



Tsleil-Waututh Nation

People of the Inlet



Tsleil-Waututh Nation File Addition to Reserve to Ensure Economic Stability for Future Generations

October 25, 2019 (**Tsleil-Waututh Nation**) – Announced today, Tsleil-Waututh Nation has filed an Addition to Reserve with the Federal Government of Canada to expand its reserve lands. The decision to file an Addition to Reserve relates back to Tsleil-Waututh Nation’s mandate to expand the community’s land base, as well as to develop new and existing business opportunities and partnerships that provide economic growth for the Tsleil-Waututh community.

The area to be added to the Tsleil-Waututh Nation reserve land includes 45 acres located at Tsleil-Waututh ancestral village Squaw-uck/Maplewood North, between two additional ancestral Tsleil-Waututh villages; Sleil-waututh/ Burrard Inlet Indian Reserve No. 3 and Jol-gul-hook/Seymour Creek.

Proposed plans for the site are in alignment with the Tsleil-Waututh Nation’s land use values, and will incorporate the District of North Vancouver Official Community Plan, with a focus on housing, transportation, economic growth, employment, and addressing environmental impacts and climate change.

In a statement, Chief Leah George-Wilson explains, “As a Nation, our journey leads to Tsleil-Waututh self-sufficiency and sovereignty. We strive to preserve the Tsleil-Waututh values in our land and business development activities and we make decisions that will sustain and strengthen our culture. The feedback we receive from Tsleil-Waututh community members and the greater community will continue to be reflected in the community planning process to ensure the project best serves the community as a whole.”

The return of this ancestral land to the Tsleil-Waututh Nation will help the Nation move towards economic prosperity for present and future generations, and create more opportunities for the Nation to continue to build meaningful relationships with neighbouring communities.

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About Tsleil-Waututh Nation:

Tsleil-Waututh Nation is a progressive and vibrant Coast Salish community of approximately 600 members, located along the shores of the Burrard Inlet in North Vancouver, BC.