



Kwantlen First Nation Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group

An overview – June 19, 2014

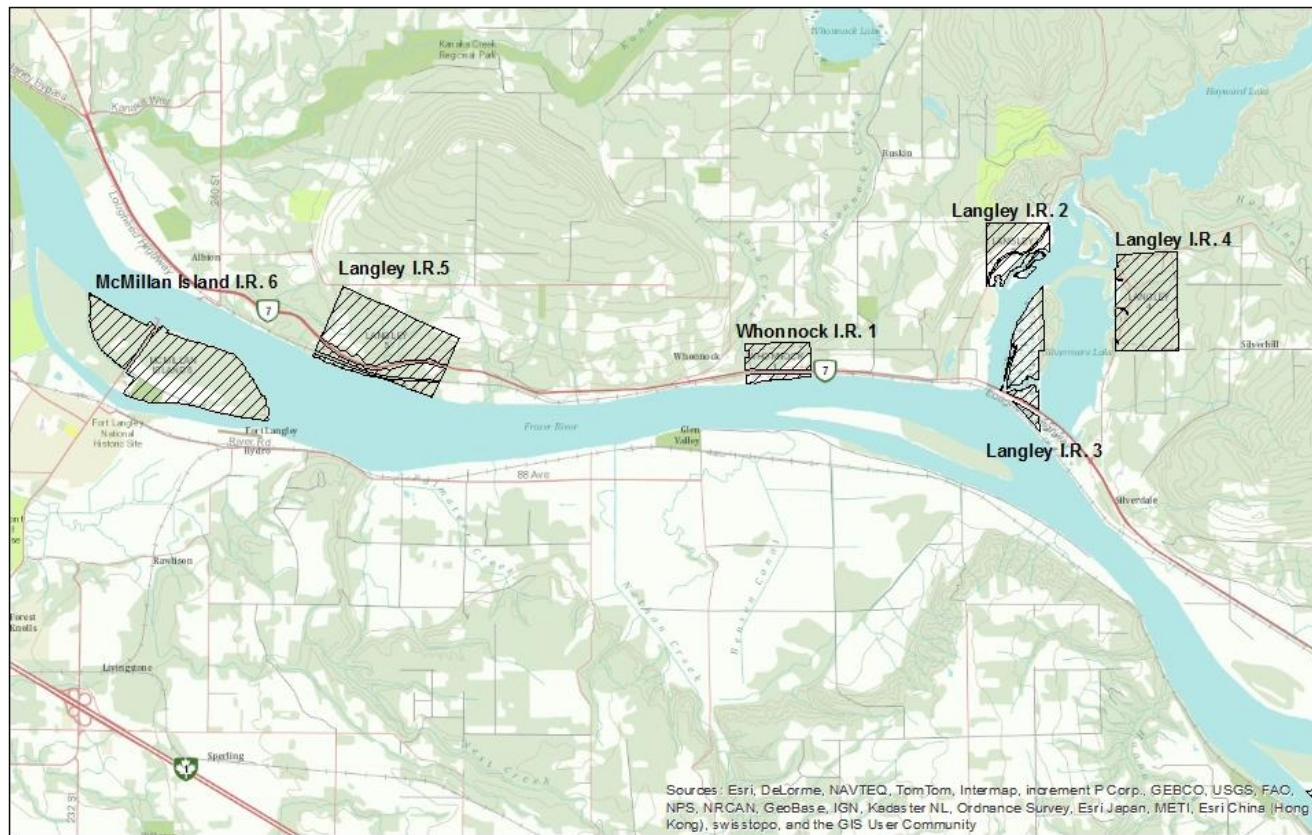


Ts'elhxwemexw Qw'ontl'en/Q'wantal *(Our Kwantlen Family)*




Since time immemorial, we live by the seven traditional laws that guided our ancestors: health, happiness, generations, generosity, humbleness, forgiveness and understanding. Through learning, family, health, our culture and traditions and looking after our lands and resources, we are tireless in our spirit to make a better world for our future generations. In working together and learning from our Elders, we are respectful, proud, independent and responsible.





