

**Gitanyow Nation Forest & Range Revenue Sharing Agreement
(the "Agreement")**

Between:
Gitanyow Nation
as represented by
the Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs
and the Gitanyow Huwilp Society ("Gitanyow")

And:

His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of British Columbia,
as represented by the Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation
("British Columbia")

(each a "Party" and collectively the "Parties")

WHEREAS:

- A. Gitanyow has Aboriginal Interests within the Gitanyow Lax'yip.
- B. The Parties have entered into the Reconciliation Agreement as a bridging step towards reconciliation and a constructive step towards creating a positive and enduring relationship between the Gitanyow and British Columbia.
- C. The Parties wish to confirm the process for consultation regarding forest and range resource development within the Gitanyow Lax'yip;
- D. The Parties intend this Agreement to assist them in achieving progress towards the purposes identified in the Reconciliation Agreement section 2.0 and in particular to:
 - (a) Assist in achieving stability and greater certainty for forest and range resource development within the Gitanyow Lax'yip; and,
 - (b) Support Gitanyow in its pursuit of activities to enhance the well-being of its members and long term benefits for all the Gitanyow.
- E. The Parties intend this Agreement to be an interim measure as they take an

incremental approach to advancing a comprehensive forestry strategy consistent with the Parties' interests in working towards a shared 25-year vision for reconciliation and while British Columbia reviews its current approach to revenue sharing with First Nations.

- F. British Columbia is committed to working towards the implementation of the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* (UNDRIP) and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC) Calls to Action, by working in partnership with Indigenous peoples of British Columbia to establish positive government-to-government relationships built on a foundation of respect, rights, and reconciliation.
- G. The *Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples Act* provides a framework for how UNDRIP will be implemented in British Columbia. British Columbia intends to take all measures necessary to ensure the laws of British Columbia are consistent with UNDRIP in accordance with that Act.
- H. The Parties intend this Agreement to assist in achieving stability and greater certainty for forest and range resource development on Crown lands within the Territory by setting out a process for consultation regarding such development, and to provide a Revenue Sharing Contribution to assist Gitanyow in its pursuit of activities to enhance the well-being of its Members.

THEREFORE THE PARTIES AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

ARTICLE 1 - INTERPRETATION

1.1 Definitions. For the purposes of this Agreement, including the recitals, the following definitions apply:

“Aboriginal Interests” means:

- (a) asserted aboriginal rights, including aboriginal title; or
- (b) determined aboriginal rights, including aboriginal title, that are recognized and affirmed under section 35(1) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*;

“Administrative and/or Operational Decision” means a decision made by the Minister or a Delegated Decision Maker related to forest and range resources under provincial legislation that is included in the List of Decisions;

“BC Fiscal Year” means a period beginning on April 1 of a calendar year and ending on March 31 of the next calendar year;

“Delegated Decision Maker” means a person with authority to make statutory decisions with respect to forest and range resources under provincial legislation as amended from time to time;

“Designate” means the entity described in section 4.2;

“Effective Date” means the last date on which this Agreement has been fully executed by the Parties;

“Eligible Volume” means the volume of Crown timber provided to «First Nation» in a direct award tenure under Section 47.3 of the *Forest Act* originating from the volume reallocation of the *Forestry Revitalization Act* that is appraised through the Market Pricing System;

“First Fiscal Year of the Term” means the BC Fiscal Year in which the Effective Date falls;

“Forest Tenure Opportunity Agreement” means an agreement signed between the Minister and a First Nation that provides for the Minister to direct award forest tenure under the *Forest Act*;

“Licensee” means a holder of a forest tenure or a range tenure;

“Member” means any person who is a member of the Gitanyow.

“Minister” means the Minister of Forests having the responsibility, from time to time, for the exercise of powers in respect of forests and range matters;

“Operational Plan” means a Forest Stewardship Plan, Woodlot Licence Plan, a Range Use Plan, or Range Stewardship Plan, as those terms are defined in provincial forest and range legislation;

“Payment Account” means the account described in subsection 4.4(a);

“RA” or “Reconciliation Agreement” means the Gitanyow Huwilp Recognition and Reconciliation Agreement entered into by the Parties on March 28, 2012 and renewed by the Parties on July 11, 2016.

