Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation Forest & Range Consultation and Revenue Sharing Agreement (the "Agreement" or "FCRSA")

Between:

Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation as represented by Chief and Council ("Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation")

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. Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation has Aboriginal Interests within the Territory.
- B. 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-togovernment relationships built on a foundation of respect, rights, and reconciliation.
- C. 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.
- D. 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation in its pursuit of activities to enhance the well-being of its Members.
- E. The Province will consider the Revenue Sharing Contribution provided through this agreement as a contribution to any accommodation that is required for any potential adverse impact of a forest and range decision on Aboriginal Interests.

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 as defined and set out in Appendix B;
- "Band Council Resolution" means a resolution of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation having the form of Appendix D;
- "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 Ts'uubaa-asatx 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;

"Matrix" means the table set out in section 1.10 of Appendix B;

"Member" means any person who is a member of the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation

- "**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" means a reconciliation agreement between British Columbia and Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation that creates a foundation for the reconciliation of aboriginal rights and/or aboriginal title with Crown sovereignty but is not a treaty in the meaning of section 35(1) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*;
- "**Revenue Sharing Contribution**" means each payment to be made by BritishColumbia to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation under Article 3;
- "SEA" means a strategic engagement agreement between British Columbia and Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation that includes agreement on a consultation process between Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation and British Columbia in relation to the potential adverse impacts ofproposed provincial land and natural resource decisions on Ts'uubaaasatx Nation's Aboriginal Interests;

"Term" means the term of this Agreement as set out in section 13.1;

- "**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" means the geographic area identified by Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation as their 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 Territory;

Appendix B - Consultation Process

Schedule 1 – List of Decisions;

Appendix C - Revenue Sharing Contribution Methodology;

Appendix D - Band Council Resolution Appointing Delegate; and

Appendix E - 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's Aboriginal Interests;
 - (b) to provide a Revenue Sharing Contribution to support the capacity of the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation to participate in the consultation process under this Agreement;
 - (c) to enhance the social, economic and cultural well-being of Members; and
 - (d) to recognize Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's economic interests and assist in achieving greater stability and certainty for forest and range resource development within the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's Territory.

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 12, during the Term, British Columbia will:
 - (a) make annual Revenue Sharing Contributions, calculated in accordance with Appendix C, to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation (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:

\$35,000;

the first instalment of which will be paid on or before September 30, 2024 if the Effective Date is prior to July 31 or on or before March 31, 2025 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) April 1, 2024

to the earlier of:

- (b) the end of the month in which the Agreement is terminated by either Party under Article 12; 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:
 - (a) 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
 - (b) 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation of the amount of the Revenue Sharing Contribution for the following BC Fiscal Year and the summary document(s) and

calculations identified in Appendix C.

3.6 Amount agreed to. Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation agrees that the amount set out in the notice provided under section 3.5 will be the amount of the Revenue Sharing Contributionpayable under this Agreement for that following BC Fiscal Year.

ARTICLE 4 - DELIVERY OF PAYMENTS

4.1 Recipient entity. Unless Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation notifies British Columbia that it has made an election under to section 4.2, Revenue Sharing Contributions will be paid to

Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation.

- **4.2 Election of Designate.** Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation and such appointment is confirmed by a Band CouncilResolution of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation.
- **4.3 Obligations continue.** The election of a Designate under section 4.2 does not relieve Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation of its obligations under this Agreement.
- 4.4 Payment Account. Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation or its Designate will:
 - (a) establish and, throughout the Term, maintain an account in the name of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation (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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation (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) Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Article12.
- **5.2.** Appropriation. Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the payment of money by British Columbia to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Appendix B 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation will identify potential measures to accommodate anypotential adverse impacts on Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation'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) if before the Effective Date Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation enters into a SEA, or RA that includes a consultation process that addresses forest and range management and decision making, the consultation process set out in the SEA or RA will continue after the Effective Date;
 - (b) if on or after the Effective Date Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation enters into a SEA, or RA that includes a consultation process that addresses forest and range

management and decision making, the consultation process set out in the SEA or RA will supersede and replace the consultation process set out in this Agreement for the term of the SEA or RA; and

- (c) if the SEA or RA referred to in (a) or (b) comes to the end of its term or is terminated prior to the end of the Term, this Agreement will be amended within 60 days of the date of termination of the SEA or RA to include a consultation process in this Agreement.
- **6.4 Capacity funding.** The Parties acknowledge and agree that to assist Ts'uubaaasatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaaasatx Nation, under section 1.4 of Appendix C, capacity funding of no less than \$35,000 per annum.

