



Treaty Negotiations Office

Report on

Implementation Activities Undertaken by

British Columbia

Pursuant to the

Nisga'a Final Agreement

May 11, 2000 - March 31, 2001

Foreword

The British Columbia Government is pleased to provide a report on the implementation activities undertaken by the Province in connection to the Nisga'a Final Agreement.

The Nisga'a Final Agreement is a tripartite agreement ratified and brought into effect by the Nisga'a Nation, Government of Canada and Government of British Columbia. The Agreement was initialled on August 4, 1998 and subsequently ratified by the Nisga'a, Canada and British Columbia. The Agreement came into effect on the Effective Date, May 11, 2000.

The full text of the Nisga'a Final Agreement is available at the Treaty Negotiations Office (formerly Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs) Web site:

http://www.aaf.gov.bc.ca/treaty/nisgaa/docs/nisga_agreement.stm

The Nisga'a Final Agreement Side Agreements and Implementation Plan are available as PDF files from the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada Web site:

http://www.ainc-inac.gc.ca/pr/agr/nsga/index_e.html

This report focuses on the implementation activities undertaken by the Province for the first-year period of the Nisga'a Final Agreement from the Effective Date, May 11, 2000, to the end of the fiscal year, March 31, 2001. Further details regarding implementation activities of the other two Parties to the Nisga'a Final Agreement – the Nisga'a Nation and the Government of Canada – may be obtained by contacting the Parties directly.

The Treaty Negotiations Office is currently the lead provincial agency charged with meeting Nisga'a Final Agreement obligations. The Office's Implementation and Settlement Legislation Branch manages this responsibility.

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1. BRITISH COLUMBIA'S APPROACH TO IMPLEMENTING THE NISGA'A FINAL AGREEMENT

British Columbia ratified the Nisga'a Final Agreement, including the enactment of the *Nisga'a Final Agreement Act*, S.B.C. 1999, c.2. The Act was given Royal Assent on April 26, 1999.

During the period covered by this report, the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs was the lead agency charged with meeting the Province's Nisga'a Final Agreement obligations. The Implementation and Settlement Legislation Branch managed this responsibility.

Implementation is decentralized to ensure the wide range of provincial obligations arising from the Nisga'a Final Agreement is met. Individual ministries and agencies carry out the specific implementation activities falling within their mandated areas of responsibility. The Implementation and Settlement Legislation Branch of the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs provides advice and assistance where required to these provincial ministries and agencies. The branch represents the Province on the tripartite Implementation and Finance Committees, on which the Nisga'a and Canada participate. It also manages provincial capital transfers to the Nisga'a Nation as required under the Agreement.

During the 2000/01 reporting year, provincial implementation activities were undertaken by the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs, the Ministry of Forests, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, the Ministry of the Attorney General and the Ministry of Transportation and Highways. Several Crown and private corporations, including BC Hydro and TELUS, were also involved in implementation.

In June 2001, the provincial administration changed. As a result, government ministries were re-organized and responsibilities re-aligned. The responsibility for leading provincial implementation activities post-June 2001 is vested with the Treaty Negotiations Office.

2. NISGA'A FINAL AGREEMENT IMPLEMENTING BODIES

Implementation of the Nisga'a Final Agreement is undertaken by the three Parties to the Agreement – the Nisga'a Nation, Canada and British Columbia. The following bodies, tripartite and bilateral, were established to undertake specific implementation activities. (For membership details see Appendix 2).

2.1. Implementation Committee

In accordance with the Nisga'a Final Agreement Implementation Chapter, Canada, B.C. and the Nisga'a established the Implementation Committee on May 11, 2000 for a term of 10 years. The committee provides a forum for the Parties to discuss the implementation of the Agreement. The committee will attempt to resolve any implementation issues to reduce the reliance of the Parties on the formal Nisga'a Final Agreement Dispute Resolution process. The Implementation Plan for the Nisga'a Final Agreement outlines activities the committee is to undertake and provides for the preparation of annual reports on these activities.

The Implementation Committee consists of three members, one appointed by each of the three Parties. The committee met four times during the 2000/01 reporting year.