“Revenue Sharing Contribution” means each payment to be made by British Columbia to Gitanyow under Article 3;

“SEA” means a strategic engagement agreement between British Columbia and Gitanyow that includes agreement on a consultation process between Gitanyow and British Columbia in relation to the potential adverse impacts of proposed provincial land and natural resource decisions on Gitanyow’s Aboriginal Interests;

“Term” means the term of this Agreement as set out in section 12.1;

“Timber Harvesting Land Base” means the portion of the total land area of a management unit considered by the Ministry of Forests to contribute to, and be available for, long-term timber supply;

“Territory” or the **“Gitanyow Lax’yip”** means the geographic area identified by Gitanyow as their traditional territory located in British Columbia and as shown on the map attached in Appendix A.

1.2 Interpretation. For the purposes of this Agreement:

- (a) “includes” and “including” are not intended to be limiting;
- (b) the recitals and headings are inserted for convenience of reference only, do not form part of this Agreement and are not intended to define, enlarge or restrict the scope or meaning of this Agreement or any provision of it;
- (c) any reference to a statute in this Agreement includes all regulations made under that statute and any amendments or replacement of that statute or its regulations;
- (d) unless the context otherwise requires, words expressed in the singular include the plural and *vice versa*;
- (e) any reference to a corporate entity includes any predecessor or successor to such entity; and
- (f) there will be no presumption that doubtful expressions, terms or provisions in this Agreement are to be resolved in favour of any Party.

1.3 Appendices. The following Appendices and Schedule are attached to and form part of this Agreement:

Appendix A - Map of Gitanyow Territory (Lax’yip);

Appendix B - Revenue Sharing Contribution Methodology; and
Appendix C - Annual Report.

ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES

- 2.1 Purpose and objectives.** The purposes and objectives of this Agreement are:
- (a) to establish a consultation process the Parties will use to consult on potential adverse impacts of proposed forest and range resource development activities, including Administrative and/or Operational Decisions or Operational Plans, on Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests;
 - (b) to provide a Revenue Sharing Contribution to support the capacity of the Gitanyow to participate in the consultation process under this Agreement and as a contribution towards any accommodation that may be required in respect of potential impacts of forest and range decisions and operations within the Gitanyow Lax'yip on Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests;
 - (c) to enhance the social, economic and cultural well-being of Members; and
 - (d) to assist in achieving greater stability and certainty for forest and range resource development within the Gitanyow Lax'yip.

ARTICLE 3 - REVENUE SHARING CONTRIBUTIONS

- 3.1 Calculation and timing of payments.** Subject to sections 3.2 to 3.4, section 4.5 and Articles 5 and 11, during the Term, British Columbia will:

- (a) make annual Revenue Sharing Contributions, calculated in accordance with Appendix B, to Gitanyow (or its Designate under section 4.2, as the case may be); and
- (b) pay the annual Revenue Sharing Contribution in two equal instalments, the first to be made on or before September 30 and the second to be made on or before March 31.

- 3.2 First Fiscal Year.** Notwithstanding section 3.1, for the First Fiscal Year of the Term the Revenue Sharing Contribution is deemed to be:

\$357,000 for the 23/24 BC Fiscal Year;

the first instalment of which will be paid on or before September 30, 2023 if the Effective Date is prior to July 31 or on or before March 31, 2024 if the Effective Date is after July 31.

- 3.3 Prorated amounts.** For the purposes of determining the amount of the Revenue

Sharing Contribution for partial BC Fiscal Years, the amount will be prorated from

- (a) the start of the month in which the Agreement is signed by Gitanyow;
- (b) the end of the month in which the Agreement is terminated by either Party under Article 11, or;
- (c) the end of the month in which the Agreement expires.

3.4 Payment of prorated amounts. If the amount of the Revenue Sharing Contribution is prorated under section 3.3(b) or section 3.3(c) as a result of termination or expiry of the Agreement that takes effect:

- (i) prior to July 31, British Columbia will pay the full amount of the Revenue Sharing Contribution for that BC Fiscal Year in one instalment on or before September 30; and
- (ii) on or after July 31, British Columbia will adjust the second instalment for that BC Fiscal Year accordingly.

3.5 Subsequent BC Fiscal Year amounts. Before January 31 of each year during the Term other than the First Fiscal Year of the Term, British Columbia will provide written notice to Gitanyow of the amount of the Revenue Sharing Contribution for the following BC Fiscal Year and the summary document(s) and calculations identified in Appendix B.

