Forest & Range Consultation and Revenue Sharing Agreement

Amending Agreement #1

Between:

Shuswap Indian Band
As Represented by
Chief and Council
("Shuswap")

And

Her Majesty the Queen in Right of the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation ("BC")

(Collectively the "Parties")

WHEREAS:

- A. The Parties entered into the Forest & Range Consultation and Revenue Sharing Agreement (the "Agreement") on December 5, 2018, which is attached as **Schedule A**;
- B. The Parties wish to confirm their intentions to continue to be bound by the terms of the Agreement, and in accordance with the further amendments set out in this Amending Agreement;
- C. Pursuant to the Bridging and Funding Agreement dated for reference March 30, 2021 and Skú7pecen's Journey Letter of Commitment, the Parties henceforth affirm the commitments set out in their government-to-government ("G2G") relationship, as set out in these aforementioned agreements, which includes BC working with Shuswap, through the Qwelmínte Secwépemc, to seek approvals to proceed with negotiations of legally binding agreements commencing with the priority interest for a Collective Forestry Agreement ("CFA"); and
- D. The Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People Act provides a framework for how the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) will be implemented in British Columbia. The Province intends to take all measures necessary to ensure the laws of British Columbia are consistent with UNDRIP in accordance with the Act. The Parties recognize that implementation of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People Act will be foundational to their shared efforts towards reconciliation, including in respect of forestry matters.

NOW THEREFORE THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. This Amending Agreement will take effect on the date that it is fully executed by the Parties.
- 2. The Parties agree to continue to be bound by the Agreement, in accordance with this Amending Agreement.
- 3. This Amending Agreement will expire on September 30, 2022.

- 4. Upon Shuswap providing a request in writing to BC at least two months prior to the expiration of the Amending Agreement, the Parties will seek to extend the term of the Agreement and this Amending Agreement by one year.
- In the event that BC increases forestry-related revenue sharing and the amount of forestry tenures issued to First Nations prior to September 30, 2022, the parties will meet to discuss immediate amendments to the Agreement and the implementation of related measures.
- 6. During the term of this Amending Agreement, and subject to BC's Skú7pecen's Journey Letter of Commitment mandating process including the priority interest for a CFA, the Parties will engage on the following priorities relating to forestry:
 - (a) Increasing the number of forestry tenures and amount of volume held by Shuswap through the use of woodland, woodlot and renewable and non-renewable forest licences and other mechanisms:
 - (b) Exploring alternative approaches to forestry revenue sharing and increasing the amount of revenue sharing received by Shuswap;
 - (c) Building capacity for Shuswap, including through increased capacity funding, in anticipation of greater decision-making on forestry matters that may be included in the CFA;
 - (d) Exploring options for forestry co-management structures involving BC and Shuswap; and
 - (e) Identifying a forestry pilot project to be undertaken by Shuswap, such as a guardian program.
- 7. In all other respects the Agreement, as amended, remains the same.
- 8. The following schedules are attached to inform and support this Amending Agreement:
 - (a) Schedule A: The Agreement;

Signed on behalf of:

Shuswap Indian Band		
Chief Barb Cote	Nov 30, 2021	
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Tkwem7íple7 Timothy Eugene		
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Witness of Shuswap Indian Band signatures		

Signed on behalf of:

Government of British Columbia

Minister of Indigenous Relations and

Reconciliation

Witness of Minister signature

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Schedule A - The Agreement