shíshálh Nation / British Columbia Foundation Agreement

Fall/Winter 2019 Update

Foundation Agreement

This landmark reconciliation agreement between shishalh Nation (shishalh) and B.C., signed in October 2018, recognizes and respects Aboriginal title and rights, and supports self-determination and self-government. The provincial government and shishalh are working together to protect the environment, as well as promote economic opportunity and growth for shishalh and the entire Sunshine Coast region.

Recent Updates

- On November 26, 2019 the B.C. legislature unanimously passed new legislation developed in partnership with the First Nations Leadership Council (BC Assembly of First Nations, First Nations Summit, Union of BC Indian Chiefs) to implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Additional information can be found at: <u>declaration.gov.bc.ca</u>
- Agreements have been reached to maintain water quality in the Chapman Creek Community Watershed and to continue with the Sunshine Coast Regional District's existing water treatment infrastructure.
- A shíshálh-B.C. Land Use Planning Table has been established and several baseline studies are being conducted to inform future land use planning discussions.

What is Upcoming?

- Surveys of the Gravel Lands are scheduled to occur in fall and winter 2020.
- B.C. and shishalh will be discussing land options for residential purposes.
- The shishalh-B.C. Land Use Planning Table will develop public engagement and information sharing processes to support drafting a land use plan for the shishalh *swiya*.



For more Information

Foundation Agreement and implementation updates can be found at: <u>www.gov.bc.ca/shishalhNationagreements</u> Enquiries: <u>IRRInfo@gov.bc.ca</u>