3.6 Amount agreed to. Gitanyow agrees that the amount set out in the notice provided under section 3.5 will be the amount of the Revenue Sharing Contribution payable under this Agreement for that following BC Fiscal Year.

ARTICLE 4 - DELIVERY OF PAYMENTS

4.1 Recipient entity. Unless Gitanyow notifies British Columbia that it has made an election under to section 4.2, Revenue Sharing Contributions will be paid to Gitanyow.

4.2 Election of Designate. Gitanyow may elect to have a Designate receive Revenue Sharing Contributions provided that the Designate:

- (a) is a registered corporation or society with the legal authority and capacity to receive the funds for the purposes described in section 2.1; and
- (b) is duly appointed to receive the Revenue Sharing Contribution on behalf of Gitanyow and such appointment is confirmed by a Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs Resolution of Gitanyow.

4.3 Obligations continue. The election of a Designate under section 4.2 does not

relieve Gitanyow of its obligations under this Agreement.

- 4.4 Payment Account.** Gitanyow or its Designate will:
- (a) establish and, throughout the Term, maintain an account in the name of Gitanyow (or its Designate, as the case may be) at a Canadian financial institution into which direct deposits can be made by British Columbia, for the purpose of receiving monies payable by British Columbia pursuant to this Agreement (the "Payment Account"); and
 - (b) provide to British Columbia sufficient address and account information respecting the Payment Account to enable British Columbia to make direct deposit payments to the Payment Account.
- 4.5 Requirement to make a payment.** British Columbia may withhold a Revenue Sharing Contribution it would otherwise be required to make until Gitanyow (or its Designate, as the case may be) has met the requirements set out in section 4.4.

ARTICLE 5 - CONDITIONS OF PAYMENT

- 5.1 Reporting requirements.** For each BC Fiscal Year following the First Fiscal Year of the Term, the requirement to make a Revenue Sharing Contribution is subject to:
- (a) Gitanyow having published all of the necessary statements and reports before the applicable dates as set out in Article 8; and
 - (b) Revenue Sharing Contributions not having been suspended under Article 11.
- 5.2 Appropriation.** Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the payment of money by British Columbia to Gitanyow pursuant to this Agreement is subject to:
- (a) there being sufficient monies available in an appropriation, as defined in the *Financial Administration Act*, to enable British Columbia in any BC Fiscal Year or part thereof when any such payment may be required, to make that payment; and
 - (b) Treasury Board not having controlled or limited, pursuant to the *Financial Administration Act*, expenditure under any appropriation referred to in (a).

ARTICLE 6 - CONSULTATION

- 6.1 Satisfaction of consultation obligations.** Subject to section 6.3, the process set out in Rights and Reconciliation Agreement will be the means by which British Columbia will fulfill its obligation to consult on proposed Operational Plans or proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decisions and, where appropriate, the

means by which British Columbia and Gitanyow will identify potential measures to accommodate any potential adverse impacts on Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests resulting from Operational Plans or Administrative and/or Operational Decisions.

6.2 Map may be shared. British Columbia may share the map attached as Appendix A, including digital versions of the map, with provincial agencies or with a Licensee responsible for information sharing associated with Operational Plans or Administrative and/or Operational Decisions.

6.3 SEA or RA applies. Notwithstanding 6.1:

(a) The Parties agree that the engagement processes set out in *Appendix 1 to Schedule C of the Gitanyow Huwilp Recognition and Reconciliation Agreement* will be the means by which British Columbia will fulfill its obligation to consult on proposed Operational Plans or proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decisions and, where appropriate, the means by which British Columbia and Gitanyow will identify potential measures to accommodate any potential adverse impacts on Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests resulting from Operational Plans or Administrative and/or Operational Decisions; and,

(b) if the *Gitanyow Huwilp Recognition and Reconciliation Agreement* referred to in (a) comes to the end of its term or is terminated prior to the end of the Term and is not replaced by an equivalent agreement that includes a consultation process that addresses forest and range management and decision making, Gitanyow agrees that this Agreement will be amended within 60 days of the date of termination or expiry of the *Gitanyow Huwilp Recognition and Reconciliation Agreement* to include a consultation process.

6.4 Capacity funding. The Parties acknowledge and agree that to assist Gitanyow to engage in consultation under this Agreement and in consultation under any SEA or RA that addresses but does not provide capacity funding for forest and range related consultation, British Columbia will provide to Gitanyow, under section 1.4 of Appendix B, capacity funding of no less than \$35,000 per annum.

