

# February 2018

# Community Events



Recycle Days

February 7 and 21, 2018

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P'egp'ig'lha Council Meeting – Review "The Lillooet"

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P'egp'ig'lha Council Meeting Council Chambers 9am Food Safe Course Resource room 8:30 AM

Mobile Museum Tour

5:00 - 7:00 PM

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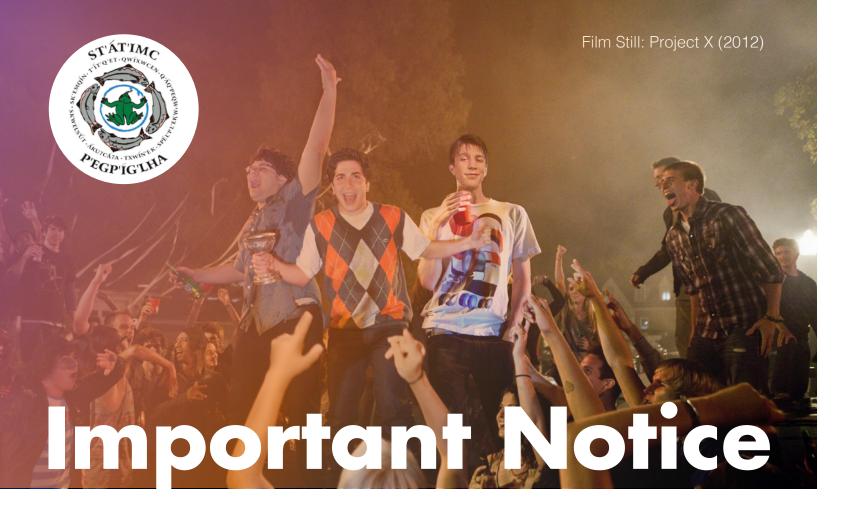
T'it'q'et Council Meeting Council Chambers 9:00 AM

# **2018 Aboriginal Students Awards Program is OPEN!**

Apply now! Selected students will receive up to \$4000. Click here for more information or to apply: http://ow.ly/bRka30hWVph







Attention: T'it'q'et Tenants

Please be informed, you are responsible and will be held liable if any **Underage Youth** are drinking and partying in your home, especially if any youth are injured in any way.

Administration

# **Policy Changes**

Department of Indigenous Services Canada (DISC) Income Assistance Policy Changes Some legal and official changes with AANDC/INAC/DIAND name have now been changed to DISC (Department of Indigenous Services Canada). The provincial counterpart of Income Assistance has also changed to Ministry of Social Development and Poverty Reduction (MSDPR). Additionally there have been some policy changes to the Income Assistance Program as well; all Chapter 10 (Non-Status health benefits) references to the Health Branch or Canada have been switched to the "First Nations Health Authority" (FNHA). All medical costs (on or off-reserve) for "Status" individuals are covered through the First Nations Health Authority (FNHA). This means that the income assistance program does not cover any "Status" medical costs, since FNHA does. For more information, please visit www.fnha.ca or call them at 1-855-550-5454. **Only "non-status" Income Assistance clients living on-reserve are covered by policies outlined under Chapter 10.** 

**Chapter 3.1** Application process has been updated whereas; to include "work search time periods", in accordance with provincial MSDPR standards. Meaning, the application process now has several "Stages" whereas, Stage 1 "**new applicants**" must complete "satisfactory work search or are required to complete a work search lasting five (5) weeks" prior to receiving Income Assistance. Past recipients of income assistance or disability assistance "**reapplying**" for assistance are required to complete a three (3) week work search.

#### Work Search forms can be downloaded from:

http://www.titqet.org/administration/social-development/ at the bottom of the webpage titled "Work Search"

or you can pick up the forms from T'it'q'et Administration office located at #59 Retasket Street.

Reminder that T'it'q'et website is now up and running <a href="http://www.titqet.org/">http://www.titqet.org/</a> I encourage you to visit the site and explore because posts are updated regularly and we are working hard to improve communication to our members and the public at large.

If you have any questions about this please feel free to come and chat with **Shawn Scotchman**,
Social Development Coordinator
or call (250) 256-4118.

Thank you for your time.

### JOB OPPORTUNITY

T'it'q'et is requesting bids for:

### Composting & Recycling Instructor

Project: Conduct a two-day Composting & Recycling Workshop for

T'it'q'et members

Time: End of February - Mid March 2018

2 workshops Minimum 3 hours long per workshop

Bid should include preparation time

Curriculum:

Instructor must create and submit Workshop Curriculum and Power Point presentation

A small budget for Workshop materials will be provided, ie. handouts, promotional materials

Topics to be addressed in Curriculum:

• What is acceptable / unacceptable to compost or recycle

Where to store compost and/or recycling to not attract wildlife

Where to store perishable recycling for pickup

How to prepare and manage community members' backyard composter

How to prepare recycled products for pickup

 What, Where and How to utilize community compost and recycling services offered by T'it'q'et

Please submit bids to: Matthew Davidson by February 10, 2018

Email: <a href="mailto:letsgrowstuff36@gmail.com">letsgrowstuff36@gmail.com</a>
Phone: 250 256 4118, ext 230

#10 Scotchman Road, Room 113

# Coming to T'it'q'et on February 21, 2018 will be setup in P'egp'íg'lha Community Centre

# Everyone Welcome 5 – 7pm Evening on the 21<sup>st</sup>.



The Mobile Museum Tour consists of an extensive collection of authentic First Nations, Pioneer, Fur Trade, and Gold Rush artifacts.

