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Presentation of the Ganim Siwilyeen'skw by the Council of Elders and Executive at the Opening Ceremonies of the 8th Biennial Special Assembly of the Nisga'a Nation on May 2, 2016.

Above is a tagged Chinook (Spring Salmon) - Photo Credit to Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife

President's Message



I would like to take this time to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of all of our Nisga'a graduates that have achieved academic success this year. From nursery/daycare, middle school, grade 12 and post-secondary and trades – every year, it brings a great sense of pride for the Nisga'a Nation when our citizens succeed in various fields of study.

I also want to thank the Nisga'a Nation for the resounding participation at our biennial Special Assembly of the Nisga'a Nation that took place May 2-5, 2016. Once again, the Nisga'a Village of Gitlaxt'aamiks were excellent hosts. There were well over 500 delegates and observers in attendance and upwards of 1,000 views of the online livestream. We are currently working to finalize the Special Assembly record of proceedings to highlight the summary of key issues, responses and action items based on your feedback. Once complete in July, the report will be posted on our website and distributed to each Nisga'a Village and Nisga'a Urban Local offices for distribution within your respective communities.

The Nisga'a Museum officially opened for the summer tourist season on Friday May 27th. I encourage all citizens to pay a visit to the Ancestor's Collection, and to the two new summer exhibitions recently unveiled: Along the River Bend: Celebrating 25 Years of the Nisga'a Fisheries Management Program and Adventures with Lithics, Plumb Bombs and Trowels Abound: An Archaeological Exploration of the Nass Valley.

In closing, I wish to extend the Nation's condolences to the families who have recently lost loved ones. More recently, news of the untimely passing of world-renowned Nisga'a artist Norman Tait. Norman's legacy will live on in his many master pieces around the world.

8th Biennial Special Assembly of the Nisga'a Nation



The 8th Biennial Special Assembly of the Nisga'a Nation from May 2-5, 2016 hosted by the Nisga'a Village of Gitlaxt'aamiks was a success!

The agenda was packed with reports from the NLG Directorates such as the Executive Officers, Programs and Services, Lands and Resources, Finance, Fisheries and Wildlife, Communications and Intergovernmental Relations, Economic Development, N.E.S.T. and Nisga'a Pacific Ventures Limited Partnership. Each contained a proactive question and answer period relevant to their reports. The minutes compiled from each question and answer period will be developed into a 2016 Special Assembly Post-Report.

There were a number of information booth's from internal and external Nisga'a Organizations such as: the NLG Departments, the Nisga'a Villages/Urban Locals, Nisga'a Museum, Nisga'a Pacific Ventures LP, Nisga'a Valley Health Authority, School District #92 and Wilp Wilxo'oskw Nisga'a

Institute. Each information booth produced a generous amount of swag. There were also a variety of local vendors who sold beautiful gifts, crafts, swag and snacks.

There were also special presentations that included the MOU signing between the Nisga'a and Tahltan (please see the following article), key note speaker Melanie Mark, MLA of Vancouver Mt.-Pleasant addressed the Nisga'a Nation and Vice-President John Dunn of TransCanada-PRGT (TBC) presented.

The Communications and Intergovernmental Relations Department provided livestream for those that couldn't attend and CFNR was live on location to interview a number of Nisga'a Delegates.

It was announced the 2018 Special Assembly of the Nisga'a Nation will be hosted in the Nisga'a Community of Gitwinksihlkw.

Nisga'a Nation and Tahltan sign MOU



At Day 2 of the 2016 Special Assembly of the Nisga'a Nation, President H. Mitchell Stevens was joined by Tahltan Nation President Chad Norman Day for a memorandum of understanding signing ceremony.

In 1898, the Tahltan and the Nisga'a Nation concluded a peace treaty at Treaty Rock, along Treaty Creek, agreeing to their shared boundary.

Since that time, the Tahltan and Nisga'a have enjoyed a long, prosperous and mutually beneficial relationship between our two Nations.

For several years, Nisga'a and Tahltan Nations have

considered a way to take the next step to formalize certain aspects of this long-standing relationship.

Today, together we seek to affirm our continuing Nation-to-Nation relationship and to establish a government-to-government process for collaboration on matters of mutual interest or concern, including potential economic and business collaboration.

The purpose of the Memorandum of Understanding is to set out the mutual understandings and intentions of Tahltan and the Nisga'a Nation to establish an ongoing Nation-to-Nation relationship to address issues of mutual interest or concern, at a government-to-government level.



Nisga'a Health Services Review



Nisga'a Lisims Government has retained INSITE Consultancy Inc. ("INSITE") to undertake a review of our health system and make recommendations concerning the governance, organization and delivery of Nisga'a health services. NLG is committed to ensuring the very best health status of all Nisga'a citizens, and to do this they have sought the external advice of health systems experts.

The project is led by Robert Smith*, Managing Director of INSITE, along with Paul Gallant**, who is a specialist consultant. Their initial orientation to our health system began with on-site visits in early May, and this phase of the project will proceed through to the fall, when preliminary recommendations will be considered.

