

CHAPTER 18
LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENT RELATIONSHIPS

1. For purposes of representation of residents of Nisga'a Lands on the board of the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine, from the effective date, Nisga'a Lands is part of Electoral Area "A" in the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine.
2. Residents of Nisga'a Lands have the right to vote in elections and referenda of the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine in accordance with provincial legislation.
3. British Columbia will consult with the Nisga'a Nation before altering the boundaries of Electoral Area "A" in the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine.
4. British Columbia will not make any changes to electoral area boundaries which would result in Nisga'a Lands being in more than one electoral area, without the consent of the Nisga'a Nation.
5. The Nisga'a Nation and each Nisga'a Village, or any of them, may enter into agreements with the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine respecting the cost of services and the payment for the delivery of:
 - a. Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine services on Nisga'a Lands; and
 - b. Nisga'a Lisims Government or Nisga'a Village Government services to the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine.
6. The Nisga'a Nation and the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine may enter into agreements to coordinate their activities with respect to common areas of responsibility such as planning, health services, and infrastructure development.
7. Nisga'a Lisims Government and the Regional District of Kitimat-Stikine will meet, at the request of either of them, to discuss matters of mutual interest.