The Mobile Museum Tour consists of an extensive collection of authentic BC Pioneer, First Nations, Gold Rush and Fur Trade Artifacts that the students can view, touch and discuss during and after a very informative Power Point presentation.

The individual presentations are generally 45-55min in length. (This time can be extended if there are less groups). The tours

are suited for all ages

#### Highlights of the BC Artifacts Mobile Museum History Presentations include:

- Large extensive visually engaging displays
- Power Point Presentation, Hands-on area and Question Period
- BC Indigenous Timeline with First Nations Mapping and Traditional Territories
- Tool Technology used by Indigenous peoples in the Pacific Northwest
- Discussion of early Fur Trade exchanges with explorers and First Peoples exploring Trade, Bartering,
   Monetary Systems
- Authentic early Pioneer, Gold Rush and Railway worker artifacts
- Authentic First Nation Indigenous artifacts

Tony Hardie/BC History Presenter

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# The Decline of Salmon in Our Territory

For a long time, fishing has played an important role in the lives of our people. We have always considered our waterways, including our fish to be sacred; and have always relied on our freshwater resources to support our existence and our traditional way of life. We believe that salmon, in particular, are a sacred gift from the Creator that gives, sustains, and nurtures our community and families. However, over the past few decades we have noted declines in fish runs, specifically, salmon runs. We have also noticed that the decreased numbers in fish are linked to pressures facing fish in our territory today.

# Pressures/factors responsible for the decline in fish populations

Some of these pressures/factors that are responsible for the decline in fish are: overfishing, competing fisheries interest, hydropower development and operations, Hell's Gate slide, impacts resulting from industry, destruction of the freshwater environment, pollution, infectious diseases, sea lice, climate change, and changes to policy frameworks.

Although we have entered into some agreements and programs with other First Nations, and with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and BC Hydro to protect and conserve wild salmon in our territory, the salmon population continues to decrease, and we fear that this fish will soon become extinct. Our community has been observ-

ing changes to the fishing season. For example, fishing has started later in the summer season and there have also been changes to the number of fish in the Fraser River. Community members have also noticed physical changes to the quality of fish. In some cases, the fish are large and appear healthy, however, in other cases, the fish appears smaller, bruised, discoloured and unhealthy. Whereas others stated overfishing, rising water temperatures, and pollution have contributed the decline in salmon.

#### So what can we do about this major issue?

We can:

#### 1. Learn more about fisheries in our community

We can start by learning more about fisheries. This involves speaking to our Elders to learn what has changed over time, in relation to the abundance and quality of fish in the Fraser River. Talking to each other about this very important issue also builds awareness and knowledge which can help us make better decisions about protecting and conserving fish and fish habitats in the future.

#### 2. Be observant

Be vigilant, record and report any observations to P'egp'íg'lha Council. This includes pollution, changes to the numbers and quality of fish etc.



Photo: Fly-Fishing BC (n.d)

Photos, videos and written notes are most welcome. We can also create a database of observations for record keeping purposes.

#### 3. Restore riparian buffers

Salmon are known to be sensitive to rising water temperatures. Riparian buffers are vegetation found between land and river that provide shade to salmon spawning grounds and feeding areas. With leadership from the P'egp'íg'lha Council, we are actively advocating for larger and more effective riparian zones in forestry practices to ensure that we are doing our best to protect and restore the salmon in our Territory.

# 4. Learn more about existing fishing agreements and policies

Participate in community information sessions and meetings led by the P'egp'íg'lha Council, T'ít'qet and Lillooet Tribal Council to learn more about your aboriginal right to fish, your right to protect and conserve salmon, and about existing and potential fishing policies. These sessions ensure that your voice is heard and you will be able to lobby for changes to existing agreements or policies. The Council at this point can share your views to organizations that address fishing issues at the government level.

For more information on fish and fishing activities in our territory

#### P'egp'íg'lha Council

(250) 256-4118 ext 233 pegpiglha.council@gmail.com



# St'át'imc LUOS update

#### Dec 20, 2017

The Land Use & Occupancy Study (LUOS) is an undertaking of the St'át'imc Chief's Council (SCC) and Communities through the St'at'imc Government Services (SGS). It is intended to support St'át'imc Title and Rights, our way of life, governance, stewardship of the land, community and land use planning, education, negotiations and litigation.

Our goal is to interview St'át'imc Land Users who use or know about land use and occupancy within our territory, including homes, fishing, harvesting, hunting, trapping, spiritual/ ceremonial, travel routes, and other sites.

Using a computer mapping program, an interview team consisting of a Mapper, a Data Steward, and a Community Interviewer will record Land Users experience on the land. Land Users will be asked to show locations on a map where they have used the land, and they will be asked to answer a few questions about those places. This information can then be combined to show how communities and the Nation use the land.

This past year, the Mappers and Data Stewards were hired, and the interview equipment was purchased. They attended various training sessions, and have been preparing to carry out the interviews. We conducted a survey and gave presentations providing updates and asking for input as to what to include as part of this study. Community Reps and interviewers were invited to attend training sessions set up to help define the methodology.

We worked with a few different advisors, including Cultural Fox, Gretchen Fox and Angie Bains, who have been instrumental in developing the process, including the Interview Guide, question format, and forms. Lightship Works staff (aka Truvian) and Sue Senger have worked on inputting the questions into the mapping program to make it operational. The main documents have also been legally reviewed by Elisa Penn, (Mandell-Pinder), who assured us the questions reflect land use and occupancy and will support St'at'imc Title and Rights.