2.2 Tripartite Finance Committee

In accordance with the Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing and the Own Source Revenue Agreements, the Parties established the Tripartite Finance Committee on the Effective Date. The committee is required to meet at least once a year to carry out an annual review for each of these side agreements. The committee is also a forum for the Parties to fulfill reporting requirements for programs and services and to share financial information.

During the first two years of the Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing Agreement, the Tripartite Finance Committee will establish terms of reference for a comprehensive review of this Agreement and carry out the review in the fourth year of the Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing Agreement.

The committee will also undertake comprehensive reviews of the Own Source Revenue Agreement in years eight and 15.

Where the Parties agree, the committee may recommend changes to either Agreement.

The Tripartite Finance Committee consists of three members, one appointed by each of the three Parties to the Nisga'a Final Agreement. The committee met once during the 2000/01 reporting year.

2.3 Enrolment Appeal Board

Canada and the Nisga'a Nation established the Enrolment Appeal Board on the Effective Date in accordance with the Eligibility and Enrolment Chapter of the Nisga'a Final Agreement. The purpose of the board is to hear any appeals arising from decisions made by the Enrolment Committee regarding the eligibility of individuals to be enrolled under the Nisga'a Final Agreement. Applicants to the Enrolment Committee, the Parties to the Nisga'a Final Agreement or a Nisga'a Village may appeal to the board decisions made by the Enrolment Committee. These appeals must be made during the two-year period after the Effective Date. The Enrolment Appeal Board will be dissolved once it has made decisions on each appeal made during this two-year period.

The board consists of three members, one from Canada, one from the Nisga'a Nation and a jointly-appointed chairperson.

2.4 Nass Wildlife Committee

The Nass Wildlife Committee was established on the Effective Date in accordance with the Wildlife and Migratory Birds Chapter of the Nisga'a Final Agreement. The committee's purpose is to facilitate wildlife management within the Nass Wildlife Area. The committee provides advice and recommendations to the provincial Minister responsible for wildlife and to the Nisga'a Lisims Government. Committee recommendations may relate to: conservation requirements it considers advisable for wildlife species within the Nass Wildlife Area; designated species; total allowable harvest levels for designated species; and annual management plans including requirements for wildlife species other than designated species.

The Nass Wildlife Committee also advises the Minister and Nisga'a Lisims Government with respect to: the design of studies; amendments to laws that apply to the management of wildlife and wildlife harvests; and wildlife management policies, projects, plans and programs that significantly affect the Nass Wildlife Area.

In addition, the committee is responsible for developing long-term wildlife management plans it considers necessary to the its operation; facilitating the sharing of information and plans for existing and proposed wildlife harvesting that could affect or be affected by Nisga'a wildlife harvesting; and communicating with other management or advisory bodies about matters of mutual interest.

After considering the recommendations of the committee, the provincial Minister responsible for wildlife management reviews and provides a final Total Annual Harvest determination for designated species in the Nass Wildlife Area, and reviews and provides final approval of the Annual Management Plan for the Nisga'a harvest of designated species in the Nass Wildlife Area.

The membership of the Nass Wildlife Committee consists of a maximum of nine people. British Columbia and the Nisga'a Nation may appoint up to four members each. Canada appoints one member. The members representing the Nisga'a Nation, Canada and British Columbia are responsible for functions with respect to fish that are defined as wildlife fish species. The members representing the Nisga'a Nation and British Columbia are responsible for functions with respect to all other wildlife species.

The committee met seven times during the 2000/01 reporting year. Its activities are outlined in the Wildlife Implementation Activities Section of this report.

2.5 Forestry Transition Committee

In accordance with the Forest Resources Chapter of the Nisga'a Final Agreement, the Nisga'a Nation and British Columbia established the Forestry Transition Committee on the Effective Date. With respect to Nisga'a Lands, the committee has sole authority for approving, extending or issuing, or exempting the requirement for forest development plans and amendments in respect of timber harvesting and related activities carried out during the transition period (defined in the Nisga'a Final Agreement to be five years from the Effective Date); silviculture prescriptions and amendments submitted by the holder of a licence to carry out timber harvesting proposed for the fourth and fifth years of the transition period; all cutting permits and road permits required by the holder of a licence to carry out timber harvesting and related activities during the fifth year of the transition period; and all road use permits required during the transition period. The committee may also exempt a person from any requirement to comply with operational planning constraints specified in Appendix H of the Nisga'a Final Agreement.

