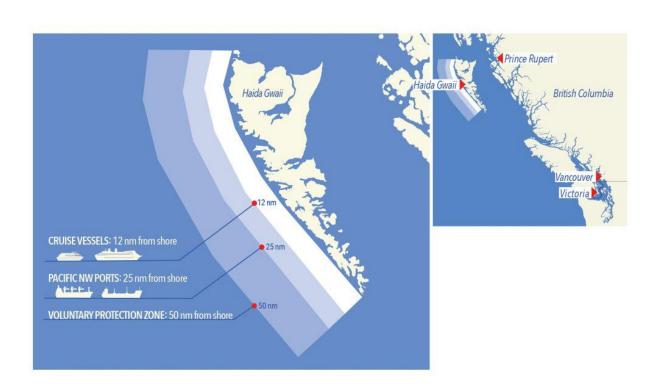


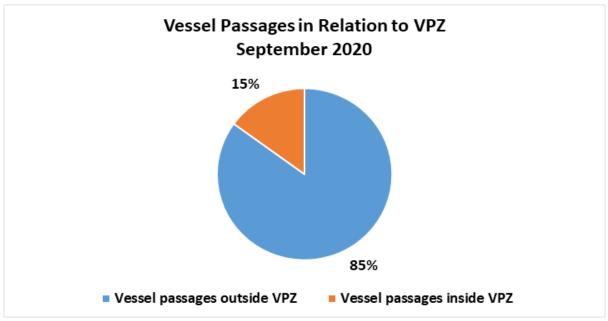
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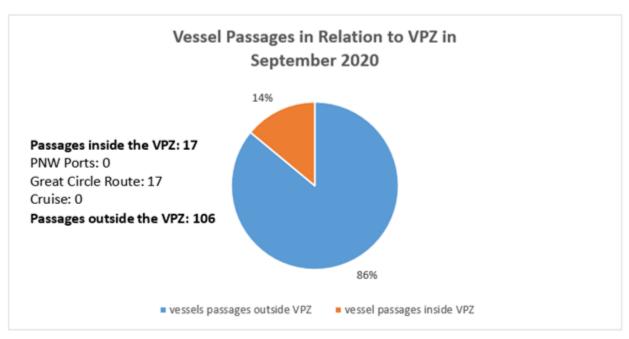
Vessel traffic monitoring information for the <u>Voluntary Protection Zone (VPZ)</u> for shipping on the West Coast of Haida Gwaii is provided through the <u>Enhanced Maritime Situational</u> <u>Awareness</u> system and the Pacific Safety Initiative (US). September 2020, monitoring results show a high proportion (86%) of commercial vessels transiting outside the VPZ on the west coast of Haida Gwaii¹. The project partners would like to acknowledge the efforts made by mariners to observe the trial VPZ. We will continue to take steps to inform mariners about the trial.



¹ Monitoring results include commercial vessels over 500 gross tons transiting within 200 nautical miles of the west coast of Haida Gwaii.







Joint News Release

The Council of the Haida Nation and Transport Canada have issued a <u>joint news release</u> announcing the 14-month trial VPZ. The announcement marks 18 months of collaborative work by the Council of the Haida Nation, Transport Canada, the maritime shipping industry and others to develop the trial VPZ. The story has been picked up by multiple news outlets.

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Information and Questions

For more information on the trial, please visit haidagwaii-vpz.ca. If you have questions please contact info@haidagwaii-vpz.ca.

We want your feedback! If you are a mariner operating a commercial ship over 500 gross tons that transits along the west coast of Haida Gwaii we are interested in hearing from you. Please fill out a short survey by clicking <u>here</u>.