ARTICLE 7 - ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND COVENANTS

- 7.1 Revenue Sharing Contributions will vary. Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Where consultation process followed.** Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation agrees that if the consultation process set out in this 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's Aboriginal Interests.

ARTICLE 8 - ANNUAL REPORTS AND RECORDS

- 8.1 Annual Report. Within 90 days of the end of each BC Fiscal Year, Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation will prepare an annual report, substantially in the form set out in Appendix E, 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.** Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation'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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation receives the final Revenue Sharing Contribution from British Columbia.

ARTICLE 9 - ASSISTANCE

9.1 Cooperation and Support. Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 – SILVICULTURE SECURITY

10.1 Silviculture Security. In consideration of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation entering into this Agreement, British Columbia may choose not to require a silviculture security under the Security for Forest and Range Practice Liability Regulation pertaining to a licence entered into as a result of a direct award tenure agreement entered into between Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation, or a legal entity controlled by the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation, and British Columbia.

ARTICLE 11 - DISPUTE RESOLUTION

- **11.1 Dispute Resolution Process.** If a dispute arises between British Columbia and Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation; and
 - (c) if the dispute cannot be resolved by the Parties directly under subsections or (b), the Parties may agree to other appropriate approaches to resolve the issue.

ARTICLE 12 - SUSPENSION AND TERMINATION

- **12.1** Suspension of Revenue Sharing Contributions. British Columbia may suspend further Revenue Sharing Contributions under this Agreement where Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation is in material breach of its obligations under this Agreement.
- **12.2** Notice of Suspension. Where Revenue Sharing Contributions are suspended under section 12.1, British Columbia will provide notice to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation of the reason for the suspension, including the specific material breach on which BritishColumbia relies, and the Parties will meet to attempt to resolve the issue giving rise to the suspension.
- **12.3 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 12.2, British Columbia may terminate the Agreement by written notice.
- **12.4 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.
- **12.5** Meet to attempt to resolve issue. If a Party gives written notice under section 12.4, 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 13 - TERM

- **13.1 Term.** The term of this Agreement will be three (3) years commencing on the Effective Date unless the term is extended under section 13.2 or terminated under Article 12.
- **13.2 Extension of the Term.** At least two months prior to the third anniversary of the Effective Date, the Parties will evaluate the effectiveness of this Agreement and decide whether to extend the Term.
- **13.3 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.
- **13.4** 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 14 – REPRESENTATIONS AND WARRANTIES

14.1 British Columbia represents and warrants to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation, with the intent

and understanding that the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation will rely on such representations and warranties in entering into this Agreement, that British Columbia has the authorityto enter into this Agreement.

- **14.2** Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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) Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation has the legal power, capacity and authority to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Members;
 - (b) Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation.

ARTICLE 15 - NOTICE AND DELIVERY

15.1 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation:

Chief Georgiana Livingstone Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 313B Deer Road, P.O. Box 159 Lake Cowichan, B.C. VON 1K0 Phone: (250) 749-3301 Fax: (250) 749-4286

15.2 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 15.1, supersede any previous address, email or facsimile number for the Party giving such notice.