The Nisga'a Nation and British Columbia each appoint one member to the Forestry Transition Committee. The committee met five times during the 2000/01 reporting year. Its activities are outlined in the Forestry Implementation Section of this report.

2.6 Joint Fisheries Management Committee

In accordance with the Fisheries Chapter of the Nisga'a Final Agreement, the Parties established the Joint Fisheries Management Committee on the Effective Date. The committee was established to facilitate co-operative planning and conduct for Nisga'a fisheries and enhancements in the Nass Area.

The committee is responsible for making recommendations to either the federal or provincial Minister and Nisga'a Lisims Government with respect to: other conservation requirements and the management of fish and aquatic plants; Nisga'a overages and underages; annual fishing plans; and studies for enhancement, enhancement initiatives and surpluses. The committee also makes recommendations to the trustees of the Lisims Fisheries Conservation Trust regarding projects, programs and activities to be funded with expenditures from that trust.

The committee functions as an advisory body with respect to escapement goals, determination of basic Nisga'a fish entitlements to non-salmon species and aquatic plants, and co-ordination and adjustments of Nisga'a annual fishing plans. Other responsibilities include: sharing information and plans for existing and proposed fisheries that could affect or be affected by Nisga'a fisheries; arranging for collection and exchange of data required to carry out the provisions of the Fisheries Chapter of the Nisga'a Final Agreement; and communicating with other management or advisory bodies regarding matters of mutual interest.

After considering the recommendations of the Joint Fisheries Management Committee, the appropriate Minister (federal or provincial dependent upon relative jurisdiction) reviews and provides final approval of the Nisga'a annual fishing plans.

The committee has six members, two appointed by each of the three Parties. The members appointed by the Nisga'a Nation and Canada are responsible for functions regarding fisheries managed by Canada, and the members appointed by the Nisga'a Nation and British Columbia are responsible for functions with respect to fisheries managed by British Columbia.

The committee met four times in the 2000/01 reporting year. Committee activities are outlined in the Fisheries Implementation section of this report.

2.7 Joint Park Management Committee

In accordance with the Lands Chapter of the Nisga'a Final Agreement, the Nisga'a Nation and British Columbia agreed to continue the Joint Park Management Committee established under the Memorandum of Understanding between the Nisga'a Tribal Council and British Columbia on April 30, 1992.

The committee reviews and makes recommendations to the Minister and Nisga'a Lisims Government regarding: the development and periodic revision of the master plan, and all other plans applicable to or proposed for the Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Park or *Anhluut'ukwsim Laxmihl Angwinga'asanskwahl Nisga'a* (the Park); encumbrances, park use permits, and other interests and authorizations applicable to or proposed for the Park; any business plans, operations budgets and capital budgets proposed for the Park; archaeological and other research projects, cultural and interpretative programs, publications and communications strategies proposed for the Park or the Gingietl Creek Ecological Reserve; planning and management of activities, including development, on Crown land and Nisga'a Lands that could affect the Park; issues relating to the Gingietl Creek Ecological Reserve; and issues relating to traditional uses of resources, including cedar trees.

The Joint Park Management Committee consists of a maximum of six members with no more than three members appointed from each of the Nisga'a Nation and British Columbia. The committee met twice during the reporting period.

3. IMPLEMENTATION ACTIVITIES UNDERTAKEN IN 2000/01

3.1 Effective Date Activities

The Nisga'a Final Agreement came into effect on May 11, 2000. In addition to the Nisga'a Final Agreement, the following side agreements, contemplated by but not part of the Nisga'a Final Agreement, also came into effect on the Effective Date:

- The Nisga'a Nation Fiscal Financing Agreement provides funding to the Nisga'a Nation from Canada and British Columbia to enable the provision of agreed-upon public programs and services on Nisga'a Lands. Details on specific programs and services such as health care and education are provided in each section of this report.
- The Nisga'a Nation Taxation Agreement sets out provisions on income and goods and services taxes, and other taxes as they relate to the Nisga'a Nation.
- The Nisga'a Harvest Agreement provides the Nisga'a with an allocation of sockeye and pink salmon.
- The Nisga'a Nation Own Source Revenue Agreement sets out how the Nisga'a will contribute to the costs of Nisga'a government. The 12-year phase-in period begins two years following the Effective Date.

