



JUNE 2021 NEWSLETTER

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Welcome

June

Coldwater Band Office

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MISSION STATEMENT

To enhance and sustain our quality of life through wellness and culture and to utilize and preserve all our resources for now and future generations.

Protect your community with COVID-19 immunity



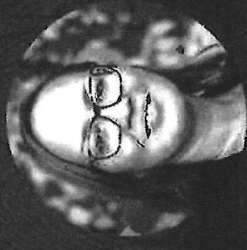
“I use my medical training and my understandings of health and wellness to make informed decisions for my own life. I gladly chose to receive the vaccine.”

Dr. Kelsey Louie
Tla'Amin Nation



“I really do believe that vaccines are good medicine, and we have a duty to protect our Elders and children by getting vaccinated.”

Dr. Terri Aldred
Tl'Azt'En Nation



“Take care of yourself so you can take care of others. Get your COVID-19 vaccine - I did.”

Dr. Kate Elliott
Métis Nation



“I'm not just a doctor, I'm also a wife, a mother, and a grandmother. I got vaccinated to protect my community.”

Dr. Shannon McDonald
Métis/Anishinaabe



“You have a choice to take the vaccine when it is available to you. I, for one, will be rolling up my sleeve when it is my turn to be vaccinated.”

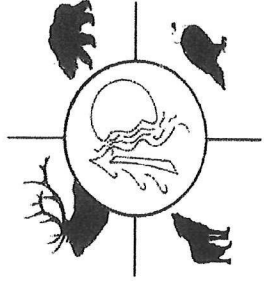
Dr. Nel Wieman
Little Grand Rapids First Nation
Anishinaabe Nation

Questions? Call Healthlink BC at  8-1-1

For more info on COVID-19, visit www.bccdc.ca,
www.fnha.ca/coronavirus or www.rnmbc.ca



BC Centre for Disease Control
Prevention Services Division



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Chief and Council (Executive Assistant), Finance, Social Development

The Chief and Council are in the process of starting up Virtual General Band Meetings for the membership

It will be by Zoom and an access code is required there is a dial in option for people with limited or no access to Wi-Fi

We have set the dates for these meetings to be on

June 10, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

And

June 24, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

If you wish to be included, please call or email Dale

August, Executive Assistant at

250-378-6174 Ext. 100 / daugust@coldwaterband.org

and provide your email address so you can get an invite to participate in these sessions

An agenda will be provided closer to the date of the meetings and documentation will be posted to the website

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Agenda

Chief and Council Virtual General Band Meeting

June 10, 2021
6:00 p.m.

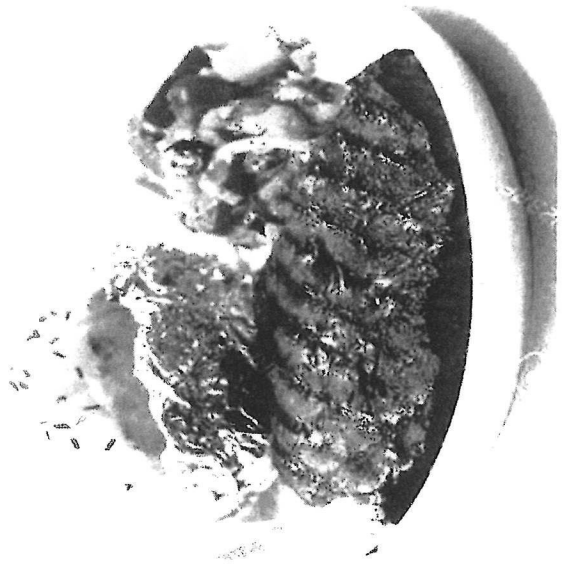
1. Approval of General Band Meeting Minutes
 - a. April 18, 2019
 - b. September 26, 2019
 - c. February 19, 2020
2. Trans Mountain West Alternative Route
3. Scw'exmx Community Health Building
4. Update on Residential School Ceremony

Please provide the Executive assistant daugust@coldwaterband.org or 250-378-6174 Ext.100 with your email address so that an invitation can be sent to you. If you don't have internet access, you can call the day before for the dial in number.