ARTICLE 16 - GENERAL PROVISIONS

- **16.1 Governing law.** This Agreement will be governed by and construed inaccordance with the laws of British Columbia.
- **16.2** 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 Ts'uubaaasatx Nation's Aboriginal Interests.
- 16.3 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 claimsrelating to alleged past or future infringements of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation'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.
- **16.4 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.
- **16.5** 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.
- **16.6** Assignment. Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation must not assign, either directly or indirectly, this Agreement or any right of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation under this Agreement without the priorwritten consent of British Columbia.
- **16.7 Emergencies.** Nothing in this Agreement affects the ability of either Party to respond to any emergency circumstances.
- **16.8** Acknowledgment. The Parties acknowledge and enter into this Agreement on the basis that Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation Aboriginal Interests.

- **16.9** Third Parties. This Agreement is not intended to limit any obligation of Licensees or other third parties to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation.
- **16.10 Other Economic Opportunities and Benefits.** This Agreement does not preclude Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation from accessing forestry economic opportunities and benefits, which may be available to it, other than those expressly set out in thisAgreement.
- **16.11 Validity of Agreement.** If any provision of this Agreement or the application of itto 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.
- **16.12 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.
- **16.13 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.
- **16.14 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 15 or any other method agreed to by the Parties.
- **16.15 Amendment in Writing.** No amendment to this Agreement is effective unless it agreed to in writing and signed by the Parties.

Signed on behalf of:

Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation

Chief Georgina Livingstone

July 15/2024

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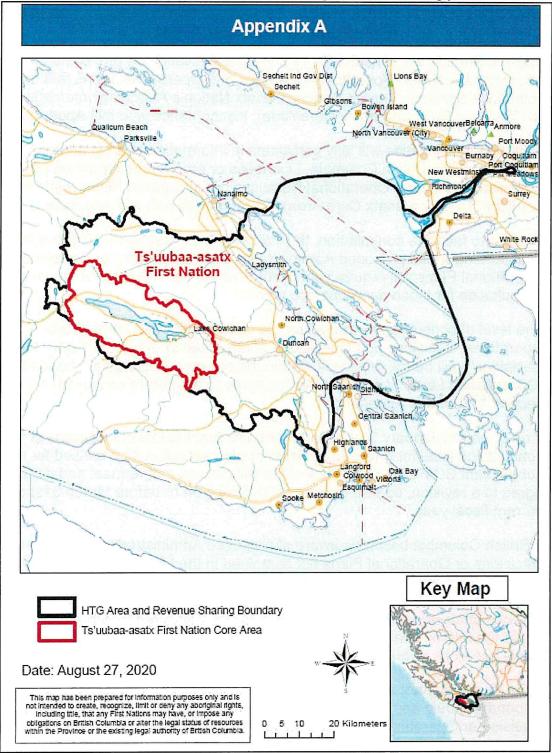
Government of British Columbia

Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

August 16, 2024 Date

APPENDIX A

Map of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation Territory (For the purposes of this agreement only)



APPENDIX B

Consultation Process for Administrative and/or Operational Decisions and Operational Plans within Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation Territory (Ts'uubaa-asatx Core Area)

- **1.1** British Columbia will consult with Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation on proposed Administrativeand/or Operational Decisions and Operational Plans that may potentially adversely impact Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's Aboriginal Interests within the Territory (Ts'uubaa-asatx Core Area), inaccordance with this Appendix B.
- **1.2** Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation will fully participate in information sharing and/or consultation withBritish Columbia, Licensees or proponents regarding proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decisions or Operational Plans within the Territory (Ts'uubaa-asatx Core Area) in accordance with this Appendix B.
- **1.3** In order to facilitate consultation, the Parties will use section 1.10 of this Appendix to determine which proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decisions and Operational Plans will require consultation, as well as the appropriate level of consultation for those decisions and plans.
- 1.4 The level of consultation required for the types of Administrative and/or Operational Decisions and Operational Plans listed in Schedule 1 (the "List of Decisions") will be the level indicated in the column of Schedule 1 headed "Consultation Level" unless the Parties agree to a different consultation level under section 1.11 of this Appendix.
- **1.5** If on or before January 31st a Party requests that the List of Decisions or the consultation level for a type of decision or plan set out in it be revised for a subsequent BC Fiscal Year, the Parties will discuss that request and if the Parties agree to a revision, update the List of Decisions on or before March 31st of the current fiscal year.
- **1.6** If British Columbia becomes aware of proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decisions or Operational Plans not contained in the List of Decisions that will have effect within the Territory of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation (Ts'uubaa-asatx Core Area) during the current fiscalyear, British Columbia will notify the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation of those decisions or plans and the Parties will, with reference to the criteria set out in the Matrix, seek to agree on the consultation levels that will be applicable to those decisions or plans.
- **1.7** If the Parties cannot agree upon which consultation level in section 1.10 of this Appendix should apply to a particular or any Operational or Administrative Decision or Operational Plan, then British Columbia will consult with Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation on the basis of British Columbia's consultation procedures in effect at the time as well as the applicable case law respecting consultation obligations.