The Parties negotiated an extensive range of obligations to be performed on the Effective Date that required considerable tripartite co-ordination of activities. To ensure that activities arising from the Effective Date obligations were fulfilled, a Closing Procedures Protocol Agreement, including a Closing Agenda, was negotiated.

Provincial preparation for the Nisga'a Final Agreement Effective Date activities was directed by the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs with legal support from the Ministry of Attorney General and technical support from other provincial ministries. Legislative Counsel, with advice from the Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs and the Aboriginal Law Group in the Ministry of Attorney General, prepared the provincial settlement legislation required to bring the Nisga'a Final Agreement into effect.

To ensure the Effective Date obligations were met, British Columbia ensured that the majority of some 800 documents were prepared and ready to be exchanged on the Effective Date. One of the Province's responsibilities was to prepare all replacement tenure documents required to be issued by the Nisga'a to third-party interest holders in possession of a valid provincial tenure prior to the Effective Date.

On the Effective Date, British Columbia:

- Transferred \$1.67 million to the Nisga'a Nation under the capital transfer provisions.
- Vested approximately 194,500 hectares (allowing for survey adjustments) of provincial Crown land in the Nisga'a Nation.
- Recorded Nisga'a names, historical background, photographs and audio clips of Nisga'a pronunciation for 52 geographic features in the B.C. Geographic Names Information System.
- Renamed 37 geographic features with Nisga'a names in the B.C. Geographic Names Information System.
- Established the 6.6-hectare Bear Glacier Provincial Park.
- Established an annual 300,000 cubic decametre water reserve from the Nass River or other streams within Nisga'a Lands for the Nisga'a Nation for domestic, industrial and agricultural purposes.
- Established a Nisga'a Hydro Power Reservation for a 20-year period to cover the unrecorded waters of all streams, other than the Nass River, that are wholly or partially within Nisga'a Lands.
- Surveyed sections of the boundary of Nisga'a Lands during the reporting year. The remainder is to be completed in year two (2001/02).
- Surveyed the boundaries of provincial Crown lands that became Category B Lands and additions to Category A Lands. Category A and B Lands are Nisga'a fee simple lands outside of Nisga'a Lands.
- Registered Category A and B Nisga'a fee simple lands in the Prince George Land Title Office.
- Designated four provincial heritage sites. These sites lie outside the boundary of Nisga'a Lands, and are of cultural and historic significance to the Nisga'a Nation. The sites are each approximately one hectare, and include the mouth of Kelskiist Creek, a rock outcrop along Treaty Creek, a peninsula in Nass Lake and one section of the Grease Trail.
- Registered trap line 616T014 lying within Nisga'a Lands to the Nisga'a Nation.

3.2 Resource Activities

Fisheries

- British Columbia, Canada and the Nisga'a Nation formed the Joint Fisheries Management Committee.
- A Joint Technical Committee was established to assist the Joint Fisheries Management Committee in areas requiring scientific and technical expertise.

- The Joint Fisheries Management Committee recommended the Nisga’a Annual Fishing Plan for 2000/01 for approval by the federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans, based on procedures set out in the Nisga’a Fisheries Operational Guidelines.
- British Columbia provided \$5.95 million to the Nisga'a Nation for participation in the commercial fishery on the Effective Date. The funds enabled the Nisga'a Nation to increase its capacity by purchasing commercial licences or vessels and licences.
- British Columbia established Intertidal Bivalve Harvest Areas in Observatory Inlet, Nasoga’a Gulf and Winter Inlet on the Effective Date. British Columbia is responsible for regulating the harvest of oysters, while Canada is responsible for other bivalves.
- British Columbia issued an angling guide licence to the Nisga'a Nation for specific water courses in the Nass Area.