ARTICLE 7 - ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND COVENANTS

- 7.1 Revenue Sharing Contributions will vary.** Gitanyow acknowledges that forest and range revenues received by British Columbia fluctuate and that the Revenue Sharing Contributions under this Agreement will vary over time.
- 7.2 Revenue Sharing Contributions are accommodation.** Gitanyow agrees that the Revenue Sharing Contributions made under this Agreement constitute a contribution towards any accommodation that may be required for any potential adverse impacts of Administrative and/or Operational Decisions, and any forest or range development practices that may be carried out under an Operational Plan, on Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests.
- 7.3 Where consultation process followed.** Gitanyow agrees that if the consultation process set out in *Appendix 1 to Schedule C of the Gitanyow Huwilp Recognition and Reconciliation Agreement* is followed, British Columbia has consulted, and this will be the process through which British Columbia will identify potential accommodation measures to address the potential adverse impacts of Administrative and/or Operational Decisions, and any forest or range development practices that may be carried out under an Operational Plan, on Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests.

ARTICLE 8 - ANNUAL REPORTS and RECORDS

- 8.1 Annual Report.** Within 90 days of the end of each BC Fiscal Year, Gitanyow will prepare an annual report, substantially in the form set out in Appendix C, identifying all expenditures made from the Payment Account since the date of the last such report or in the case of the first such report, since the Effective Date, and confirming that, aside from reasonable administrative expenses, all such expenditures were made in furtherance of the purposes and objectives referred to in section 2.1.
- 8.2 Publication.** Gitanyow will publish the annual report referred to in section 8.1 in a manner that can reasonably be expected to bring the information to the attention of Gitanyow's communities and the public within 90 days of the end of each BC Fiscal Year.
- 8.3 Continuing Obligations.** Notwithstanding the termination or expiry of this Agreement, the provisions of this Article 8 will continue to apply for 90 days after Gitanyow receives the final Revenue Sharing Contribution from British Columbia.

ARTICLE 9 - ASSISTANCE

- 9.1 Cooperation and Support.** Gitanyow will work in partnership with British Columbia and in a timely manner to discuss and seek to resolve issues in relation to any action that might be taken by a Member that is inconsistent with this Agreement.

ARTICLE 10 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- 10.1 Dispute Resolution Process.** If a dispute arises between British Columbia and Gitanyow regarding the interpretation of a provision of this Agreement:
- (a) duly appointed representatives of the Parties will meet as soon as is practicable to attempt to resolve the dispute;
 - (b) if the Parties' representatives are unable to resolve the dispute, the issue will be referred to more senior representatives of British Columbia and Gitanyow; and
 - (c) if the dispute cannot be resolved by the Parties directly under subsections (a) or (b), the Parties may agree to other appropriate approaches to resolve the issue.

ARTICLE 11 - SUSPENSION and TERMINATION

- 11.1 Suspension of Revenue Sharing Contributions.** British Columbia may suspend further Revenue Sharing Contributions under this Agreement where Gitanyow is in material breach of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 11.2 Notice of Suspension.** Where Revenue Sharing Contributions are suspended under section 11.1, British Columbia will provide notice to Gitanyow of the reason for the suspension, including the specific material breach on which British Columbia relies, and the Parties will meet to attempt to resolve the issue giving rise to the suspension.
- 11.3 Termination following suspension.** If the issue giving rise to the suspension of Revenue Sharing Contributions is not resolved within 60 days after notice is provided under section 11.2, British Columbia may terminate the Agreement by written notice.
- 11.4 Termination by Either Party.** This Agreement may be terminated by either Party on ninety (90) days' written notice or on a date mutually agreed on by the Parties.
- 11.5 Meet to attempt to resolve issue.** If a Party gives written notice under section 11.4, the Parties will, prior to the end of the notice period, meet and attempt to resolve any issue that may have given rise to the termination notice.

ARTICLE 12 – TERM

- 12.1 Term.** The term of this Agreement will be three (3) years commencing on the Effective Date unless the term is extended under section 12.2 or terminated under Article 11.
- 12.2 Extension of the Term.** At least two months prior to the anniversary of the Effective Date, the Parties will evaluate the effectiveness of this Agreement and decide whether to extend the Term.
- 12.3 Terms of the Extension.** Where the Parties agree to extend the Term they will negotiate and attempt to reach agreement on the terms of the extension.
- 12.4 Evaluation.** Either Party may, on an annual basis, request the participation of the other Party to review the effectiveness of this Agreement and to consider potential amendments to it.