- **1.8** In reviewing and responding to a proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan submitted to them, Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation will, unless otherwise agreed by the Parties, provide the party (i.e. British Columbia, Licensee or proponent) that supplied the proposed decision or plan to them, with all reasonably available information that will identify any potential adverse impacts to their Aboriginal Interests that may occur as a result of the proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan within the Territory (Ts'uubaa-asatx Core Area) or forest or range resource development practices that may be carried out pursuant to that decision or plan.
- **1.9** If a proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan is submitted to Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation and no response is received within the consultation period set out in section 1.10 of this Appendix for the consultation level applicableto the proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan, then British Columbia may proceed to make a decision regarding the decision or plan.
- **1.10** The Parties agree that:
 - (a) as set out in the table below (the "Matrix") there will be six (6) potential levels of consultation for a proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan;
 - (b) subject to the List of Decisions, the appropriate consultation level for a proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan will be determined by reference to the criteria set out in the Matrix; and
 - (c) the consultation period applicable to a consultation level is the period referred to in the Matrix, the List of Decisions or as otherwise agreed to by the Parties, whichever period is the longest.

Level	Description	Intent
1. Information Sharing: occurs before formal consultation process	Proponent or tenure holder engages the Nation during planning to provide opportunity to incorporate Aboriginal Interests prior to submitting plan/request to Decision Maker.	Proponent or tenure holder engages directly with the Nation and provides summary of communications to British Columbia.
2. Available on Request	Consultation is not undertaken, but post-decision information is available on request.	The Nation can request from British Columbia more detailed information about decisions made at this level.

Level	Description	Intent
3. Notification	Notify the Nation in writing about an upcoming decision and provide overview information. Would be an opportunity for comment.	British Columbia provides the Nation base level information and a short reasonable time (21-30 calendar day consultation period) to comment. Limited follow-up.
4. Expedited Consultation Process	Where there is an imminent threat to a resource value (<i>e.g.</i> mountain pine beetle spread control) an expedited consultation process is undertaken.	Intense but short timeline (about 10 calendar days). A justification for shortening the period would be given by describing the imminent threat. May require a meeting.
5. Normal Consultation	Follow on "normal" track for consultation guided by up-to-date consultation policy. Meetings to resolve issues where possible and make decision in a timely manner.	Intent to follow this course in most circumstances (30-60 calendar day consultation period). May involve meaningful discussion of accommodation options where appropriate. British Columbia will notify the Nation of the final decision if requested by the Nation.
6. Deep Consultation	Use reasonable effort to inform in an accessible manner and to engage in full discussions around the proposed decision. Make reasonable efforts to accommodate where necessary. Preliminary assessments may indicate a significant Aboriginal Interest and a significant impact to that interest.	Would involve meaningful discussion of suitable accommodation options and interim solutions where appropriate. May require extended timelines. British Columbia will provide the Nation with the final decision and rational in writing.

- **1.11** The Parties may agree to increase or decrease the consultation level for a specific proposed Administrative and/or Operational Decision or Operational Plan where detailed Aboriginal Interest information is provided that indicates a different consultation level is appropriate.
- **1.12** Unless requested by the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation, British Columbia is not obligated to inform the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation of the Delegated Decision Maker's decision where the consultation level in respect of the proposed decision was level three (3) or lower.

