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# President's Message

## Greetings to the Nisga'a Nation







I would first like to extend my sincere condolences to all of those families grieving. I also offer my thoughts and prayers to those battling cancer or other illnesses.

It has indeed been a very trying time – especially with the recent news of the discovery of 215 remains of children who attended the Kamloops Indian Residential School. May the legacy of those precious souls lead us all forward in a good way.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, it became incredibly important for us to find innovative ways to offer support — especially to our elders. On April 19th I was happy to have had the opportunity to visit our Nisga'a residents at Terraceview Lodge along with representatives of the Dr. REM Lee Hospital Foundation. Before Christmas, Nisga'a Lisims Government on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation contributed to the Foundation's 'Wrap a Door' initiative for Nisga'a residents at Terraceview Lodge. A small gesture that would go a long way to brighten the lives for the residents.

I would like to commend the staff of NLG's Programs & Services directorate for the incredibly kind gesture with the Wellness Bag initiative – again another heartfelt gesture to our elders in each of the four Nisga'a Villages to let them know we thank them for their knowledge and wisdom and that we care.

The roll out of the second dose of the Moderna COVID-19 vaccine was a very joyous experience for those in the Nass Valley who received it. The vaccine brings us one step closer to returning to normal, but as the roll out of the vaccine continues everywhere, we must continue to stay the course and practice safe, COVID-19 health and safety protocols.

Once again, I extend well wishes to all for continued health and safety.

Si'aamhl wilsim, gabiihl hiy

Sincerely,
Noxs Wil-luu Gaamiks Hloks
Eva Clayton
PRESIDENT

# Nisga'a Nation Shares in Grief of the Discovery of Remains of 215 Children at Kamloops Indian Residential School



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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Nisga'a Nation Shares in Grief of the Discovery of Remains of 215 Children at Kamloops Indian Residential School

May 28, 2021 - New Aiyansh, B.C.: The Nisga'a Nation is deeply saddened and joins in grief with those families and Nations impacted by the discovery of the remains of 215 children at the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc Kamloops Indian Residential School grounds, announced today.

In its monthly meeting, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive Committee solemnly observed cultural protocol. The Chairperson for the Council of Elders, Sim'oogit K'eexkw - Herbert Morven acknowledged the discovery and addressed the 215 precious souls on their spiritual journey and expressed condolences to those families impacted.

"It is so very deeply saddening and certainly affects all of us as intergenerational Residential School survivors," said President Eva Clayton. "We extend our sincere condolences to the families of these precious souls and offer our prayers for healing."

Generations of Nisga'a children attended many residential schools throughout both British Columbia and Alberta during the dark era of the Indian Residential Schools program and the Nisga'a Nation stands in solidarity with the many Nations impacted by this devastating discovery.

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# Nisga'a Nation Mourns the Loss of Thomas Berger





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#### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

## Nisga'a Nation Mourns the Loss of Thomas Berger

April 29, 2021 – New Aiyansh, B.C.: Today the Nisga'a Nation joins our fellow British Columbians and Canadians in mourning the loss of Thomas Berger, long-time legal counsel to the Nisga'a Nation and advocate of Aboriginal rights in British Columbia, Canada, and beyond. Nisga'a Lisims Government extends its condolences to Berger's family on behalf of a grateful Nisga'a Nation.

Thomas Berger was one of the preeminent legal figures in the history of British Columbia. Among Berger's many accomplishments is the Calder case, which he took all the way to the Supreme Court of Canada in 1973. Although lost on a technicality, the Calder case (the Nisga'a land claim named for Nisga'a Tribal Council President Frank Calder) resulted in the Supreme Court's recognition of Aboriginal title as a legal right based on occupation of traditional territories. It served as a catalyst for change, not only for the Nisga'a, but for the cause of Aboriginal rights in Canadian law. In 2000, it became the foundation for the landmark Nisga'a Final Agreement, British Columbia's first modern treaty.

"Today we lost a champion, trusted partner, and friend," says Nisga'a President Eva Clayton. "Thomas Berger worked tirelessly to help the Nisga'a make our case and the Nisga'a Nation is eternally grateful. He helped show the world that recognizing Aboriginal title and rights doesn't create divisions but in fact strengthens Canada."

In 1993, Thomas Berger wrote, "Aboriginal rights are simply the rights to which native peoples are entitled because they are the original peoples of Canada... To recognize aboriginal rights is to understand the truth of our own history, while, for the aboriginal peoples, such recognition is the means by which they may achieve a distinct contemporary place in Canadian life. For the Nisga'a, their struggles did not begin with that case (the Calder case) but its outcome was instrumental in fundamentally altering Canada's policy on aboriginal rights...

"In North and South America there are 50 million native people, almost everywhere dispossessed, everywhere poor, everywhere powerless. In the past they refused to be exterminated; today they will not be assimilated. They insist that we must address

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the issues that have pursued us since Columbus set foot in the New World. In Canada this can be achieved through a fair settlement of native claims. The settlement of these claims may, therefore, be important to men and women in many countries, a contribution to the legal and political order of enormous use to humanity, one the Nisga'a will have done much to secure."

"Thomas Berger will be sorely missed," Clayton says, "but the legacy of his work continues to thrive."

In recognition of his service to the Nisga'a Nation, Berger was adopted by the Nisga'a House of Wilps Baxk'ap and given the Nisga'a name Halaydim Xlaawit, which means Shaman of Xlaawit—one of the four Saviour Mountains that rescued the Nisga'a during the great flood.

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# Rehabilitated Eagle Returns to the Nass



**ON FEBRUARY 25, 2021** an eagle was reported injured in Gingolx. Staff of the Gingolx Maintenance Department were able to cage the eagle and report it to NLG's Department of Compliance and Enforcement who then picked up and transported the eagle to Terrace to meet Northern Lights Shelter of Smithers, BC.

Fortunately, the eagle fully recovered from its injuries and was transported by NLG's Enforcement Officers to Laxgalts'ap where it was released at Maple Point. This release spot was perfect as there are no power lines or obstructions in the area.

This is an incredibly heartwarming story and one we should all enjoy!

To report similar incidents, use the NLG Department of Compliance & Enforcement's online reporting tool: <a href="http://reportviolation.nisgaanation.ca">http://reportviolation.nisgaanation.ca</a> or call their on-call cellular phone at 250 975 1936.

# Hoobiyee Nisga'a Nation Virtual Showcase with CFNR



Nisga'a Lisims Government was proud to co-sponsor CFNR's Hoobiyee Nisga'a Nation – Virtual Showcase on February 19 and 20, 2021. Watch on CFNR's website: <a href="https://www.cfnrfm.ca/2021/02/17/hobiyee-nisgaa-nation-virtual-showcase/">www.cfnrfm.ca/2021/02/17/hobiyee-nisgaa-nation-virtual-showcase/</a>



Hoobiyee ... the rising of the waxing crescent moon, as winter nears its final act. Each February since the dawn of time, the Nisga'a Nation celebrate this as the start of the New Harvest Season. The crescent moon also signifies the oolichan run and a time of great harvest.

View performances from past Hoobiyee celebrations from 2015 – onward for a walk down Hoobiyee Memory Lane from CFNR's website tool

With thanks to fellow co-sponsors, CFNR, Cedar Coast Dental and MNP Consulting.

# Nisga'a Nation Virtual Memorial

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 19, 2021** a virtual memorial was held via Zoom to honour and pay tribute to all Nisga'a citizens that have passed on to the spirit world since the COVID-19 pandemic.





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## Nisga'a Nation Virtual Memorial

Wednesday May 19, 2021 - 7:00PM

Nisga'a Lisims Government, the Council of Elders and Nisga'a Valley Health Authority invite the Nisga'a Nation to a virtual memorial to honour and pay tribute to all Nisga'a citizens that have passed on to the spirit world since the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Opening Prayer
   Sim'oogit K'eexkw, Herb Morven Chairperson Council of Elders
- Nisga'a Valley Health Authority Grief and Loss & Crisis Response Services
- Council of Elders Protocol Addresses:

Laxgibuu: Sim'oogit Baxk'ap – Jacob Nyce

Sigidimnak' Luu-Sgadalks – Jennifer Haldane

Laysgiik: Sim'oogit W'ii Gilaynamk'ap – Gary Davis, Sr.

Sigidimnak' Sim'oogidim Sigidimnak' - Lavinia Clayton

Ganada: Sim'oogit Luudisdoos - Rev. Harry Moore

Sigidimnak' Siisagam Ts'al - Diane Stewart

Gisk'aast: Sim'oogit Ni'isýuus – Willard Martin

Sigidimnak' Siwino'oskw - Delores McKay

- Musical Tribute
- President's Address
   Noxs Wil Luugaamiks Hloks Eva Clayton, President
   Nisga'a Lisims Government
- Video Tribute
   A compilation of photographs of loved ones lost during COVID-19, as provided by families and friends
- Closing Prayer Sim'oogit K'eexkw

# Vancouver Canucks Indigenous Peoples Night / Honouring Youth Indigenous Athletes

Nisga'a Lisims Government, in partnership with Rogers Communications, is proud to feature young Nisga'a Athlete Matthew Stewart-Clayton who participated in the Vancouver Canucks Indigenous Peoples Night on Saturday March 13th via Zoom.

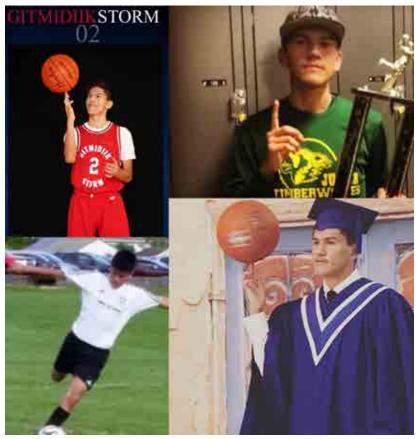
Matthew Stewart-Clayton is from Wilps Gwisk'aayn and hails from the community of New Aiyansh.

Currently Matthew is in Grade 12 and attending Caledonia Secondary School in Terrace, British Columbia. Since moving to Terrace in his Grade 10 year, Matthew has had the opportunity to play with the Caledonia Kermodes, travelling all over the north and south as far as Vancouver competing in basketball tournaments.

In the off season Matthew also had the opportunity to try out for the Northwest UNBC Timberwolves Basketball team. Matthew made that team a few years in a row. Travelled and competing in Edmonton and Langley in the months of April and May.

Matthew also takes so much pride in representing his community of New Aiyansh at the Junior All Native and All Native Basketball Tournaments every year.

When Matthew was in grade 9 and 10, in summer months he played with Northwest White Caps Soccer Academy and Terrace Youth Soccer.



Now Matthew plays men's soccer with his home community or any Nisga'a team when he can.

When Matthew isn't playing sports, he is volunteering to coach or referee the little leagues basketball at Caledonia every Friday.

After graduation Matthew plans on attending UNBC to continue his basketball/soccer dreams.

The past year Matthew has grown to love cooking and would love to study in culinary arts, like his Ye'e Fred.

We thank Matthew's mother Melissa Clayton for contributing Matthew's bio and photographs!

Si'aamhl wilin Matthew!

# PUBLIC NOTICE / Sea Lion (T'ibin) Consumption / NFWD





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#### **Public Notice**

#### Sea Lion (T'ibin) Consumption

Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife suggests the following guidelines for consumption of Sea Lion muscle, blubber, liver and kidneys.

Sea Lion	Nutritional Value	Concerns	Recommendations for Human Intake		
Portion			Adult	Pregnant Individuals	Children
Muscle	Good, quality source of protein	Mercury; individuals consuming large quantities may exceed recommended levels <sup>2</sup>	Safe for consumption	Safe for consumption but should reduce amount eaten	Safe for consumption
Blubber	Energy	PCB, Dioxins and furans; consuming large quantities may exceed recommended levels <sup>2</sup>	Safe for consumption	Safe for consumption but should reduce amount eaten	Safe for consumption
Liver	Iron	Cadmium and mercury, Vitamin A	Safe for consumption in moderate amounts	Caution; Pregnant individuals should speak with their doctors since 1 serving of liver exceeds daily value of Vitamin A	Consult a doctor
Kidneys <sup>1</sup>		Cadmium and mercury	Max: 1 meal of kidney/season or 1 cup, 3 times/year	Not recommended	Not recommended

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In the 2018 study, the results showed high levels of cadmium in Sea Lion kidneys. Smokers should be aware that cigarettes also contain cadmium, therefore, it is recommended that smokers consume meats other than kidney.

