

Kitsumkalum



Land Management Committee

Our First Issue!
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Welcome to the inaugural issue of the newsletter from the Land Management Committee. As part of our mission, we are looking for ways to communicate more effectively with our community members. We hope you'll take a moment to read our updates and let us know what you think!

ABOUT US

Our Committee, made up of interested community members, was established in April 2017, to represent Membership interests in land management initiatives.

We have eight members: Jeanette Spalding, Charlene Webb, Troy Sam, Lisa Wesley, Wayne Bolton, Allan Bolton, Charlotte Guno and Yvonne Wesley.

We have a coordinator/planner Mag de Grace and First Nations Land Management Resource personnel Patti Wight working alongside us.

PROJECT UPDATE

We've had three committee meetings to date, providing us with a broader understanding of First Nations Land Management (FNLM) and some of the benefits to communities.

In the coming months, we will be starting

on the development of a Kitsumkalum Land Code and Community Land Use Plan.

Developing these documents requires a lot of community involvement and we are looking forward to hosting community events and meetings.

You can follow our progress and milestones with these monthly newsletters or on the new Kitsumkalum website at www.kitsumkalum.com

Did You Know

A Kitsumkalum Land Code and Community Land Use Plan can provide for greater protection of cultural and environmental resources.



Did You Know

42 communities across BC have a Land Code, including Haisla, Kitselas and Metlakatla.



MORE ON OUR PROJECTS

Land Code

A Kitsumkalum Land Code would be a basic land law for our community. A Land Code would transfer land and resource management responsibility from the Federal Government to Kitsumkalum. This enables us to develop and implement laws and policies that are our own. A Land Code ensures that there is ongoing community involvement in land management decision-making.

Community Land Use Plan

A Community Land Use Plan is a key land governance tool. It provides a framework for appropriate land and resource use in the community. It can identify land that is more suitable for development and protect environmental and culturally sensitive areas in the community.

CONTACT US

We welcome your input in person or via email. You can reach us at the following address:

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Did You Know

Approximately 1/3 of all First Nations in Canada are working towards First Nations Land Management.



Did You Know

Implementing a Land Code would eliminate the 32 sections of the *Indian Act* that apply to land and resource management.