Schedule 1 – List of Decisions (Ts'uubaa-asatx Core Area)

	Schedule 1 'List of Decisions' – West Coast Region					
Decision Category	Decision	Delegated Decision Maker ¹	Consultation Level	Consultation Period	Comments/Pending Decisions	
		ADMINISTRATIVE	E DECISIONS			
Timber Supply Area	Timber supply review resulting in Allowable Annual Cut (AAC) determination	Chief Forester	5	24 months total	Multiple 60-day processes at discreet intervals over a 24 month period. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Timber Supply Area	AAC apportionment or disposition	Minister of Forests	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Innovative Forestry Practices AAC	AAC of timber supply area	Regional Executive Director	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Tree Farm Licence	Timber supply review resulting in AAC determination	Chief Forester	5	24 months total	Multiple 60-day processes at discreet intervals over a 24 month period. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Tree Farm Licence	Management Plan approval	Deputy Chief Forester	5	30-60 days	Consultation usually combined with AAC determination. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Tree Farm Licence	Deletion of Crown or private land from TFL	Minister of Forests	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Tree Farm Licence and Forest Licence	Replacement, consolidation, or subdivision	Various	3 or 5	21-60 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Tree Farm Licence, Forest Licence, Timber Licence, Woodlot Licence	Transfer	Various	5	30 days	Transfer of TFL/FL = Level 5 Transfer of TL/WL = Level 3 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Timber Licence	Extension or consolidation	Regional Executive Director	3 or 5	21-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Timber Licence	Exemption from cut control	Regional Executive Director	1 or 3	0-30 days	Typically in response to an unexpected, catastrophic forest health event where management requires a temporary cut control uplift. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Forest Licence	Issuance of FL	Regional Executive Director	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	
Non-Replaceable Forest Licence	Extension or issuance of NRFL	Regional Executive Director	5	30 days	Extension = Level 3 New Tenure = Level 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.	

Community Forest Agreement	Establishment and advertisement of new CFA area	Regional Executive Director/District Manager	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Community Forest Agreement	Issuance of a CFA	Regional Executive Director	5	30-60 days	Consultation usually combined with Mgmt. Plan as CFA cannot be issued until Mgmt. Plan is approved Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Community Forest Agreement	Approval of new CFA Management Plan or minor or major amendment	District Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Minor Amendment = Level 3 New Plan/Major Amendment = Level 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Community Forest Agreement	Boundary amendment	Regional Executive Director/District Manager	5	30 days	Supplemental consultation leve subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Community Forest Agreement	Probationary CFA transition to CFA	Regional Executive Director	3	21-30 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Community Forest Agreement	CFA replacement	Regional Executive Director	5	30 days	Supplemental consultation leve subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Woodlot Licence	Establishment of new WL area	District Manager	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asat> Core Area only.
Woodlot Licence	Issuance of a WL	District Manager	5	30-60 days	Consultation usually combined with Mgmt. Plan as WL canno be issued until Mgmt. Plan is approved. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only
Woodlot Licence	Approval of new WL Management Plan (including inventory or AAC determination) or major amendment	District Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Major Amendment = Level 3 New Plan = Level 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Woodlot Licence	Boundary amendment, consolidation, or replacement	District Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Supplemental consultation leve subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Woodlot Licence	Licence Plan approval or amendment	District Manager	5	30 days	Licence Plan approval = Level 5 Licence Plan Amendment or Extension = Level 3 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.