During their recent visit, the INSITE consultants were very appreciative of the useful information they were provided, and the service organization and technologies that Nisga'a Valley Health Authority has made available. INSITE is currently reviewing various documents and agreements that shape our health system, and will subsequently enter into a broad process of consultation with health staff and our citizens. NLG will ensure that health staff and our

citizens are informed throughout this ongoing process.

NLG wishes to encourage everyone's engagement in the consultation process with INSITE, in order to ensure that we chart a course that leads to the best health status for all Nisga'a citizens.

*R J (Bob) Smith, MBA, FCCHL has lead large health organizations in BC and Nova Scotia. He has served on numerous national health boards in both operations and research and has been a Surveyor for Accreditation Canada. Most recently he concluded his term as Adjunct Professor in the Sauder School of Business at UBC.

**Paul Gallant, CHE, PhD(c), MHK, BRec (TR) has extensive consulting experience in the BC health care sector, including strategic planning, process improvement and business development with numerous health care organizations, academic institutions, government ministries, First Nations, consultancies, physician groups, medical schools, consulates/foreign businesses and populations.



REMEMBERING NORMAN TAIT

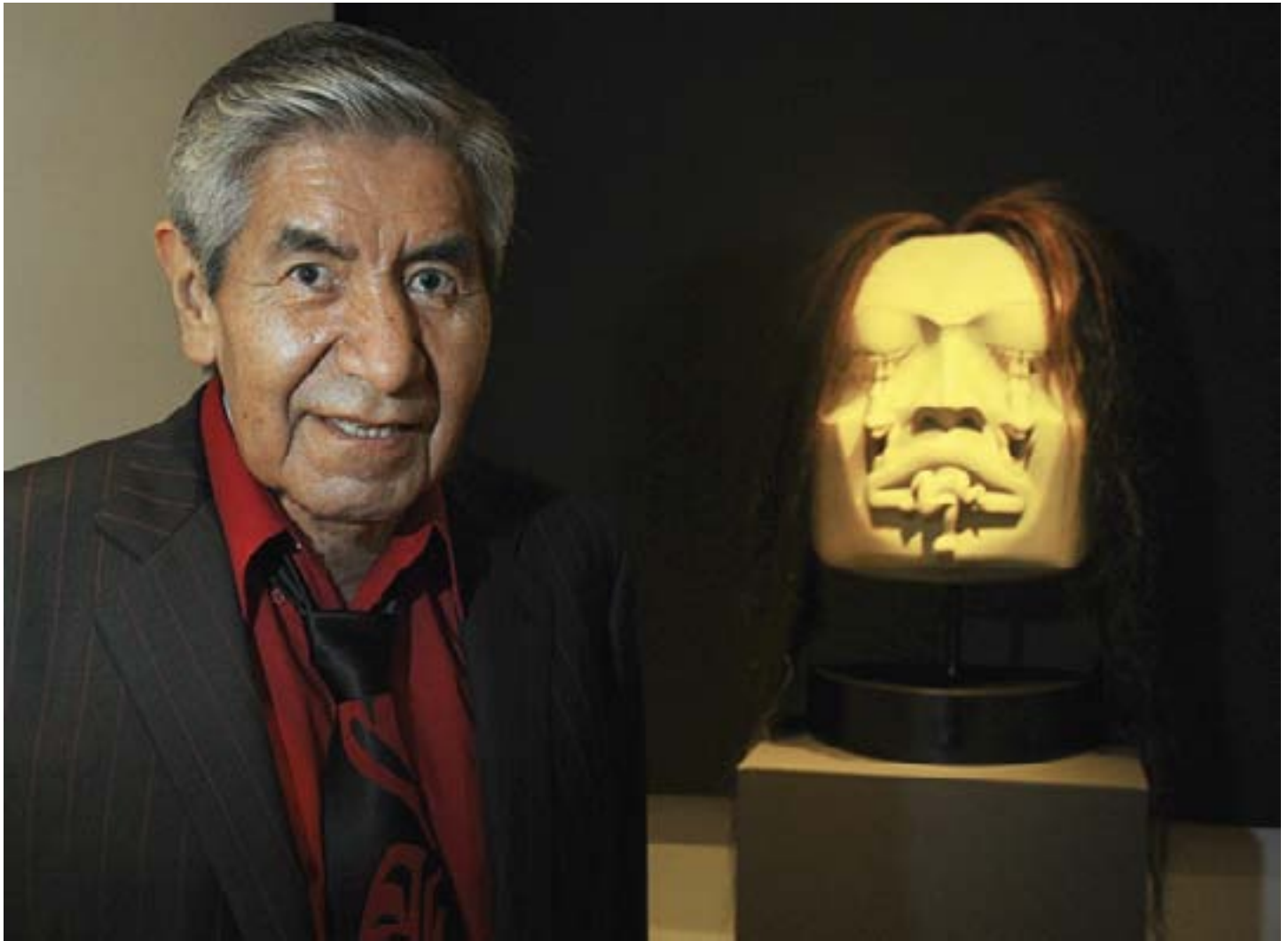


Photo Credit Cindy Goodman, North Shore News

With heavy hearts, the Nisga'a Nation and the Tait family announced the passing of Norman Phillip Tait, Sim'oogit Gawaakhl of Wilps Luuya'as of the Nisga'a community of Gingolx and Nisga'a master carver, on May 21, 2016.