If you have any questions, concerns or comments, please contact Krystal Rancourt, Wildlife Biologist at krystalr@nisgaa.net or Nicole Morven, Fish and Wildlife Harvest Coordinator at nicolem@nisgaa.net.

Issued by Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department

March 23, 2021

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Recommended levels from Canada Food Guide - First Nations, Inuit, Métis

# PUBLIC NOTICE / NFWD Seal Study





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#### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

To: Citizens of the Nisga'a Nation

From: Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department (NFWD)

Date: February 25, 2021

Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife is conducting a Seal Study in the Nass Estuary to investigate the possibilities of creating a seal marketing program (pelt, meat, blubber, etc.). In order to collect the best available information, we are inviting Nisga'a citizens who have previously harvested Seals to answer questions regarding frequency, location, and harvesting practices, within the Nass watershed. All harvesters and other Nisga'a citizens with historic knowledge of Seal hunting are welcome to participate.



Photo Credit: Alison Ogilvie

Those willing to participate in the Study may contact Nicole Morven, Fish and Wildlife Harvest Coordinator, <a href="mailto:nicolem@nisgaa.net">nicolem@nisgaa.net</a> for more details.

# PUBLIC NOTICE / Nisga'a Bivalve Notice / Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife





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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

To: Citizens of the NISGA'A NATION

From: Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department

Date: March 11, 2021

DFO contracted Nisga'a Fisheries to conduct a bivalve Biotoxin study for Nisga'a harvest areas in 2020/2021. Three PSP monitoring stations were installed in Wales Passage, Nasoga Gulf, and Aiskew Point in upper Observatory Inlet. Monitoring stations were set up in mid-August, sampling has continued weekly through the months of September and October. November through to March 2021 sampling will continue Bi-weekly.

Here is a list of currently open areas as of March 11th 2021

			Open/Closed	
Area				
(subarea)	Beach names	coordinates (lat/long)	Cockles	Butter
				Clams
3(9)	Nasoga Gulf	54.893/-130.062	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Aiskew Point	55.374/-129.782	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Doben	55.45/-129.75	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Davies Pt	55.41/-129.70	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Perry Bay South	55.37 / 129.683	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Larcom South	55.40 / 129.75	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Mumford Cove	55.35 / 129.733	OPEN	CLOSED
3(14)	Juggins Bay	55.37 / 129.78	OPEN	CLOSED
3(7)	Wales Passage	54 46.65 / 130 25.65	CLOSED	CLOSED

Harvest Regulation Reminder - Target species: Cockles

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ABORIGINAL - General Information

Fishery Notice - Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Subject: FN0250-Invertebrates - Cockles - Area 3 - NISGA'A Domestic Harvest Opening

Under agreement with the Nisga'a Lisims Government, Fisheries and Oceans Canada is opening portions of Area 3 for the domestic harvest of cockles (Clinocardium nuttallii) for members of the Nisga'a First Nation only. Recent acceptable biotoxin monitoring results permit this opening.

A description of the open area can be obtained from the Nisga'a Fisheries Program. The harvest sites are very specific and all harvesters must consult with Nisga'a Fisheries Program staff before harvesting.

Harvest conditions and locations are described under the terms of the Nisga'a Annual Fishing Plan and harvest is limited to members of the Nisga'a First Nation only. Harvesters are asked to report their harvest quantities to the Nisga'a Fisheries Program. This opening is effective immediately and will continue pending on-going acceptable biotoxin monitoring results.

Fishers are advised that bivalve shellfish are susceptible to Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning (PSP) and other forms of contamination and closures may occur. All bivalve shellfish harvesters must check before harvesting as there are contaminated closures in the vicinity.

For information on the location of current marine biotoxin and contamination closures:

-call toll-free 1-866-431-3474

-consult the Shellfish Contamination Closures page on the DFO website at: http://www.pac.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/fm-gp/contamination/index-eng.htm

-check with your nearest DFO office.

For additional information, fish harvesters should consult Nisga'a Fisheries Program at (250) 633-2617 or Coral Keehn at (778) 361-0394.

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### **NISGA'A FISHERIES REGULATIONS, 2002**

PART 3 - Harvest Requirements

Section 25 - Size Limits

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States:

- (6) A person must not harvest littleneck clams, butter clams or cockles less than the following sizes specified for each species, as measured in a straight line through the greatest breadth of the shell:
- (a) Littleneck clams 38 mm;
- (b) Butter clams 63 mm;
- (c) Cockles 38 mm.

Monitoring will continue biweekly through the months of November 2020 to March 2021, weather permitting.

Sincerely,

Harry Nyce Sr.

Director of Fisheries and Wildlife

# Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife /

# Notice of Mountain Goat Study





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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

To: Citizens of the Nisga'a Nation

From: Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Department (NFWD)

Date: May 20, 2021

In 2019 and 2020, Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife completed the Mountain Goat Survey of the Nass Wildlife Area to estimate the population. Previously, the last survey occurred 13 years prior, highlighting the need to update our Mountain Goat numbers. The results of the Survey show that the Mountain Goat population in the Nass Wildlife Area has declined significantly.

Therefore, Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife is conducting a Mountain Goat Study to investigate why the population is declining. To collect the best available information, we are inviting Nisga'a Citizens who wish to share knowledge of Mountain Goats in the Nass Wildlife Area to submit their names by:

#### Emailing:

Krystal Rancourt, Wildlife Biologist, <u>krystalr@nisgaa.net</u>
Nicole Morven, Fish and Wildlife Harvest Coordinator, <u>nicolem@nisgaa.net</u>

#### or

#### By filling out the Google Form:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdLjaNAEZ\_B5LwnP\_yJj5NhdSnizAeHd RGlHkeKTEmSHg0Nng/viewform

Once the applicant pool is gathered, selected participants will be invited to share their perspectives. **Participants will be compensated 100\$ for their interview**. The deadline to submit your name is **June 25, 2021 at 5 pm**.

We thank everyone who expresses interest in the study. However, only participants selected will be contacted.

# 2021 Halibut Licence & Quota Information / Applications to Lease



## 2021 Halibut Licence & Quota Information-Applications to Lease

The Nisga'a Nation has two (2) licenses and quota available for lease. The licenses and quota will be governed and managed by the Nisga'a Nation.

#### **Current licenses**

- 1) Halibut license (L265) with 0.001468908219% of TAC (7,609 1bs)
- 2) Shrimp by trawl license (\$ 237)

#### Applications to lease

- Submit a proposal and return to: Nisga'a Lisims Government by April 28th, 2021
- Proposal must include vessel name, CFV#, DOT#, details for Vessel. Processing company you are fishing for.
- 3) We prefer a flat lease rate on price per pound, discuss with the Company you fish for
- All applications <u>must be completed in full with the required information. Incomplete applications</u> will not be considered until the information is supplied.
- Applications will be assessed against the Transport Canada video requirement, DFO require log book, access to bait and ice and ability to pay the license lease fee that is agreed upon
- 4) Before the license can be processed, additional information may be required by DFO
- 5) Once all the necessary documents are received, the license will be submitted to the Department of Fisheries, licensing Department for processing. DFO requires time for processing and if any information is missing, it will further delay processing.
- The applicant must follow all conditions of the lease requirements

#### Priority Criteria for Eligibility:

- a) Active Fisherman and skipper of a vessel
- b) Nisga'a citizen
- c) Skipper/crew meet regulatory and safety requirements (DFO, Transport Canada)
- Fisherman is in good standing and has demonstrated fiscal responsibility

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# Message from the President of the Nisga'a Nation on LNG





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March 12, 2021

### A message from the President of Nisga'a Nation

As we all know, attracting an economic base to the Nass Valley has been a major priority for the Nisga'a Nation, especially since the coming into force of the Nisga'a Final Agreement. This is why, for close to a decade; the Nation has tried to attract LNG investment to one of our world class marine sites and why in 2014 the Nisga'a Nation entered into a formal agreement with PRGT for the construction of a gas pipeline across Nisga'a Lands.

We have also been working on the First Nations Climate Initiative with some of our neighbours, in an effort to define what types of projects can help alleviate poverty while also contributing to global emissions reductions. There continues to exist strong support for LNG development because it delivers on both of these priorities.

As a result, I am pleased to advise all of you about a collaborative endeavours agreement the Nisga'a Nation has recently entered into for the assessment and development of an LNG facility in the Nass Area. We are working with Western LNG (LNG developer) and Rockies LNG Partners (a group of Canadian gas producers) to advance an LNG project named Ksi Lisims LNG, a name graciously provided by the Nisga'a Executive.

This is just an initial agreement to evaluate and collaborate towards development in a way that respects the Nisga'a Final Agreement and the priorities of our communities. It will take many more months of dialogue, including with all of you, to formalize the comprehensive agreements necessary for the project to actually proceed.

While this is early days for this initiative, I wanted to ensure you all know that we are working on defining the best way to engage with all Nisga'a citizens. Importantly, to do so safely and with respect for your input which we will gather and reflect in our efforts. In the coming months, you will be hearing from your government about next steps and will have a chance to learn about the work the government is doing to prepare for a comprehensive environmental assessment.

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At this very early stage, the project is singularly focused on initiating engagement with those potentially affected by the project to provide general information about the initiative and seek input.

Thank you,

Eva Clayton President

To watch the Message from the President online go to: www.youtube.com/watch?v=tTMaPhvm7zo



# Nisga'a Child and Family Services Contacts

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# Flooding Updates on the Nisga'a Highway



#### JUNE 5, 2021 - 10:20AM

The water level has dropped significantly overnight, and there is down to about 30cm or so in the deep parts.

We are opening the road shortly to two way traffic for vehicles with high clearance. There is some damage to the shoulders, so it is a bit narrow in places through there. Emil Anderson is going to put out some delineators to mark it, and drivers should use caution through there.

We expect to be able to open to all traffic by early this afternoon. Emil Anderson, and Ministry staff will be assessing the roads and bridges throughout the day today.

The No Name wall area has minimal water on the road, but there is damage to the shoulder and asphalt in that area as well.

#### JUNE 4, 2021 - 6:13PM

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has confirmed that Nisga'a Highway 113 will be closed overnight because the water level has not subsided enough to allow for safe passage of vehicles. Water levels continue to lower in most sections along the lava beds so we are hopeful conditions will improve overnight and most if not all routes will be able to be opened in the morning.

The contractor will assess in the morning and we will update Drive BC the conditions are known.

#### JUNE 4, 2021 - 12:39PM

The waters rose more overnight but appears to be cresting. The full highway closure remains in effect and the next update from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure will be at 4:00pm.

Please check <u>www.drivebc.ca</u> for current updates. Continue to stay safe!

#### JUNE 3, 2021 - 5:35PM

High Flood Warning — Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has closed the Nisga'a Highway from Y (on lava beds) to Laxgalts'ap due to increased water levels at WD Mckay Bridge. Highway Crews will re-evaluate the highway at 8:00 am Friday June 4, 2021.

DriveBC website is currently down and does not have updated information. Please remain home until further notice, contact your Village Government for any assistance.

#### JUNE 3, 2021 - 12:25PM

HIGH FLOOD WARNING — Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has closed the Nisga'a Highway to light duty traffic (Cars and Small SUV's) at Mckay Bridge.

Travel in small cars and SUVs is not recommended in the Vetter Creek area on lava beds (A-frame to Tree Mould) and between the Nass Rd and Big Cedar Bridge (45.2 km marker) due to flooding over the road. Recommend only trucks at this time. More information to come as soon as available.

#### JUNE 3, 2021 - 11:14AM

Between Gitwinksihlkw and Gitlaxt'aamiks on the lava beds:

HIGH FLOOD WARNING — Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has closed the Nisga'a Highway to light duty traffic (Cars and Small SUVs) at Mckay Bridge, Vetter Creek area on lava beds (A-frame to Tree Mould) and between nass road and Big Cedar Bridge (45.2 km marker) due to flooding over the road. Recommend only trucks at this time. More information to come as soon as available.

#### JUNE 3, 2021 - 8:07AM

The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has closed the Nisga'a Highway at the McKay Bridge to light duty traffic (small cars) due to flooding over the road.

Please check <u>www.drivebc.ca</u> for further updates. Travel safe!

# The Giving Voice Project / Giving Voice and Being Heard / The 7 Invitations



Ph: (250) 621-3212 Fax: (250) 621.3320

Toll Free: 1-877-447-0077

PO Box 200, 416 North Rd, Greenville, B.C. VOJ 1X0

#### GIVING VOICE AND BEING HEARD: THE 7 INVITATIONS CONTEST

The Giving Voice Project is inviting every single person, of any age, living in the Nass Valley to participate in the following contests: Draw Out, Carve Out, Speak Out, Sing Out, Drum Out, Dance Out, Write Out....

