

Toronto Island Park Master Plan highlights:

The Toronto Island Park Master Plan is the result of 4 years of strategic park planning and an iterative engagement process that **reached over 20,000 people**.

It proposes a **holistic and "light touch" approach** that prioritizes the protection of the natural environment and making better use of existing infrastructure.

The Plan includes a vision, **values, and guiding principles** with 6 over-arching goals, and over and over 100 recommendations for implementation over 25+ years.

Over \$85 million to support purchase of 4 new **all-electric ferries** with 2 new ferries in service in 2026 and 2027.

Improvements will be **made incrementally** over time as priority projects are advanced and in alignment with the approved 10-year capital budget.

What's included in the Study Area?

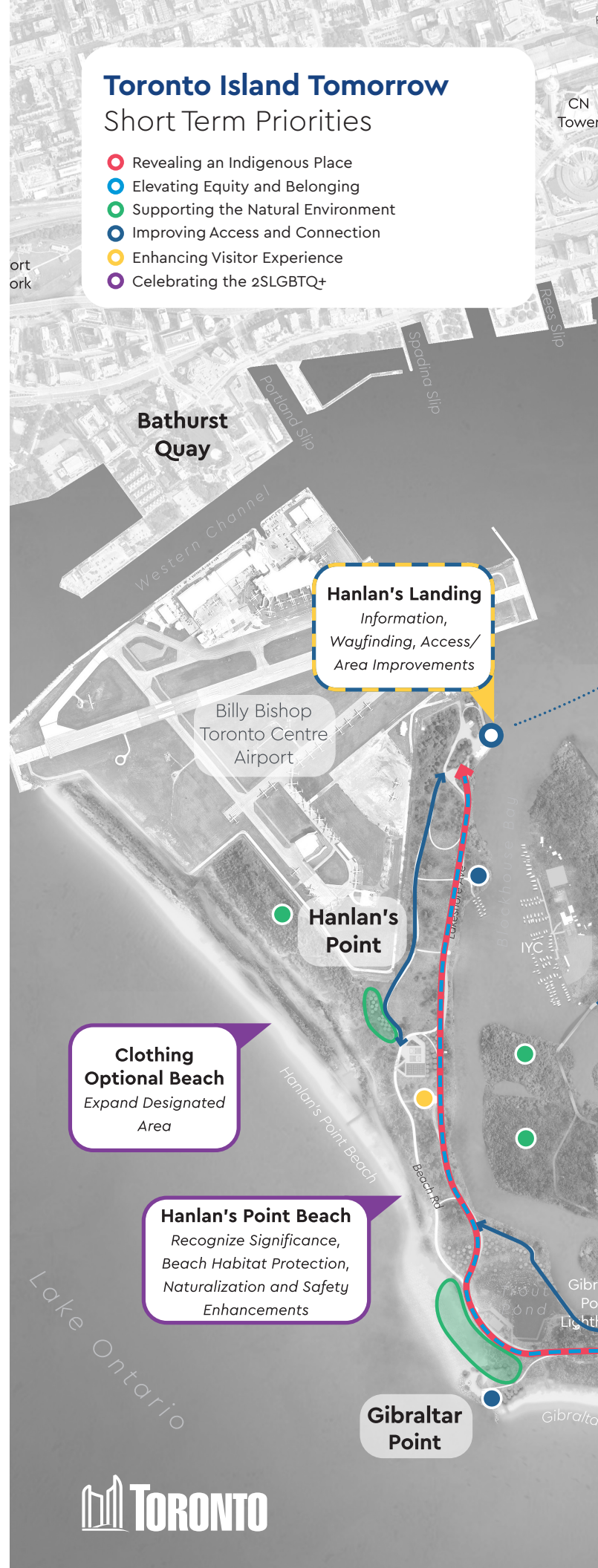
The Toronto Island Park Master Plan identifies opportunities for the islands and waterways that make up the park as well as the approach and areas surrounding the Jack Layton Ferry Terminal.

The following spaces are not included within the recommendations of the study but are considered based on their interface with other park areas and improvements:

- The residential and Island Trust managed properties at Ward's and Algonquin Islands,
- The Island Water Treatment Plant (IWTP) and radio towers on Centre Island, and
- The Billy Bishop Toronto Centre Airport.