Kwantlen First Nation
Community Overview
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 Reserve Area



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Reserve Land Base

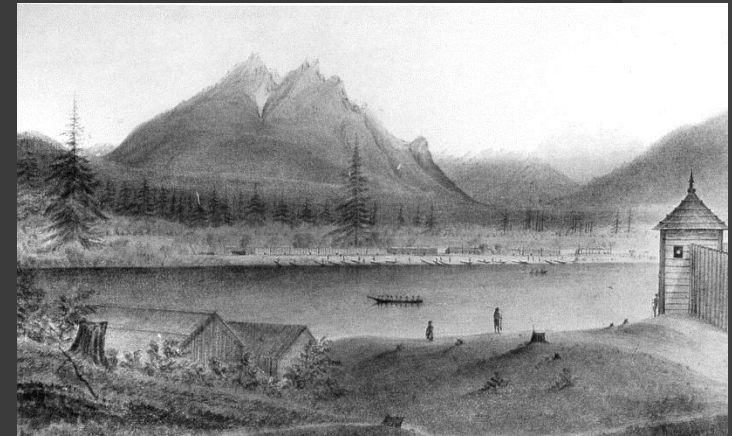
- 6 reserves – land base of approx. 1200 acres
- Fort Langley, Maple Ridge and Mission, along the Fraser River
- Prior reserves in Surrey, New Westminster, North-east Langley

Population

- Traditionally, the Kwantlen were one of the larger aboriginal groups in the Lower Fraser River area.
- Subject to massive population loss resulting from smallpox epidemics, and from other impacts (including federal Indian Act legislative exclusions), our population dwindled to its lowest in our history in the mid- 1900's of around 60 people.
- Currently, the Kwantlen population totals approximately 240 members. Approximately half of these members live on reserve.



Fraser River view from Kikait village in Surrey



The Hudson's Bay Company Fort at Fort Langley and Kwantlen village



Traditional Territory

Kwantlen Traditional Territory extends from Mud Bay in Tsawwassen in the south, to the northern end of Stave Lake to the north, east to Mission, and west to New Westminster and areas of Richmond.



Governance

- The current governance of Kwantlen First Nation consists of one hereditary Chief (Chief Marilyn Gabriel) and two appointed Council members (Councillor Tumia Knott, Councillor Les Antone).
- Kwantlen Elders are actively involved in Kwantlen governance. Elders provide general advisory services and are involved in decision making for the Kwantlen community.



Capacity Growth

- Kwantlen has grown exponentially in number of programs and services we deliver over past 15-20 years, with several new community and economic initiatives.
- Communication strategies, community dialogue, input, consultation, feedback is critical



Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group



- Created in January, 2011 after significant community planning initiatives favoured the separation of a distinct economic arm from our main Kwantlen government
- Currently, we consist of 5 corporate entities
 - Seyem' Qwantlen Business Management Ltd.
 - Seyem' Qwantlen Resources Ltd./LP
 - Seyem' Qwantlen Development Ltd./LP
 - Seyem' Qwantlen Land Development Ltd./LP
 - Seyem' Qwantlen Construction Ltd./LP



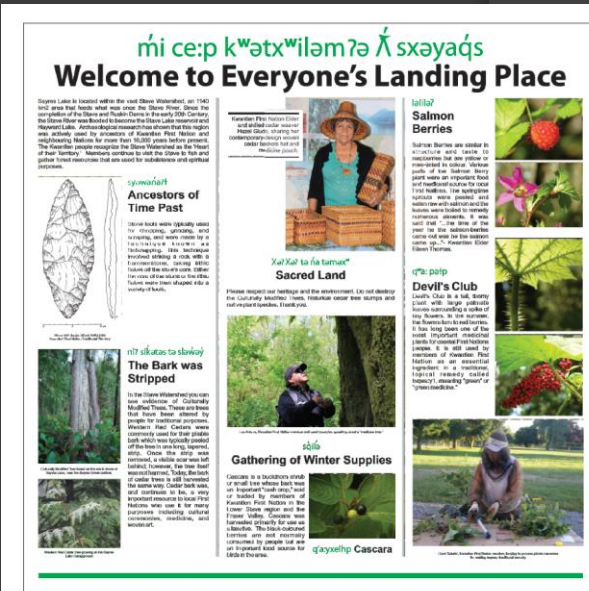
Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group - Specific Initiatives

- Forestry – 2012 and 2014 – harvesting within our 800 hectare woodlot in Blue Mountain region (northern Maple Ridge)
- Currently in discussions with Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations to seek additional tenure opportunities



Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group - Specific Initiatives

- In 2013/2014, establishing partnerships with the province and the District of Mission to manage Sayres Lake provincial campground in the Stave river reservoir.