Norman was born in Gingolx, B.C. on May 20, 1941, the eldest son of Josiah Tait and Sadie Spauhks (Benson) Tait. He spent seven years in Edmonton residential school, returning in summers to fish for Sunnyside Cannery. Norman graduated from Prince Rupert Secondary School in 1963 and graduated from BCIT's millwright program in 1969, later working for Skeena Cellulose. He moved to Vancouver in 1971 where Norman began his carving career.

Norman Tait was loved throughout his life. First was

his wife Jessie Angus with whom he had daughter Valerie (1964) and son Isaac (1965), both born in Prince Rupert. His second wife Cathy Tait (nee Cohen) gave him his second son Micah (1982). Norman also had two long time partners: Reva Robinson (Malkin) and carver Lucinda Turner.

Over his long carving career, Norman Tait became internationally respected as the foremost Nisga'a master carver. His career milestones include carving totem poles in B.C.—Vancouver, North Vancouver, New Aiyansh (Gitlaxt'aamiks), Port Edward and Port Simpson (Lax Kw'alaams), as well as internationally—in Chicago (Field Museum), Phoenix (Heard Museum), San Francisco, London (Bushey Park) and Japan. He taught Northwest Coast art in Federal Correctional Institutions and private classes, conducted carving



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demonstrations at numerous museums and schools, opened his own Wilp' Tsaak galleries, carved three canoes, two of which he and his brothers used to travel up to the Nass River living off the land, and was selected to welcome Te Maori and open that exhibit at the Field Museum in Chicago. In addition to totem poles, he also produced a wealth of jewellery pieces, carvings and silkscreen prints.

Norman Tait had two solo exhibitions of his work. His first was in 1978 at the Museum of Anthropology; he was the first artist invited to exhibit there and carved 125 pieces for this show. Norman Tait was the focus of three books: *Where the People Gather*, (later retitled as *Totem Pole Carving*), *Carving a Totem Pole*, and *Finding a Voice: The Art of Norman Tait*, and was also featured in numerous other exhibitions, performances, publications and videos. In addition to numerous official commendations, he was presented to Queen Elizabeth II and in 2012 was presented with a prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award for First Nation's Art.

Throughout his life, Norman Tait received cultural knowledge and instruction from his Nisga'a ye'e (grandfather) Rufus Watts. It was in preparing to raise his first totem pole in 1973 that Norman Tait put his serious studying of Nisga'a style into motion; it was a study that would continue throughout his life. Early in his career, Norman Tait was influenced by working with conservator Roy Waterman on restoration of the Eagle-Halibut totem pole carved by Oyee, an early, masterful Nass River carver who Norman refers to as his great-great-great grandfather. As UBC Museum of Anthropology's Karen Duffek wrote, "It was as though Norman was reaching back—and Oyee was reaching forward to teach him, adze stroke by adze stroke, about Nisga'a

style." Consultations with Bill Holm and Peter MacNair encouraged him to further his exploration of Nisga'a carving style by visiting various museums in Canada, the U.S. and Europe and studying old pieces to gain insight. In the process, he discovered an historic Oyee pole in excellent condition at a museum in Scotland. One of the greatest honours Norman recalls was simply a phone call, prior to the commissioning of a totem pole for New Aiyansh (Gitlaxt'aamiks), when some of the elders called to say, "The reason I voted for Norman Tait is he's the Oyee of our time."

As Norman Tait commented recently, "Looking back over 40 years of carving, I'm most proud of having defined Nisga'a style. That's what I've brought back to my own people. I just hope young carvers might be inspired like I was."

Norman Tait was pre-deceased by his son Isaac Tait, his parents Sadie and Josiah Tait, his brothers Ken, Joey and Mark, his sister Elizabeth (Liz), and his first wife Jessie Tait (nee Angus). He leaves behind his daughter Valerie Tait (Norman Barker, Jr.), son Micah Tait (Trish), brothers Alver Tait (Lillian), Robert (Chip) Tait (Edna) and Jim Tait (Isabel), sisters Delivina (Stella) Adams (James), Hope Grace Allen, and Sandra Julia Stewart (William), adopted sister Vickie Jensen (Jay), grandchildren Kris, Darcie and Kendal and great granddaughter Madison, as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

As Norman Tait's daughter Valerie Tait said: "He shook the world awake and made the world take notice of the Nisga'a People through the work that he created in his career." He was here for a purpose and he took on this task well. He worked hard for everything he did and everywhere he went. He sleeps peacefully now and without suffering. The world was certainly a brighter place for having my father in it."

2016-2021 Gingolx Village Lands Forest Development Plan

Public Review and Comment Period

May 25, 2016

PUBLIC NOTICE

May 25, 2016 to June 25, 2016

This Forest Development review period is a statutory requirement of the Nisga'a Forest Act. The Public Review Forest Development Plan shows the proposed cutblocks and roads for the period shown above. The plan consists of a document and map. The document outlines the management strategies and standards that will be employed to facilitate the harvesting and road construction.