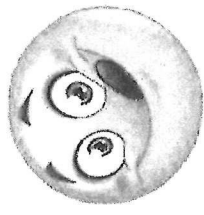
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Coldwater
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invites you to
our Annual
Community
BBQ



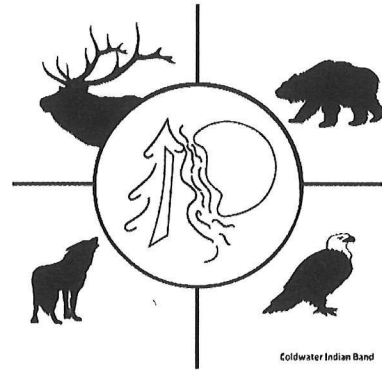
When: June 17, 2021
Where: Fire Hall
Time: 6:00 p.m.



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What to Bring? Your Appetite

This is a drive through event,
please enter from 230th street to
alleviate traffic congestion, grab
your meal and drive on through,
enjoy at home or ??



**COLDWATER TRANSFER STATION
CLOSED**

NO DUMPING

Trespassers will be Prosecuted

Video Surveillance in Effect



INFORMATION BULLETIN

For Immediate Release
June 04, 2021

Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
and Rural Development
BC Wildfire Service

Category 2 and category 3 fire prohibitions to start in Kamloops Fire Centre

KAMLOOPS – Effective at 12:00 pm (noon) on Friday, June 11, 2021, Category 2 and Category 3 open fires, as well as other equipment and activities will be prohibited throughout the Kamloops Fire Centre. This prohibition is being enacted to help prevent human-caused wildfires and protect public safety.

This prohibition will remain in effect until noon on Oct. 15, 2021, or until the order is rescinded. Anyone conducting Category 2 or Category 3 open fires within the Kamloops Fire Centre's jurisdiction must extinguish those fires by the June 11th deadline.

A map of the affected area is available online at: <http://ow.ly/y4zk30rJR6p>

Specifically, prohibited activities will include:

- Category 2 open fires;
- Category 3 open fires;
- Fireworks;
- Sky Lanterns and,
- Burn Barrels or Burn Cages of any size or description, except when used for a campfire as defined by the Wildfire Regulation.

These prohibitions apply to all public and private land within the Kamloops Fire Centre jurisdiction, unless specified otherwise in an enactment (e.g. in a local government bylaw). Before lighting any fire, people should check with local government authorities to see if any other burning restrictions are in effect.

Anyone found in contravention of an open burning prohibition may be issued a ticket for \$1,150, required to pay an administrative penalty of up to \$10,000 or, if convicted in court, fined up to \$100,000 and/or sentenced to one year in jail. If the contravention causes or contributes to a wildfire, the person responsible may be ordered to pay all firefighting and associated costs.

This prohibition does not ban campfires that are a half-metre high by a high-metre wide or smaller and does not apply to cooking stoves that use gas, propane, or briquettes.

A poster explaining the different categories of open burning is available online at: <http://ow.ly/znnny309kIv5>

The Kamloops Fire Centre would like to thank the public for its continuing help in preventing wildfires. To report a wildfire, unattended campfire or open burning violation, call 1 800 663-5555 toll-free or *5555 on a cell phone. For up-to-date information on current wildfire activity, burning restrictions, road closures and air quality advisories, call 1 888 3-FOREST or visit: www.bcwildfire.ca

People can follow the latest wildfire news:

- on the free BC Wildfire Service public mobile app, available for Apple (iOS) and Android devices
- on Twitter: twitter.com/BCGovFireInfo
- on Facebook: facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo

Contact:

Fire Information Officer
BC Wildfire Service
Kamloops Fire Centre
250 554-5965

Connect with the Province of B.C. at www.gov.bc.ca/connect.



INTERIOR REGION
First Nations Health Authority

Mental Health and Wellness Supports

MENTAL HEALTH AND CRISIS SUPPORT LINES

- **Hope for Wellness Helpline:** 1-855-242-3310
Offers 24 hour immediate mental health counselling and crisis intervention to all Indigenous people across Canada
- **Indian Residential School Survivors Society:** 1-604-985-4464 or toll-free 1-800-721-0066
- **KUU-US Crisis Line Society:** 1-800-588-8717
Indigenous crisis line in BC. Available 24 hours a day
- **Tsow-Tun Le Lum Society:** 1-250-268-2463
24-hour support line for people struggling with addiction, substance misuse, and trauma - including residential school survivors.

