

Fundraising for the ITS Campbell River

Hello fellow Amateurs:

The North Island Amateur Radio Society (NIARS) has an opportunity to take over the privately owned Island Trunk System repeater VE7RVR, near Campbell River.

Consequently, this is an urgent appeal for donations since the deadline to assume control is January 21, 2025. This is a unique and one-off opportunity, and NIARS wants to act quickly to ensure that this popular and important north Island repeater site remains part of the ITS.

John Adams VE7DAY, who has successfully managed VE7RVR (146.820 MHz) for a number of years, is looking to retire from that role. He is willing to place the site and all associated equipment into the hands of NIARS. The club is committed to carrying out all the necessary upgrades required, and will incorporate VE7RVR into the annual summer north Island repeater maintenance work done by club members.

Raising additional funds

NIARS is now looking to raise an additional \$1000 to cement the purchase of the equipment and secure permanent access. Donation information by PayPal or e-transfer is provided.

Please consider donating by no later than Jan. 20, 2025, so we can meet the looming deadline. Any amount would be welcome.

If NIARS can raise sufficient funds it can take over this important Island Trunk System site.



About the VE7RVR Station

The purchase will include:

- ◆ *Glenayre Repeater*
- ◆ *Radio tower*
- ◆ *Antennas*
- ◆ *Solar panels*
- ◆ *Solar charger*
- ◆ *Batteries*

Donations:

Donations can be sent by:

- ◆ **e-Transfer to: niars8594@gmail.com**
e-transfer is preferred to avoid PayPal fees
- ◆ **PayPal** (<https://niars.ca/donations>)

All donations will be recognized by NIARS on our website and acknowledged on a plaque at the Campbell River site once it is acquired by NIARS.