Woodlot Licence	WLP extension	District Manager	1, 2 or 5	n/a, 30 days	Extension term < 2 years= Level 1, or 2 Extension term > 2 years = Level 1, or 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
First Nations Woodland Licence	Issuance of FNWL	Regional Executive Director	5	30-60 days	Consultation usually combined with Mgmt. Plan as FNWL cannot be issued until the Mgmt. Plan is approved. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
First Nations Woodland Licence	Approval of new FNWL Management Plan (including AAC determination) or major amendment	District Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Major Amendment = Level 3 New Plan = Level 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
First Nations Woodland Licence	Boundary amendment or replacement	Regional Executive Director/District Manager	5	30 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Forestry Licence to Cut	Issuance of FLTC or amendment or transfer of existing	District Manager	5	30 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Includes minor cutting, small scale salvage (post-harvest and damaged timber), rec sites and trails, etc. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Forestry Licence to Cut	lssuance of FLTC for community wildfire protection	Regional Executive Director	3	21-30 days	Non-emergency licence to cut for wildfire prevention. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Occupant Licence to Cut	Issuance or amendment of OLTC	District Manager	2 or 3	n/a, 30 days	Consultation often done in conjunction with a Land Act tenure. Generally involves minor tree removal to allow for new infrastructure installation, i.e. cell towers, non-emergency community wildfire protection, etc. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Special Use Permit	Issuance of new SUP	District Manager	1 or 5	0-60 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.

Special Use Permit	Amendment, extension, replacement or transfer of existing SUP	District Manager	1, 3 or 5	0-60 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Higher Level Plan	Land use objectives – new or major amendments	Minister of Forests	5	30-60 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Old Growth Management Area	Major/minor amendment to existing or establishment of new OGMA	District Manager	1, 3 or 5	0-60 days	OGMAs tend to protect existing old growth stands from harvest and alternatively serve to recruit old growth from younger stands. Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing Major/minor amendment = Level 1 or 3 New = Level 3 or 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Government Actions Regulation	Establishment of GAR	Regional Executive Director or Designate/District Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Generally GAR order serves to protect lands from development. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Recreation Sites & Trails	Establishment of a previously existing/non- established or new interpretive forest site, recreation site or trail under <i>FRPA</i> Section 56	Assistant Deputy Minister Sites and Trails BC	3 or 5	21-60 days	Previously existing = Level 3 New = Level 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Recreation Sites & Trails	Dis-establish recreation sites and trails	Assistant Deputy Minister Sites and Trails BC	2	n/a	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Recreation Sites & Trails	Trail construction, rehabilitation or maintenance under <i>FRPA</i> Section 57	Regional Manager/District Recreation Officer Sites and Trails BC	3	21-30 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Recreation Sites & Trails	Protection of recreation resource under <i>FRPA</i> Section 58	Regional Manager Sites and Trails BC	3	21-30 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
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FL/TL/TFL/CFA/FNWL	Forest Stewardship Plan extension	District Manager	1 or 3	0-30 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.

FL/TL/TFL/CFA/FNWL	Forest Stewardship Plan new or replacement, including major amendment	District Manager	1, 3 or 5	0-60 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
FL/TL/TFL/CFA/FNWL	Forest Stewardship Plan, minor amendment	District Manager	2	n/a	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
WL/FNWL	New Licence Plan or major amendment or extension	District Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Amendment/extension = Level 3 New = Level 5 Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Range Tenure	Range Use Plan or Stewardship Plan, including major amendments	District Manager	5	30-60 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Range Tenures	Range Use Plan or Stewardship Plan extensions	District Manager	3	21-30 days	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Range Tenures	Range Use Plan or Stewardship Plan minor amendments	District Manager	2	n/a	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
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FL/TL/TFL/CFA/WL/FN WL/Major FLTC	Cutting Permit issuance	District Manager	1, 5	30 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
FL/TL/TFL/CFA/WL/FN WL/Major FLTC	Cutting Permit amendment	District Manager	1 or 3	30 days	Generally these are minor amendments only – may be subject to proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Road Permit	Road Permit issuance/amendment	District Manager	1, 5	30 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Cutting Permit Minor Amendment	Cutting Permit minor amendments	District Manager	1 or 2	n/a	Generally, no consultation obligations with these minor amendments. Proponent-led information sharing in exceptional situations according to the nature/significance of the amendment as per the consultation procedures. Minor amendments are defined as CP increases less than 1.0 ha. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Road Use Permit	New Road Use Permits on existing Forest Service Roads	District Manager	2	n/a	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.