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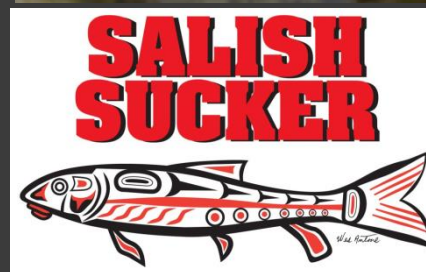
Specific Initiatives

- Archeological, environmental monitoring within traditional territory
- Ongoing work with Kwantlen Territory Knowledge Project



Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group Specific Initiatives

- Fisheries habitat restoration work/awareness campaigns within Kwantlen traditional territory.



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Specific Initiatives

- Seyem' Qwantlen Construction Ltd. – civil construction, project management – working in strategic partnerships to secure contracting work in KFN traditional territory.
- Contracts to date with BC Hydro, MOTI, FNLRO, AANDC



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Specific Initiatives

- Off-reserve Land Development (current projects)
 - Market housing residential development joint venture in the Albion area of Maple Ridge (Jackson Ridge project)



Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group Specific Initiatives

- Land Development agreement with the Dilawri Group for new Mercedes dealership located within City of Langley (corner of Glover Road and Langley Bypass)



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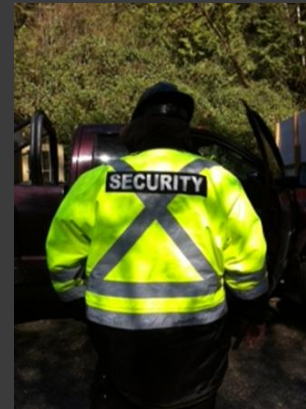
- Filming; location rentals, back-lot /production development exploration



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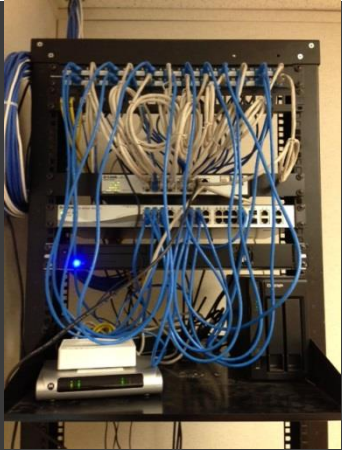
- Site Security services – Seyem' Qwantlen Security is a fully licenced operating security company - crew size of 16-20 employees
- Station guards, mobile patrols
- Experience at construction sites, remote locations



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Specific Initiatives

Coast Salish Technologies



- Recently established this company to provide IT support internally to SQBG businesses and KFN
- Planning to serve other clientele with IT support, software/hardware purchase/lease options and hosted business VoIP phone systems
- Currently have reseller agreements with Cisco, Meraki, Microsoft, Microsoft 365 (Cloud) Lenovo and HP
- Contracted to complete data wiring and fiber terminations, install data racks and supply, install and setup network equipment
- Awarded contract from First Nations Health Authority to provide IT recruitment consulting
- Long term goals include increasing client base and securing IT contract awards in the region



Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group Specific Initiatives

- Ownership and operation of Sxwimele, gift store at Fort Langley Historic Site



Seyem' Qwantlen Business Group Specific Initiatives – Lalem at Bedford Landing

- Through a lease with the Township of Langley, operation of a public amenity space/café space on the Bedford Channel in Fort Langley – opening, December 2013





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- Our development plans on our reserve in Maple Ridge began through community consultation and a decision that this reserve had significant economic potential that should be explored for the benefit of our community