The Plan can be viewed in several locations

- The Gingolx Village Government office
- The Nisga'a Lisims Government Administration building
- Online at www.nisgaanation.ca

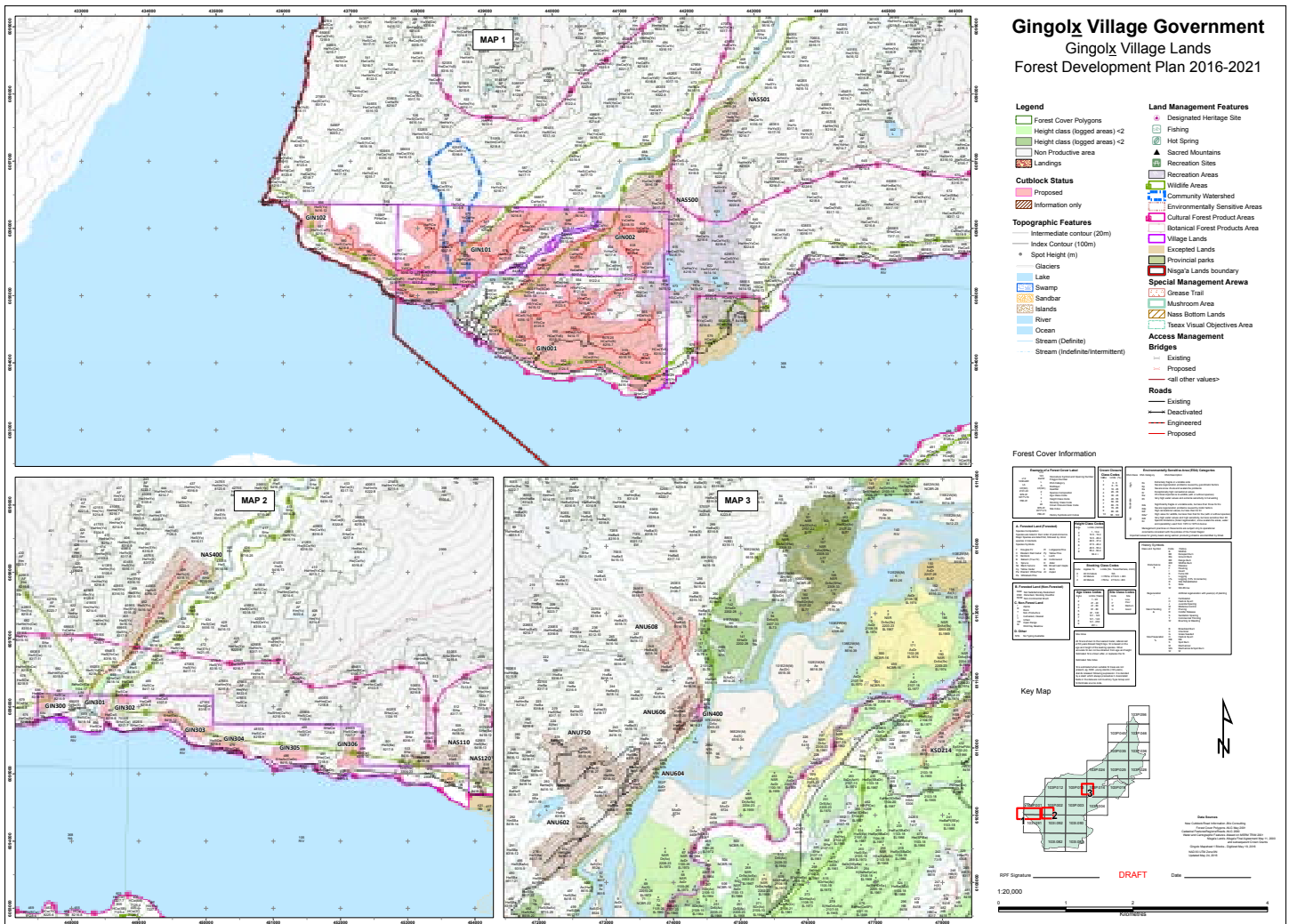
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Please see applicable maps on the next page

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PROPERTY TAX 2016

Notice of Error

Please note there was a calculation error in the requisition portion of the Property Tax 2016 forms, therefore new forms have been printed and will be re-mailed.

As per the Nisga'a Real Property Tax Act/regulations- Property Tax notices are mailed to the Land title holder/ address registered with the land title office, with the exclusion of the rental units.

If you have not received your notice, please update the Land title office with your correct address. Additional property tax form can also be requested through the Property Tax office at NLG janices@niscgaa.net 250 633 3094.

I will be at the following communities for general inquiries:

Laxgalts'ap Village Government, Wednesday, June 8, 2016 9-5 p.m.

Gingolx Village Government, Thursday, June 9, 2016 10-5 p.m.

Respectfully,

Janice Stephens,
NLG Government Service Manager/Finance

Moses McKay sworn-in as Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board Member



At the May 2016 Executive Meetings on May 26, 2016, Moses McKay took an oath and was sworn-in as a Board Member for the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board. Moses will serve a 2 year consecutive term from 2016-2018 and has been consistently serving as a Board Member for NADRB for 12 years+.

At the Wilp Wilxo'oskw Nisga'a Institute Convocation on May 30, 2016, Moses was also recognized for his academic achievements over the years and was presented with beautiful silver carved bracelet.