ARTICLE 13 – REPRESENTATIONS and WARRANTIES

- 13.1** British Columbia represents and warrants to Gitanyow, with the intent and understanding that the Gitanyow will rely on such representations and warranties in entering into this Agreement, that British Columbia has the authority to enter into this Agreement.
- 13.2** Gitanyow represents and warrants to British Columbia, with the intent and understanding that British Columbia will rely on such representations and warranties in entering into this Agreement, that:
- (a) Gitanyow has the legal power, capacity and authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Members;
 - (b) Gitanyow has taken all necessary actions and has obtained all necessary approvals to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Members; and
 - (c) this Agreement is a valid and binding obligation upon Gitanyow.

ARTICLE 14 - NOTICE and DELIVERY

- 14.1 Delivery of Notices.** Any notice, document, statement or report contemplated under this Agreement must be in writing and will be deemed validly given to and

received by a Party, if delivered personally, on the date of delivery, or, if delivered by mail, email or facsimile, when received by the Party at the following address:

if to British Columbia:

Deputy Minister
Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation
P.O. Box 9100 STN PROV GOVT
Victoria B.C. V8W 9B1
Fax: (250) 387-6594

and if to the Gitanyow:

Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs
PO Box 148
Kitwanga, BC, V0J 2A0
Telephone: 250-849-5373
Fax: 250-849-5375

14.2 Change of Address. Either Party may, from time to time, give notice to the other Party of a change of address, email or facsimile number and after the giving of such notice, the address, email or facsimile number specified in the notice will, for purposes of section 14.1, supersede any previous address, email or facsimile number for the Party giving such notice.

ARTICLE 15 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

15.1 Governing law. This Agreement will be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of British Columbia.

15.2 Not a Treaty. This Agreement does not:

- (a) constitute a treaty or a lands claims agreement within the meaning of sections 25 or 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982* (Canada); or
- (b) establish, affirm, recognize, abrogate or derogate from any of Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests.

15.3 No Admissions. Nothing in this Agreement will be construed as:

- (a) an admission of the validity of, or any fact or liability in relation to, any claims relating to alleged past or future infringements of Gitanyow's Aboriginal Interests;
- (b) an admission or acknowledgement of any obligation to provide any financial, economic or other compensation, including those in this Agreement, as part

of British Columbia's obligation to consult and, as appropriate, accommodate; or

(c) in any way limiting the position the Parties may take in any proceedings or in any discussions or negotiations between the Parties, except as expressly contemplated in this Agreement.

15.4 No Fettering. Nothing in this Agreement is to be construed as interfering with, or fettering in any manner, the exercise by British Columbia or its agencies of any statutory, prerogative, executive or legislative power or duty.

15.5 No Implied Waiver. Any waiver of any term or breach of this Agreement is effective only if it is in writing and signed by the waiving Party and is not a waiver of any other term or breach.

15.6 Assignment. Gitanyow must not assign, either directly or indirectly, this Agreement or any right of Gitanyow under this Agreement without the prior written consent of British Columbia.

15.7 Emergencies. Nothing in this Agreement affects the ability of either Party to respond to any emergency circumstances.

15.8 Acknowledgement. The Parties acknowledge and enter into this Agreement on the basis that Gitanyow has Aboriginal Interests within the Territory but that the specific nature, scope or geographic extent of those Aboriginal Interests have yet to be established. The Parties intend that broader processes that may be engaged in to bring about reconciliation may lead to a common understanding of the nature, scope and geographic extent of Gitanyow Aboriginal Interests.

15.9 Third Parties. This Agreement is not intended to limit any obligation of Licensees or other third parties to Gitanyow.

15.10 Other Economic Opportunities and Benefits. This Agreement does not preclude Gitanyow from accessing forestry economic opportunities and benefits, which may be available to it, other than those expressly set out in this Agreement.

15.11 Validity of Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement or the application of it to any person or circumstance is invalid or unenforceable to any extent, the remainder of this Agreement and the application of it to any person or circumstance will not be affected or impaired and will be valid and enforceable to the extent permitted by law.

15.12 Entire Agreement. This Agreement and any amendment to it constitute the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the subject matter of this Agreement.