Forestry

- British Columbia and the Nisga’a Nation established the Forestry Transition Committee on the Effective Date.
- The Nisga’a Final Agreement provides for a five-year transition period that allows for the continued harvest of forest resources on Nisga’a Lands by forestry companies.
- British Columbia allocated the annual timber volumes set out in the Nisga’a Final Agreement among existing tenure holders on Nisga’a Lands during the five-year transition period.
- The Forestry Transition Committee reviewed two Forest Development Plans for harvesting on Nisga’a Lands and approved one. A public review of this plan was then conducted.
- The committee provided Forest Development Plans to the Joint Fisheries Management and Nass Wildlife Committees for review.
- The committee established a process for timber marking on cut blocks straddling the boundary between Crown land and Nisga’a Lands.
- British Columbia transferred Same Economic Position payments, as required under the Nisga’a Final Agreement, on a quarterly basis to the Nisga’a Nation for timber harvested on Nisga’a Lands by forest companies under timber tenures issued by the Province. During the reporting period, Same Economic Payments from the Province to the Nisga’a Nation totalled \$537,839 on a harvested volume of 89,640 cubic meters. British Columbia and the Nisga’a Nation have not yet agreed on a conversion factor to complete the Same Economic Position calculations.
- The Province, through the Forest Practices Board, started the required annual audits on the five licensee operations on Nisga’a Lands.

Wildlife

- British Columbia, Canada and the Nisga’a Nation formed the Nass Wildlife Committee.
- In January and February 2001, the Nass Wildlife Committee, pursuant to the Nisga’a Final Agreement, submitted to the Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks for review: recommendations for the Total Allowable Harvest for 2000/01 for designated species within the Nass Wildlife Area; and the Nass Wildlife Management Plan, including the 2000/01 Nisga'a Annual Management Plan for Nisga'a harvest of designated species within the Nass Wildlife Area.
- In March 2001, British Columbia reviewed and approved the 2000/01 Nisga'a Annual Wildlife Management Plan and set the Nisga'a allocation of designated species at two grizzly bears, 70 moose and 34 mountain goats.
- Operational delays in finalizing the Annual Management Plan and the Total Allowable Harvest for 2000/01 resulted in British Columbia not approving harvest levels in the Nass Wildlife Area until after the 2000/01 harvest season had ended.
- The Nisga’a harvest of designated species within the Nass Wildlife Area in 2000/01 was zero grizzly bears, zero mountain goats and 111 moose.
- The Province conducted a moose population survey in early 2001, which resulted in an upward adjustment to the Total Allowable Harvest level for moose in the Nass Wildlife Area for 2001/02. An allocation of 126 moose to the Nisga’a Nation in 2001/02 was approved.

Other Resource Activities

- British Columbia issued a 27-year Commercial Recreation Tenure to Lisims Backcountry Adventures, a Nisga’a Corporation. The tenure allows the corporation to operate backcountry recreation operations for general guided mountaineering and/or hiking on a commercial basis. The tenure requires that operations be carried out according to the Nisga’a Commercial Recreation Tenure Management Plan.

3.3 Program and Service Activities

Under the Fiscal Financing Agreement:

- British Columbia provided annual funding of \$226,000 to the Nisga’a Nation for Nisga’a post-secondary education and training programs.

- British Columbia provided ambulance services similar to that provided elsewhere in the province and was ready to deliver emergency response co-ordination service on Nisga'a Lands in the event the Nisga'a Lisims Government was not yet able to respond at that level.
- British Columbia agreed to continued annual funding for physician, diagnostic and treatment services on Nisga'a Lands to a maximum of \$1.25 million annually. The amount for the full fiscal year ending March 31, 2001 was \$1,231,854.

3.4 Culture and Heritage Activities

- British Columbia transferred ownership of the artifacts listed in the Nisga'a Final Agreement Appendix L-3 from the Royal British Columbia Museum's collections to the Nisga'a Nation. The artifacts included approximately 180 ceremonial and utilitarian items that were recognized as being integral to the continuation of Nisga'a culture, values and tradition. British Columbia continues to store the artifacts at the Royal British Columbia Museum at the request of the Nisga'a Nation pending the construction of a facility to house the artifacts on Nisga'a Lands.
- British Columbia placed a temporary exhibit of Nisga'a artifacts from the collections of the Royal British Columbia Museum in the Provincial Legislative Buildings as part of the Effective Date celebrations.

