

Letter of Understanding to
Include the Yunesit'in Government in the
TSILHQOT'IN STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT

July 18, 2022

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RE: Agreement to Include the Yunesit'in Government in the TSILHQOT'IN
STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT

To all affected Parties,

On May 18, 2022 the Yunesit'in Government, by way of a Band Council Resolution, authorized the Chief of the Yunesit'in Government to take the necessary steps for the Yunesit'in Government to become a party to the TSILHQOT'IN STEWARDSHIP AGREEMENT (the Agreement). The Agreement has a current term of April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2024.

The Responsible Officials under the Agreement hereby agree that the inclusion of Yunesit'in Government in the Agreement should be considered a significant amendment as per sec. 8.2 of the Agreement.

The Responsible Officials have discussed this Amendment as required under sec 8.1.1 with their respective representatives. For context, this amendment had been discussed previously to the Agreement effective date of April 1, 2021 and anticipated in previous iterations of this Agreement dating back to approximately 2014.


The Responsible Officials consider this letter sufficient to provide each other the written documentation of their respective Parties' representatives' support for the proposed amendment as per sec 8.1.2. For clarity, the proposed amendments include:

1. A change to the description of the Tsilhqot'in Nation on page 4 as follows,

"TSILHQOT'IN NATION

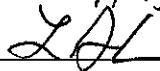
as represented by:

Xeni Gwet'in First Nations Government,
Alexis Creek Indian Band,
Tl'etinqox Government,
?Esdilagh First Nation,
Toosey Indian Band,
and the Yunešit'in Government";

2. a change in the Definition of Member Communities on Page 7 as follows,
 - **"Member Communities"** means the Tsilhqot'in Nation communities that are party to this Agreement and include the following bands: Xeni Gwet'in First Nations Government, Alexis Creek Indian Band, Tl'etinqox Government, ?Esdilagh First Nation, Toosey Indian Band and, the Yunešit'in Government";
3. a change in the Definition of Tsilhqot'in Nation on Page 8 as follows,
 - **"Tsilhqot'in Nation"** means, for the purposes of this Agreement only, the Xeni Gwet'in, Alexis Creek Indian Band, Tl'etinqox Government, ?Esdilagh First Nation, Toosey Indian Band and, the Yunešit'in Government";
4. an addition to the signatures on page 23 as follows,
 - 
Chief Lennon Solomon
Yunešit'in Government"
5. any other required amendments to Agreement to ensure the Yunesit'in Government becomes a party to the Agreement.

The Parties agree that this letter confirms the process identified in sec 8.3.1 of the Agreement has been completed. The Parties also agree that while the processes in sec 8.3.2 and sec 8.3.3 remain outstanding in order to formally confirm Yunesit'in as a Party to the Agreement, the Province will consult with Yunesit'in on all Applications to a Provincial Agency (as those terms are understood in the Agreement) according to the Agreement process with the Yunešit'in Government effective immediately.

Signed, Date Aug 03, 2022



Chief Lennon Solomon

Yunešit'in Government



Devon Ramsay

TSA Responsible Official, Province of British Columbia



Luke Doxtator,

TSA Responsible Official, Tsilhqot'in National Government

PC: All parties to the Agreement, and Yunesit'in Government (all affected parties)

Chief Lennon Solomon, Chief of the Yunesit'in Government

Chief Joe Alphonse, Tl'etinqox Government

Chief Troy Baptiste, ?Esdilagh First Nation

Chief Francis Laceese, Toosey Indian Band

Chief Otis Guichon Tsi Deldel (Alexis Creek Indian Band)

Chief Jimmy Lulua, Xení Gwet'in First Nations Government

Chief Joe Alphonse, Tribal Chair, Tsilhqot'in National Government

Murray Rankin, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

Josh Pressey, Executive Director, Ministry of Forests

Heather Wiebe, Regional Director, Land Water and Resource Stewardship

Ross Hyam, Regional Director, Ministry of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation

Volker Michelfelder, Regional Director, BC Parks, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Doug Hill, Director, Northern Authorizations, Environmental Protection, Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Dawn Drummond, Director, Indigenous Relations, Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure

Brent Barclay, Director, Ministry of Agriculture and Food