- 15.13 Further Acts and Assurances.** Each Party must perform the acts, execute and deliver the writings, and give the assurances as may be reasonably necessary to give full effect to this Agreement.
- 15.14 Execution in Counterpart.** This Agreement may be entered into by each Party executing a separate copy of this Agreement and delivering that executed copy to the other Party by a method provided for in Article 14 or any other method agreed to by the Parties.
- 15.15 Amendment in Writing.** No amendment to this Agreement is effective unless it is agreed to in writing and signed by the Parties.

Gitanyow

MARCH 22, 2024

Date

Gwass Hlaam
Gwass Hlaam (George P. Daniels) *RP Daniels*

Gamlaxyeltxw
Gamlaxyeltxw (Will Marsden)/
Sindihl (Graham Morgan)

Wii'litsxw *Soel Starlund*
Wii'litsxw (Gregory D. Rush) *Soel Starlund*

Gwinuu
Gwinuu (Phyllis Haizimsque)

Axwindesxw
Axwindesxw (Tony Morgan) for: Malii (Glen Williams)

Watakhayetsxw
Watakhayetsxw (Deborah Good)

Haizimsque *Verna Howard*
Haizimsque (Ken Russell) *Verna Howard*

Luuxhon
Luuxhon (Don Russell)

Glen Williams
Glen Williams (Malii) *Soel Starlund*
President of Gitanyow Huwilp Society and
on behalf of Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs –
Gwass Hlaam; Gamlaxyeltxw/Sindihl;
Wii'litsxw; Gwinuu; Axwindesxw/Malii;
Siidok/Watakhayetsxw; Haiizmsque;
Luuxhon

Signed on behalf of:

Government of British Columbia

Murray Rankin

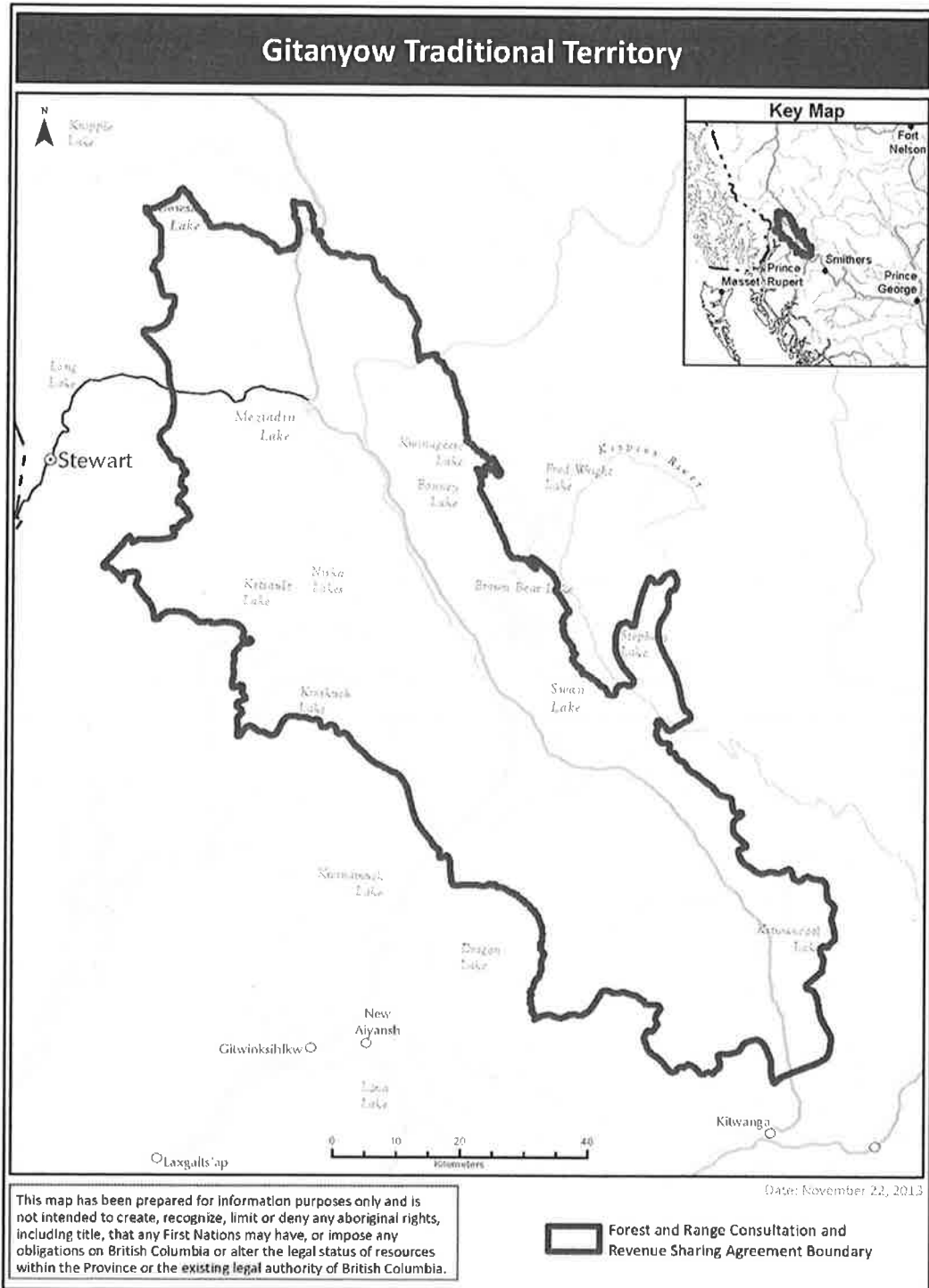
Minister of Indigenous Relations and
Reconciliation