Si'aamhl wilin Moses!

Congratulations to the 2016 WWNI Graduates!

Photo Credit to UNBC

Wilp Wilxo'oskwhl Nisga'a Institute (WWNI) hosted its annual convocation ceremonies in the Nisga'a Village of Gitwinksihlkw today. President H. Mitchell Stevens and other members of the NLG Executive were among many political and educational dignitaries on hand to witness the conferring of degrees and certificates to the guests of honour.



Ksim Xsaan

- Pauline Stewart - Laxgalts'ap, Ksim Laxgibuu - Wilps Duuk'

The afternoon ceremonies were MC'd by Deanna Nyce, Chief Executive Officer of WWNI.

Other guests included Honourable James Moore P.C., Chancellor - University of Northern British

Nisga'a Lisims Government extends hearty congratulations to the five Nisga'a women for their academic achievements that were celebrated today!

The Degree of Bachelor of Arts in First Nations Studies:

- Irene Seguin - Gitwinksihlkw, Ksim Laxgibuu - Wilps Baxk'ap

Certificate in Nisga'a Studies:

- Constance Azak - Gitwinksihlw, Ksim Canada - Wilps Ksim Xsaan
- Marianne Guno - Gitlaxt'aamiks, Ksim Laxgibuu - Wilps Duuk'

Certificate in General First Nations Studies:

- Mildred Azak - Gitwinksihlkw, Ksim Canada - Wilps

Columbia; Dr. Daniel Weeks, President - University of Northern British Columbia; Dr. David Try, Interim Dean of Instruction - Northwest Community College; Nancy Wells, Superintendent - School District #92 (Nisga'a) and Deborah Hull, Executive Director - Ministry of Advanced Education.

The graduates also celebrated the afternoon with international guests from New Zealand! Two representatives of a Maori Indigenous post-secondary institute equivalent to WWNI were in attendance to witness the ceremonies. Dr. Wiremu Doherty, Chief Executive Officer, Te Whare Wananga o Awanuiarangi and Mr. Te Makarini Temara, Cultural Advisor (photographed above with President Stevens) offered their congratulations and shared a Maori song that received a standing ovation.

Congratulations to the WWNI Class of 2016!





SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 92 (NISGA'A)

P.O. Box 240,
New Aiyansh, BC V0J 1A0

Phone: (250) 633-2228
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Dear Parents,

June 3, 2016

It has come to the attention of the school district Student Counsellor, Leslie Fahr, that there have been some incidents of attempted 'sextortion' with some students. It is important to inform you of this issue and offer you some support and guidance as parents.

What is Sextortion?

This is the term used for a person who is 'on-line' and who makes threats towards another person to get nude or partial images of victims. This may be someone who outright threatens the victim.

Resources: <http://www.mamamia.com.au/sextortion-what-you-need-to-know-about-it/>

Here is an example: 'I will see you at the mall and beat you and your friends up if you don't send me a photo of you topless.'

Some victims are afraid and send a photo, once one photo has been sent the extortionist will continue to make more and more demands.

Here is an example: "Send me a photo of yourself naked or I will post everything! Do it now, you have 1 hour. Do it!"

It can become very aggressive and victims may get very scared and confused about what to do. If the victim does not have permission to use social media and is doing it anyway, it may make this issue worse as they will try to hide what is going on and not ask for help.

What YOU can do!

- 1) Please talk to your children about being safe on-line. There is lots of information that is factual on youtube.com that could help with the conversation. This is real!
- 2) Check that your child has high security settings.
- 3) Ask your child to be honest about who they talk to and what social media they are using. (Better to be safe than hurt!)
- 4) Ask your child to trust you and tell you if something seems unsafe.
- 5) If someone tries to threaten or anything inappropriate CALL THE RCMP. Keep in mind that if this happened in person there would be charges - it is the same on-line.
- 6) Make sure to keep all of the conversations as this is evidence.

If you would like to talk more about this you can call 250-633-2228 to speak with our school district Student Counsellor or you can speak with your student's principal.

Thank you,

Leslie Fahr, Student Counsellor

NESS Students Get a Taste of Trades Training



Grades 9-12 students at Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School (NESS) have the opportunity to experience hands-on heavy equipment operator training on June 7-8, 2016.

The Northwest Community College (NWCC) Trades Program brought its 'Heavy Equipment Operator Virtual Trainer' trailer to NESS this week. The inside of the trailer consists of 6 individual stations intended to simulate the operation of various heavy machines such as an excavator, rock truck, cat and grader to provide students interested in pursuing a career in trades an opportunity to learn the basics of heavy machine operation. The students also had time with an instructor to learn more about NWCC's trades programs.

Nisga'a/Tahltan Artist Wins YVR Art Scholarship



Jamie Nole - a 23 year old Nisga'a/Tahltan artist was announced 1 of 7 recipients of the 2016 YVR Art Foundation's Youth Artist Scholarship.

Jamie, who is currently a student at Northwest Community College's Frieda Diesing School of Northwest Coast Art, was celebrated with the other recipients at an Awards Reception at YVR on May 27, 2016.