All ages are invited to Create and Connect Community.

#### Invitation #1: GIVING VOICE LOGO CONTEST

#### What?

The Giving Voice Task Force is looking for a logo to symbolize respect and safety in families. This invitation is in support of healthy relationships. This symbol will be on jackets, Giving Voice Face Book Page, letter head, posters etc.

#### Why?

- \$200 in Prizes Being part of positive change, cultural pride and healing
- \$100 first prize (selected by Giving Voice Task Force)
- 4 draws of \$25 gift certificates, from local businesses

Winners will be posted on the Giving Voice Face Book page, as well as be notified individually.

#### Who?

- Any age is encouraged to draw; paint or computer generate images for the logo.
- · More than one creation is accepted from individuals.

#### When?

- · Opens June 7th Closes June 30th How?
- . Logo must fit onto an 8' x 11' paper.
- Name and email must be included. All designs to be scanned and emailed to Beverley@stand4.ca and sabristow250@gmail.com

#### Questions??

- Ask the community task force members: Julian Davis, Rosanne Clayton, Pamela Wright, Angella Rose (White), Collier and Crystal Bright.
- · Or email the above facilitators, Beverley Holmes and Sara Bristow.

We look forward to receiving your submissions. Thank you.

# NOTICE TO PARTICIPATE / Housing Condition Assessment & Energy Savings Kit Installation





Nisga'a Lisims Government

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April 12, 2021

#### Notice to Participate

Housing Condition Assessment & Energy Savings Kit Installation.

Dear Home Owners,

On February 21, 2020, the Nisga'a Nation as represented by NLG and the 4

Village Governments entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with BC Housing with the purpose to build capacity within our housing administration and to develop and share best residential asset management practices through the collection condition data. In addition, on December 20, 2020, we entered into an agreement with BC Hydro to review the energy consumption and to help reduce, with the installation of energy savings kits.

We truly believe the data gathered is the key to developing best practices; we encourage you to participate in the collection of housing data by allowing us to perform a condition assessment of your home. Also note that this is a data collection exercise that will provide you, the Village Governments, and NLG with the much needed data on homes so we can work together to address our housing needs.

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please contact us via email at <a href="mailto:housing@nisgaa.net">housing@nisgaa.net</a> or phone at 250-633-3000. Thank you.

Sincerely,

NISGA'A LISIMS GOVERNMENT

John Johansen, BComm Housing Project Manager Housing Condition Assessment... / continued from page 20





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#### FAQ

#### Home condition assessment and Energy review and kit installation

#### Q: What is this for?

A: The assessment is for gathering housing condition data, that will be analyzed to help evolve and develop housing policy, programs and services, and installation of the energy saving kits are to help reduce energy consumption.

#### Q: Will you be following COVID-19 safety protocols?

A: Yes we have COVID-19 safety protocol to protect you and our employees, our plans adheres to federal and provincial protocols, for all of our protection

- We will have PPE,
- · Before our assessment, we will check in to make sure it is safe,
- We will maintain social distance,
- If we, or anyone in your household has COVID-19 symptoms, we will reschedule, if there
  are no other options.

#### Q: Are your qualified to do the work?

A: Our Home Assessment and Energy Technicians have trained in:

- Identifying Home Maintenance Needs
- Building Condition Assessment
- Asset Planner
- Home Energy Technician Training

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Which provided us with the knowledge and skills to perform the home condition assessments and energy review and kit installation.

# Q: Why is the nation doing the home condition assessment? and energy review and kit installation?

A: To collect home condition data of our nation, to analyze and create an asset management plan and so we can review and revise housing policy, programs and services based off our needs. The energy review and kit installation is to assess energy consumption; we hope that the installation and advice will go towards helping reduce energy in the short-term.

#### Q: How long will all this take?

A: The assessment roughly take 5-6 hours, this is to ensure we have all the data. The data collection will roughly take 9 – 12 months, COVID-19 being a huge factor. The analysis and reporting should roughly take 6 – 12 months after the data is gathered. The policy, programs and service review will as well as the data and report will be continuous as to keep up with our Nations needs.

#### Q: What are the products in the energy savings kit?

Energy Savings Products	Max. Quantity (per home)	
LED light bulbs (various bulb types available)	25	
LED nightlight	1	
Kitchen faucet aerator (1.5 GPM)	1	
Bathroom faucet aerators (1.5 GPM)	2	
High performance showerhead (1.5 GPM) and Teflon tape	1	
Door sweeps	2	
Backer rod (various diameters and lengths available)	1/2 pack	
Elastomeric caulk	1/2 tube	
Low expansion spray foam	½ can	
Attic hatch insulation (2' x 8' hard foam board) and adhesive	1/4 board	
Draftproofing foam tape	1 roll	
Draftproofing v-strip tape	1 roll	
Window film (package could fit 2 average windows)	5 packs	
Outlet gaskets (12 per pack)	3 packs	
Pipe wrap for hot water tank (3' lengths) and foil tape	3	
Dryer rack or clothesline	1	
Carbon monoxide (CO) monitor, fire, smoke detector (all-in-one)	2	
Advanced power strip	1	
Fridge thermometer	1	

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Q: What are the potential savings from the energy saving tips and the products in the energy savings kit?

A: Note that these are short-term solutions, but the potential benefits and savings from the energy saving tips and products in the energy savings kit are step in the right direction towards the reduction of energy consumption, the impact from this exercise can see savings up to and even over \$500.00 plus in savings a year.

We truly believe the data gathered is the key to developing best practices; we encourage you to participate in the collection of housing data by allowing us to perform a condition assessment of your home. Also note that this is a data collection exercise that will provide you, the Village Governments, and NLG with the much needed data on homes so we can work together to address our housing needs.

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please contact us via email at housing@nisgaa.net or phone at 250-633-3000. Thank you.

Sincerely,

NISGA'A LISIMS GOVERNMENT

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John Johansen, BComm Housing Project Manager

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# Notice 1 of Indigenous Communities Conservation Program / Stream 2 /

# Rebates for Home Energy Upgrades





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April 12, 2021

#### Notice 1 of Indigenous Communities Conservation Program

Stream 2 - Rebates for home energy upgrades

Dear Home Owners,

On December 20, 2020, the Nisga'a Nation as represented by NLG, entered into an agreement with BC Hydro - Stream 1 to review the energy consumption and to help reduce, with the installation of energy savings kits. In addition, we have also entered into an agreement for BC Hydro - Stream 2 to lead in home energy upgrades. A notice outlining the full details of this will be provided at a later date.

Stream 2 is offering an Equipment and Appliance upgrade of 2002 or older Refrigerators and Chest Freezers for 100 qualifying homes. The Equipment and Appliance upgrade will be:

- up to a maximum of \$1,000.00 for an ENERGY STAR certified refrigerator
- up to a maximum of \$400.00 for an ENERGY STAR certified chest freezer

If you would like to participate or have any questions, please contact us via email at <a href="mailto:housing@nisgaa.net">housing@nisgaa.net</a> or phone at 250-633-3000. Thank you. Sincerely,

NISGA'A LISIMS GOVERNMENT

John Johansen, BComm Housing Project Manager

# Cultural Calendar / June 1, 2021



#### **NISGA'A NATION CULTURAL EVENTS CALENDAR**

Announcements courtesy of Nisga'a Lisims Government

Please provide the details of your Event such as the: date(s), name of event, location and if applicable the tribe(s) and the Wilp(s) involved. Please provide all necessary information for your booking. If your event is not in the Cultural Calendar the event maybe missing information; please contact main reception.

Submit to: Bryanna Pelletier, Main Receptionist - bpelletier@nisgaa.net

Nisga'a Lisims Government 2000 Lisims Drive, PO Box 231, New Aiyansh, BC VOJ 1A0

**Revised: June 1, 2021** Tel (250)633-3000 Toll Free: 1-866-633-0888

Fax 250.633- 2367 Website: www.nisgaanation.ca

## May 2021

29 **WEDDING** 

**Lawrence Moore / Micita Barton** 

Son of Alan Moore & the late Victoria McMillan

Daughter of Melvin & Rita Barton

Laxsgiik / Ganada

Wilps Hleek / Wilps Ksim Xsaan

Laxgalts'ap, BC

## May 2021

29 WEDDING

Medrick Azak / Gena Edwards

Parents: Clifford & Millie Azak/Sharon & Jolly Edwards Nisga'a -<u>G</u>anada Wilps Ksim <u>X</u>saan/Lillooet

Kamloops, BC

#### **June 2021**

#### 5 WEDDING

Samuel T. Stevens / Flora Thelma
Stewart

Grandson of the Late James/Norma

Lincoln (Arlene Lincoln) &

The Late Robert Sr/Thelma Stevens

(Robert Stevens)

Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jason

Stewart

Ganada / Laxgibuu

Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda /

Wilps Axgwindaskw

Gingolx, BC

Moved to August 7, 2021

#### **June 2021**

19 Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School

2021 Graduation

**Commencement Ceremony** 

Nisga'a Elementary Secondary School Gymnasium

Gitlaxt'aamiks, BC

### June 2021

## Family Reunion & Celebration

**Dinner & Dance** 

Laxsgiik

Sgańisim Sim'oogit Sagawe'en

Prince Rupert, BC

Moved from July 1, 2020

#### **July 2021**

02-03 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Isabel Stevens (Watts)

La<u>x</u>sgiik

Sgańisim Sim'oogit Sagawe'en

Nisga'a Hall Prince Rupert, BC

Moved from July 3-4, 2020

#### **July 2021**

#### 03 WEDDING

Roberto Azevedo / Mercy Davis Son of Maria & John Azevedo Daughter of Norma & the Late Charles Davis Hosting Tribe: Ganada / Wilps Ni'isjoohl (Private Ceremony Vancouver, BC) Blessing & Reception postponed to

October 30, 2021 Laxgalts'ap, BC Moved from May 8, 2021

#### **July 2021**

# 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. John and Betty Clayton

Laxsgiik/Ganada Terrace, BC

#### **July 2021**

#### 17 WEDDING

Justin Clayton / Hannah Robinson

Son of Tracey Clayton

Daughter of Patrick Leeson and Glenna Robinson

Invite only.

Gisk'aast / Ganada

Wilps Wisin Xbiİtkw / Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda

#### **July 2021**

#### 31 WEDDING

## Allan McKay Jr. / Chantelle Stephens

Son of Allan Sr. & Teena McKay
Daughter of Harry & Anita Stephens
Ganada / Laxgibuu
Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda / Wilps
Duuk

Laxgalts'ap, BC

Moved to August 14, 2021

### August 2021

#### 07 WEDDING

## Samuel T. Stevens / Flora Thelma Stewart

Grandson of the Late James/Norma Lincoln (Arlene Lincoln) & The Late Robert Sr/Thelma Stevens (Robert Stevens)

Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jason

Stewart

Ganada / Laxgibuu Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda /

Wilps A<u>x</u>gwindaskw

Gingolx, BC

Moved from June 5, 2021

#### **August 2021**

#### 14 **WEDDING**

#### Allan McKay Jr. / Chantelle Stephens

Son of Allan Sr. & Teena McKay
Daughter of Harry & Anita Stephens
Ganada / Laxgibuu
Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda / Wilps
Duuk'

Laxgalts'ap, BC Moved from July 31, 2021

### August 2021

#### 21 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE
Charles E. Davis
La<u>x</u>sgiik
Sim'oogit <u>X</u>sgaak
Laxgalts'ap, BC

## August 2021

#### 28 WEDDING

## Vincent Johnson / Zelda Komurcu (Barton)

Gis<u>k'</u>aast/La<u>x</u>sgiik Wilp Ni'isyuus/Kwa'kaans **Gingolx, BC** 

### September 2021

#### 4 WEDDING

Ashlee Shanisa Thompson / Nathan Fehr

Daughter of Kimberly & Franklin McDonald & the Late Bradley Willard Thompson

Son of Dawn & Tim Fehr

La<u>x</u>gibuu / Smithers

Wilps Ksdiyaawak / Smithers

Gitlaxt'aamiks Recreation Centre
Gitlaxt'aamiks, BC

### September 2021

#### 10-11 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Oscar H. Mercer

Cuthbert Munroe

Cecil M. Morven

Loretta Schmelzel (nee Doolan)

Dorothy (Sharon) Russ

<u>G</u>anada

Wilps Ksim Xsaan

**MOVED FROM** 

October 16-17, 2020

Gitlaxt'aamiks, BC

## September 2021

#### 17-18 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Susan Trimble

**Desmond Barton** 

La<u>x</u>sgiik

Kwa'kaans Gingolx, BC

**MOVED FROM** 

September 18-19, 2020

#### September 2021

#### 24-25 **STONE MOVING**

FOR THE LATE:

Nicole McKay

Louise Holota

Daryl Swanson

Leonardus Kheelan Tyrone Howard

La<u>x</u>sgiik

Wilps Bayt Ńee<u>K</u>hl

Laxqalts'ap, BC

**MOVED FROM** 

**SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2020** 

## October 2021

#### 1-2 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Chemako Morgan aka

Mike Woods

Ganada

Wilps Axdii Wil Luugooda

New Aiyansh, BC

#### October 2021

#### 8-9 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Sigidimnak' Diiks Kate Tait

Mercy Dorothy Moore

Janet Stevens

Marka Robinson

Elsie Robinson

Laxsgiik

Wilps Laay

Laxgalts'ap, BC

**MOVED FROM** 

November 13-14, 2020

### October 2021

#### 15-16 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Charles Kingston

Damon Ross Elliott

La<u>x</u>gibuu

Wilps Ksdiyaawak

New Aiyansh, BC

#### October 2021

#### 22-23 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:
James Edmund Adams
Vern Harvey Gosnell
Sadie Elizabeth Robinson
Humphrey Davis
Herbert (Herbie) McKay
Laxgibuu
Wilps Duuk
Gitlaxt'aamiks, BC

MOVED FROM October 23-24, 2020

## October 2021

30 WEDDING

## **Blessing and Reception**

Roberto Azevedo / Mercy Davis

Son of Maria & John Azevedo

Daughter of Norma & the Late

Charles Davis

Hosting Tribe: <u>G</u>anada / Wilps Ni'isjoohl

Laxgalts'ap, BC

#### November 2021

#### 5-6 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE: Guy Craig McKay La<u>xg</u>ibuu Wilps Ńagwa'un

La<u>xg</u>alts'ap Community Centre La<u>xg</u>alts'ap, BC MOVED FROM

November 20-21, 2020

### November 2021

#### 12-13 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:
Ernest Johnson Morven
La<u>x</u>sgiik
Wilps Gitähoon

Gitla<u>x</u>t'aamiks, BC MOVED FROM

November 6-7, 2020

## November 2021

19-20 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE: Kevin Morven La<u>xg</u>ibuu Wilps Sgat'iin

Gitla<u>x</u>t'aamiks, BC

**MOVED FROM** 

November 12-13, 2020

#### November 2021

#### 26-27 STONE MOVING

FOR THE LATE:

Leonard Guy McKay Gis<u>k</u>'aast Wilps Wisin Xbiltkw

MOVED FROM May 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021

Laxgalts'ap, BC

#### March 2022

#### 19 WEDDING

#### Matthew James Wesley / Susan Sharon Azak

Son of Deborah & Allan Azak
Daughter of Audrey & (late) Jerry
Azak
Laxsgiik / Ganada
Wilps Hleek Gans Naaw / Wilps
Ax dii Wil Luugooda

Gitwinksihlkw & Gitlaxtaamiks

#### **April 2022**

#### 22 WEDDING

Jasmine E Davis/ Kirby K Matthews (Kispiox)

Daughter of Audrey & Ken Davis

Son of Corie Skulsh & Raymond Matthews (Adopted into Duuk by Marina Mercer)

Gisk'aast/Laxgibuu Wilps Ni'isyuus / Wilps Duuk

Laxgalts'ap, BC

### **July 2022**

#### 02 WEDDING

Jeffrey W.J Palmer / Teniel Rebecca Angus

Son of (Late) Richard Palmer &
Angela Palmer
Daughter of (Late) Rebecca Angus &
Alexander Angus
Gisk'aast / Laxsgiik
/ Wilps La'ay

T.B.A

## October 2022

#### 15 WEDDING

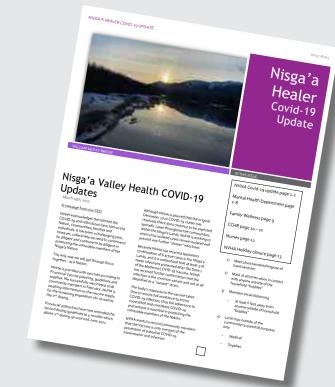
Roberta Gosnell / Maverick Moore
Daughter of Frank Gosnell & Kate
Mercer

Son of (Late) Jarel Alexcee & Collette Moore

Gisk'aast / Laxgibuu Wilps Daaxan / Wilps Duuk' Ceremony in Gingolx Reception in Gitlaxt'aamiks

Gingolx & Gitlaxt'aamiks BC

# NVHA / Nisga'a Healer newsletter now available



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To view newsletter go to: <a href="https://www.nisgaanation.ca/sites/default/files/Nisga%27a%20Healer%20March%2015th%20">https://www.nisgaanation.ca/sites/default/files/Nisga%27a%20Healer%20March%2015th%20</a>
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# Emergency Preparedness Committee /

Province of BC and Nisga'a Nation to move forward with cautious steps for a careful and safe restart



# **Emergency Preparedness Committee Provincial Health Order Update**

Date: May 25, 2021

With a growing number of adults vaccinated with their first and second dose and the COVID-19 case counts steadily declining, the Province of BC and Nisga'a Nation is moving forward with the cautious steps for a careful and safe restart.

It has been a difficult 15 months and each of the Nisga'a Residents have sacrificed so much to help keep people and our communities safe. Our Nisga'a Valley Health Authority, who guided the discussions held by the Emergency Preparedness Committee over this time, has made tremendous strides with our vaccination program roll out. Following the lead of the Province of BC, we are now in a position where we can move forward with a plan to slowly bring us back together. As we have done throughout this pandemic, we will continue to closely follow the guidance of our health care professionals.

The Four-step plan outlined by the province will be fully reflected in a revised version of the Nisga'a Nations Strategic Restart Plan coming early next week following a review with Emergency Preparedness Committee. In the short term, this document will outline the current orders effective May 25, 2021. All this and further information can be found at the following link: <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restrictions#outdoor-personal">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/covid-19/info/restrictions#outdoor-personal</a>

#### **Personal Gatherings**

- Outdoor personal gatherings up to 10 people
  - Up to 10 people can gather at a park
  - Up to 10 people can gather in a backyard of a residence
    - · Patios and outdoor areas at restaurants are not included in this
- Indoor personal gatherings up to 5 people or 1 other household
  - Up to 5 people from different household can attend a dinner party at a household of 4 people
  - One household of 7 people can attend a birthday at another household of 4 people.



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#### **Organized Gatherings**

Cultural events and gatherings - examples include wedding ceremonies and funerals

- Indoor seated organized gatherings of up to 10 people are allowed with a COVID-19 safety Plan in place
- Outdoor organized gatherings of up to 50 people are allowed with a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place. These could include things like:
  - A small outdoor concert
  - An outdoor wedding ceremony
    - Outdoor weddings and associated receptions may proceed with a COVID-19 Safety Plan in place. You can have a maximum of 50 people attend, including the officiant
    - The event organizer and staff present at the event are not included in the 50 people limit
    - If the event organizer also acts as the officiant, that person is included in the 50 people limit
  - Outdoor live theatre performances
  - Funerals conducted by a religious body may be held outdoors (including in opensided tents and under overhead coverings). Before, during and after the funeral service, people must not gather or socially engage.
    - Up to 50 people may attend, plus 2 extra people to make sure rules are followed
    - The event organizer and staff present at the event are not included in the 50 people limit
    - If the event organizer also acts as the officiant, that person is included in the 50 people limit

#### Workplaces

- Employers are required to continue operating under their COVID-19 Safety Plans and can begin a gradual return to the workplace.
- Workplaces must ensure that all workers and customers maintain an appropriate physical distance and extra care should be taken in small office spaces, break rooms and kitchens
- Daily health check
  - A daily health check should already be included in every business's existing COVID-19 Safety Plan.



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#### Careful and safe restart... / continued from page 31



#### Exercise

#### Indoor high intensity group exercise

Indoor high intensity group exercise is **prohibited**. High intensity group exercise causes a sustained and accelerated rate of breathing and may involve close contact with other people. These include:

- Hot yoga
- Spin classes
- Aerobics
- Bootcamp
- High intensity aspects of circuit training
- High intensity interval training (HIIT)

#### Indoor low intensity group exercise

Indoor low intensity group exercise **is allowed**. Low intensity group exercise does not cause a sustained and accelerated rate of breathing and does not involve close contact with other people. These include:

- Yoga (Hatha)
- Low intensity exercise machines and cardio equipment
- Pilates
- Light weightlifting
- > Stretching
- ➤ Tai-Chi
- Low intensity Barre classes

#### Gyms and recreation facilities

Gyms and recreation facilities that offer individual workouts and personal training sessions can remain open as long as they have a COVID-19 Safety Plan that is strictly followed.

Requirements: Indoor Individual Exercise (PDF)



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#### Careful and safe restart... / continued from page 32



#### PHO order on restaurants

Indoor and outdoor dining is allowed with capacity limits based on physical distancing requirements and other rules, including a maximum of 6 people at a table (not restricted to your household or bubble).

- You must wear a mask when not at a table
- Events are prohibited

Restaurants must have a COVID-19 Safety Plan and employee protocols in place. WorkSafeBC will be conducting inspections to verify that COVID-19 Safety Plans remain effective. Establishments that are non-compliant with plan requirements may face orders and fines, and possible referral to public health which may result in a closure order.

- Review the PHO Order Food and Liquor Serving Premises (PDF)
- Review Guidance for Outside Dining Spaces (PDF)

#### EPA order on masks in public indoor settings

Masks are required for everyone in many public indoor settings, as outlined in the EPA mask mandate order. A face shield is not a substitute for a mask as it has an opening below the mouth.

There are exemptions for:

- People with health conditions or with physical, cognitive or mental impairments who cannot wear one
- People who cannot remove a mask on their own
- Children under the age of 12
- People who need to remove their masks to communicate due to another person's hearing impairment

#### For all information on Covid-19, including a timeline, visit the NLG website:

https://www.nisgaanation.ca/covid-19

## NVHA COVID-19 Update / May 25, 2021

Since last week's update, Nisga'a Valley Health Authority's Medical Director has reported zero additional positive test results. We still have one person recovering in hospital so listed as "active". We have zero test results pending.

Next update will be with any significant change or as determined by the EOC.

#### **COVID TESTING SINCE MARCH 2020:**

Tested: 1,432 Died: 5

Positive: 215 Negative: 1,217
Active: 1 Pending: 0

Recovered: 209

# We are hiring / Data Entry Clerk





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#### JOB POSTING

POSTED: June 7, 2021 CLOSES: June 21, 2021 @ 5:00 pm

POSITION: Data Entry Clerk

SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with qualifications

SUPERVISOR: Fisheries Manager

HOURS: Part-time (2 days per week) / Seasonal (Averaging Agreement)

LOCATION: New Aiyansh, British Columbia

NATURE AND SCOPE OF POSITION: This position is for data entry clerk at the Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Office in the community of New Aiyansh. Work involves entering fishwheel, Meziadin and Kwinageese data, and other office duties (e.g., answering phones, assisting stock assessment department, etc.) as needed. Individual should be highly motivated and able to work independently and available to work odd hours and on the weekends.

IMPACT OF ERROR: The impact or error is significant to the Nation.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES & OTHER ATTRIBUTES:

- · Grade 11 or higher education;
- Previous fisheries experience is an asset;
- Data recording skills,
- Computer skills;
- Reliable transportation to and from work;
- Valid Level 1 First Aid Ticket is an asset;

If you are interested in this employment opportunity please send a resume package that includes the following:

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- Three work related references
- Copy of accredited certificates/diplomas

Applicants are requested to submit resume package describing their qualifications. Resumes packages must be received prior to 5:00 pm on June 21, 2021. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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# We are hiring / Fisheries Technician/ Deckhand – Prince Rupert





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CLOSES: June 21, 2021

POSTED: June 7, 2021

POSITION: Fisheries Technician/Deckhand SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with qualifications

SUPERVISOR: Fisheries Manager

HOURS: Seasonal (Averaging Agreement)
LOCATION: Prince Rupert, British Columbia

**NATURE AND SCOPE OF POSITION:** Under the general supervision of a Captain, biologist, or higher level fish and wildlife technician, performs paraprofessional field work in fisheries, assessment and management programs. Provides necessary skiff and vessel support for area patrol and research programs. Regular vessel hours include area patrol and research programs.

IMPACT OF ERROR: The impact or error is significant to the Nation.

#### KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES & OTHER ATTRIBUTES:

- Grade 11 or higher education;
- Previous fisheries experience is an asset;
- Some knowledge of fishery research practices and of basic navigation procedures and equipment;
- Boat handling skills;
- Boat maintenance skills;
- Reliable transportation to and from work:
- Valid Level 1 First Aid Ticket is an asset:
- MED A3 certification is an asset;
- Valid boat operator certification is an asset.

If you are interested in this employment opportunity please send a resume package that includes the following:

- Cover Letter
- Resume
- 3. 3 work related references
- Copy of accredited certificates/diplomas

Applicants are requested to submit resume package describing their qualifications. Resumes packages must be received prior to 5:00 pm on June 21, 2021. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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# We are hiring / Fisheries and Wildlife Manager



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#### JOB POSTING

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SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

SUPERVISOR: Director of Fish and Wildife

HOURS: 35 hours per week TERM: Full-time Permanent LOCATION: New Aiyansh, BC

JOB SUMMARY: Manages research projects as specified in the Treaty and as deemed necessary by Nisga'a Lisims Government (NLG). Interprets results and prepares reports on research activities to the Director, Fish & Wildife and to the appropriate funding agencies. Participates in basic and applied research as required.

#### DUTIES:

- Identifies research opportunities and prepares proposal/grant applications and budgets for funding.
- Plans and conducts applied research studies of the environment and the population, distribution, structure and functional characteristics and behavior of fish and other animal species as required:
  - ensures data is obtained and analyzed using appropriate methodologies
  - verifies accuracy of data gathered
  - ensures results are compiled in the format necessary for further scientific and other studies
  - prepares final reports (financial and technical)
- Manages a wide variety of funded programs:
  - drafts and assists to negotiate contracts with sub-contractors or consultants as required
  - supervises project implementation and ensures project contract terms are met
  - develops, recommends allocations and reconciles project/ department budgets, including issuing invoices and project receivables
  - responsible for purchases and materials
  - provides project status reports to Director, Fish & Wildlife or as appropriate
  - prepares project completion reports
  - keeps accurate and complete project/department files
- Manage fish sales operations:
  - Ensure upkeep of fish processing facility to meet Ministry of Agriculture standards
  - Arrange for annual inspection of facility and weigh scales
  - Ensure all permitting is in place and annual reporting is complete
  - Seek out markets and contracting fish buyers
  - Arrange for leasing of equipment for unloading and transport of fish from sale fisheries
  - Hire supervisor, fish handlers, graders, and labourers to accommodate sale fisheries
  - Work with the finance department to facilitate payments and invoicing
  - Ensure accurate tracking of fish numbers and poundage
- In consultation with the Director, Fisheries Wildlife, ensures adequate staffing of research projects and programs using seasonal employees;
  - sources, interviews and hires
  - allocates resources and plans schedules
  - supervises, taking progressive disciplinary action if necessary
  - verifies timesheets, weekly reports, and ensures they are submitted and processed
- Makes recommendations for the development of Fishery and Wildlife management policies, procedures and practices.
- Manages and participates in Wildlife activities (as per 3, for fisheries activities);
- Assumes some of the responsibilities of the Director of Fisheries and Wildlife in the Director's absence as Acting Director;
- Manages Fisheries and Wildlife office;
- Is a technical resource for other NLG managers and committees;
- Liaises with external committees, resource/government agencies, scientists, and community groups as required;

Other duties as required.

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#### QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS, EXPERIENCE:

- BSc Biology:
- Business Administration certificate 1st level, or 2 years research project management and proposal preparation;
- Minimum 2 years' experience as field biologist.
- Ability to use standard computer applications;
- Ability to understand and speak the Nisga'a language an asset;
- Familianty with the Nisga'a culture an asset,
- Physical ability to carry out the duties of the job

#### OTHER:

- Valid Class 5 BC Driver's license is required. Access to personal reliable transportation is also required.
- Recent work references and current drivers' abstract will be required of the successful candidate.

Applicants are required to submit resume with cover letter describing their qualifications and experience prior to 5:00 pm on June 21, 2021. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for interview will be contacted.

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# Board of Education Meeting / School District No. 92 (Nisga'a)

#### Board of Education Meeting

The next Board of Education meeting for School District No. 92 (Nisga'a) is scheduled for Tuesday, June 15, 2021.

Location: Microsoft Teams

In-Camera meeting to start at 5:30 pm

Regular meeting to start at 6:30 pm A link for the meeting will be posted on the
District website.



# We are hiring / Forest Resource Officer





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JOB POSTING

REPOSTED: June 4, 2021 CLOSES: June 18, 202

POSITION: Forest Resource Officer

SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

SUPERVISOR: Forest Resources Manager

HOURS: 35 hours per week TERM: Full-time Permanent LOCATION: New Aiyansh, BC

JOB SUMMARY: The forestry technologist or technician may work independently or in a team to perform technical and supervisory functions in support of forest industrial activities, forest management, forest resource conservation and environmental protection within the parameters of the Nisga'a Forest Act.

#### DUTIES

- · Completing inspections and inspection reports for the forest industry sector as directed
- Working with government staff, consulting firms, other industries and institutions
- Must be able to draw conclusions from data and communicate conclusions clearly
- Should be physically fit and have knowledge of safety procedures, as well as able to work independently and in a team setting, both in the office and in the field
- Are required to use technological equipment for field work
- Must have the ability to use maps and compasses to navigate in the forest
- Must be familiar with geographic information system (GIS) software and computers
- Assist the Forest Resource Manager and other Nisga'a Lisims Government Lands and Resources staff as directed
- Other tasks as assigned

#### QUALIFICATIONS, SKILLS, EXPERIENCE:

- A Degree or Diploma in Natural Resources
- Registered or currently enrolled as a member in a professional association with the natural resource industry
- · Leader with excellent communication skills
- A Valid BC Driver's License

#### OTHER:

- · A proven leader with excellent communications skills
- Physically fit and enjoy working outdoors in isolated conditions
- Have a positive attitude, strong work ethic, and enjoy learning
- Have a basic knowledge of plant species and forest health
- Proficient with computer skills, GPS traversing, and tablets

Applicants are required to submit resume with cover letter describing their qualifications and experience prior to 5:00 pm on June 18, 2021. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for interview will be contacted. Please be advised social media checks are part of the recruiting process.

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Attention: Human Resource Department P.O. BOX 231, New Aiyansh BC, V0J 1A0

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# We are hiring / Information Technology Director





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#### JOB POSTING

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CLOSES: June 18, 2021 NISGAANATION.CA

POSTED: June 4, 2021

POSITION: Information Technology Director SALARY RANGE: Commensurate with Qualifications and Experience

SUPERVISOR: Chief Financial officer

HOURS: 35 hours per week TERM: Full-time - Permanent LOCATION: New Aiaynsh, BC

JOB SUMMARY: The Information Technology (IT) Director recognizes the need for the three key areas of IT, namely: function, infrastructure, and governance. As a result, the Director has the responsibility for the overarching technology infrastructure that must closely align with the organization's goals, providing secure, robust, reliable, scalable, performant, and efficient technology systems through the development, implementation and management of effective infrastructure solutions. The Director will set the objectives and strategies for the IT department and manage the daily operational activities while ensuring exceptional service to the customer. This includes oversight and administration of all production platforms, and the availability, integrity, and confidentiality of the network, servers, telecommunications services, and related technologies. This position requires exceptional communication skills and attention to detail, as well as the ability to build and maintain strong positive relationships within the team, across the organization as well as with external agencies and suppliers.

As important, the Director would influence other areas of the Nisga'a nation, such as providing work experience for high school students who want to explore technology careers, or providing classroom settings for citizens, and particularly Elders who may want to learn basic computer skills and developing an understanding of what dangers are out there when they go online.

#### DUTIES:

- Implement strategy as determined by Nisga'a Lisims Government (NLG) concerning its fiber optics assets and Lisims Internet and Technology Services Inc. (LITS):
- Analyze the costs, value and risks of information technology to advise Executive and Senior Management on suggested actions;
- Develop policies to mitigate risk to government data and infrastructure, and promote a productive work environment for government employees:
- Select and implement suitable technology to streamline all internal operations and help optimize their strategic benefits;
- Design and customize technological systems and platforms to improve customer experience;
- Plan the implementation of new systems and provide guidance to IT professionals and other staff within the organization and where necessary, within the Nation;
- Oversee the technological infrastructure (networks and computer systems) in the organization to ensure optimal performance;
- Set objectives and strategies for the IT department and direct/organize IT-related projects;
- Analyze the costs, value and risks of information technology to advise senior management and suggest actions;
- Develop department and project budgets and related work plans;
- Approve purchases of technological equipment and software and establish effective partnerships with IT providers;
- Monitor changes or advancements in technology to discover ways the organization and the Nation can gain competitive advantage;
- Responsible for managing the department, leading team members to deliver outstanding results. Conduct regular performance reviews and
  ensure team maintains technical qualifications and targets through the development of robust succession plans.

#### EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE:

Bachelor's Degree; or equivalent industry experience.

#### SKILLS / ABILITIES:

- · Strong verbal, presentation, written and interpersonal communication skills
- Excellent knowledge of IT systems and infrastructure with background in designing, developing and implementing IT systems
- Excellent analytical and problem-solving capabilities
- Strong strategic and business mindset with solid understanding of data analysis, budgeting, forecasting and business operations
- Ability to understand and communicate complex technical aspects in appropriate terms to end-users, business units and technical teams

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- Self-managed, highly motivated and results-oriented with excellent organizational and leadership skills
- Skilled at managing priorities and meeting deadlines in a complex environment often with competing/changing demands
- Experience in managing third-party vendor relationships
- 7-10 years of IT experience with increased responsibility of IT roles
- 2-5 years of project leadership/management experience with experience managing infrastructure deployments
- Experience leading small/mid-sized IT groups in fast-paced, multi-tasking and multi-role efforts
- In-depth hands-on experience in Microsoft Enterprise
- Working knowledge of wired and wireless networking solutions such as Juniper Networks, HP Switches, Cisco, and edge switching, etc.
- Understanding of telecommunications systems including PBX systems and VOIP services
- Experience implementing and maintaining enterprise wide monitoring solutions

#### OTHER:

- Valid Class 5 BC Driver's license is required. Access to personal reliable transportation is also required.
- Recent work references and current drivers' abstract will be required of the successful candidate.

Applicants are required to submit a resume with cover letter describing their education, qualifications and related experience prior to 5:00pm on Friday, June 18, 2021. We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

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# 2021 Property Tax Notice



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# Nisga'a Nation 2021 Property Tax NOTICE

2021 Property Tax Notices will be reaching your mailboxes this week. Please note a change on the date of Penalties and Interest due on the 2021 Property Taxation Notice.

"Penalties & Interest applied to unpaid taxes after close of business day should read, on <u>July 2</u>, <u>2021</u> **NOT** July 3, 2021".

Property Taxation Department
NISGA'A LISIMS GOVERNMENT

# Resolutions from NLG Executive Meeting /

Jan 12,18,27,28, 2021

The following is a summary, and is not an exhaustive list of all Executive Resolutions e.g. "Adoption of the Agenda" is not included.

#### Resolution 2021 / 02

CONSIDERING THAT under the *Nisga'a Emergency Program Act* (the "Act"), the Executive may make regulations it considers necessary or advisable for the purposes of the Act;

#### MOVED THAT:

- (1) under the Act, the Executive enact the Nisga'a Emergency Program Regulation attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
- (2) the Regulation come into force on the date it is signed by the President; and
- (3) the President be authorized:
  - (a) to sign this Resolution; and
  - (b) to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.

#### Resolution 2021 / 03

CONSIDERING THAT amendments to the *Nisga'a* Enforcement Regulation are desirable in respect of contraventions of section 37 the *Nisga'a Emergency* Program Act and section 2 of the *Nisga'a Emergency* Program Regulation;

#### MOVED THAT:

- (1) the Executive enact the Nisga'a Enforcement Amendment Regulation, 2021 attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Regulation");
- (2) the Regulation come into force on the date it is signed by the President; and
- (3) the President be authorized:
  - (a) to sign this Resolution; and
  - (b) to sign the Regulation to evidence its enactment.