We hired a Community Interviews from each community, Xwisten and N'Quatqua, to help conduct the interviews, and the Interview Teams have started interviewing in these two communities in December. We are in the process of assessing how the interviews are proceeding in order to consider if any adjustments need to be made. We are also preparing to conduct interviews in the next two communities, Xa'xtsa and Ts'kway'laxw, and will be approaching each of the Communities as they approach their two-month interviewing time.

If you have any questions please contact me at 250.256.0425.

Kukwstum'úlhkaĺap, tákem nsnek'wnuk'wa7

Colleen Jacob **LUOS Research Manager** 

# **Job Opportunity**

#### ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT / REFERRAL CLERK

Are you a super organized person who has an interest in learning more about lands? Do you know how to take minutes, organize meetings and operate an efficient office? Are you able to read maps and knowledgeable about the lands in the St'át'imc Territory? Are you a hard worker that can be committed to a progressive First Nations organization?

The P'egp'íg'lha Council (PC) is the Title and rights arm of the T'ít'qet community's governance structure. The PC is mandated by the community to "Exercise and protect the title and rights of the past, present and future P'egp'íg'lha".

The PC is looking for an administrative assistant / referral clerk to support the ongoing operations of the Council. The successful candidate will be experienced in general office procedures and possess a professional attitude.

If you are interested in a more detailed job description please contact Shannon Squire at the email below or via phone at 250-256-4118 ex 233.

Interested applicants can submit their resume, cover letter and three references via email to the P'egp'íg'lha Council by February 9th at noon.

#### Qualifications

- Preferably a diploma or some post-secondary
- Grade 12 diploma
- The successful applicant will have excellent writing skills
- A good working knowledge of computers
- Willingness to learn, work independently and as part of a team
- Positive attitude

#### **Deadline**

February 9th, 2018 12-Noon

Attention: Shannon Squire, Governance Advisor

P'egp'íg'lha Council, T'ít'qet

10 Scotchman Road

P.O. Box 615 Lillooet, B.C. VOK 1V0

Email: pegpiglha.council@gmail.com



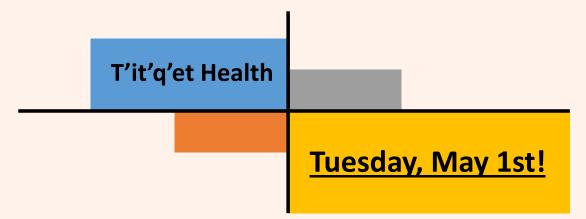
# Mobile Mammogram Screening Clinic

**Attention, T'it'qet community members**. If you haven't gotten a mammogram in the last 12 months, are between the ages of 40 and 79 (if under 40 or over 79, a doctor's referral is required, contact Central Office for more information – 1-800-663-9203), we've got a mobile mammogram screening clinic coming in on **Tuesday, May 1st!** 

There are some risk factors for breast cancer that a woman can't control, such as a family history of breast cancer. But there are factors that you can influence. For most women, lifestyle and behaviours are much more important factors for breast health than genetic influences. Only 5% to 10% of all breast cancers have a genetic cause; up to 42% are linked to lifestyle factors. The following steps can help reduce your risk of breast cancer:

- Maintain a healthy body weight.
- Maintain an active lifestyle.
- Limit your alcohol intake.
- Breastfeed if possible.
- Weigh the risks and benefits of hormone therapy for menopause symptoms.
- Get screened regularly.

British Columbia's leading cancer organizations have partnered to launch Five Plus, a new website that encourages women to take five steps to reduce their risk of developing breast cancer, plus two actions for early detection. To view the Five Plus website, please visit www.fiveplus.ca



If you would like to book an appointment to get a free mammogram, or if you've got any questions, contact Melissa Barney, Health Admin. Assistant at 250-256-4118 Ext. 260. or by email at HAAssistant@titqet.org

The clinic will be coming on MAY 1st. Please stop by to fill out a form with your information in by <u>April 22nd</u> to ensure we are able to get all client information to the clinic with plenty of notice.

# **Land Code Coordinator Report**

The Land Code Committee has been finalized. The members are Charlotte Halls, Cora Billy, Genevieve Humphreys, Marie Barney and Marilyn Napoleon. Chief Kevin Whitney is the Council Liaison and Chairperson of the Committee. The Terms of Reference are under review and will be available to the community when Chief and Council have signed and approved them.

There was an All Parties meeting in the Kwekwa7 Centre Council Chambers on December 18th. The Land Advisory Board Resource Centre representatives could not make it because of the weather conditions so they participated by phone. In attendance were representatives from INAC - Pat Crowther, and the person selected as the Verifier – Hugh Taylor. Topics discussed at this meeting include roles of NRCAN (surveying work) and funding (from INAC) and community engagement. There will be regular monthly calls scheduled monthly with All Parties: T'it'q'et, Land Advisory Board Resource Centre and INAC. They set a Committee meeting date of January 19th. Lands Advisory Board Resource Centre meetings scheduled to attend, or to call in if not able to appear in person.

The first Committee meeting was held on January 5th. Each member received a binder with these following documents.