Toronto Island Tomorrow Short Term Priorities

- Revealing an Indigenous Place
- Elevating Equity and Belonging
- Supporting the Natural Environment
- Improving Access and Connection
- Enhancing Visitor Experience
- Celebrating the 2SLGBTQ+





Central Waterfront

The Port Lands

Jack Layton Ferry Terminal
Information, Wayfinding, Terminal/ Area Improvements

4 New Electric Ferries
42% Capacity Improvements

Park Access
Pathway Improvements to Inaccessible Park Areas

Ward's Landing
Four-Season Services, Information, Wayfinding, Access/Area Improvements

Flood Mitigation
Shoreline Improvements

Accessible Beach
Access Improvements; Explore Expanded Equipment Lending

Centre Landing
Feasibility for Island Welcome Centre, Information, Wayfinding, Access/Area Improvements

Snake Island
Ceremonial Space, and Access/Amenity Improvements

Cultural Narrative Trail
5km Interpretive Experience with Rest and Gathering Spaces

Park Access
Pathway Improvements to Inaccessible Park Areas

Accessible Transportation
Assess Expansion of Tram Tour and/or Shuttle to landings

Rental Nodes: Expanded Rental Offerings (vary by sites); Concession and Washroom Improvements, where needed

Park Area Naturalization: Expand Habitat, Naturalize Shorelines

Natural Area Protection: Identify/Protect Ecological Function of the Park; Integrated Management Plans; Ongoing Monitoring/Reporting

Food and Beverage Improvements: Expand Diversity of Options and Explore Four-Season Service



Master plan highlights: first steps

Some of the Master Plan projects and initiatives beginning in the near term include:



Revealing an Indigenous Place

- Identifying space at Snake Island to support Indigenous ceremony and programming.
- Co-developing visions with Indigenous communities for cultural markers, gateways, and the cultural narrative trail.
- Working with communities, identifying naming opportunities.



Supporting the Natural Environment

- Implementing early flood mitigation.
- Identifying opportunities to expand, improve and improve habitat.
- Developing an Island Charter to help all Island visitors see themselves as stewards of the park.
- Optimizing Park Operations and Management practices towards park naturalization improvements



Enhancing Visitor Experience

- Updating the website.
- Expanding four-season facilities.
- Improving food and beverage options and services with new food and beverage contracts with multiple vendors.
- Studying feasibility of a Welcome Centre.



Elevating Equity and Belonging

- Park accessibility improvements.
- Studying the Island's Cultural Heritage in collaboration with different communities.
- Improving access to underused park areas.



Improving Access and Connection

- Ferry Fleet Replacement.
- Upgrading Jack Layton Ferry Terminal.
- Expanding Bike Rentals.
- Establishing information hubs, new Island Map and adding wayfinding signs.



Celebrating the 2SLGBTQ+ significance

- A Community Safety Strategy for Hanlan's Island and Beach.
- Restoring and protecting Hanlan's Beach dune habitat.
- Developing a Hanlan's Cultural Heritage Study.
- Acknowledging the significance of Hanlan's Point to the 2SLGBTQ+ Community (i.e. interpretive sign/marker)



Master Plan highlights: future work

Some of the mid- to long-term future projects and initiatives in the Master Plan include:

- Co-developing opportunities for Indigenous place names in the park.
- Exploring opportunities for co-management of ceremonial and gathering spaces with Indigenous communities.
- Managing and protecting natural areas through seasonal closures, while promoting education and the importance of stewardship.
- Developing monitoring protocols to share the park's ecological performance.
- Developing a Park Management Plan to protect and manages uses in active and natural areas holistically.
- Through additional study, expansion of the ferry service to improve access and better support four-season use.
- Improving accessibility through 4.5+ km of trail improvements and using existing trails establish looped trail systems.
- Improving island-wide transportation services.
- Defining a non-motorized zone for low-impact water-based activities, like canoeing and kayaking.
- Exploring an "Island Ambassadors" program to help visitors learn about the park.
- Establish a Welcome Centre and Marketplace at Centre Landing.