#### Resolution 2021 / 04

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has been made aware that approximately 68 individuals residing on Nisga'a Lands have recently tested positive for the COVID-19 virus;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the designated health services provider of the Nisga'a Nation, the Nisga'a Valley Health Authority ("NVHA"), has advised the Executive of the potential risks of the further spread of the COVID-19 virus without immediate measures;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the presence of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands creates an imminent and serious threat to the health of Nisga'a citizens and other residents of Nisga'a Lands;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Executive has determined that prompt coordination of action and special regulation of persons to protect the health and welfare of people is necessary;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Emergency Preparedness Committee and NVHA have recommended certain temporary emergency measures to the Executive to respond to this situation;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the plan attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Orders") sets out temporary emergency measures to respond to this situation,

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT Nisga'a Lisims Government has notified the Province of British Columbia of its intention to implement certain emergency measures utilizing the Executive's powers under the *Nisga'a Emergency Program Act*, as well as its intention to work together as partners to manage this situation,

#### MOVED THAT the Executive

- declare under section 19 of the Nisga'a Emergency Program Act that a state of local emergency exists on Nisga'a Lands, in all four Nisga'a Villages, due to the known occurrences of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands and the threat of further infection through contact if the situation is not contained (the "Declaration");
- 2. order under section 27 of the Nisga'a Emergency Program Act that the plan attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Order") are the temporary acts and procedures necessary to prevent, respond to and alleviate the effects of the known occurrences of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands and the threat of further infection through contact if the situation is not contained;
- 3. empower the following persons to do all acts necessary to implement the Order:
  - a. Nisga'a public officers, as directed by the
     Director of Enforcement and Emergency Services;
  - any person acting under a contract with the Nisga'a Nation entered into for the purposes of implementing the Orders, as directed by the Director of Enforcement and Emergency Services; and
- 4. authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Communications and Inter-Governmental Relations to, as soon as practicable:
  - a. forward a copy of the Declaration and Order to each Nisga'a Village Government and to the Minister of Public Safety & Solicitor General in accordance with section 24 of the Nisga'a Emergency Program Act; and
  - cause the details of the Declaration and Order to be published in accordance with Nisga'a law, published on the Nisga'a Nation's website, and communicated through any other means that the Director of Communications and Inter-Governmental Relations considers appropriate.

#### Resolution 2021 / 06

CONSIDERING THAT by Resolution 2021/04 (the "Resolution"), the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") declared under section 19 of the Nisga'a Emergency Program Act (the "Act") that a state of local emergency exists on Nisga'a Lands, in all four Nisga'a Villages, due to the known occurrences of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands and the threat of further infection through contact if the situation is not contained (the "Declaration");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Declaration included an order under section 27 of the Act, outlining certain acts and procedures to be carried out in order to prevent, respond to and alleviate the effects of the known occurrences of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands (the "Order");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the number of known occurrences of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands has not diminished since the Declaration and the threat of further infection through contact of the COVID-19 virus on Nisga'a Lands continues:

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT the Declaration may be extended for an additional seven day period with the approval of the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General or the Lieutenant Governor in Council under section 26 (1) of the Act (the "Minister's Approval");

#### MOVED THAT the Executive

- extend the duration of the Declaration, including the Order, for a further seven day period, to take effect upon the Minister's Approval;
- authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer to seek the Minister's Approval without delay; and
- 3. authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer and Director of Communications and Inter-Governmental Relations, to, as soon as practicable after receiving any Minister's Approval:
  - forward a copy of the Declaration, including the Order, and the Minister's Approval to each Nisga'a

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Village Government in accordance with sections 26(2) and 24 of the *Nisga'a Emergency Program Act*; and

ii. cause the details of the Declaration, including the Order, and the Minister's Approval to be published in accordance with Nisga'a law, published on the Nisga'a Nation's website, and communicated through any other means that the Director of Communications and Inter-Governmental Relations considers appropriate.

#### Resolution 2021 / 09

CONSIDERING THAT the President of the Nisga'a Nation has received a letter received January 5, 2021 from the Regional Director General for the Pacific Region concerning the expiration of the term for Mr. Harry Nyce, Canadian Northern Panel member for the Pacific Salmon Commission, and the desire to receive a nomination for appointment to this seat (the "PSC nomination letter");

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government

- nominate and recommend the reappointment of Mr. Harry Nyce Sr. as Canadian Northern Panel member for the Pacific Salmon Commission: and
- direct the Chief Executive Officer to communicate the Executive's recommendation to Ms. Sandra Davies and/or Ms. Shannon Balfry as indicated in the PSC nomination letter.

#### Resolution 2021 / 10

CONSIDERING THAT Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission ("CRTC") has declared that broadband internet is an essential service and has developed a policy outlining minimum standards for all licensees (the "Minimum Standards");

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT Innovation, Science and Economic Development (ISED) is accepting funding applications to bridge the digital divide and enable rural

communities to improve access by improving internet speeds and increasing wireless mobility coverage (the "Universal Broadband Fund");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Nation and its wholly-owned subsidiary, Lisims Internet & Technology Ltd., are licensed with CRTC and are required to comply with the Minimum Standards:

AND CONSIDERING THAT Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") approved the Nisga'a Nation's previous CRTC application in June 2020;

AND FURTHER CONSIDERING THAT it is in the best interest of Nisga'a citizens to have comparable levels of internet and wireless coverage to residents living elsewhere in the province;

#### MOVED THAT the Executive

- recommend to Finance Committee and to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that the Finance Committee and Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a approve up to \$1,310,000 in funding (the "Nisga'a Nation Investment") on the understanding that the Nisga'a Nation Investment will be matched by an ISED contribution of \$8,640,000 (for a total investment of \$9,950,000), and
- authorize the IT Manager in coordination with the Chief Executive Officer and the Chief Financial Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government to finalize and submit the Universal Broadband Fund application.

#### Resolution 2021 / 12

CONSIDERING THAT it is anticipated that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, acting under the trust agreement between the Nisga'a Nation and the Royal Trust Corporation of Canada respecting the Nisga'a Settlement Trust dated December 20, 2000, as amended (the "Trust Agreement"), may at its next regular sitting direct the current Trustee, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trustee"), to make a distribution from the Trust Fund, as defined in the Trust Agreement (the "Trust Fund"), to the Nisga'a Nation in the amount and on the terms and conditions set out below;

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive, acting under section 4.3 of the Trust Agreement, notify the Trustee that it is anticipated that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, acting under section 4.3 of the Trust Agreement, may at its next regular sitting direct that the Trustee, acting under section 4.2(b) of the Trust Agreement, make a distribution from the Trust Fund to the Nisga'a Nation:

- 1. in the total amount of \$8,240,884.00 and
- 2. to be paid in one instalment on or before March 31, 2021.

#### Resolution 2021 / 15

CONSIDERING THAT the Deputy Director of Programs and Services of Nisga'a Lisims Government has submitted on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation an application to the Northern Development Initiative Trust ("NDIT") for funding in the amount of \$50,000 to support the creation of an internship position to serve the functions set out in application attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Nisga'a Navigator internship application");

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed and approves the Nisga'a Navigator internship application;

MOVED THAT the Executive endorse and express its full support for the Nisga'a Navigator internship application submitted to NDIT on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation.

#### Resolution 2021 / 16

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to section 22 of the *Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Act*, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") must adopt a proposed annual fishing plan prepared by the Director of Fish and Wildlife (the "Director");

MOVED THAT the Executive:

 approve and adopt the proposed Nisga'a Annual Fishing Plan for 2021/2022 prepared by the Director, substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "proposed Annual Fishing Plan"), Executive Highlights January 2021... / continued from page 43

with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Director in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government, and

 direct the Director to forward the proposed Annual Fishing Plan to the Joint Fisheries Management Committee.

#### Resolution 2021 / 17

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims
Government (the "Executive") has reviewed the
recommendation set out in the briefing note provided by
the President of the Nisga'a Nation entitled "Outgoing
2016-2020 Government Recommendations" (the "Outgoing
Government Recommendations" briefing note");

MOVED THAT the Executive accept the recommendation set out in the Outgoing Government Recommendations briefing note and authorize the Officers to review the recommendations from the outgoing 2016-2020 term with the Chief Executive Officer and provide a report and/or recommendations on next steps in respect of these recommendations.

#### **Resolution 2021 / 18**

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed the recommendation set out in the briefing note provided by the President of the Nisga'a Nation concerning negotiations (the "Negotiations briefing note");

MOVED THAT the Executive accept the recommendation set out in the Negotiations briefing note and appoint the Secretary-Treasurer Charles Morven as the lead negotiator for the negotiations named in the Negotiations briefing note.

In addition to the items referenced above, regular business carried out by the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government includes opening prayer, adoption of agenda, minutes and financial statements.

# Resolutions from NLG Executive Meeting /

# February 24-25, 2021

The following is a summary, and is not an exhaustive list of all Executive Resolutions e.g. "Adoption of the Agenda" is not included.

#### Resolution 2021 / 21

#### CONSIDERING THAT:

- A. Nisga'a Lisims Government ("NLG") and the Vital Statistics Agency ("BCVSA") have negotiated an information sharing agreement (the "Information Sharing Agreement") to share information to enable the BCVSA to use its programming to match the data provided by NLG to identify deaths of Nisga'a citizens, and provide such confirmation of death registrations to NLG;
- B. In December 2020, the Executive approved the entering into of the confidentiality agreement between NLG and the BCVSA, dated December 23, 2020, to protect the confidentiality of information that was being shared between the parties so that the Parties could test the matching abilities of the BCVSA's programming before finalizing the Information Sharing Agreement; and
- C. The parties have successfully tested the matching abilities of the BCVSA's programming and therefore, now wish to enter into the Information Sharing Agreement attached as Appendix "A".

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve, authorize and direct the Chief Executive Officer of the Nisga'a Nation, for and on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation, to execute and deliver to the BCVSA the Information Sharing Agreement substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A", with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government in consultation with legal counsel.

#### Resolution 2021 / 22

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to resolution 2002/157, the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") authorized the Secretary-Treasurer, acting on recommendation from the Chief Financial Officer, to issue guarantees under the Nisga'a Temporary Housing Security Act (the "Act") and to enter into and sign any agreement or other document needed to give effect to those guarantees;

AND CONSIDERING THAT some Nisga'a citizens have now fully repaid the loans that were guaranteed by the Nisga'a Nation under the Act;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Executive by resolution 2019/25 authorized the Chief Financial Officer to execute mortgage discharge documents when a Nisga'a citizen has fully repaid a loan guaranteed by the Nisga'a Nation under the Act, the bank has provided clear documentation to this effect, and a legal review indicates that the mortgage in question may appropriately be discharged;

AND CONSIDERING FINALLY THAT it is expedient that the authorization to execute mortgage discharge documents on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation now be extended to the Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations;

MOVED THAT the Executive authorize the Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations to execute mortgage discharge documents when the following conditions are met:

- the Nisga'a citizen has fully repaid a loan guaranteed by the Nisga'a Nation under the Act;
- the relevant bank has provided clear documentation to this effect:

- 3. a legal review indicates that the mortgage in question may appropriately be discharged; and
- the Chief Financial Officer has provided his approval to the execution of the mortgage discharge documents on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation.

#### Resolution 2021 / 23

#### CONSIDERING THAT:

- appointments to the Enrolment Committee (the "Committee") are made every two years for a two-year term;
- section 15(1) of the Nisga'a Citizenship Act requires that the Committee consist of one voting member from each of the four Nisga'a tribes and one alternate member from each of the four Nisga'a tribes;
- section 2(3) of the Nisga'a Citizenship Regulation permits the reappointment of Committee members;
- the Citizenship Manager of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Manager") has made certain recommendations in respect of who should be appointed or reappointed as members and alternates to the Committee for the 2021-2023 term;

#### MOVED THAT

- 1. the Executive appoint the following four regular members to the Committee:
  - Kathleen Clayton (Laxgibuu)
  - Lorna E Azak (Ganada )
  - Dianna Rai (Gisk'aast)
  - Lavinia Clayton (Laxsgiik)
- 2. the Executive appoint the following alternate members to the Committee:
  - Heather Stephens (Ganada)
  - Deborah Azak (Laxsgiik)
  - Dorcas Stewart (Laxgibuu)
  - Eric Grandison (Gisk'aast)

#### Resolution 2021 / 25

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government direct that a letter be drafted for the President's signature urging the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to cancel all Area 3 commercial salmon fisheries for a five year period commencing immediately due to very poor salmon returns.

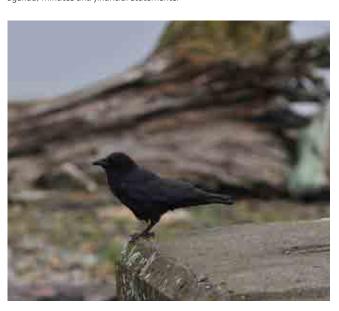
#### Resolution 2021 / 26

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed a briefing note provided by the Acting Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations entitled "NLG Fleet – Capital and Operational Report" (the "NLG Fleet report");

#### MOVED THAT the Executive

- adopt the first option outlined in the NLG Fleet report;
   and
- direct that Nisga'a Lisims Government engage a Fleet Coordinator to implement the work plan outlined in the NLG Fleet Report for the NLG fleet operations.