3.5 Roads and Access Activities

- British Columbia and the Nisga'a Nation commenced work on the Effective Date of the Nisga'a Final Agreement to develop a joint Gravel Management Plan between the Nisga'a Nation and the Ministry of Transportation and Highways to manage the gravel pits existing on Nisga'a Lands.
- Ministry of Transportation and Highways began upgrading the Nisga'a Highway through Nisga'a Lands under the Nisga'a Highway Agreement, an agreement separate from the Nisga'a Final Agreement. Sections of the Nisga'a Highway from Sand Lake to Lava Lake and through the Lava Beds were upgraded in the first year. When completed, the upgrade will include paving and re-alignment of the Nisga'a Highway to provincial standards for a two-lane, 70-km/hour design speed highway.
- Ministry of Transportation and Highways began construction of the Nisga'a Highway extension from the Village of Laxgalts'ap to the Village of Gingolx. Route selection and right-of-way clearing started during the reporting year. The extension of this provincial highway is being funded under a separate tripartite agreement between Canada, British Columbia and the Nisga'a Nation.

Appendix 1 – Schedule of 2000/01 Capital Transfer Payments

Date	Payment Source	Capital Transfer to Nisga'a Nation
May 11, 2000	Government of Canada	\$ 20,347,407.20
May 11, 2000	Government of British Columbia	\$ 1,674,323.80

Appendix 2 – Membership of Implementing Bodies (as at March 31, 2001)

Implementation Committee

Nisga'a Nation:

Ed Allen, CEO, Nisga'a Lisims Government

Canada:

Pat Yakura, Manager, Treaty Implementation Unit, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

British Columbia:

Nancy Besharah, Director Implementation and Settlement Legislation Branch, Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs

Tripartite Finance Committee

Nisga'a Nation:

Ed Wright, Secretary Treasurer, Nisga'a Lisims Government

Canada:

Pat Yakura, Manager, Treaty Implementation Unit, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

British Columbia:

Nancy Besharah, Director Implementation and Settlement Legislation Branch, Ministry of Aboriginal Affairs

Enrolment Appeal Board

Nisga'a Nation:

Edward Allen, CEO, Nisga'a Lisims Government

Canada:

Bill Wray, Negotiator, Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada

Joint Chairperson:

Shirley Morven, Member, Nisga'a Nation

Nass Wildlife Committee

Nisga'a Nation:

Collier Azak, Director, Lands and Resources, Nisga'a Lisims Government
Charles McKay, Vice President for Terrace Local, Nisga'a Lisims Government
Herbert Morven, Chairperson, Nisga'a Lisims Government
Harry Nyce Sr., Director, Fish and Wildlife, Nisga'a Lisims Government

Canada:

Tom Pendray, Skeena Nass Biologist, Department of Fisheries and Oceans

British Columbia:

Sean Sharpe, Wildlife Section Head, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks
George Schultze, Wildlife Technician, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks
Ray Collingwood, Guide Outfitters Association of British Columbia
Wayne Topolewski, British Columbia Wildlife Federation

Forestry Transition Committee

Nisga'a Nation:

Collier Azak, Director, Lands and Resources, Nisga'a Lisims Government

British Columbia:

Brian Downie, District Manager, Kalum District, Ministry of Forests

Joint Fisheries Management Committee

Nisga'a Nation:

Harry Nyce Sr., Director, Fish and Wildlife, Nisga'a Lisims Government
Cheryl Stevens, Fisheries Manager, Nisga'a Lisims Government

Canada:

John Lubar, North Coast Area Director, Department of Fisheries and Oceans
David Einarson, Area Chief, Department of Fisheries and Oceans

British Columbia:

Dana Atagi, Fisheries Section Head, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks
Bud Graham, Assistant Deputy Minister, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks

Joint Parks Management Committee

Nisga'a Nation:

Herbert Morven, Chairperson, Nisga'a Lisims Government

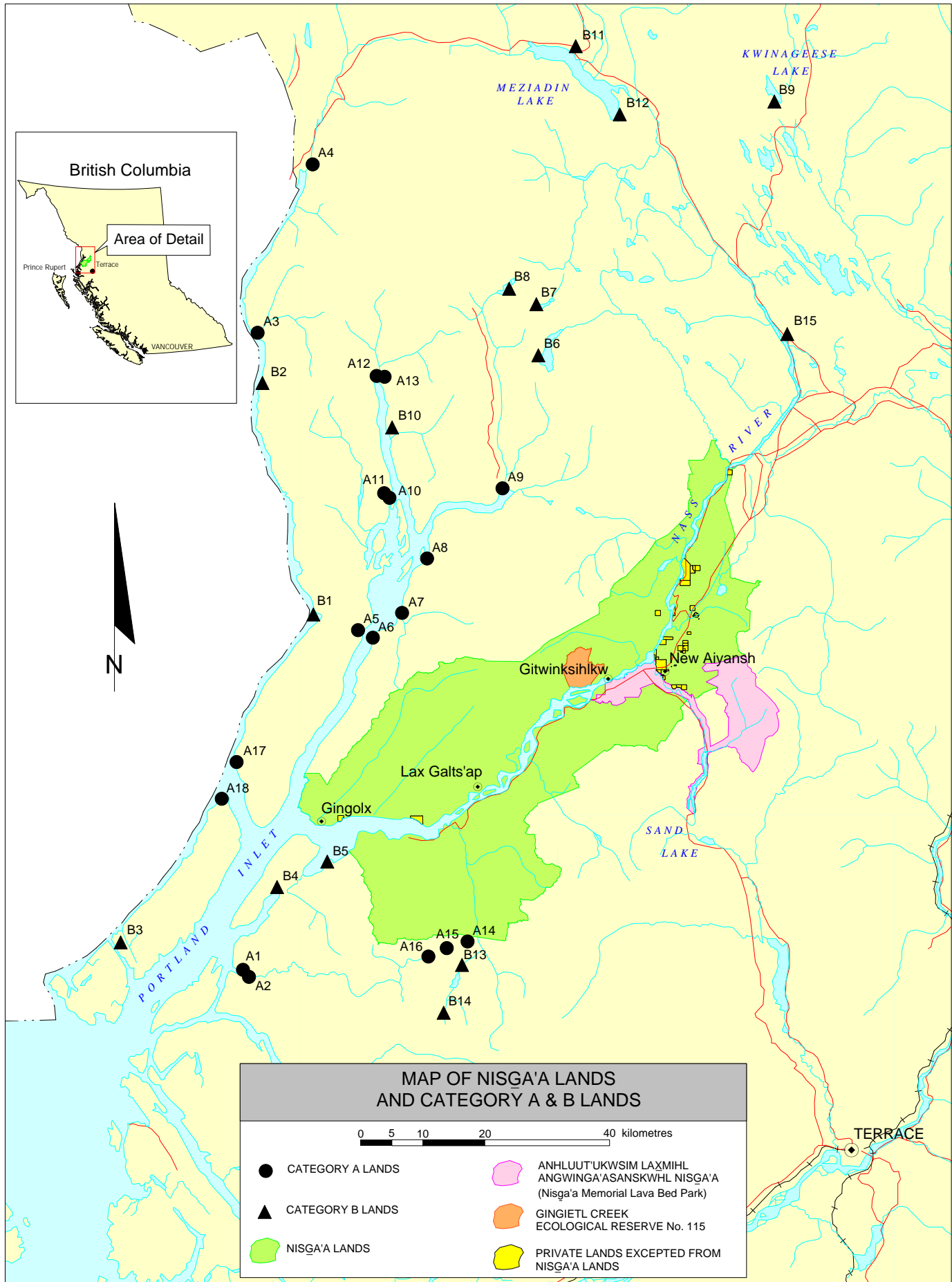
Harry Nyce Sr., Director, Fish and Wildlife, Nisga'a Lisims Government

British Columbia:

Hugh Markides, District Manager, Skeena District, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks

John Trehitt, Area Supervisor, Skeena District, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks

Jamie Hahn, Area Supervisor, Skeena District, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks



**MAP OF NISGA'A LANDS
AND CATEGORY A & B LANDS**

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CATEGORY A LANDS ▲ CATEGORY B LANDS ■ NISGA'A LANDS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ANHLUUT'UKWSIM LAXMIHL ANGWINGA'ASANSKWHL NISGA'A (Nisga'a Memorial Lava Bed Park) ■ GINGIETL CREEK ECOLOGICAL RESERVE No. 115 ■ PRIVATE LANDS EXCEPTED FROM NISGA'A LANDS
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