May 6, 2024

Date

APPENDIX A

Map of Gitanyow Territory (Lax'yip)



APPENDIX B

Revenue Sharing Contribution Methodology

Territory Forest Revenue Sharing Component

- 1.0 In each BC Fiscal Year that this Agreement is in effect, and subsequent to the release by the Minister of Finance of the previous BC Fiscal Year's public accounts, a summary document will be prepared of the Coast Mountains District and Skeena Stikine District forest revenue, defined as the total of stumpage, waste and annual rent payments received by the Crown for the previous 2 BC Fiscal Years. An average amount over 2 years will be calculated for the Coast Mountains and Skeena Stikine Forest Districts.
- 1.1 For the purposes of the summary document in section 1.0 of this Appendix, the stumpage payments from Eligible Volume in Gitanyow's Forest License (if applicable) will not be included in the calculations of forest revenue.
- 1.2 The amount of the forest revenue attributed to the Gitanyow's Territory will be calculated by determining the percent of Gitanyow's Territory that falls within the Timber Harvesting Land Base in the Coast Mountains and Skeena Stikine Forest Districts, applied against the forest revenue described in section 1.0 of this Appendix. This calculation will prorate for overlapping territories of other First Nations.
- 1.3 The territory Forest Revenue Sharing Component will be calculated by multiplying 10 percent of non BC Timber Sales forest revenue attributed to the Gitanyow and 13 percent of BC Timber Sales forest revenue, as described in section 1.2 of this Appendix.
- 1.4 If Gitanyow is not receiving capacity funding for forestry consultation through a SEA or RA, then it will receive \$35,000 or the amount calculated in accordance with section 1.3, whichever is greater, which may be used by Gitanyow as capacity funding to participate in the consultation process in accordance with section 6.0 of this Agreement.
- 1.5 For each BC Fiscal Year that this Agreement is in effect, the calculations outlined in sections 1.0 to 1.4 of this Appendix will be performed.

Direct Award Tenure Forest Revenue Sharing Component

- 2.0 Subsequent to the release by the Minister of Finance of the previous BC Fiscal Year's public accounts, a summary document will be prepared detailing of Gitanyow's Forest License (if applicable) forest revenue, defined as the total of stumpage payments received by the Crown for the previous BC Fiscal Year from Eligible Volume within the Forest Licence.
- 2.1 The Direct Award Forest Tenure Revenue Sharing Component will be calculated by multiplying 75 percent of the forest revenue as described in section 2.0 of this Appendix.

- 2.2 For each Fiscal Year that this Agreement is in effect, the calculations outlined in sections 2.0 and 2.1 of this Appendix will be performed.