ADDICTIONS AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE SUPPORTS

- **Kids Help Line:** 1-800-668-6868
- **Adults Help Line:** 1-800-663-1441
- **Health Link BC:** 811
- **MHSU Interior Health:** 1-888-353-2283

FOR ONLINE RESOURCES FOR MENTAL HEALTH:

- **First Nations Health Authority - Mental Health and Substance Use:**
<https://www.fnha.ca/what-we-do/mental-wellness-and-substance-use>
- **Canadian Mental Health Association**
<https://cmha.ca/>
- **First Nations Health Authority - novel coronavirus (COVID-19)**
<https://www.fnha.ca/what-we-do/communicable-disease-control/coronavirus/mental-health-and-wellness>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE OR ABUSE

If you are in immediate danger call 911

- **Domestic Violence Help Line:** 1-800-563-0808
(confidential, 24 hours a day, service in multiple languages)
 - **VictimLinkBC:** 1-800-563-0808 confidential, multilingual telephone service available across B.C. and the Yukon 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
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- ## SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH
- **Kids Help Phone:** 1-800-668-6868
 - **Helpline for Children in BC:** 310-1234
(no area code needed)
 - **KUU-US Crisis Line Society Child and Youth Crisis:** 1-250-723-2040 or toll free 1-800-588-8717
Available 24 hours a day

If you or someone you know is struggling to maintain mental wellness, reach out for support to a hotline, a mental health counsellor or clinician, a doctor, a health and wellness provider or a nurse practitioner in your area. If you do not have access to a provider, call the First Nations Virtual Doctor of the Day for referral support at 1-855-344-3800. The service is available seven days a week from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Activity Report June 2021

The well is drilled and we hit water, now the testing (water quality and quantity) is started and engineers are planning the pump house and waterlines, and reservoir needed for service to the light industrial lots and future housing subdivision.

The garden soils are being taken up by band members and are in process to hire 2 workers for the tasks of the community garden. The steel storage container has been delivered, we would need to level and install the lockbox. Taking inventory of tools and seeds on hand, starting plants in the green house would be some of the first tasks and hooking up the irrigation system. I feel we should paint it with a garden scene. We did get donated garden seeds by band members (thank you very much) and band members did indicate to volunteer to assist the workers.

I will be organizing a zoom meeting and present past discussions on economic development, for you to participate you would need an email address and a WIFI connection. This would be planned for July 2021. Previous discussions included a gas station, convenience store, tire & mechanic shop. If there are any other interests of starting a small business or doing crafts this could be a place to discuss and check the amount of interest within the community.

Early in July we will be organizing a basic first aid training for all that want a certificate or renewal. There is no age limit on this training and would be fun and exciting and a certificate under your belt.

We are having a difficult time to gather resumes for student summer workers, we need up to 300 resumes from post-secondary level to start asap, the wage is \$15.20 per hour and there are a lot of tasks within the community to be undertaken.

The harvesting of soapberries, saskatoons are quickly approaching and we could learn to process in many ways, canning, drying, cooking could be done or passed on to the youth.

Harold Aljam, Economic Development Coordinator
Coldwater Indian Band

Job Posting for Coldwater Indian Band Member: Cumulative Effects Coordinator (paid)

PGL Environmental Consultants Ltd. (PGL) is looking to hire a Coldwater Indian Band member on a **contract basis** as part of the Terrestrial Cumulative Effects Initiative (TCEI). The TCEI is aimed at managing cumulative effects in areas of importance to Coldwater. A dedicated team has been established to manage this project and this position will report directly to the TCEI team (a combination of Coldwater Councillors and PGL).

Funding is available from Natural Resources Canada for this role from **May-December 2021 as part of the first phase of work**, with a possibility of extension (funding may be available for an additional 1-2 years). The hourly salary will be determined based on the skills, experience and availability of the selected individual.

Relevant experience is an asset but not a requirement as the individual will receive mentorship, training and support from the TCEI team.

