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Christmas Gift 2018

The Kitsumkalum Band Council has set the stage for Impact Benefit and Economic Benefit Agreement negotiations with Aboriginal Title and Aboriginal Rights to the Resources as the foundation to negotiations as Aboriginal Title and Rights are constitutionally protected by section 35 of the Canadian Constitution and legally enforceable by section 52 of the Canadian Constitution. Where a development will impact the Kitsumkalum membership, governments are required to compensate Kitsumkalum for that impact by providing Impact Benefits and Economic Benefits agreements to mitigate the impact.

Kitsumkalum negotiators and their advisors identify the impacts as (i) increased cost of living, (ii) increased people pollution, (iii) increased air pollution, (iv) increased competition for jobs, (v) increased competition for housing, (vi) increased competition for few resources such as moose, mountain goats and fish, (vii) increased people pollution that get in the way of Aboriginal hunting, trapping and fishing. The cost of these impact are mitigated with Benefits Agreements that enable the Band to provide some assistance to the Band members.

The Kitsumkalum Band Council is using some of these benefits for a cash Christmas Gift to provide some assistance to each Kitsumkalum household on-reserve and off-reserve for 2018.

Ama Ha'ligyeda Miyaan
Merry Christmas

Ama su k'ool
Happy New Year

Warm thoughts and best wishes for a wonderful Christmas & a very Happy New Year.

Kitsumkalum Band