Nole was presented with \$2,500 of her \$5,000 scholarship at the May awards reception and will receive the remainder as she progresses on an artistic project that she will present to YVR in May 2017 that will then be placed on display at the Vancouver International Airport for one year. Jamie's proposed project is a traditional Nisga'a bentwood box cradle.

For a young artist, Jamie has achieved a lot. Many of her multi-disciplinary, beautiful works of art can be viewed on her website, 'Injane's Art Life' including the captivating 'Pregnant Frog Woman' painting seen above.

"As a Northwest Coast Artist I take a modern approach to the traditional form line using bold colors and slight differences," Jamie states on her website. "My intent is to continue with the age old cultural practice of story-telling within my designs. Art has always been a part of my life; I live in creativity and seek new ways to improve my skills."

Jamie is Ksim Canada and is the daughter of one very proud mother - Brigitte Watts, originally from the Nisga'a Village of Gingolx and residing in Terrace.

Si'aamhl wilin Jamie! Congratulations on your impressive artistic achievements!



**SUSTAINABLE PROSPERITY
NISGA'A FISHERIES**

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**Entering into our 25th
Season of Modern
Fisheries Management**



Nisga'a Lisims Government
Sayt-K'ilim-Goot
one heart, one path, one nation



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CALL FOR BIDS

NLG TERRACE OFFICE SALMON HARVEST

REQUEST FOR BIDS: DELIVERY OF SOCKEYE SALMON TO NLG TERRACE OFFICE

DELIVERABLES: FISHER MUST ENSURE THE FOLLOWING:

1. Fisher must have own vessel or access to a fishing vessel and all equipment required to fish for salmon delivery to Terrace.
2. Is responsible for own labour and/or cost of labourers to provide fish and delivery.
3. Is responsible for all costs related to for transportation, equipment for boat and vehicle for delivery.
4. Must have your own vehicle to delivery salmon to Terrace .
5. Must deliver Salmon in appropriate tote(s) to Terrace Office.
6. Fisher must be able to assist staff in unloading the salmon.
7. Salmon must be free from any gasoline or contaminants that may make the salmon inedible.
8. Nlg Terrace Office will provide amount required for delivery pending results of sign ups: tentatively 1000 salmon up to 1250 salmon.

Please provide a written bid– providing information on each point 1-8 listed above–
Name of Vessel and Operator is required. Confirmation of delivery must be 100%

Please respond to: bonitay@nisgaa.net : deadline: June 17, 2016 5:00pm





GITMAXMAK'AY

"Nisga'a People of the Rainbow"

Call for Interest for the Upcoming Salmon Season Sockeye Salmon for our Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Members

Fishers must sign a contract with the Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a PR/PE Society once agreed as fish catcher.

Fishers Responsibility

- Report catch to Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife, fill out the necessary transportation forms.
- Abide by regulations set by Nisga'a Fish. & DFO
- Must deliver salmon via boat or truck in appropriate fish totes to Prince Rupert.
- Fish must be delivered fresh & chilled for best possible quality.

Tender interests may be sent to Sabrina Clifton at the Society Office or email sabrina@gitmaxmakay.ca

Note: with a large fish amount required for all of our households, we will be having a minimum of 2 fish catchers to ensure we are able to provide

Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a PR/PE Society
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Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife Department

Public Notice

May 30, 2016

Please be advised that the Nisga'a Permit office is now open. IS Permits can now be obtained at the Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife Office, Hours of operation: 9am – 5pm, Monday through Saturday. Please note that we are closed during the lunch hour (12-1pm).

Please be aware that you need to have a valid Fishing license to apply for a Permit and you must be 16 years of age or older. Fishing licenses are also issued at the Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife Office.

For further information about Permits please contact our office (contact information stated above).



Gitlaxt'aamiks Farmers Market



To reserve your table contact

Sherry Wright

(250) 633-3100



Starting May 29, 2016

12:00 pm to 4:00 pm

At the Interpretive Centre

Parking Lot, 5128 Gitzyon Avenue

(Old Historic Community Hall)



\$20.00 for Business License

Farmers Market goes from May
2016—October 2016 every Sunday

For Further Information

Contact Dilan Perera

(250) 633-3100

1-877-588-2388

www.gitlaxtaamiks.com

Employment Opportunity



Nisga'a Lisims Government

Job Posting

POSTED: June 7, 2016

CLOSES: June 24, 2016

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POSITION: Language Coordinator
SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience
SUPERVISOR: Ayuukhl Nisga'a Manager
HOURS: 35 hours per week **TERM:** Full Time – Permanent **LOCATION:** Gitlaxt'aamiks

JOB SUMMARY: Provides for coordination and support to the Ayuukhl Nisga'a Department with language revitalization planning, and works in conjunction with the organization and assisting staff to carry out the projects of the Ayuukhl Nisga'a Department.

