Sea-to-Sky Land and Resource Management Plan Major Amendments

Major Amendments are described under Section 6.3 of the S2S LRMP as: changes that require a major update to the plan but can range from being broad and comprehensive to narrow and contained. These revisions usually involve a high complexity of resource issues and may involve a change in a legislated land use designation. In the case where the major amendment is primarily to address First Nations' interest, this could entail a government-to-government approach to plan amendment(s) in consultation with the public. The decision to approve a major amendment rests at the executive level (Assistant Deputy Minster's Committee or higher authority).

The following Major Amendments have been approved:

Major Amendment #1

(Approved April 22, 2010)

S2S LRMP Section

- 1. Section 5.3 Conservancies (p. 117)
- 2. Map 12 Conservancies (p. 123)

Original Content

- 1. Section 5.3 Conservancies The Mkwal'ts Conservancy is not identified.
- 2. Map 12 The Mkwal'ts Conservancy is not identified.

Proposed Amendment

- 1. Section 5.3 Conservancies
 - The Conservancy Table on p. 117 is revised to include the Mkwal'ts Conservancy, having an approximate area of 3,744 ha.
 - Interim area-specific management direction is contained in the Agreement Regarding the Mkwal'ts Nt'akmen (Ure Creek Area) between the Lil'wat Nation and the Province of British Columbia, dated April 22, 2010. The final management direction will be contained in the Collaborative Management Plan for the Mkwal'ts Conservancy.
- 2. Map 12 Conservancies
 - The Mkwal'ts area is identified as a "Conservancy". Map 12 *Conservancies*, dated March 2008 is replaced by Map 12 Conservancies, dated May 2010 (attached).

<u>Rationale</u>

On April 22, 2010 the Province and the Lil'wat Nation signed an agreement resolving the land use conflict in the Mkwal'ts Nt'akmen (Ure Creek Area). On April 27, 2010 the Province introduced legislation to amend the *Protected Areas of British Columbia Act* to establish a new conservancy, to be called the Mkwal'ts Conservancy, over the Mkwal'ts Nt'akmen unresolved area within the Sea-to-Sky LRMP. This has come about after extensive discussions between the Province and the Lil'wat Nation.



