

Bamberton Lands Background

The historic Bamberton Lands are located approximately 40 kilometers from Victoria, BC and include 1463 acres of land and approximately 5 kilometers of Saanich Inlet oceanfront. Now abandoned, the site has played an important role in the industrial history of British Columbia.

The Bamberton Lands sprang to life in 1912 with a cement manufacturing plant and distribution facility. The site offered a protected deep-sea port, a limestone supply and reliable source of water from Oliphant Lake. A small town grew around the industrial operation and thrived until 1980 when the limestone was exhausted and the original plant ceased operations. Since then a variety of businesses have utilized the site for industrial operations, storage, barge handling and truck loading.

Today the industrial site is largely unused and sits as a reminder of its once proud contribution to the local economy. While many of the buildings have fallen into disrepair, the site continues to boast lush forested lands, breathtaking views and a deep-water port.