The Coldwater Indian Band member should have interest in some, or all, of the following topics:

- Land and resources
- Cumulative effects
- Community engagement
- Environmental assessments
- Cultural assessments
- Project management
- Communication and planning

The role will include:

- community liaison and outreach regarding TCEI priorities (organizing community meetings, newsletters, weekly reports, surveys, website/email updates, phone calls, etc.);
- self-directed study on relevant topics (with guidance from TCEI team);
- developing worksheets/questionnaires for community input;
- attending regular TCEI team meetings (typically every two weeks on Tuesdays from 5-7 p.m.) to determine cumulative effects initiatives based on input from the community;
- meeting with PGL weekly as part of mentorship/training;
- submitting weekly reports on work progress to the TCEI team;
- ability to work from home (working at Band office can be explored if needed);
- familiarity with zoom, Microsoft word and email;
- willingness to work flexible hours (e.g., evening meetings); and
- managing socially-distant meetings in the community if needed/appropriate.

We're hoping to fill this position as soon as reasonably possible. If you have questions or would like to apply please contact Bridget Dunne (BDunne@pggroup.com or 604-895-7659) or Leslie Beckmann (LBeckmann@pggroup.com or 604-895-7629) at PGL.

The TCEI is funded by Natural Resources Canada in association with the Trans Mountain Expansion Project. Coldwater's participation in the TCEI does not indicate Coldwater's support for the Project and is without prejudice to the Crown's constitutional obligations to Coldwater.



1500 - 1185 West Georgia Street
Vancouver, BC V6E 4E6
604.682.3707
pggroup.com

Archaeological/Environmental Field Crew Member

Deadline for Applications: May 5th 4:00pm

Duration: full time seasonal positions – till the snow hits in the fall

Rate of Pay: Dependent upon experience

Start Date: ASAP

Who we are looking to hire:

- People interested in working outside and protecting First Nations Rights and Title concerns
- People interested in the environment
- People interested in developing new skills and experience
- People interested in seasonal full-time work (based on availability, but this looks to be a busy year)

Essential Duties and Responsibilities include:

- Use of mini iPad to collect data through tracking mode, and pictures. Reading maps is essential as well as taking detailed field notes according to BC Archaeology RISC standards.
- Assessment of impacts on environment, including Cultural and Archaeological values.
- Participate in wildlife and plant species studies, knowledge of local fauna and plants, Species at Risk.

Preferred (but not required) Qualifications:

- Environmental Resource Technician/Natural Resources Technician
- RISC Archaeology and Culturally Modified Tree Certificate (preferred)
- Environmental Monitoring Certificate (an asset)
- First Aid Level 1 and Transportation Endorsement
- Valid Class 5 Drivers license
- Physically fit, Interest in cultural heritage identification and protection

If you have questions:

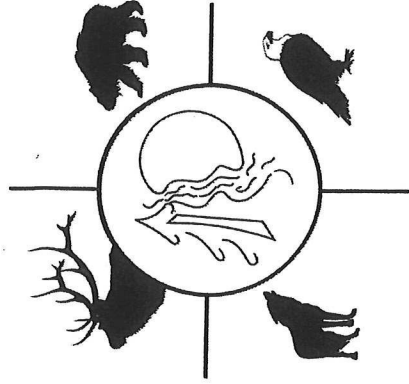
Email paulmitchellbanks@gmail.com and eshknam.arch@gmail.com

Send Resumes and cover letter to:

Attention: Paul Mitchell-Banks, Esh-kn-am Cultural Resources Management Services

Email to: paulmitchellbanks@gmail.com and eshknam.arch@gmail.com

We will contact all candidates who apply.



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EDUCATION COORDINATOR

The Coldwater Indian Band is seeking an individual to fill the Education Coordinator position. The Education Coordinator is responsible for the planning, administration and coordination of Coldwater Indian Band Education Programs and Services and reports to the Band Administrator. This position will be working from the Merritt Office.

Responsibilities and Duties

Planning – Annual and Long-term Education Plan for Coldwater Indian Band, membership and as directed.

Human Resource – Supervises and evaluates the performance of anyone with direct reporting relations to the Department when applicable.

Financial – Develops Education Program budgets in consultation with the Band Administrator and administers the budgets as approved by Chief and Council and all other associated duties.

Policy – Administers the approved Post-Secondary Education Policy.

