

Statement of Intent

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Wei Wai Kum/ Kwiakah

1. What is the First Nation Called?

Wei Wai Kum/ Kwiakah First Nations.

Wei Wai Kum First Nation is also known as the Campbell River Indian Band.

2. How is the First Nation established?

Traditional Law

Please Describe:

Wei Wai Kum and Kwiakah are part of the broader Laich-Kwil-Tach Nation.

Wei Wai Kum is the continuation of the Wei Wai Kum group that was historically part of the Laich-Kwil-Tach Nation and is now also an Indian Act Band with an elected Chief and Council.

Kwiakah is the continuation of the Kwiakah group that was historically part of the Laich-Kwil-Tach Nation and is now also an Indian Act Band but it still retains a hereditary Chief system.

Is there an attachment?

Yes: see maps.

3. Who are the aboriginal people represented by the First Nation?

The members of the Wei Wai Kum First Nation/ Campbell River Indian Band and the members of the Kwiakah First Nation.

4. How many aboriginal people are represented by the First Nation?

Approximately 793.

Is there any other First Nation that claims to represent the aboriginal people described in questions 3 and 4? If so, please list.

No

5. Please list any First Nations with whom the First Nation may have overlapping or shared territory.

We Wai Kai (Cape Mudge), Namgis Nation, Tanakteuk Nation, Sliammon Nation, Klahoose Nation, Qualicum Nation, Nanoose Nation, Snuneymuxw (Nanaimo) Nation, Homalco First Nation and Mamalilikulla-Que-Qwa-Sot'em. Wei Wai Kum and Kwiakah are part of the former Laich-Kwil-Tach Council of Chiefs that concluded a boundary agreement with the Mowachaht Nation and the Muchalaht Nation on July 11, 1998.

6. What is the First Nation's traditional territory in BC?

The boundary commences at Hickey Point on the south shore of Johnstone Strait west of Sayward and follows the southern shore of Johnstone Strait to Robson Bight, crosses to Boat Harbour on Cracroft Island and follows the shore east, including all of the waters of Call Inlet and eastward to a point south of Mt Nelson. The boundary then follows the height of land to include the complete watersheds of Port

Neville, Topaze Harbour, Loughborough Inlet, Phillips Arm and Fredrick Arm to a point on Bute Inlet south of the mouth of Bear River. The boundary follows the eastern shore of Bute Inlet, the shore of Ramsay and Toba Inlet, the north shore of the Redonda Islands, the north shore of Cortes Island to a point immediately west of Marina Island in Sutil Channel. The boundary follows a line east of Mitlenatch Island and west of Hernando Island to a point on Texada Island at Point Marshall then includes the western portion of Texada Island to Mount Davies, then south to the mouth of the Englishman River on Vancouver Island, then north along the western shore of the Strait of Georgia to a point immediately north of Fanny Bay on Baynes Sound. From this point the boundary follows southern boundary of the Trent River then Puntledge River to the height of land separating the western flowing watersheds from the eastern flowing watersheds of Vancouver Island. It follows this height of land north along the Puntledge and Tsolum River Watersheds, the Campbell River water shed and the Salmon River watershed to Hickey Point on the south shore of Johnstone Strait.

The traditional territory includes the islands of Hardwicke, East and West Thurlow, Sonora, Stuart, Maurelle, Read, Quadra, Mitlenatch, Denman and Hornby as well as the complete watersheds of the Salmon, Campbell, Oyster, Puntledge and Trent Rivers on Vancouver Island and the complete watersheds of Port Neville, Topaze Harbour, Loughborough Inlet, Phillips Arm and Fredrick Arm along with the marine areas of Call Inlet, Bute Inlet and Toba Inlet.

Attach a map or other document, if available or describe.

Map Available?

Yes

7. Is the First Nation mandated by its constituents to submit a Statement of Intent to negotiate a treaty with Canada and British Columbia under the treaty process?

Yes

How did you receive your Mandate? (Please provide documentation)

As per original.

More recently, there have been newsletters and community meetings in which the question of Wei Wai Kum and Kwiakah moving forward together has been discussed. Most recently, at a Wei Wai Kum general community meeting held on November 2, 2013 the matter was discussed and supported by community members.