- 1 Draft Timeline
- 2 Draft Sample of a Land Code
- 3 Voter Calculation Summary
- 4 Draft Terms of Reference
- 5 Framework Agreement Summary
- 6 Jurisdiction Chart/Land Mgt Act Executive Summary
- 7 Committee Process
- 8 Text of Framework Agreement
- 9 Draft Sample of an Individual Agreement
- 10 Framework Agreement Q & A

The Land Code Coordinator did a verbal outline of the land code process and went through the binder with the Committee members. They scheduled meetings for February 6th and the 20th.

At the January 19th meeting, Patricia (Patti) Wight, the First Nations Lands Management Resource Centre BC Manager of Support Services and Jackie Brown, First Nations Lands Management Resource Centre Technician, met with the Committee. Patti reviewed the history of the Land Code

process, the other First Nations across Canada who have already signed the Framework Agreement and developed their own Land Codes and also went through the Framework Agreement Q&A document with the committee. They scheduled meetings for the committee in March 16, and March 27.

They discussed preliminary numbers for the Community Ratification Process. As of right now, there are 436 registered T'it'q'et members. There will be 359 registered eligible voters as of March 1, 2019, including 7 deceased members who have still not been removed from our list by INAC. March 2019 has been chosen as the target date for having a Land Code drafted and voted upon by the community. There will be 352 eligible voters at that time. All T'it'q'et members will need to be informed of the land code process and will receive the necessary information that will help them make a decision when it comes time to vote on whether or not to accept a land code for T'it'q'et.

Patti went through the questions from the November 19, 2017 General meeting. She also suggested that the Committee members should think about why this committee has been formed and discuss why the members of the Committee joined. This discussion could form part of the preamble for the T'it'q'et Land Code.

Dean Billy **Land Code Coordinator**January 25, 2018

# General Update from the P'egp'ig'lha Council

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**January 18, 2018** 

#### OFFICE OF THE TRIBAL CHIEF

Tribal Chief Report Shelley Leech

Due to the Holiday Season, the January 2018 report is brief.

Interior Alliance -No new discussion

#### St'át'imc Government Services (SGS) -

The process of implementing the new Nation Approach is underway. It is still unclear where communities fit into this plan for SGS. This will need to be clarified at an SCC or SA meeting.

#### St'át'imc Government Services (SCC)/ St'át'imc Authority –

Callison and Hanna has been retained by the SCC/ SA for the Hydro negotiations. Darwin Hanna provided an overview of the issues from the negotiations. These discussions are confidential.

**Referrals** – Ongoing. The referrals pile up quickly when we don't have a referral clerk. It is hoped that we find a replacement who will be able to process and send responses to proponents. Proponents are often invited to meet to provide an overview on their projects and plans.

Although PC has not received formal correspondence from Shaw Communications, this is one the PC will need to discuss once more information on their plans is received. The LTC received a letter from Shaw will be discussing this at a meeting on January 31 with Shaw.

I also met with Nature Vancouver to review their proposal for a two week camp in McGillvary.

**PGWG** – The governance group met on January 15 and reviewed the draft Trails protocol. This input will be taken to a meeting on January 31 with LTC, where the protocol will be discussed. The latest draft of the MOU between the northern St'át'imc, the District of Lillooet and the SLRD was also reviewed and comments provided back to the intergovernmental working group.

**Lillooet Tribal Council** – The notice to leave LTC was extended to 2019. No further update from Chief Kevin.

**Personnel** – PC has posted for the Administrative Assistant/Referral Clerk position



The Vancouver Canucks hockey team and the Ministry of Mental Health and Addictions are joining together to combat stigma around substance use, so that people can feel safe accessing the treatment and supports they need.

"Stigma around addiction is killing people," said Judy Darcy, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions. "Addiction is often a response to deep pain or trauma, and stigma drives our loved ones to act and live in dark silence. We need to knock down the walls of silence and encourage courageous conversations between friends, family and co-workers struggling with substance use, so they feel supported in seeking treatment and recovery."

The public awareness campaign discredits false stereotypes by showing that addiction can affect people from all walks of life. It serves as a call to action for all British Columbians to stop seeing addiction as a moral failure and start seeing it as a health issue that deserves compassion and support.

"There are multiple studies showing how stigma associated with drug use drives people to use alone or in settings where people may be unwilling to call 911 for emergency assistance," said Dr. Bonnie Henry, incoming provincial health officer. "In order to encourage people to reach out for help – stigma, guilt and shame must be removed from the equation."

Supervised consumption and overdose-prevention services continue to open. These sites will expand access to drug-checking services and services to proactively identify and support people who are at risk of overdose to enter treatment and recovery.

#### Learn More:

For more about preventing overdoses, visit: <a href="StopOverdoseBC.ca">StopOverdoseBC.ca</a>

### P'egp' g'lha Council Achievements in 2017

Here is a summary of the main achievements of the P'egp'íg'lha Council (PC), the PC Chief and the PC staff. As always, if you have any questions about the activities of the PC, please contact Chief Shelley Leech at 256-9318 or Shannon Squire at 256-4118 ex. 233.