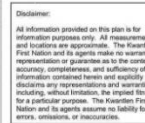
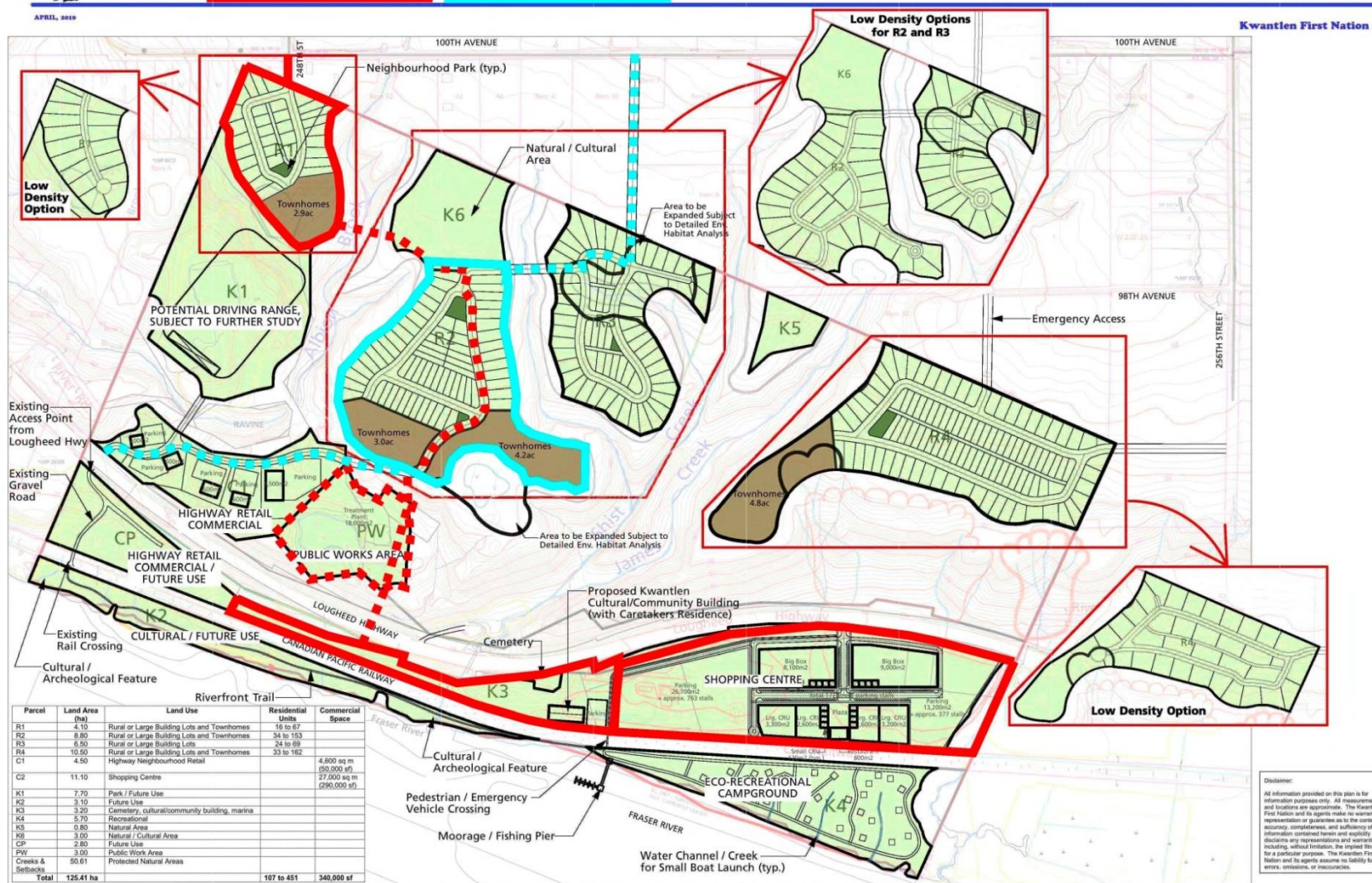


Kwantlen First Nation IR 5 - Land Use Plan



Optimal Land Use Plan

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- ◉ Our future awaits and is exciting, challenging and encouraging.
- ◉ Our passion for continued growth stems from direction from our Elders and our desire to rebuild the strength and health of our Nation, economically, socially, physically, culturally and spiritually.
- ◉ Our recent “emergence” in a number of business fronts stems from consistent planning and a strategic approach to sustainable growth. We are very mindful of the importance of managing our growth effectively now and into the future – continuing to build internal capacity, taking on only what we know we can manage effectively and staying true to our Nation’s values.



- Our success in projects to date is a result of a hard-working dedicated, tireless staff and leadership team.
- Each success and non-success has come with lessons learned, always a renewed perspective, and the gained knowledge and experience to make us better equipped for the “next time”.
- We wish to leave a positive legacy for our next generations that continues forward, never forgets the importance of our rich traditions and is strengthened from the journeys of all of our previous generations.





Thank you!