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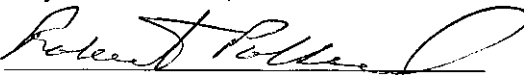
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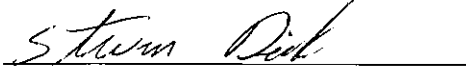
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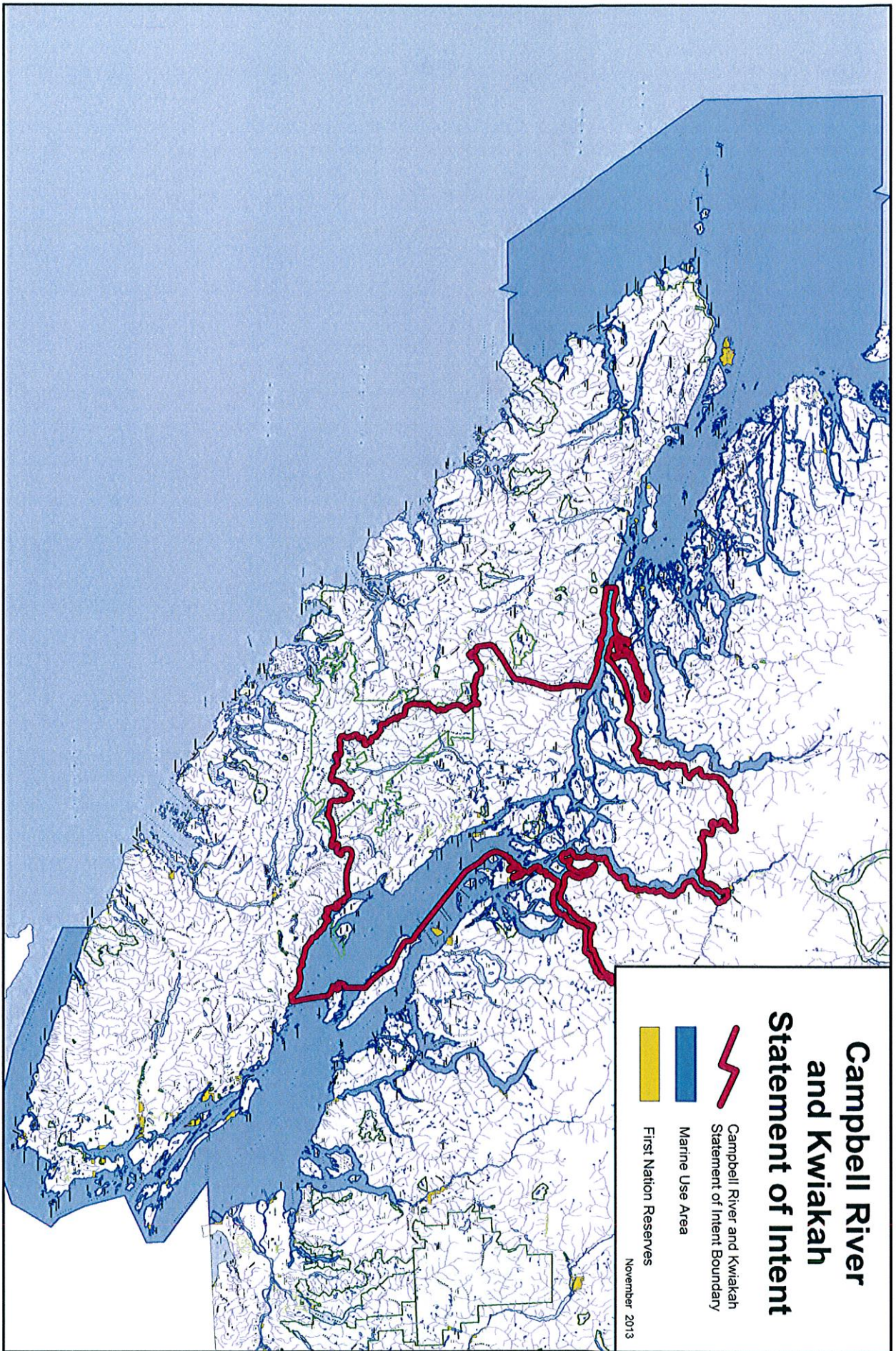
Chief Robert Pollard, Wei Wai Kum





Chief Steven Dick, Kwiakah

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Campbell River and Kwiakah Statement of Intent

-  Campbell River and Kwiakah Statement of Intent Boundary
-  First Nation Reserves

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