#### **St'át'imc Chiefs Council**

#### (Representative Chief Shelley Leech)

The SCC oversaw these main discussions this year:

- Dealing with the implications of Treaties that impact the St'át'imc Territory (impacts on Xaxtsa, meeting with the northern Secwepemc NSTQ)
- Implications of Mount Polley mining disaster on the St'át'imc Territory
- Communications need for Nation level communications tools
- SCC Constitution work headed by Helen Copeland
- SCC Task Group working group of the SCC
- Realignment strategy of Nation level organizations (align SGS, STH under SCC)
- RELAW project Revitalizing Indigenous Law for land, air and water
- Land Use and Occupancy Study
- Presentation to the United Nations about concerns related to Treaties
- St'át'imc Trust

- Internal boundaries
- Impacts of overuse of Joffre Lake Provincial Park

#### St'át'imc Authority

(The Authority responsible for the St'át'imc BC Hydro Settlement Agreement)

- SGS Board restructure and appointment of new Board members
- Alignment with the SCC
- Steering Sub Committee
- Oversee the BC Hydro negotiations on flow regime

#### **Interior Alliance**

• How the 5 Nations can work together as a collective. There were several meetings this year. Worked collectively to bring issues to the UN as well as started drafting a collective water declaration.

#### **PC Staff Administrative Tasks**

- Staff organizes P'egp'ig'lha Council meetings, Chairs meetings and Joint Council meetings
- Website training
- Ongoing operations of the office

#### **Capacity building**

- Joint application from the PC and LRISS to the Rural Dividend Fund for free training invasive species, heritage, species at risk
- PC Watershed 2017 workshop With Dr. Sue Senger and Alyson McHugh
- Council met with BC Timber Sales, Aspen and Interwest to review their Forest Stewardship Plan, a planning document which provides direction to their operations for the next 5 years

- Joint organization of a workshop with Lillooet Regional Invasive Species Society for discussion on cumulative impacts. The PC staff organized a follow up meeting with northern St'át'imc technical staff and Eric Valdal, FLNRO's expert on cumulative impacts to learn more about what the Province is working on
- Digitization training for PC staff Sid Scotchman and Shawna Riley how to digitize tapes (pictured on the right)
- Administrative Assistant took language courses and business communication courses through TRU
- Computer training for the PC representatives with Sarah Moberg
- Hiring and training of new administrative assistant /referral clerk



Chief Shelley Leech and Felicia Scotchman are pictured here during the Whitebark Pine Tree Planting

#### **On the Ground Projects**

- Joint project for work on Seton Corridor with Splitrock
- P'egp'íg'lha Council Wetland project
- Whitebark Pine Randy Moody 2 days of planting white bark pine on Mount Maclean

#### **Other Projects**

- BCCI Resource Centre Capacity Initiative T'ít'qet Resource Centre continuation of the library project through the UBC digitization grant and the LTC Data Management Project. The Library Advisory Committee developed the policies and classification associated with the operations of the Information Centre
- New Relationship Trust The creation of 3 P'egp'íg'lha Council Policy Papers with Dominique Saheed (climate change, water and fisheries). This is ongoing.
- Communication and Engagement Protocol with the District of Lillooet / Squamish Lillooet Regional District and northern St'át'imc communities. A draft protocol was developed and presented to the leadership at a forum in November.
- POLIS Working with POLIS to develop community specific water projects
- Renewal of the FCRSA agreement for 3 years.

#### **Forestry**

- Participated in Kamloops Regional Forestry Forum
- Worked with Chief Kevin Whitney to secure a new community forest license



Marilyn Napoleon, Nora Greenway, Mildred MacKenzie, Chief Kevin Whitney, Tribal Chief Shelley Leech. The day the new community forest license was signed.

- Review of Tolko, Aspen, Interwest and BC Tim- Water Use Planning workshops get updates ber Sales Forest Stewardship Plans
- Chief Shelley attends bimonthly Timber Supply Area meetings
- St'át'imc Tribal Holdings met with Lennard Joe a number of times to discuss the development of the Gott Creek blocks.
- Monthly updates from Aspen and Interwest about their activities
- Participation in the Lillooet Tribal Council Land Unit Planning
- Had representatives from the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Development come in to share the latest information on forest health and the Timber Supply Review.

#### **Mining**

#### (Portfolio holder – Nora Greenway)

• Avino Mines - Mines portfolio holder Nora Greenway and staff participate in quarterly Bralorne Environmental Monitoring Board.

#### Water

#### (Portfolio holder – Millee MacKenzie)

- Participated in monthly "Water Wednesday" conference calls organized through First Nations Fisheries Council
- Met with Cascades District water staff to understand how they are implementing the Water Sustainability Act
- Freshwater Alliance webinars
- Sturgeon workshop

- on the WUP projects
- Staff reviewed and provide support to the Steering Sub Committee (P'egp'íg'lha Council representative Mike Leech) that met with BC Hydro to discuss their operational decisions relating to water flow management in the Bridge Seton system.
- P'egp'íg'lha Council representative (Bonnie Dunn) participated in the Water Operations Group (WOG) technical working group to provide technical input into Hydro's flow regime in the Bridge and Cayoose systems
- BC Hydro is consulting on their water license renewal

#### **Fisheries**

#### (Portfolio holder Yvonne Scotchman)

 Monitored ongoing pre-season and in season fisheries projections

#### **General duties**

- Organized a meeting to get community input into "Hot Spot" or "No Go" areas
- Aboriginal Youth Intern The PC hosted intern Morris Prosser who was assigned to research colonization and decolonization. He also worked part of the time with SGS learning about communications protocols.
- PC Natural Resources Bursary awarded a \$1000 bursary to Tristan Montjoy
- Attended Lillooet Regional Invasive Species Society AGM
- Attended BC Hydro's Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program Bridge Seton Strategic Plan – attended Strategic Planning workshop and provided feedback on their strategic plan

