

NEW MANDATE SUPPORTS BANDS IN ALL MINERAL RESOURCE ACTIVITY ON THEIR TERRITORY



nłeʔképmx Territory – The Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly (CNA), representing eight Participating Bands, is pleased to announce the renewal of the Territorial Stewardship Department (TSD) mandate, marking a significant shift in how mineral resource activities are reviewed within the nłeʔképmx territory, and strengthening nłeʔképmx jurisdiction.

The previous mandate, established in 2015, stated: "The Territorial Stewardship Department (TSD) was established in 2015 as in-house technical expertise to support the eight Participating Bands in implementing the Highland Valley Copper (HVC) Participation Agreement." Since its inception, the TSD has developed a strong technical capacity, rooted in nłeʔképmx knowledge, values, and priorities, related to mining.

Under the renewed mandate, the TSD will now: "Support the Participating Bands in making informed decisions relating to all mineral resource activities in the nłeʔképmx territory by clearly identifying, mitigating, and resolving potential impacts to nłeʔképmx rights, title, values and interests." This is to strengthen nłeʔképmx jurisdiction within the nłeʔképmx territory and bring the communities' process to the foreground of any mining proponent's priorities. This will ensure that tmíxw (the land) and people are protected and will promote sustainable land use, enhancing the well-being of individuals and communities.

The Participating Bands may use the services of the TSD, at their discretion, to support their decision-making. The Participating Bands will retain their full, exclusive, decision-making authority with respect to mineral resource activities outside of the Highland Valley Copper Mine area. This process does not replace engagement and the crown's legal duty to consult with the eight Participating Bands.

Read the full press release and learn more about our work at www.cna-trust.ca.

COMMUNITY MEMBERS INVITED TO COURTHOUSE BUILDING OPEN HOUSE



You're warmly invited to an open house, only for members of the Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly's Participating Bands, at our newly renovated courthouse building, the **citxw (house)**.

Join us for a syémit (prayer), a small ceremony, food, followed by an opportunity to explore this new cultural and event space. We look forward to celebrating together before we welcome the public at a later date. Your presence is truly valued, and we look forward to sharing more about this exciting project!

Immediately following this event, join us at the Surrey Lake Resort Property for the **máʔxetn** New Year Celebration with a bonfire, stories, and a meal. Rides available (limited seats).

This event will take place at 1840 Nicola Avenue, from 11am to 3pm on November 15, 2024.

**NOVEMBER 15, 2024
FROM 11AM TO 3PM**



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **CNA Open House** - Coldwater School - November 5, 4-7 p.m.
- **CNA Open House** - Boston Bar Longhouse - November 12, 4-7 p.m.
- **Language Heroes and Trailblazers Recognition Event** - Location and Date TBD - invites to be sent and notice posted
- **máʔxetn New Year Celebration** - Surrey Lake Resort Property - November 15 - more info coming soon
- **Citxw open house (former courthouse)** - 1840 Nicola Ave - November 15, 11-3pm

DRIVING LESSONS



MERRITT, BC

November 5th
November 19th

ASHCROFT, BC

November 21st

To book your lesson contact:
CNA Employment & Training
250-378-1864
administration@cna-trust.ca

SAVE THE DATE



November 15, 2024

máʔxetn New Year Celebration
Bonfire, stories, and a meal. More info coming soon.

Taking place at the **Surrey Lake Resort Property (8050 Surrey-Sussex Lake Rd.)**

CNA JOB BOARD



The CNA Job Board is a monthly summary of local employment and training opportunities relevant to CNA members. Below, you can find the full document, updated monthly.

Please visit employment.cna-trust.ca/jobboard.htm to view the board.



cʔéyʔ ʔe cíyí ʔe máʔxetn - Today is a new month
če xeʔe nšnúkʷeʔ - That is my friend
snúkʷeʔ ʔúy - a real, true friend

**nłeʔképmxcín
words and phrases**

Visit our website at www.cna-trust.ca
for more language resources!

