

STATEMENT

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Chief coroner's statement on burial site at former Kamloops Indian Residential School

VICTORIA – Lisa Lapointe, chief coroner, has released the following statement about the discovery of a burial site at the former Kamloops Indian Residential School:

"On Thursday, the BC Coroners Service was advised by the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc about the discovery of a burial site located adjacent to the former Kamloops Indian Residential School. We are early in the process of gathering information and will continue to work collaboratively with the Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc and others as this sensitive work progresses.

"We recognize the tragic, heartbreaking devastation that the Canadian residential school system has inflicted upon so many, and our thoughts are with all of those who are in mourning today."

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