- Providing feedback on the Elders Council Heritage Policy
- BC Invasive Species Society meeting
- Review of Lil'wat's Nlhaxten /Cerise Creek Conservancy Management Plan
- Language Revitalization Working Group oversaw staff
- Participation in LTC's natural resources forum

# P'egp' g'lha Council **Working Groups**

#### **Finance Working Group**

(Marilyn Napoleon, Cora Billy, Stella Ostrander. Staff Support: Shannon Squire)

Develop and monitor the PC budget

#### P'egp'íg'lha Governance Working Group

(Shelley Leech, Marilyn Napoleon, Nora Greenway, Mildred MacKenzie). Staff Support: Shannon Squire)

- Developed New Relationship Proposal to apply for a grant to develop position papers of Climate Change, Fisheries and Water
- PGWG retreat was held to review and update the PGWG work plan
- Aspen protocol was developed and signed off
- Met with BCTS and started drafting an engagement protocol with them

#### P'egp'íg'lha Council Referral Committee

(Shelley Leech, Ted Napoleon, Sam Copeland). Staff support: Shannon Squire and Jasmine O'Donaghey)

- Reviewed and responded to 80 referrals
- Review of BCTS, Aspen, Interwest and Tolko Forest Stewardship Plans
- Met with Lillooet Regional Invasive Species Society a number of times to discuss the option of using herbicides to kill invasive species in areas where hand pulling and other manual options don't work.
- Met with Christine Galliazzo to learn more about the Timber Supply Review that is upcoming
- Met with Tracey Coombs to learn more about forest health issues.
- Referral training with Nadine Gray to understand heritage referrals better
- Guiding Licensee Met with Guiding Licensee representative John Sievers and Wildlife Stewardship Council representative John Henderson.

#### P'egp'íg'lha Library Advisory Committee (Marilyn Napoleon, Nora Greenway, Mildred

 Provided guidance in the creation of Zawatetálhcw (P'egp'ig'lha Information Centre-PIC).

MacKenzie)

- Finalized the policies to operate the PIC.
- Created a classification system for the PIC

#### **Mental Wellness Councillors**

#### Jim Edgar

Mental Health & Addictions Lillooet Friendship Centre

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#### **Joanne Warren**

**Askom Counselling** 

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askomcounselling@gmail.com

#### Laura Rhodes

Mental Wellness Outreach Clinician St'at'imc Outreach Health Services

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Cell: 250-256-3662

#### Steve Basil

**Cultural Liaison** 

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#### **Victim Services**

#### **Gloria Joseph**

Victim Services
Lillooet Friendship Centre

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#### **Violet Dunn**

Victim Services/Stop the Violence/ SAFE Home Program Lillooet Friendship Centre

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#### **Crisis Intervention**

**Crisis Intervention & Suicide Prevention Centre** 1-800-784-2433

# Kuu-us Crisis Line

Provincial Aboriginal crisis line, 24/7 adults, elders, youth 1-800-588-8717

BC Nurses Line 24/7 Support 811

Kids Help Phone Line 1-800-688-6868

### **Nurse Practitioner**

#### **Rose Marie James, NP (F)**

Call AJ Aspinall at (250) 256-4118 Ext.234 for more information on appointments

# What Services can a Nurse Practitioner provide?

Nurse Practitioners are nurses with advanced training and work much like a family doctor with some limits

#### **Client Group Includes:**

- 1. All age groups across the lifespan
- 2. Families

#### Skills:

- 1. Health assessment skills
- 2. Diagnostic skills
- 3. Management of disease and illness
- 4. Educational skills for various disease processes and health related topics.
- 5. Specific clinical skills such as:
  - a. Suturing
  - b. Incision and drainage
  - c. Women's health

#### Tasks:

- 1. See people in clinic visits for management of disease and illnesses as well as preventative health.
- 2. Order diagnostic tests (blood-work, x-rays, ultrasounds...Etc.)
- 3. Prescribe medications (excluding narcotics and controlled substances)
- 4. Perform pap smears
- 5. Provide referrals

#### 7 tips for talking to your kids about drugs

- 1 Avoid blaming, shaming, and lecturing
- 2 Speak with care and concern, not suspicion and blame
- 3 Acknowledge their autonomy
- 4 Invite them to share their experience
- 5 Share your concerns in concrete and non-blaming terms
- 6 Commit to understanding their perspectives and supporting their well-being
- 7 Explore what would or would not be welcome now



VIEW our video on how to talk to your kids about drugs at fraserhealth.ca/overdose



# **Emergency Preparedness and Response**

### **Learn How to "Shelter in Place"**

"Shelter-in-place" means to take immediate shelter where you are—at home, work, school, or in between. It may also mean "seal the room;" in other words, take steps to prevent outside air from coming in. This is because local authorities may instruct you to "shelter-in-place" if chemical or radiological contaminants are released into the environment. It is important to listen to TV or radio to understand whether the authorities wish you to merely remain indoors or to take additional steps to protect yourself and your family.

### How do I prepare? At home

- Choose a room in advance for your shelter. The best room is one with as few windows and doors as possible. A large room, preferably with a water supply, is desirable—something like a master bedroom that is connected to a bathroom.
- Contact your workplaces, your children's schools, nursing homes where you may have family and your local town or city officials to find out what their plans are for "shelter-in-place."
- Find out when warning systems will be tested. When tested in your area, determine whether you can hear or see sirens and/or warning lights from your home.
- Develop your own family emergency plan so that every family member knows what to do. Practice it regularly.
- Assemble a disaster supplies kit that includes emergency water and food and medicines/medical supplies. (See below)

#### At work

- Help ensure that the emergency plan and checklist involves all employees. Volunteers or recruits should be assigned specific duties during an emergency. Alternates should be assigned to each duty.
- The shelter kit should be checked on a regular basis. Duct tape and first aid supplies can sometimes disappear when all employees know where the shelter kit is stored. Batteries for the radio and flashlight should be replaced regularly.

