



## **Salt Spring Island, BC – The Jewel of the Southern Gulf Islands**

### **FIRE CHIEF OPPORTUNITY**

Salt Spring Island in British Columbia is the jewel of the Southern Gulf Islands. It is nestled up against the east side of Vancouver Island, about half way between Nanaimo and Victoria, the capital city of BC. Salt Spring is the largest, most populated, and most visited of the Gulf Islands. With a year round population of 10,000 that swells to 30,000 in the summer months, the setting is West Coast Canadian; forested islands, wide meadows and beautiful landscapes surrounded by emerald ocean and amazing vistas, with a wonderful temperate climate where outdoor activities such as fishing, golfing and hiking are enjoyed year round.

Due to a retirement, an opportunity exists for a Fire Chief with a team that prides itself on a strong commitment to safety for our citizens and visitors. The position reports directly to the Board of Trustees of the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District. The Fire Chief is responsible for managing and leading a Fire Department consisting of five paid full time personnel and a volunteer contingency of approximately 50 fire fighters. This includes preparing and managing annual and long-range operational and capital budgets as well as demonstrating leadership in working with a professional and well trained composite department in a unique island setting.

As the successful candidate, you have a dedicated focus on providing excellent customer service, strong management and communication skills, proven planning capabilities and the ability to lead and motivate a dedicated team that will deliver progressive emergency response services aligned to the Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District vision. You have several years experience at the senior management level in the fire service, complimented with a degree or diploma in Fire Service, Public or Business Administration, or completion of Level IV of the Fire Officer Standard Certification, or other equivalent training and certification. This is a full time, union-exempt position which includes a competitive salary dependant on qualifications and a comprehensive benefit package.

Please forward your resume detailing work related experience and education, along with a cover letter, by 4:30 PM on March 16, 2009, to:

Chairman  
Salt Spring Island Fire Protection District  
105 Lower Ganges Road  
Salt Spring Island, BC V8K 2G1

Or email to [trustees@saltspringfire.com](mailto:trustees@saltspringfire.com)

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.