

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.

Placenames

- On June 21, 2023, shishalh announced that the BC Geographical Names Office had established shishalh names as the official place names for **ten** places in the shishalh swiya. For more info see: <https://shishalh.com/2023/07/06/shishalh-placenames-returned-within-the-swiya/>
- Recognizing Indigenous place names is a key part of B.C.'s broader reconciliation efforts and part of B.C.'s implementation of the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*. Article 13 specifically refers to place names. Learning Indigenous place names helps all British Columbians understand where they live and the deep history of the land. For more information and audio of place names in the shishalh swiya go to: <https://shishalh.com/culture-language/sechelt-language/>

Highway 101 Study

- The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure has partnered with shishalh and is engaging with Squamish Nation on the study.
- Public engagement was held to share information about the study and to seek feedback on the evaluation framework and on draft options. The public Engagement Summary report was posted online June 20th, 2023 and is available here: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/transportation/transportation-reports-and-reference/reports-studies/vancouver-island/highway-101-alternate-route-planning-study>
- Refinement of options based on technical analysis and engagement is underway. Study completion is anticipated by end of 2023.

Lands

- Work continues on preparations for the transfer of Block B, District Lot 7613. BC and shishalh continue to engage with stakeholders on their legal interests (i.e. water licenses).
- B.C. and shishalh are working through a multi-stage process required for the transfer of District Lot 1592. District of Sechelt, Sunshine Coast Regional District and stakeholders will be engaged regarding their interests on District Lot 1592.

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Shared Decision-Making

Forestry

- 125 forestry applications have been processed through B.C.-shishalh Shared Decision-making to date.
- BC and shishalh are collaborating on Forest Landscape Planning in the Sunshine Coast through a separate consensus-based process with 4 other Nation partners

Land Act – Moorage

- shishalh–B.C. Shared Decision-making continues to efficiently process moorage applications across the whole shishalh swiya.
- Since starting in 2019, 231 replacement and new applications have been processed for moorages under the *Land Act*.
- For a website, public brochure, and guidance materials on the Shared Decision-Making Review Process for moorages go to: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/environment/natural-resource-stewardship/consulting-with-first-nations/collaborative-stewardship-bc/shishalh-shared-decision-making>

Land Act - Other

- Since starting in 2021, non-moorage *Land Act* authorizations are processed through Shared Decision-making. 105 other *Land Act* applications have been processed.

Joint Decision-Making

- In August 2022, Cabinet approved a mandate for B.C. and shishalh to develop a joint decision-making agreement under Section 7 of the *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act*.
- Building on the current Shared Decision-making model, the agreement will apply to decisions on private and commercial dock decisions under the *Land Act*.
- For more information: <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2022IRR0049-001205>

Land Use Planning

- The shishalh-B.C. Land Use Planning group completed a review and assessment of the data and information gathered in Phase 1.
- The group is now developing the Current Condition and Trends Assessment materials for shishalh community, stakeholder, and public engagement. Stakeholder and public engagement is expected to begin Winter 2023/2024.
- For progress on the Land Use Planning work, including the initial Engagement Summary Report, please visit: <https://landuseplanning.gov.bc.ca/>



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