DUTIES:

- Provide Ayuukhl Nisga'a Department with the coordination of language revitalization planning;
- Coordinate the process of authenticating and authorizing translation and interpretation for Nisga'a language;
- Coordinate the planning and processes to assess the vitality of Nisga'a language for the purpose of providing the most current assessment of the status of the Nisga'a language;
- Provide reports and updates to the Manager;
- Maintain a repository of all known language resources in the Nation.
- Promote speaking and learning Nisga'a;
- Assist with Nisga'a Lisims Government activities and events as needed;
- Operates or performs such standard office duties such as producing general office written or electronic correspondence, handling a variety of office equipment, and observing proper procedures to process records, or other materials, etc.;
- Various administrative tasks as assigned by and under the direction of the Manager of Ayuukhl Nisga'a Department or the Deputy and Director of Programs and Services Department;
- Operates in a climate of confidentiality requiring discretion;
- Other general office duties as assigned.

EDUCATION or OCCUPATIONAL CERTIFICATION:

- Minimum grade 12 or equivalency required;
- Post-Secondary training as a Language Teacher, Linguist or in Language Revitalization.

EXPERIENCE:

- Minimum 2 years in related language revitalization position required, 5 years preferred.

SKILLS / ABILITIES:

- Performs efficiently and effectively in a Team environment.
- Proficient level of fluency and literacy of the Nisga'a language is required.
- Have good knowledge of Nisga'a culture required;
- Excellent planning and organizational skills with attention to detail required;
- Excellent written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills required;
- Proficient in use of standard Microsoft Office applications is required as is accurate and efficient keyboarding;
- Demonstrated familiarity and competency with computerized database systems is an asset;
- The incumbent will typically work Monday to Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. however, must be able to work a flexible schedule from time to time including evenings and/or weekends depending on operational requirement;
- Valid BC driver's license, preferred.

OTHER:

- 3 recent work related references will be required
- The successful candidate will be subject to a criminal records check.

Applicants are required to submit a resume with cover letter describing their qualifications and experience prior to 5:00 pm on **June 24, 2016**. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Please be advised social media checks are part of the recruiting process. **ALL RESUME PACKAGES MAY BE DIRECTED TO:**

Nisga'a Lisims Government
Attention: Human Resource Department
P.O. BOX 231, Gitlaxt'aamiks, B.C., V0J 1A0
Fax Number: 250-633-2367 Email: hrdept@nisgaa.net



NLG May 2016 Executive Resolutions

Resolution 2016/44/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT:

section 23(1) of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Act (the "Act") requires the administrative review officer to make a written report to the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") on an annual basis;

the administrative review officer of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board has prepared an annual report for the 2015-2016 fiscal year, which report is attached as Appendix A to this motion (the "ARO Annual Report");
MOVED THAT the Executive

1. receive the ARO Annual Report;
2. take the necessary steps to lay the ARO Annual Report before Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, as required by section 23(2) of the Act,
3. recommend to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that the ARO Annual Report be forwarded to Nisga'a Lisims Government Committees, Nisga'a Village Governments, Nisga'a Valley Health Authority, and Nisga'a Urban Local Offices, to review the ARO Annual Report and act on those areas within their respective jurisdictions.

Resolution 2016/ 45/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT the term of appointment for Mr. Moses McKay on the board of the Nisga'a Administrative Decisions Review Board ("NADR Board") will expire on May 30, 2016;

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT Mr. McKay has agreed to let his name stand for reappointment to the NADR Board;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive appoint Mr. Moses McKay for a term of two years to the NADR Board.

Resolution 2016/47/May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT it is in the interests of the Nisga'a Nation to ensure the best possible information is gathered to support the negotiation of a renewed Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing Agreement ("FFA");

AND CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to section 15(1)(b) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act (the "Act"), the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") may direct that the Chief Financial Officer be provided access to any department of a Nisga'a Village or Nisga'a Village Institution, and to its records;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Chief Financial Officer has access at all times to all departments of the Nisga'a Nation and Nisga'a Lisims Institution, and their records, pursuant to section 15(1)(a) of the Act, which includes the Nisga'a Lisims Government-Terrace Office;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Gitmaxmak'ay Nisga'a Prince Rupert/Port Edward Society and the Nisga'a Ts'amiks Vancouver Society have each agreed, under their respective service delivery agreements, to provide any information reasonably requested by the Chief Financial Officer or which the Nisga'a Nation must provide under the FFA;

MOVED THAT the Executive

(a) establish an ad hoc technical working group (the "FFA Working Group") to provide support to the Nisga'a Nation in its renewal negotiations for the FFA;

(b) direct that the FFA Working Group be comprised of the Chief Financial Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government, the chief administrative officer and/or the finance employee of each of the four Nisga'a Village Governments, and the chief administrative officers charged with responsibility for each of the Nisga'a Urban Locals;

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(c) adopt the Nisga'a Nation Ad Hoc Technical Working Group Terms of Reference attached to this motion as Appendix "A" to guide the workings of the FFA Working Group; and

(d) direct that the Chief Financial Officer be given access to any department of a Nisga'a Village or Nisga'a Village Institution, and to its records, required in support of the Nisga'a Nation in its renewal negotiations for the FFA or the workings of the FFA Working Group.