Forest Revenue Sharing Transition

- 3.1 For each BC Fiscal Year that this Agreement is in effect, a portion of the Revenue Sharing Contribution is calculated by adding the total of the Territory Forest Revenue Sharing Component to the Direct Award Tenure Forest Revenue Sharing Component for that BC Fiscal Year.
- 3.2 For each BC Fiscal Year that this Agreement is in effect, the remaining portion of the Revenue Sharing Contribution is calculated by determining the value of the payments that were made by British Columbia to Gitanyow in any given full year under the *Gitanyow Forest and Range Opportunity Agreement* ("the Annual Amount") and applying the following percentages to that Annual Amount:
- 3.2.1 2022/23 BC Fiscal Year 40 percent;
 - 3.2.2 2023/24 BC Fiscal Year 40 percent
 - 3.2.3 2024/25 BC Fiscal Year 40 percent
- 3.3 Notwithstanding section 3.2 of this Appendix, if the Revenue Sharing Transition Calculation for those BC Fiscal years under section 3.1 provides:
- (a) an amount calculated under sections 1.3 and 2.1 of this Appendix that is equal to or greater than the annual payments received under the *Gitanyow Forest and Range Opportunity Agreement*, then Gitanyow will receive the annual payments described by the Revenue Sharing Calculation in section 3.1 for those BC Fiscal Years; or
 - (b) an amount calculated under the Revenue Sharing Transition Calculations in sections 3.1 and 3.2 of this Appendix that is greater than the annual payments received under the *Gitanyow Forest and Range Opportunity Agreement*, then Gitanyow will receive an annual payment for those BC fiscal Years that is equal to the annual payment received under the *Gitanyow Forest and Range Agreement*.

APPENDIX C

Annual Report

(Example Only)

Socio-economic Priority	2019/2020 Planned Expenditures	2019/2020 Actual Expenditures	Outcomes Achieved	Variance Explanation

Confirmation

In accordance with section 8.1 of the «First Nation» Forest & Range Consultation and Revenue Sharing Agreement, «First Nation» confirms that aside from reasonable administrative expenses, all actual expenditures were made for the purpose of furthering the purposes and objectives set out in section 2.1 of the Agreement.

Signed this _____ day of _____:

(Signature)

(Name) On behalf of «First Nation»

First Nations Revenue Sharing Summary Sheet -2024/25****

Gitanyow Hereditary Chiefs

Hereditary Chiefs

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Agreement Name:

Gitanyow Forestry Agreement

Expire Date:

February 16, 2023

(A X B) District Forest Revenue:

District	Forest District Revenue: Non-BCTS and BCTS (Stumpage, Waste, Annual Rent) *	First Nation Traditional Territory within the THLB (prorated for overlap)	Revenue Sharing Percentages: Non-BCTS and BCTS	First Nation Share of Forest District Revenue
DKM	Non-BCTS	\$6,631,392	10.72%	
	BCTS	\$2,374,681		\$71,117
DSS	Non-BCTS	\$23,680,620	4.95%	\$33,107
	BCTS	\$6,195,375		\$117,155
Total Share of Forest Revenue Non-BCTS:				\$39,845
Total Share of Forest Revenue BCTS:				\$188,272
Total Share of Non-BCTS and BCTS:				\$72,952
				\$261,225

*Average audited forest revenues 2021/22 and 2022/23

(C) Direct Award Stumpage Returned Component

First Nation Direct Award Licence	Total Stumpage paid on Licence**	Revenue Sharing Percentages	First Nation Share of Forest Revenue
A88973	\$25,046	75%	\$18,785
Stumpage Returned			\$18,785
Forest District Revenue			\$261,225
Total Revenue Sharing for First Nation (A x B) +C			\$280,009

**Stumpage paid in fiscal year 2022/23. If \$0, no stumpage was paid in fiscal year 2022/23, but licence is eligible.
 **Only stumpage paid on Bill 28 volumes will be included; a proportional adjustment will be made for licences with combined volume sources.

Transition Scheme

Revenue Sharing Approach	Annual Amount	2024/25 Transition Percentages***	Revenue Sharing Payment
Annual Amount of Previous FRA/FRO	\$357,000	N/A	N/A
Annual Activity Model Amount	\$280,009	100%	\$280,009
Annual Amount			\$357,000

***Transition only applies where the Annual Activity Amount is less than the previous FRA/FRO Annual Amount. Where the Annual Transition Amount exceeds the previous Annual FRA/FRO Amount, the First Nation will receive an amount equivalent to the Annual FRA/FRO Amount.

Current Payment

Total Yearly Amount 2024/25****	\$357,000
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****All FCRSA payments will be prorated to the month in which the agreement is in effect – Please note expiry date above.

