



July 3, 2019

### Notice Includes the following Updates

- Bi-Election Update
- 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Assembly Agenda-July 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- Big Bar Rock-slide Updates
- Community Nominations Deadline Extended
- Emergency Management Information Session July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019



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## Tl'azt'en Nation

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To: Tl'azt'en band members  
cc: Tl'azt'en Chief & Council  
From: Charlene Tom, Electoral Officer  
Date: July 3, 2019  
RE: Bi-Election Update

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Greetings Tl'azt'enne,

This letter is an update regarding the June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Bi-Election. In the June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Bi-Election there were 2 violations made in the Prince George Polling Station.

- 1) Opening of the Polling Station was 1 hour late
- 2) Closing of the Polling Station was 20 minutes early.

Based on these violations, my recommendation to Chief and Council as Electoral Officer was this Bi election would have to be re-done. In the history of Elections, this violation never happened before. Every member of Tl'azt'en Nation deserves the same democratic right to vote.

Chief and Council received letters of complaint on the PG polling station and has chosen to bring this issue back to the band members at the Annual General Assembly on July 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. The general discussion at the Council table is the election process is a band members process, and band members should be given the opportunity to discuss the issue and provide solutions on next steps forward to resolve the matter.

**Please show up to the AGA on July 11 & 12 if you want to be a part of the solution.**

# Together Towards Tomorrow

*Tl'azt'en Nation  
33<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Assembly*

*Day 1 Agenda  
July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Tache, B.C.*

*Chair: Leonard Thomas*

<i>8:30 AM</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>
<i>9:00 AM</i>	<i>Opening Prayer and Agenda Review</i>
<i>9:15 AM</i>	<i>Chief and Council Update</i>
<i>10:30 AM</i>	<i>Executive Director's Report, Renata Monk</i>
<i>11:00 AM</i>	<i>Break</i>
<i>11:15 AM</i>	<i>New Band Office – MacFarland Marceau</i>
<i>12:00 PM</i>	<i>Lunch – Pathway Forward Agreement 2.0</i>
<i>1:00 PM</i>	<i>Auditor's Report - Deloitte</i>
<i>2:00 PM</i>	<i>Education, Georgina Alexis - High school and Post-Secondary Graduates -</i>
<i>3:30 PM</i>	<i>Break</i>
<i>3:45 PM</i>	<i>Membership, Charlene Tom</i>
<i>6:00 PM</i>	<i>BBQ &amp; Kedah Clan Performance</i>

# Together Towards Tomorrow

*Tl'azt'en Nation  
33<sup>rd</sup> Annual General Assembly*

*Day 2 Agenda  
July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Tachie, B.C.*

*Chair: Fred Sam*

<i>8:30 AM</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>
<i>9:00 AM</i>	<i>Opening Prayer</i>
<i>9:05 AM</i>	<i>Community Health Services, Health Team</i>
<i>10:30 AM</i>	<i>Break</i>
<i>10:45 AM</i>	<i>Natural Resources/ Fisheries, Renel Mitchell &amp; Darren Haskell</i>
<i>12:00 PM</i>	<i>Lunch</i>
<i>1:00 PM</i>	<i>Public Works/Housing/Fire Department, Ron Winsor/Gordon Anatole/Don Mattess</i>
<i>2:00 PM</i>	<i>Break</i>
<i>2:15 PM</i>	<i>Emergency Management, Norman Alexis</i>
<i>2:45 PM</i>	<i>Open Agenda</i>



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## Tl'azt'en Nation

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To: Tl'azt'enne  
Date: July 4, 2019  
RE: Big Bar Rock Slide

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As most of you might know by now, there was a rock slide detected on or around June 28<sup>th</sup> at Big Bar along the Fraser River. There is an update attached to this that gives more specific information.