Resolution 2016/ 48/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT Hlgu Isgwit is a site within the Heritage Preservation Zone identified in the Nisga'a Land Use Plan originally adopted by the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") by Executive resolution 2002 I 198;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Lands and Resources Committee has reviewed a plan prepared by the Economic Development Manager to guide the management of Hlgu Isgwit entitled "Hlgu Isgwit- Nisga'a Lisims Government Heritage Preservation Zone Site Management Plan" (the "Hlgu Isgwit Management Plan") attached to this motion as Appendix "A", and has expressed its view that the plan may be brought forward for Executive's consideration;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER that the Executive must adopt of a site management plan for Hlgu Isgwit before the site may be developed for tourism or any other purpose; MOVED THAT the Executive adopt the Hlgu Isgwit Management Plan.

Resolution 2016/ 49/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive has reviewed a project application submitted by the Executive Director of Nisga'a Lisims Government to Coast Opportunity Funds on April 5, 2016 entitled "Grizzly and Black Bear use of selected areas in the southwest Nass Area" attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Coast Opportunity Grizzly and Black Bear study");

the total project cost of the Coast Opportunity Grizzly and Black Bear study is \$114,150; MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the Coast Opportunity Grizzly and Black Bear study project application.

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CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive has reviewed a project application submitted by the Executive Director of Nisga'a Lisims Government to Coast Opportunity Funds on April 8, 2016 entitled "Reconnaissance Tissue Sampling to Identify Contaminants of Concern in Stellar Sea Lions Harvested in the Nass Area" attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Coast Opportunity Stellar Sea Lion Contaminant study"); the total project cost of the Coast Opportunity Stellar Sea Lion Contaminant study is \$17,000;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the Coast Opportunity Stellar Sea Lion Contaminant study project application.

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CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive has reviewed a project application submitted by the Executive Director of Nisga'a Lisims Government to Coast Opportunity Funds on April 5, 2016 entitled "Northern Goshawk laingi Subspecies study" attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Coast Opportunity Goshawk Subspecies study"); the total project cost of the Coast Opportunity Goshawk Subspecies study is \$53,350;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve the Coast Opportunity Goshawk Subspecies study project application.

MOVED THAT:

1. the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive enact, under the Act, the Nisga'a Expropriation Regulation attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
2. the Regulation come into force on the date that it is signed in accordance with this motion;
3. the Chairperson of Nisga'a Lisims Government be authorized to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.

Resolution 2016/54/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive may, under section 15(5) of the Nisga'a Elections Act (the "Act"), add debts owed to the Nisga'a Nation as "prescribed debts" for the purposes of the Act;

property taxes are imposed by, and due and payable to, the Nisga'a Nation under the Nisga'a Real Property Tax Act;

it is desirable to amend the Nisga'a Elections Regulation in order to add property taxes that have not been paid in accordance with the Nisga'a Real Property Tax Act to the list of prescribed debts for the purposes of the Act;

MOVED THAT:

1. the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive enact, under the Act, the Nisga'a Elections Amendment Regulation, 2016 attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
2. the Regulation come into force on the date that it is signed in accordance with this motion;
3. the Chairperson of Nisga'a Lisims Government be authorized to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.

Resolution 2016/52/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a enacted the Nisga'a Expropriation Act (the "Act") on March 30, 2016;

the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive now wishes to bring the Act into force; MOVED THAT:

1. the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive enact, under the Act, the Nisga'a Expropriation Act In Force Regulation attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
2. the Regulation come into force on the date that it is signed in accordance with this motion;
3. the Chairperson of Nisga'a Lisims Government be authorized to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment

Resolution 2016/53/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Expropriation Act (the "Act") is now in force;

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CONSIDERING THAT under the Fiscal Financing Agreement (“FFA”) the Nisga’a Nation has undertaken to provide certain programs and services to “Nisga’a Indians”, who are persons registered or entitled to be registered as Indians on the Indian Register maintained by Canada in relation to a Nisga’a Village and who are not Nisga’a citizens;

the Nisga’a Nation requires access to the Indian Register in order determine a person’s eligibility for FFA programs and services as a Nisga’a Indian;

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of Canada as represented by the Minister of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada has offered the Nisga’a Nation access to the Indian Register for this purpose, on terms the Nisga’a Lisims Government Executive considers advisable, as set out in the Information Sharing Agreement attached to this motion as Appendix “A” (the “ISA”);

MOVED THAT the Nisga’a Lisims Government Executive, on behalf of the Nisga’a Nation, approve, authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer to enter into the ISA, substantially in the form of the ISA attached to this motion as Appendix “A”, or with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Chief Executive Officer in consultation with legal counsel.

Resolution 2016/56/ May 25, 2016

CONSIDERING THAT under the Nisga’a Home Owner Grant Act (the “Act”), the Executive has enacted, and may from time to time amend, the Nisga’a Home Owner Grant Regulation (the “Grant Regulation”);

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Executive considers it desirable to raise the threshold amount set under the Grant Regulation;

MOVED THAT:

1. under the Act, the Nisga’a Lisims Government Executive enact the Nisga’a Home Owner Grant Amendment Regulation, 2016 attached to this motion as Appendix “A” (the “Amendment Regulation”);
2. (the Amendment Regulation come into force on the date it is signed by the Chairperson of Nisga’a Lisims Government (the “Chairperson”); and
3. the Chairperson be authorized:
(a) to sign this Resolution; and
(b) to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.



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