HUNT CAMP 2024: SIGHTS AND SCENES



The first Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly Hunt Camp held at the newly acquired Surrey Lake Resort Property marked a significant cultural milestone, celebrating the deep-rooted traditions of hunting and the vital connection to the tmíxw (land). This event brought together multiple families, reinforcing the importance of passing down knowledge and practices to future generations.

As participants gathered at the Surrey Lake Resort Property, excitement buzzed in the air. Families set up camp, sharing stories and preparing for a weekend steeped in culture and learning. The newly acquired location, surrounded by the natural beauty that has sustained the nłə?kəpmx for thousands of years, provided an ideal backdrop for this gathering.

Virginia Aspinall, the nłə?kəpmx Program Manager, reflected on the significance of the event: "This is not just about hunting; it's about reclaiming our traditions and fostering a sense of community. The Surrey Lake Resort Property offers a space where we can connect deeply with our tmíxw and learn from our experienced hunters in a setting that feels like home."

Early in the morning, groups of participants ventured into the wilderness, guided by experienced hunters who shared essential nłə?kəpmx hunting protocols and practices. These teachings emphasized respect for the land and animals, ensuring that hunters understood their roles within the ecosystem. The experience fostered a profound respect for nature and an understanding of the interconnectedness of all living things. Snow on the first night of the camp made for excellent hunting conditions.

In addition to hunting, the camp offered a variety of workshops led by Knowledge Keepers and CNA staff. Participants engaged in hands-on learning about environmental stewardship and traditional hunting techniques. One highlight was a hide scraping workshop where local Knowledge Keepers shared their expertise, teaching valuable skills that strengthened community bonds. Pit cooking preparation and demonstrations took place throughout the day, featuring moose meat, fish, potatoes, and veggies—a meal that participants raved about for its incredible taste.

Read a full recap on our website.

EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES AT CNA

The Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly is currently seeking applicants for the following positions:

- Certified Professional Accountant (CPA)
- Communications Coordinator

Community-based positions:

- Ashcroft Community Engagement Coordinator
- Boston Bar Community Engagement Coordinator

Scan here for our postings!



We will provide training and professional development to support the right candidate. We believe in initiative, respect and community values. If you have some of these qualities and believe you would be of value to our organization, then we want to hear from you!

Our CNA Member Development Program now has no application deadline and will be running on a rolling basis. Each successful participant will complete a 12-week term, gaining experience in the department(s) of their choice at 20 hours per week, and the participants are compensated for their time. Follow the link to apply: forms.office.com/r/jywBK6VaR

Please follow the link to view our job postings: employment.cna-trust.ca/job-postings_join_our_team.htm

Please submit your cover letter and resume to:
Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly
Email: HR@cna-trust.ca or In-Person: 2025 Granite Ave, Merritt BC.

SUPPORTING LOCAL



The Citxw Nlaka'pamux Assembly would like to extended a heartfelt k'wuk'wstéyp (kwukw-shteyp), thank you from all of us, to Coldwater member and artist Leonard George of Dreaming Eagle Studio for his work on a lampshade that will be a fixture at the courthouse!

Leonard has a number of his art pieces on display and for sale at the CNA office in Merritt. We encourage those able to support Leonard and his artwork following the recent devastating loss of his home.

WE REMEMBER CONTEST

nłə?kəpmxcín
"We Remember"
video contest



Submit a video of yourself saying the phrase **łək'wíntimet** (thlook-meentee-mit) on our social media post or to language@cna-trust.ca for a chance to win a \$50 prepaid Visa or a beaded poppy.

Deadline for submission: November 15.

For more information, contact:
language@cna-trust.ca
Phone: (250) 378-1864

łək'wíntimet (thlook-meentee-mit)

"We remember you people"

APPLICATIONS OPEN



Scan to Apply!



Your involvement provides you the opportunity of reconnecting to the land and allows your input in the development of our Nlaka'pamux Stewardship Protocols. The work will also involve regular engagement and input into Highland Valley Copper operational work and projects.