#### In general

• Learn CPR, first aid and the use of an automated external defibrillator (AED). (Contact your local Canadian Red Cross chapter for more information.

# How will I know when I need to "shelter-in-place"?

Fire or police department warning procedures could include:

- "All-Call" telephoning an automated system for sending recorded messages, sometimes called "reverse 9-1-1".
- Emergency Alert System (EAS) broadcasts on the radio or television.
- Outdoor warning sirens or horns.

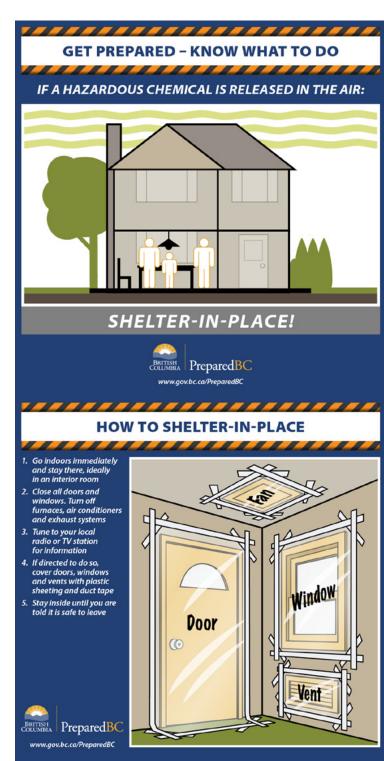
- News media sources radio, television and cable.
- Weather Radio alerts.
- Residential route alerting messages announced to neighborhoods from vehicles equipped with public address systems.

### "Shelter-in-Place" supply kit

- Minimum- 4 mil plastic sheeting to cover windows and/or doors (towels or blankets may work for bottom of an interior door).
- Duct tape
- Scissors or utility knife (to cut the plastic sheeting)
- First aid kit
- Minimum 72 hours of non-perishable food and water for each person
- Flash Light with a hand crank or extra batteries
- Baby items (diapers, formula, wipes)
- Pet items (food, potty pads, kitty litter, poobags) Yes, your pets outside folks, bring them in.
- Wind Up/Battery Radio
- Phone that does not require power and/or Cell phone and charger
- Emergency Phone Numbers
- Medications!!!
- Extra pair of glasses and/or contact lens & solution
- Books/games etc. (You maybe there for a while dependent on weather)

#### **Sheltering with pets**

- Prepare a spot for your pets to poop and pee while inside the shelter. You will need plenty of plastic bags, newspapers, containers, and cleaning supplies to deal with the pet waste.
- Do not allow pets to go outside the shelter until the danger has passed.



# T'it'q'et Council Report January 2018

# Violence in Workplace Policies & Procedures

T'it'q'et will be working with First Nation Health Authority (FNHA) who will provide free training around violence in the workplace. Waiting for dates of availability.

# ACRES Funding Approved 2017/18

wThe ACRES project funding approved by Indigenous Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) for infrastructure funding is \$145, 448. It was discovered that the PRV for upper Scotchman Road subdivision was added in the ACRES budget; however, this is a capital cost and not an ACRES item. Therefore, T'it'q'et requested to utilize the portion of funds set for the PRV design for other purposes. Still waiting for word on what we can use the funds for. We requested to use it for housing renovations but were declined.

#### **BC Rural Dividend Project**

The first BC Rural Dividend project is near completion for Feasibility and Market Analysis for the Expansion of T'it'q'et Agricultural/Food Business.

The second proposal for the BC Rural Dividend for Seton Lake IR 5 Development Phase 2 Preliminary Design was approved. This project will be started shortly. The \$20,000 to consult with community and other agencies and to get the ar-

cheology permit was not approved so we requested funds from INAC. The request was sent to INAC under the community opportunities readiness program funds for this cost and it was approved.

#### **INAC CORP Application**

The BC Rural Dividend first project included developing a draft Preliminary Design of Site Servicing Infrastructure report including Feasibility Study and Market Analysis for the Expansion of Tit'q'et Agricultural/Food Business:

- T'it'q'et Greenhouse
- Business Development Plan
- The detailed design must be completed for the infrastructure required to support the creation of the new businesses.

  Construction-ready drawings can be produced, along with accurate cost estimates based on supplier quotes.

The Corp application submission for \$250,000 included the request for funding to complete a detailed design for infrastructure for the greenhouse business this fiscal year 2017/18. This project is unique that it will allow T'it'q'et to bridge funding through the economic development department, and 6 mile water project to home owners. Chief Kevin met with INAC

engineer Len Block and Angela Bober INAC economic development regarding the project design. Still waiting for approval.

# ANTCO – Firefighting Business Plan

A firefighting business plan funding application was submitted to ANTCO. ANTCO supports 75% of a business plan. The funding will be accessible April 1.