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Forest Investment Account	Sustainable forest management planning; management unit/watershed level strategies/plans; resource inventories; monitoring; decision support; stand	District Manager	1 to 5	0-60 days	Consultation/info-sharing levels guided by Land Based Investment (LBI) Interim First Nations Info Sharing Guidelines 2010 developed under the LBI program and generally recipient-led. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx
	treatments;		Contraction and the		Core Area only.
Free Use Permit	recreation, etc. Free Use Permit issuance for First Nation's traditional and cultural activities (including firewood)	District Manager	2 or 3	n/a, 21-30	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Free Use Permit	Free Use Permit issuance for danger trees or non-cultural activities	District Manager	2	n/a	Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Miscellaneous	Authority to harvest timber by Crown agents (Section 52 <i>Forest Act)</i>	District Manager	2	n/a	May include FSR realignment, helipad clearing for BCTS, research branch destructive sampling, etc. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Miscellaneous	Permit or permit reissuance to grow and/or harvest Christmas trees on Crown land	District Manager	2	n/a	Often in association with compatible land use such as hydro power line ROW Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
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Forestry Licence to Cut	Issuance of FLTC or amendment to existing	Timber Sales Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	Supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Includes minor cutting, small scale salvage(post-harvest and damaged timber), rec. sites and trails, etc. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Timber Sale Licence	New Timber Sale Licence	Timber Sales Manager	3 or 5	21-60 days	BCTS-led process – level may be superseded by any BCTS/FN Protocol Agreement. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Timber Sale Licence Amendment	Amendment to a Timber Sale Licence	Timber Sales Manager	1, 2 or 3	n/a, 21-30 days	BCTS-led process – amendments to issued timber sales are rare. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.

Road Permit	Road Permit issuance/amendment	Timber Sales Manager	1, 3, 4 or 5	0-60 days	BCTS-led process – supplemental consultation level subject to outcome of proponent-led info sharing. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.
Road Permit Minor Amendment	Road Permit minor amendments	Timber Sales Manager	1 or 2	n/a	BCTS-led process. Generally, no consultation obligations with these minor amendments. Minor amendments are defined as RP increases less than 350m. Consultation in Ts'uubaa'asatx Core Area only.

APPENDIX C

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 South Island 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 applicable Forest District(s).
- **1.1** For the purposes of the summary document in section 1.0 of this Appendix, the stumpage payments from Eligible Volume in Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation'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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's Territory will be calculated by determining the percent of Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation's Territory that falls within the Timber Harvesting Land Base within the applicable Forest District(s), 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 8 percent of non BC Timber Sales forest revenue attributed to the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation and 11 percent of BC Timber Sales forest revenue, as described in section 1.2 of this Appendix.
- **1.4** If Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation'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 35 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation in any given full year under the *Lake Cowichan First Nation Interim Agreement on Forest & Range Opportunities (2006)*, ("the Annual Amount") and applying the following percentages to that Annual Amount:

2024/25 BC Fiscal Year	40 percent;
2025/26 BC Fiscal Year	TBD;
2026/27 BC Fiscal Year	TBD

- **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 *Lake Cowichan First Nation Interim Agreement on Forest & Range Opportunities (2006)*, then Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation 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 *Lake Cowichan First Nation Interim Agreement on Forest & Range Opportunities (2006)*, then Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation will receive an annual payment for those BC fiscal Years that is equal to the annual payment received under the *Lake Cowichan First Nation Interim Agreement on Forest & Range Opportunities (2006).*

APPENDIX D

Band Council Resolution Appointing the Recipient Entity for the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation FCRSA

APPENDIX E

Annual Report

(Example only)

Socio- economic Priority	2024/2025 Planned Expenditures	2024/2025 Actual Expenditures	Outcomes Achieved	Variance Explanation

Confirmation

In accordance with section 8.1 of the Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation Forest & Range Consultation andRevenue Sharing Agreement, Ts'uubaa-asatx 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 Ts'uubaa-asatx Nation