Liaison and Representation – Participates as Ex-Officio when required on the Band School SAC; Represents the band in negotiating the Local Education Agreement; Attends School District 58 meetings where applicable; Liaises with Post-Secondary Institutions/Schools in support of the Coldwater Indian Band Education Policy and programs; Liaises with SD #58 re: L.E.A., F.N.A.C, and staff where applicable; Advocates for Coldwater students within School District 58 & students attending different Post-Secondary Educational Institutions; Liaise with Indian Services Canada in support of the Coldwater Indian Band Education Department programs.

Post-Secondary Program Administration – Administers the Post-Secondary program as per Job Description.

General Education Administration – Administers all pertinent Education Program funding through Xyntax; Develop and maintain individual student confidential files; Maintains records of all Education programs, services and funding associated with this department; Keeps the Band Administrator informed of sensitive and important issues and events in relation to the operation of the Education Programs; etc.

Position Qualifications

- Post-Secondary Diploma (prefer minimum Business or Public Administration diploma)
- OR an equivalent combination of post secondary education and directly related work experience.
- Proposal writing an asset
- Lifestyle consistent with the importance of the responsibilities of the position
- Strong analytical and decision-making skills, tact, discretion and sound judgement
- Demonstrated commitment to fiscal management
- Superior communication skills, written and oral
- Working knowledge of Xyntax an asset
- Knowledge of Nlaka'pamux and Coldwater Community an asset
- Ability to organize and manage workload
- Good negotiation skills (Local Education Agreements)
- Able to work independently and in a team environment
- Satisfactory Criminal Records check
- Valid Driver's License and Reliable vehicle

Send your resume with references and cover letter:

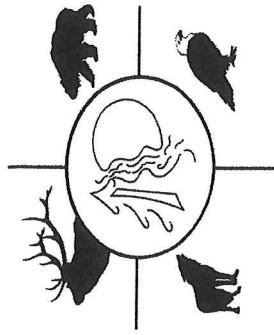
Attn: COLDWATER INDIAN BAND H.R. COMMITTEE
c/o Band Administrator (lantoine@coldwaterband.org.)
PO BOX 4600
MERRITT, BC
V1K 1B8

Deadline for resumes - June 18, 2021 @ 4:00 p.m.

Only successful applicants will be contacted for an interview.

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JOB POSTING – RECYCLING CHAMPION **Two-Year Term Full-Time Temporary Position**

Coldwater Indian Band has collaborated with GDH and Indigenous Services Canada (ISC), respectively, to create an exciting work opportunity in our community.

Job Summary:

The purpose of the position is to offer two-year employment for a Recycling Champion, reporting to and working closely with the Public Works department and in cooperation with GDH and Indigenous Services Canada (ISC).

Duties include and are not limited to:

Reporting to and working closely with the Public Works and in cooperation with GDH and ISC, responsibilities include, and are not limited to:

- Being a change agent, working with community members to encourage and support Recycling behaviors and actions;
- Day-to-day operation of the recycling storage shelter including organization, cleaning and maintenance of the facility;
- Greeting the public in a friendly, professional manner, assisting with sorting and documenting while responding to public enquiries/concerns;
- Operate and maintain Equipment with attachments (training available);
- Be involved in community engagement and awareness training;
- Prepare monthly reports, budgets, records and billing where necessary;
- Coordinating implementation of the Community Energy Plan;
- Other duties as may be required by direct Supervisor.

Qualifications:

- Passion for working with people and be able to maintain a cheerful and helpful attitude under busy and challenging circumstances;
- Effective oral communication skills;
- Will require a good level of physical fitness and the ability to use basic hand tools
- Nature of the facility and job is such that the successful applicant must have the ability and willingness to stand and walk throughout the day, as well as work in inclement weather;
- Being an active Steward of the Land, have knowledge/understanding of traditions and language is an asset;
- Two-year term, full-time temporary position (35 hours/week) from date of hire, with possible extension, subject to the operational needs of the department and continued funding;

Application letter with resume of experience, qualifications and references will be accepted until 4:00 pm, June 23, 2021 and quote Recycling Champion to:

Email: lantoine@coldwaterband.org and to the **Attention of the Coldwater Indian Band Human Resources Committee**

Fax: (250) 378-5351

****Due to the funding arrangement with both GDH and Indigenous Services Canada, applications for this position will be shared in confidence with them****

****Thank you for your interest in this position. No phone calls please, only those under consideration will be contacted for an interview****