In addition to the items referenced above, regular business carried out by the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government includes opening prayer, adoption of agenda, minutes and financial statements.



# Resolutions from NLG Executive Meeting /

# March 24-25 / 2021

The following is a summary, and is not an exhaustive list of all Executive Resolutions e.g. "Adoption of the Agenda" is not included.

#### Resolution 2021 / 31

CONSIDERING THAT the President of Nisga'a Lisims Government has received correspondence from the Chief Executive Officer of Tribal Resources Investment Corporation ("Tricorp") indicating that the term of the two Nisga'a Lisims Government appointees to the board of Tricorp – Mr. Alex Angus Stevens and Mr. Franklin Alexcee – will end on March 31, 2021;

MOVED THAT the Executive appoint Mr. William Moore and Mr. Curtis Mercer to serve as representatives from the Nisga'a Nation on the TRICORP Board for the term commencing April 1, 2021 and expiring on March 31, 2024.

#### Resolution 2021 / 32

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Nation entered into a memorandum of understanding dated for reference September 26, 2019 in respect of collaboration on the development of a Greenhouse Gas and Climate Change Mitigation Strategy for the Province of British Columbia among the Nisga'a Nation, Metlakatla First Nation, Lax Kw'alaams Band and Haisla Nation (the "FNCI MOU");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the FNCI MOU expired on March 1, 2020 and that the March 2, 2020 Addendum extending the term of the FNCI MOU to March 31, 2021 is about to expire;

AND CONSIDERING THAT Lax Kw'alaams has withdrawn from the MOU as of March 18th, 2021;

AND CONSIDERING THAT a further addendum to extend the MOU but only amongst the Nisga'a Nation, Metlakatla First Nation and the Haisla Nation, to be effective as of March 19, 2021 until it is otherwise terminated by one or more of such Nations, has been provided to the Executive for its consideration (the "March 19, 2021 Addendum");

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive approve, authorize and direct the President of the Nisga'a

Nation, for and on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation, to execute and deliver to the other Nations the March 19, 2021 Addendum substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A", with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the President in consultation with the Chairperson, the Secretary-Treasurer and the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government.

#### Resolution 2021 / 38

CONSIDERING THAT, currently, when a Nisga'a Village Government applies to the Government of Canada for funding for particular projects, and the Village application is accepted by the Government of Canada, the funding and associated reporting requirements flow through the master contribution agreement between the Government of Canada and the Nisga'a Nation;

#### MOVED THAT:

- 1. the Chief Executive Officer send a letter to the Government of Canada, with copies sent to the Nisga'a Villages:
  - a. indicating that Nisga'a Lisims Government does not object to federal government departments entering into contribution agreements directly with the Nisga'a Village Governments; and
  - requesting that copies of those contribution agreements be provided to Nisga'a Lisims Government: and
- 2. the Chief Executive Officer send letters to the federal departments of Indigenous Services Canada and Crown-Indigenous Relations, on the one hand, and each Nisga'a Village Government, on the other, encouraging them to work together to resolve any outstanding reporting requirements in respect of Nisga'a Village projects funded through the master contribution agreement between the Government of Canada and the Nisga'a Nation.

#### Resolution 2021 / 39

#### **CONSIDERING THAT**

- A. Canada has proposed amendments to the Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing Agreement (No. 3) so that certain incremental funding will flow to the Nisga'a Nation as grant funding;
- B. The Nisga'a Finance Committee has approved a report recommending that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a ratify Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing Agreement (No. 3) Amending Agreement #3 among the Nisga'a Nation, Canada and British Columbia (the "NNFFA No. 3 Amending Agreement #3");

MOVED THAT Executive recommend to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a ratify the NNFFA No. 3 Amending Agreement #3 substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A".

#### Resolution 2021 / 40

CONSIDERING THAT under section 29 of the *Nisga'a*Financial Administration Act, the Nisga'a Lisims
Government Executive (the "Executive") must recommend
to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a the draft budget for the Nisga'a
Nation for the next fiscal year by March 27, 2021;

#### MOVED THAT the Executive

- approve the draft budget for the 2021/2022 fiscal year, substantially in the form attached to this motion; and
- direct the Chief Financial Officer to prepare a letter from the Executive to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a, to be tabled at the next Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a meeting scheduled to begin on March 29, 2021, that includes:
  - a. the recommended budget;
  - a statement, prepared by the Chief Financial
     Officer in accordance with the Nisga'a Nation
     established accounting policies, of the revenue

and expenditure of the Nisga'a Nation from the end of the fiscal year to the most recent date practicable; and

 a copy of the audited financial statements for the Nisga'a Nation for the most recently completed fiscal year.

#### Resolution 2021 / 41

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Finance Committee at its March 11, 2021 meeting recommended to the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") that a distribution via the \$5,000,000 COVID-19 budget appropriation be made in the amount of \$39,250 to the Village of Gitlaxt'aamiks to cover costs incurred by the Village for holding meetings in person of some Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a members during the COVID-19 pandemic;

MOVED THAT the Executive adopt the recommendation of the Nisga'a Finance Committee and make the distribution to the Village of Gitlaxt'aamiks as outlined above.

#### Resolution 2021 / 42

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government

- receive the minutes for the Nisga'a Finance Committee meetings dated March 8 to 10, March 11, and March 17, 2021; and
- 2. accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee as set out in item no. 9 and its motion #5-2021-03-17.

#### Resolution 2021 / 43

CONSIDERING THAT by Executive resolution 2018/135 the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") established the Department of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations and the office of Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations of Nisga'a Lisims Government;

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AND CONSIDERING THAT under section 5(2)(q) of the Nisga'a Personnel Administration Act (the "Act") the Chief Executive Officer, with the prior approval of the Executive, is responsible for appointing persons to office as Nisga'a Lisims Government Directors:

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Mr. Eric Nyce, the Acting Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations, has indicated his willingness to accept appointment as Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations;

MOVED THAT under section 5(2)(q) of the Act the Executive approve the appointment of Mr. Eric Nyce as Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations.

#### Resolution 2021 / 44

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed a recommendation provided by the Lands and Resources Committee concerning the HIgu Isgwit Hot Springs site;

MOVED THAT the Executive accept the recommendation of the Lands and Resources Committee and approve of the re-opening of the Hlgu Isgwit Hot Springs site to Nisga'a Citizens, by appointment, and limited to "family bubbles."

#### Resolution 2021 / 45

CONSIDERING THAT by resolution 2020/177 the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government unanimously expressed its support for a grant application brought forward by the Acting Director of Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations (the "Director") on behalf of the four Nisga'a Villages and Nisga'a Lisims Government to the Union of British Columbia Municipalities for grant funding (the "UBCM Housing Needs Report Program grant application");

AND CONSIDERING THAT UBCM has requested clarification by Executive that each of the four Nisga'a Villages support the Director to apply for, receive and manage the grant funds on behalf of the Villages;

MOVED THAT the Executive hereby confirm that resolution 2020/177 was intended to and does demonstrate the support

of the four Nisga'a Villages, acting through their Chief Councillors at Executive, for the Director to apply for, receive and manage the grant funds on behalf of the Villages.

#### Resolution 2021 / 46

CONSIDERING THAT:

- the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") has determined that it is in the interests of the Nisga'a Nation to continue administration of Medical Services Plan enrollment ("MSP administration") for Nisga'a individuals residing within British Columbia;
- the First Nations Health Authority ("FNHA") has the capacity to continue carrying out MSP administration for Nisga'a individuals residing within British Columbia;
- the FNHA and Nisga'a Lisims Government have developed a Memorandum of Agreement (the "MSP Agreement"), under which the FNHA will continue carrying out MSP administration for Nisga'a individuals residing within British Columbia on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation; and
- the Executive considers the substantive terms of the MSP Agreement advisable and in the interests of the Nisga'a Nation.

MOVED THAT the Executive, on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation:

- 1. approve; and
- authorize and direct the President to execute, the MSP Agreement, substantially in the form attached to this motion or with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Executive Director, in consultation with the Officers of Nisga'a Lisims Government.

In addition to the items referenced above, regular business carried out by the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government includes opening prayer, adoption of agenda, minutes and financial statements.

# Resolutions from NLG Executive Meeting /

# April 21-23 / 2021

The following is a summary, and is not an exhaustive list of all Executive Resolutions e.g. "Adoption of the Agenda" is not included.

#### Resolution 2021 / 49

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 2020-2021 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;
- 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 2021 / 50

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims
Government (the "Executive") has received a letter dated
April 5, 2021 from the First Nations LNG Alliance (the
"FNLNGA") inviting the Nisga'a Nation to attend a meeting
to discuss participating in the FNLNGA board;

MOVED THAT the Executive authorize the Officers to meet with the Alliance on May 28, 2021 in order to understand the Alliance's mandate and to bring forward the information necessary to assist the Executive to make a decision on whether or not to join the FNLNGA board.

#### Resolution 2021 / 51

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has received notice that Enbridge Inc. ("Enbridge") has graciously offered a bursary in the amount of \$2000 for the benefit of learners within the Nisga'a communities;

MOVED THAT the Executive direct the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government to provide the bursary to School District No. 92 (Nisga'a) and to draft a letter of thanks to Enbridge from the Nisga'a Nation for the President's signature.

#### Resolution 2021 / 54

CONSIDERING THAT the term of the Nisga'a-Canada Joint Trustee of the Lisims Fisheries Conservation Trust is to expire on July 12, 2021;

MOVED THAT the Executive re-appoint and recommend to Canada the re-appointment of Mr. John David West as the Joint Trustee of the Lisims Fisheries Conservation Trust, for the term commencing July 12, 2021.

#### Resolution 2021 / 56

CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Finance Committee has recommended that the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") direct the Chief Financial Officer to compile options for aid for commercial opportunities held by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and Nisga'a Individual Sales, which recommendation is set out at item 7 of the minutes from the Nisga'a Finance Committee meeting of April 14, 2021 attached as Appendix "A" to this motion;

MOVED THAT the Executive adopt the recommendation of the Finance Committee as above.

#### Resolution 2021 / 57

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to section 22 of the *Nisga'a Fisheries and Wildlife Act*, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") must adopt a proposed annual wildlife management plan prepared by the Director of Fish and Wildlife (the "Director");

#### MOVED THAT the Executive:

- approve and adopt the proposed Nisga'a Annual Wildlife Management Plan for 2021/2022 prepared by the Director, substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Proposed Annual Wildlife Management Plan"), with such modifications as may be determined to be appropriate by the Director in consultation with the Chief Executive Officer of Nisga'a Lisims Government, and
- 2. direct the Director to forward the Proposed Annual Wildlife Management Plan to the Wildlife Committee.

#### Resolution 2021 / 58

CONSIDERING THAT Lax Do'oots'ip is identified as a Heritage Preservation Zone under the Nisga'a Lisims Government Land Use Plan (2002);

AND CONSIDERING THAT a management plan was prepared for Lax Do'oots'ip dated March 18, 2014 (the "Management Plan") which recognizes both the cultural important of Lax Do'oots'ip and the desire to develop Lax Do'oots'ip in a responsible and sensitive manner;

AND CONSIDERING THAT Macdonald Christopher Stanley has requested the issuance of licence of occupation over Lot #35 of Lax Do'oots'ip issued under section 17 of the *Nisga'a Land Act* to develop a fish camp;

MOVED THAT under section 6(2) of the *Nisga'a Land Act*, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive grant Macdonald Christopher Stanley a licence of occupation in the form substantially the same as the one attached to this motion as Appendix "A" which is the same form as the licence attached to the Management Plan.

- the Director of Lands and Resources, on behalf of the Executive, be authorized to deliver to Macdonald Christopher Stanley, for execution and return, a licence of occupation substantially in the form attached to this motion as Appendix "A"; and
- upon the execution by Macdonald Christopher Stanley and return to the Director of the licence of occupation delivered under paragraph (1) along with the fees requested under the terms of the licence of occupation, the Director be authorized to date and execute the licence of occupation on behalf of the Executive.

#### Resolution 2021 / 59

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") has reviewed

- a briefing report dated April 19, 2021 prepared on behalf of the Director of Lands and Resources (the "briefing report"); and
- a draft agreement with Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd. for performance of key tasks outlined in the briefing report (the "draft agreement with Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd.");

MOVED THAT the Executive receive the briefing report, and direct the Chief Executive Officer to execute the draft agreement with Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd.

