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Dear T'it'q'et Members/Community Members:

**Re: COVID – 19 Update**

T'it'q'et Council and the Emergency Operation Team met to discuss current issues related to COVID 19 within the community.

1. Fires – T'it'q'et follows the fire guidelines from the province and District of Lillooet because we have an agreement with the District of Lillooet for fire services. Currently, there is a ban on all fires across BC. As of April 16, 2020, campfires will be permitted; however, the following will be prohibited:
  - a. Category 2 open fires;
  - b. Category 3 open fires;
  - c. Resource management open fires;
  - d. The use of fireworks;
  - e. The use of sky lanterns; and
  - f. The use of burn barrels or burn cages of any size or description (except when used for a campfire).
2. Fuel management: Since there is a current fire ban for fuel management purposes, O&M will be ploughing the fields on IR 1 (main reserve) and IR 4 McCartney Flats and some areas of IR 2 Texas Creek. If you are doing yard work and have grass/woody debris you can bag it up and put it out by garbage bin on recycling day for pick up starting on April 22, 2020. T'it'q'et Council has amended the March 27, 2020 State of Emergency Declaration. The amended copy is attached and will be posted online.

A long weekend is coming up and some members may want to gather or come from out of town. Council is requesting members follow the State of Emergency Declaration and stay at home. The more people move, the more the COVID –19 virus spreads.

Signs will be erected onto our reserves once they are received. The signs include local traffic only; policed by St'at'imc Tribal Police (STP), and recreation area closed due to COVID – 19 no public access. The STP may be called if you see any suspicious behavior. The STP non-emergency number is (250) 256- 7784 or emergency number is (250) 256 – 7767. T'it'q'et will be employing some watchmen. This weekend Mark Copeland will be working as the watchman.

The key Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) staff include: Shawn Scotchman, EOC Director, Susan Napoleon, EOC Director Alternate/Logistics and Ken Taylor, Operations. If you have any questions, please contact call (250) 256 – 4118. The website is updated regularly for information [www.titqet.org](http://www.titqet.org). The T'it'q'et Facebook page is also updated with new information.

Please stay safe and continue to practice physical distancing.

Update Issued Jointly by T'it'q'et Chief and Council & Emergency Operations Team