

March 19, 2024

Sent via email to: <u>Eric.Depenau@princegeorge.ca</u>

City of Prince George 1100 Patricia Boulevard PRINCE GEORGE BC V2L 3V9

Attention: Eric Depenau

Dear Mr. Depenau,

Re: Proposed Reserve Creation - Lheidli T'enneh Office and House of Ancestors

I am writing to inform you that Lheidli T'enneh has, by way of a Band Council Resolution, submitted a request for a Reserve Creation to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). Lheidli T'enneh has requested that certain lands, be set apart as a new reserve. The lands for the Proposed Reserve Creation are described as:

In the Province of British Columbia In Cariboo District In District Lot 343

Firstly, all of Lots A and B, as shown on Plan EPP132853 filed in the Land Title Office, containing about 0.276 hectares (0.682 acres); a copy of said plan is recorded as Plan 112584 in the Canada Lands Surveys Records.

Secondly, all of Lot A, as shown on Plan EPP132854 filed in the Land Title Office, containing about 0.339 hectares (0.838 acres); a copy of said plan is recorded as Plan 112585 in the Canada Lands Surveys Records.

Lands described comprise about **0.615** hectares (1.52 acres).

(The "Proposed Reserve Land")

Enclosed for your information are maps showing the approximate location of the Proposed Reserve Land.



As you may know, reserves are land that has been set apart for the use and benefit of a First Nation. The Government of Canada has discretion to create reserves and add land to existing reserves in accordance with Canada's Addition to Reserve/Reserve Creation Policy Directive.

Local Government(s) and the Province are encouraged to work with the First Nation using a "good neighbour" approach, which involves good will, good faith and reasonableness in discussions between the First Nation and other Governments. As part of the Reserve Creation process the First Nation is responsible for negotiating agreements with local governments on issues such as service provisions, by-law harmonization, tax considerations, land-use planning, and dispute resolution.

We encourage Municipal, Provincial and First Nation governments to work together on common and shared obligations and goals. By working together, we can advance our collective work in the spirit of reconciliation and a nation-to-nation relationship. Communication among all relevant parties is encouraged when addressing issues of mutual concern.

I encourage you at this time to offer any technical comments that you may have about this proposed reserve creation, and ask that you please submit your comments by Tuesday, June 18, 2024. If you are in agreement with the proposed reserve creation, we would request that the municipality of Prince George provide a letter confirming its support of the proposed addition to reserve.

Should you have any questions or wish to receive further information, please do not hesitate to contact me by phone at 604-364-1883, or by e-mail at <u>Kuldip.Gill@sac-isc.gc.ca</u>.

Sincerely,

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Encl: Location maps showing the proposed Lands

c.c.: Chief and Council, Lheidli T'enneh