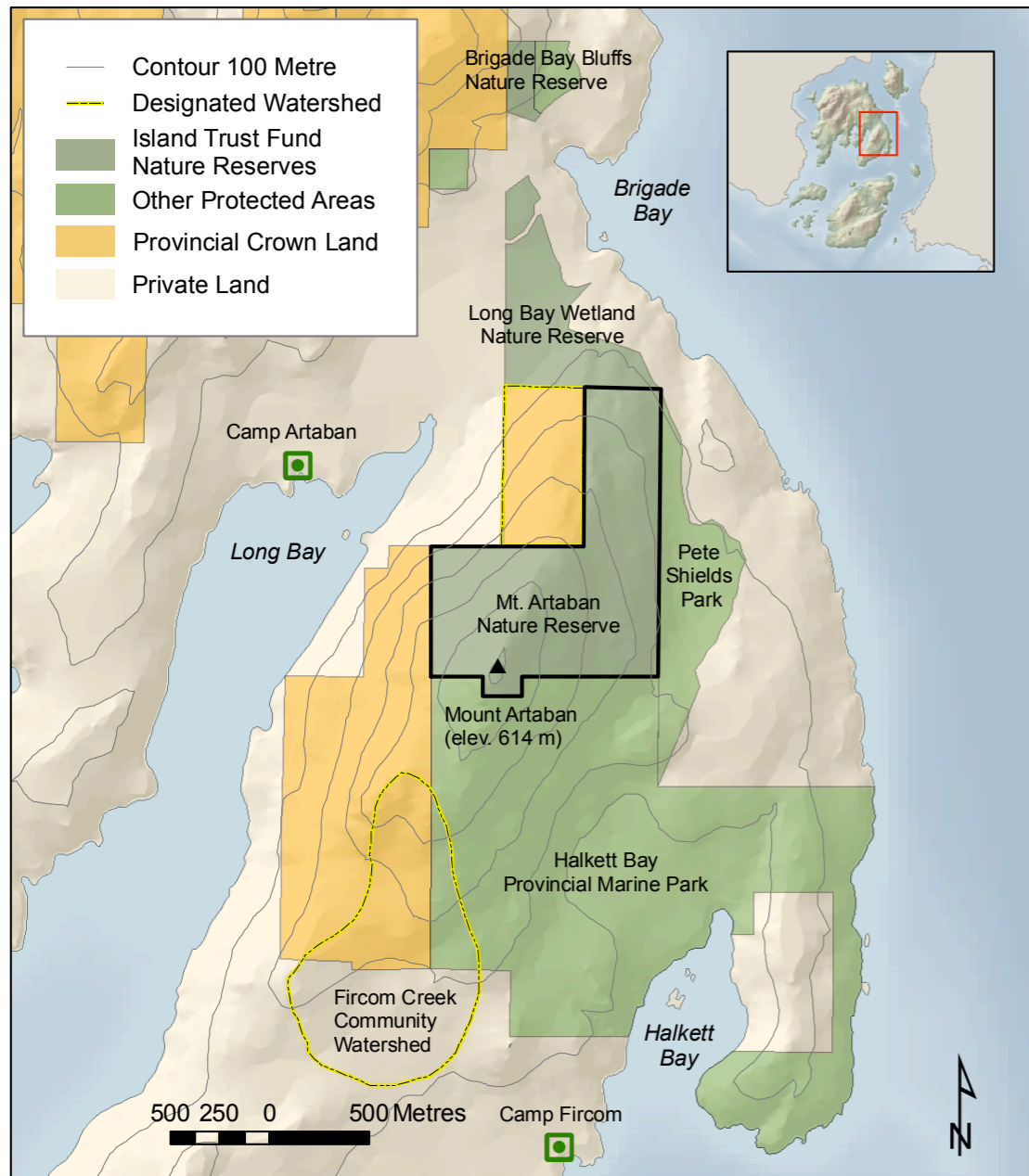
Gambier Island's Mt. Artaban is noted for its significant natural values, its challenging hikes and its awe-inspiring views. The prospect of protecting this special place for future generations has finally been realized.

In 2006, the Islands Trust Fund gratefully received support from the Squamish Nation, local governments, and Gambier Island Conservancy for its application to the Province of British Columbia for a Free Crown Grant of 107 hectares of land on Mount Artaban. Before accepting the Crown's offer, the Islands Trust Fund needed to raise \$40,000 to pay for a survey and a management plan for the land.

The Gambier Island Conservancy and the Islands Trust Fund formed a partnership in 2007 and together raised the needed funds by the end of that year. The transfer of land from the Province of British Columbia to the Islands Trust Fund was formally announced at the end of May 2008.

Thanks to the generosity and vision of the donors listed below, the Mt. Artaban Nature Reserve is protected forever by the Islands Trust Fund and forms part of an important network of protected areas on Gambier Island.

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