On July 3, another technical meeting took place and the following information was provided:

- Safety is priority for everyone working on the project and at the site
- The rock slide created a 5 meter waterfall
- The integrated incident command post is now set up
- Mitigation measures to allow fish to pass the obstruction include potential solutions such as create a natural fish ladder, use of a fish wheel or opening the Skin spillway. Discussion on all these options are in the early stages and all present their own unique challenges
- The Early Stuart sockeye run is at the south end of Vancouver Island, and majority of that run has not entered the Fraser River yet

Of course, this is a major concern as the Early Stuart sockeye run begins to start their entry into the Fraser River. At this point, it's a wait and see approach until further updates and information are provided to us. We will keep you informed, along with any measures that might need to be taken to provide members with fish.

A full update will be provided at this year's Annual General Assembly scheduled for July 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> at EJS gym. Please see attached agendas for the 2 days.

**Tl'azt'enne there are many important updates to share with you, so I encourage you all to attend the AGA. There are some fantastic door prizes (generator, power saw, others), good food (breakfast, lunch and BBQ) and Entertainment.**

Soo anawndleh - take good care of yourself

## **Update on the activities undertaken by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans and the Province of British Columbia regarding the Fraser Canyon Rock Slide**

As promised, we are taking this opportunity to update you on work being done by DFO and the Province of BC since the issuance of a [joint statement](#) on June 28th.

### **Background:**

DFO and the BC Government were advised on June 23rd that a significant rock slide occurred in a narrow portion of the Fraser River near Big Bar, northwest of Clinton. The natural movement of the water made it very challenging to visually see whether fish were passing through the slide area. The area is very remote, with steep canyon slopes, no accessibility by road, and limited access via helicopter. DFO and BC are actively working together to determine how to help salmon and other fish pass through this area, how to protect these important fish stocks, and how to ensure safe working conditions for all incident responders.

- Acoustic monitoring devices are now installed upstream of the obstruction on both sides of the River. Data is uploaded daily. The first day of monitoring found that 70-90 cm long fish were moving upstream. This means some large Chinook are passing the obstruction however smaller fish may not be able to pass. A second acoustic monitoring device will be deployed downstream of the obstruction.
- The Province of BC has initiated work to create road access to the obstruction site for technical experts and incident responders. Public access is not supported until we are certain of the slope stability and that the area does not pose any safety risks.
- Further investigations into safety for working at the site are being undertaken as well as further evaluations of plans to restore full fish access through the obstruction. Experts, such as geotechnical engineers, are continuing to evaluate the site this weekend and early next week. Investigations into trap and truck locations to capture fish and logistics are continuing in case a temporary solution is required while the slide area is addressed.
- A Unified Command structure is being set up which will include DFO and the Province of BC. First Nation representation in the Unified Command is desired by BC and DFO and we will work with First Nations next week to identify appropriate representatives.
- Telephone briefings for First Nations and other stakeholders occurred on Friday, June 28<sup>th</sup>. Follow up technical briefings are being scheduled for Wednesday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>.

In the meantime, we will continue to keep you updated as new information becomes available and will be sending you the call in information for the technical briefing as soon as possible.

Regards,

Bonnie Antcliffe

Jennifer Davis



# COMMUNITY NOMINATIONS

EXTENDED DEADLINE JULY 8<sup>TH</sup> 3PM

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**ELDER OF THE YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER OF THE YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER OF THE YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**CITIZEN OF THE YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUTH OF THE YEAR (2X)** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**ROLE MODEL OF THE YEAR (2X)** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**STAFF OF THE YEAR (2X)** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**GRANDMOTHER OF THE YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

**GRANDFATHER OF THE YEAR** \_\_\_\_\_

REASONS: \_\_\_\_\_

# EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT INFORMATION SESSION

JULY  
8<sup>th</sup>

July 8, 2019 12:00–4:00  
Eugene Joseph Gym

Join us for Lunch and Information on how you can:  
Fire Smart your home.

Prepare for this Fire Season by having a Neighborhood Plan  
and Household Plan.