# **CCP Workplan Funding Approved**

Recently, INAC approved additional funding and contacted me regarding the application to fund the completion of an implementation plan for Council's strategic plan and Comprehensive Community Plan. The project will be funded partially in current fiscal and the new fiscal 2018/19. Funding for current fiscal work includes consultant and hiring a member to assist with the project. Keely Weget Whitney was hired as the project coordinator. We will be working along with Urban Systems so dates to organize meetings with council and key staff will be set shortly.

# ANTCO – Feasibility Study for Long Term Care Facility

T'ít'q'et is submitting a funding request to ANTCO to complete a long term care facility feasibility study to include office space rental. The application is submitted for April 1, 2018 intake.

#### **Joint Gathering**

Met with Catherine Lappe regional director for INAC, and federal Minister Jane Philpot. T'it'q'et may be 1 of 100 First Nations communities to be selected for 10 year grant funding. T'it'q'et is financially certified through First Nations Finance Management Board and in land code process which helps with our community being one of the communities selected. We will also be receiving funding for family child support prevention.

#### **Aspen**

The lease has been with Max Collette, Aspen's lawyer since December 5, 2017. The emergency route through lots 125, 127, 128 will need to be surveyed. Also, lot 126 where mill site sits assessed is in progress. Aspen is anxious to get the agreement signed to renovate.

#### LTC Letter of Abeyance

T'it'q'et has submitted a letter of abeyance effective April 1, 2019, that is if T'it'q'et's concerns remain unaddressed, including interfering with T'ít'q'et's business opportunities, T'ít'q'et will separate from LTC.

# BC Hydro – Beach Erosion Protection/60L20 Line

The design to prevent erosion has been completed. The 3 log design

will be done hopefully this spring. Moving the 60L20 line that crosses from Cayoosh band to T'ít'q'et is set for the spring. BC Hydro has managed to keep the lines as high as they are now, so it will not affect Aspen. T'ít'q'et is in discussion with BC Hydro District for an Energy Partnership Agreement (EPA).

#### **Land Code**

T'it'q'et Land Code committee has had two meetings. The meetings were an introduction to land code process. Land code will take us down a positive road of self-government and sovereignty.



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### **Communication With Staff**

For communication purposes, please contact staff through email or phone.

Staff will **not** respond to Facebook messages regarding business related questions.

For general inquiries, please contact Reception at (250) 256-4118 ext. 220.

Susan will be happy to direct you to the relevant staff member who may answer your questions or provide information.

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### **February 2018 Horoscopes**

#### Aquarius (Jan 20–Feb 18)

Sun and Mercury will enhance the charm of Aquarius sun sign during the month. Career prospects are driven by ambition and hard work. Finances are very encouraging with the monetary support of your spouse. Family environment is full of turmoil. Health will be normal.

#### Aries (Mar 21-Apr 19)

During February 2018 Aries zodiac are free to follow your own path independently. Professional prospects depend on hard work and financial progress will be superb. Relationship with family members shows signs of tension. Sun and mercury will help your social life and pregnancy related issues. Health will be adequate.

#### Taurus (Apr 20-May 20)

Planets are helping Taurus star sign to complete demanding jobs in their profession. Venus is boosting your love life and family members are helping you to succeed in your financial arena. Social life will be active and health prospects are bright.

#### Gemini (May 21-Jun 20)

While the Sun is trying to help career development of Gemini astrology sign, retrograde of planets is holding you back. Finances are helped by the Moon in February 2018. Love life with your spouse requires mutual understanding. Health can be maintained with more rest after the 19th.

#### Cancer (Jun 21-Jul 22)

Career and outer success dominate the life of Cancer. Turmoil in the financial situation. Health will be wonderful. Relationship with your spouse will face some disturbances. Singles are able to attract romantic partners.

#### Leo (Jul 23-Aug 22nd)

Love life will be pleasant for Leo star sign and Uranus is helping your social activities. Health prospects brighten after the 19th. Monetary situation is retarded till the 16th. Your emotional strength will propel your career success.

#### Virgo (Aug 23-Sept 22)

Retrograde of planets in February 2018 is making Virgo sun sign less vibrant. Financial success is backed by your creativity and new career openings for career are available. Perfection of a Virgo will limit choice of love partners for singles. Health will be problematic.

#### Libra (Sept 23-Oct 22)

Venus and family will help the finances of Libra zodiac sign. Love is quite active and singles will have no problem in getting into romantic alliances in February 2018. Health can be improved with a good fitness and diet regime. Career will be in the background.

#### Scorpio (oct 23-Nov 21)

Love relationships for Scorpio sun sign are influenced by Venus, Uranus and Neptune and will be exciting. Finances require more effort to earn the same amount after the 19th. Career development will be great, but health will require more rest.

#### Sagittarius (Nov 22-Dec 21)

February 2018 predictions for Sagittarius astrology zodiac indicate that family and psychological issues dominate over career. Finances are helped by social contacts. You are held back in love life till the 16th. Health can be improved by sufficient breaks and by conserving energy.

#### Capricorn (Dec 22-Jan 19)

Health will be fabulous for Capricorn zodiac in February 2018. Financial prosperity is supported by the family members. Though love life is not exciting, singles will face no problem in getting new partners. Career is more for enjoyment, but will be a major source of revenue.

#### Pisces (Feb 19–Mar 20)

Career progress of Pisces zodiac sign is achieved with the help of planetary assistance. Finances are improved by indulging in philanthropic activities. Health will be wonderful in February 2018. Your spouse is busy with her professional activities.

# March 2018 Newsletter Submission Deadline

Friday, February 23rd at Noon

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