#### Resolution 2021 / 60

**CONSIDERING THAT** 

- A. the Nisga'a Nation is considering situating Ksi Lisims LNG on the Wil Milit Category A Lands (the "Site") owned by the Nisga'a Nation;
- B. Stantec has been retained by Ksi Lisims LNG to assist the parties to satisfy the regulatory and technical requirements;

- C. Stantec has applied to the Nisga'a Nation for a permit to gather baseline information and to erect a weather station at the Site:
- D. section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act states that the Executive is responsible for the oversight, management and control of the property of the Nisga'a Nation and may dispose of property in the name of the Nisga'a Nation;

MOVED THAT under section 10(2) of the *Nisga'a Financial Administration Act*, the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive

- grant Stantec, an investigative use permit in the form substantially the same as the one attached to this motion as Appendix "A";
- 2. authorize the Director of Lands and Resources, on behalf of the Executive.
  - a. to deliver to Stantec for execution and return,
     a permit substantially in the form attached to
     this motion as Appendix "A" (the "Permit"); and
  - b. upon the execution by Stantec and return to the
     Director of the Permit delivered under paragraph (a)
     along with the evidence of insurance and the other
     fees requested under the terms the Permit, to date
     and execute the Permit.

#### Resolution 2021 / 61

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims
Government (the "Executive") has reviewed a briefing
report from the Director of Communications and
Intergovernmental Relations (the "Director") entitled
"Options for the Scheduling of Special Assembly"
(the "Options briefing note"), attached as Appendix "A"
to this motion;

MOVED THAT the Executive approve Option #1 as set out in the Options briefing note, and direct the Director to work with the Chief Executive Officer and the Executive on reporting prior to the anticipated in person meeting.

#### Resolution 2021 / 62

CONSIDERING THAT under section 44(3) of the Nisga'a Government Act (the "Act"), the President of Nisga'a Lisims Government has provided to the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") a list of names of persons whom the President recommends for appointment to the Council of Elders; and under section 44(4) of the Act, the Executive must, from the list provided by the President, appoint four regular members and four alternate members of the Council of Elders and designate the alternate members as alternates for particular regular members;

#### MOVED THAT:

- under section 44(4)(a) of the Act, the Executive appoint the following persons as regular members of the Council of Elders, each for a term of office to commence when he/she takes take the oath of office following this appointment and to expire when any member of the Council who is appointed under section 44(4) in November of 2022 takes the oath of office:
  - > Willard A. Martin, Sim'oogit Ńi'isyuus, Laxgalts'ap (Gisk'aast)
  - > Jeffery Clifford Azak, Sim'oogit Axgwindaskw, Gitwinksihlkw (Laxgibuu)
  - > Alvin E. Nelson, Sim'oogit Sim'oogidim Xsgaak, Gingolx (Laxsgiik)
  - > Diane E. Stewart, Sigidim-nak' SiisagamTs'al, Gitlaxt'aamiks, (Ganada)
- 2. under section 44(4)(a) of the Act, the Executive appoint the following persons as alternate members of the Council of Elders, each for a term to commence when he or she takes take the oath of office following this appointment and to expire when any member of the Council who is appointed under section 44(4) in November of 2022 takes the oath of office:
  - Delores McKay, Sigidim-nak' Siwino'okw, Laxgalts'ap (Gisk'aast)
  - Jennifer Haldane, Sigidim-nak' Luu Sgadalks, Laxgalts'ap (Laxgibuu)

- > Elizabeth E. Wright (Betty), Sigidim-nak' Haahlgan, Gitlaxt'aamiks (Laxgibuu)
- > William A. Moore, Sim'oogit Duuk', Laxgalts'ap, (Laxgibuu)
- 3. under section 44(4)(b) of the *Nisga'a Government Act*, the Executive designate:
  - Delores McKay as the alternate member for regular Council member Willard A. Martin
  - Jennifer Haldane as the alternate member for regular Council member Jeffery Clifford Azak
  - Elizabeth E. Wright (Betty) as the alternate member for regular Council member Alvin E. Nelson: and
  - > William A. Moore as the alternate member for regular Council member Diane E. Stewart.

#### Resolution 2021 / 63

CONSIDERING THAT there is a vacancy in the alternate members for the Council of Elders for the term that runs from 2019 to 2021;

MOVED THAT Mr. Claude J. Morven, Sim'oogit Axgibaykw, Gitlaxt'aamiks, (Laxgibuu) be appointed as an alternate for regular Council member Clyde Gary Davis for the remainder of the 2019-2021 term.

In addition to the items referenced above, regular business carried out by the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government includes opening prayer, adoption of agenda, minutes and financial statements.

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# Resolutions from NLG Executive Meeting /

May 26-28 / 2021

The following is a summary, and is not an exhaustive list of all Executive Resolutions e.g. "Adoption of the Agenda" is not included.

#### Resolution 2021 / 71

MOVED THAT the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive nominate Nicole Morven to hold the position of director on the Board of Directors of the Northern Native Fishing Corporation ("NNFC") for the term 2021 to 2023, which nomination will be communicated with the General Manager of NNFC forthwith.

Two members, Charles Morven and Don Leeson, recused themselves from the ballot vote that led to the appointment of Nicole Morven

#### Resolution 2021 / 72

CONSIDERING THAT pursuant to Executive resolution 2016/91 and resolution 2018/140, the Nisga'a Nation agrees to contribute one or more written chapters to the Modern

Treaty Implementation Research Project via the Land Claims Collation Agreement/Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council partnership grant — given a specific request by the principal investigator, Dr. Stephanie Irlbacher-Fox has been made to contribute to an Edited Volume on Best Practices in Modern Treaty Implementation;

AND CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT Dr. Adam Perry will work the CEO and the Elected Officers to determine the content and materials:

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT the Executive will have a final review of any written contributions as Chapters prior to any publication;

MOVED THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government

(1) express its support for the research and compilation of one or more chapters to be contributed to an

edited volume on 'Best Practices in Modern Treaty Implementation' led by Dr. Stephanie Irlbacher-Fox; and

(2) authorize Dr. Perry and his team to compile publication options and relevant material to be considered by Executive for book chapter additions to this volume.

#### Resolution 2021 / 73

CONSIDERING THAT the *Nisga'a Real Property Tax Enforcement Act* (the "Enforcement Act") provides for the filing of prescribed forms in the Nisga'a land title office by the Chief Financial Officer and the collector:

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Executive wishes to enable the Chief Financial Officer and the collector to sign such prescribed forms electronically;

#### MOVED THAT:

- (1) under the Enforcement Act, the Executive enact the Nisga'a Real Property Tax Enforcement Amendment Regulation, 2021 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 Amendment Regulation to evidence its enactment.

#### Resolution 2021 / 75

CONSIDERING THAT under section 3 of the Nisga'a Personnel Administration Act (the "Act"), the Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive (the "Executive") may establish departments and offices of director within the Nisga'a Nation;

CONSIDERING FURTHER THAT, given the evolution of Nisga'a Lisims Government, it has become desirable to establish:

- (1) an Information Technology department (the "Information Technology Department") of Nisga'a Lisims Government; and
- (2) a new Nisga'a Lisims Government Director as the director of the Information Technology Department (the "Director of Information Technology");

MOVED THAT under section 3 of the Act, Executive establish:

- (1) the Department of Information Technology;
- (2) the office of the Director of Information Technology.

#### **Resolution 2021 / 76**

CONSIDERING THAT the Chief Financial Officer has provided to the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") a memorandum entitled "Capital, Housing and Facilities Operations Directorate Budget Amendment" (the "CHFO Budget Amendment memorandum"), attached as Appendix "A" to this motion, which recommends that additional funding be provided in the cost centers for Housing (CC 705), and Capital Projects & Maintenance (CC 900);

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Nisga'a Finance Committee [and the Nisga'a Capital Finance Commission] support the changes proposed in the CHFO Budget Amendment memorandum and have recommended that the Executive approve and recommend the same to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a;

MOVED THAT the Executive

- (1) approve the changes proposed in the CHFO Budget Amendment memorandum and
- (2) recommend to Wilp Si'ayuukhl Nisga'a that the Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Budget be amended to reflect the details outlined in the CHFO Budget Amendment memorandum.

#### Resolution 2021 / 77

#### CONSIDERING THAT:

- A. The Nisga'a Nation owns lands at Meziadin legally described as PID: 015-634-787, District Lot 2630 Cassiar District Except Plan PRP44665 (the "Lands").
- B. The Lands are currently unoccupied.
- C. The Director of Lands and Resources (the "Director") would like to rent the bunkhouse, mechanical shop and a portion of the Lands (the "Premises") to West Point Timber & Rail Co. Ltd. ("West Point").
- D. The rental amounts received by NLG will help offset the costs of maintaining the Premises and the Lands.
- E. The Director presented this proposal to the Lands & Resources Committee and the committee supported the proposal and asked the Director to bring the proposal to Executive for consideration and approval.
- F. Section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act states that the Executive is responsible for the oversight, management and control of the property of the Nisga'a Nation.

MOVED THAT pursuant to section 10(2) of the Nisga'a Financial Administration Act, Nisga'a Lisims Government Executive authorizes the Director, acting on behalf of the Nisga'a Nation, to:

- (1) make an offer to rent the Premises to West Point for an amount no less than \$8,000/month;
- (2) finalize the terms and conditions of a licence of occupation substantially in the same format as the one attached at Schedule "A" (the "Agreement"); and
- (3) deliver the Agreement to West Point for execution and, once the Agreement is executed by West Point and returned to the Director, to date, execute and deliver a signed copy of the Agreement with whatever ancillary documents may be required or desirable to finalize the rental arrangements with West Point all on behalf of the Executive.

#### Resolution 2021 / 78

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government (the "Executive") approved, pursuant to resolution 2008 / 177, amended terms of reference for the Executive standing committees (the "2008 TOR");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the 2008 TOR provide that an Executive standing committee may meet no more than six times a year (the "Executive standing committee meeting limit");

AND CONSIDERING THAT the Lands and Resources Committee has recommended that the Executive standing committee meeting limit in the 2008 TOR be removed;

MOVED THAT the Executive direct the In House Legal Counsel to prepare a draft amendment of the 2008 TOR

- 1. removing the Executive standing committee meeting limit, and
- 2. replacing section 9(1)(a) of the 2008 TOR with the phrase "ensure the committee meets at least once in each quarter of the fiscal year".

#### Resolution 2021 / 79

CONSIDERING THAT the Public Order, Peace and Safety Committee (the "POPS Committee") has reviewed the Community Tripartite Agreement (the "CTA") and is aware that the Lisims Detachment of the Royal Canadian Mounted Policy (the "RCMP") is currently experiencing a significant shortage of members;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the POPS Committee is concerned that the shortage of members at the Lisims Detachment is affecting the safety and well-being of citizens in the Nass;

AND CONSIDERING THAT the POPS Committee has passed a motion recommending that the Executive direct a letter to be drafted for the President's signature addressing the concern;

MOVED THAT the Executive

- (1) accept the recommendation of the POPS Committee; and
- (2) direct that a letter be drafted for the President's signature and addressed to the RCMP requesting immediate attention to the critical situation caused by the lack of members stationed with the Lisims Detachment, and that the letter be sent to representatives of the provincial and federal parties to the CTA.

#### Resolution 2021 / 80

CONSIDERING THAT the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government has received a recommendation from the Council of Elders concerning the importance of encouraging all Nisga'a citizens to accept COVID-19 vaccinations as soon as the vaccines are made available to them;

MOVED THAT the Executive

- (1) accept the recommendation of the Council of Elders; and
- (2) urge all Nisga'a citizens to accept the COVID-19 vaccinations without hesitation as the vaccines become available.

#### Resolution 2021 / 81

CONSIDERING THAT the Council of Elders has passed a motion recommending that the Executive commemorate in a plaque or plaques the first three speeches made in the Nisga'a Lisims Government Chambers by three revered leaders of the Nisga'a Nation, the late Dr. Joseph Gosnell, the late Dr. Frank Calder and the late Hubert Doolan:

MOVED THAT the Executive

- (1) accept the recommendation of the Council of Elders Committee; and
- (2) direct the Director of Programs and Services and the Director of Communications to work together to research the language used by the late leaders and create a plaque or plaques as recommended by the Council of Elders.

In addition to the items referenced above, regular business carried out by the Executive of Nisga'a Lisims Government includes opening prayer, adoption of agenda, minutes and financial statements.





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