



**Kwantlen
First
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April 4, 2005

Regional Community to Community Forum
Program
c/o UBCM
#60-10551 Shellbridge Way
Richmond, B.C.
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To whom it may concern:

Please find attached our final report from our 2004/05 Community to Community Forum Project.

If further information is required, please contact me at your convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tumia Knott'.

Tumia Knott
Councillor/Director of Operations
Kwantlen First Nation



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March 30, 2005

2004/05 Regional Community to Community Forum Final Report

Forum Objectives

The reserve lands of Kwantlen First Nation are located within the municipalities of Fort Langley, Maple Ridge and Mission. The objectives of our forum were to have our Kwantlen Council and Elders Advisory Group host three separate meetings with the Mayors and Council of each municipality in which Kwantlen has reserve land to discuss issues of common concern, provide some background and education on Kwantlen First Nation initiatives and work on developing positive and proactive working relations between our Nation and municipal governments in relation to various issues. Specifically, we viewed these meetings as an excellent opportunity to share information on how we operate, to discuss the establishment of a protocol for effective communication between our Nation and municipal governments, share history, and lay a foundation for future meetings and discussions.

Forum Participants

Participants included the Kwantlen First Nation Council, the Kwantlen Elder's Advisory Group and Kwantlen membership, the District of Maple Ridge Mayor and Council, the Township of Langley Mayor and Council, and the District of Mission Mayor and Council.

Assessment of whether Forum Objectives were achieved

We are very pleased with the results of the meetings held with the respective Mayor and Councils from the three municipalities in which Kwantlen First Nation has reserve lands, and feel that in the case of all three meetings our forum objectives were met.

Although we have met with the Langley Township Mayor and Council before, this forum provided the first opportunity to invite the Mayors and Council from Maple Ridge and Mission to our administration office. In this regard, our forums held with these groups were historic in the making.



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Major issues discussed

December 2, 2004 – Meeting with Mayor Kurt Alberts and Council, Township of Langley

- Dinner was provided.
- Background information on Kwantlen First Nation was provided.
- Updates on various initiatives occurring in Langley were asked of the Mayor and Council, specifically relating to the Bedford Channel Plan, Dredging in the Bedford Channel, and the Equitas Development Site.
- The Kwantlen Council provided updates on the erosion problem occurring at the top end of our reserve #6 (McMillan Island).
- The Kwantlen Council also provided updates on the development of the Kwantlen Cultural Centre Project, our Health Centre, Economic Development Plans, Forestry Initiatives, and Taxation Authority Establishment.
- Also discussed was the concept of establishing a protocol agreement between Kwantlen First Nation and the Township of Langley to ensure a regular meeting schedule to keep updated on issues/determine new issues; to strive to work together on issues of common interest and concern; and to establish a process for receiving/reviewing land referral information.

December 13, 2004 – Meeting with Mayor Kathy Morse and Council, District of Maple Ridge

- Dinner was provided.
- Background information on Kwantlen First Nation was provided.
- Updates on various initiatives occurring in Maple Ridge were asked of the Mayor and Council including the Fraser River Crossing/Albion Ferry, and the development of the Maple Ridge Official Community Plan.
- The Kwantlen Council provided updates on the development of the Kwantlen Cultural Centre Project, our Health Centre, Economic Development Plans, Forestry Initiatives and Taxation Authority Establishment.
- Also discussed was the concept of establishing a protocol agreement between Kwantlen First Nation and the District of Maple Ridge to ensure a



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regular meeting schedule to keep updated on issues/determine new issues; to strive to work together on issues of common interest and concern; and to establish a process for receiving/reviewing land referral information.

January 13, 2005 – Meeting with Mayor Abe Neufeld and Council, District of Mission

- Dinner was provided.
- Background information on Kwantlen First Nation was provided.
- Updates on various initiatives occurring in Mission were asked of the Mayor and Council including the South-west area Mission Plan.
- The Kwantlen Council provided updates on Taxation Authority Establishment, the Kwantlen Cultural Centre Project, Economic Development Plans, Forestry Initiatives, and our Subdivision Development on our reserve in Mission.
- Also discussed was a request by Kwantlen to receive all land referral consultation material from the District of Mission directly, as opposed to sending it to our Tribal Council office.
- Also discussed was the concept of establishing a protocol agreement between Kwantlen First Nation and the District of Mission to ensure a regular meeting schedule to keep updated on issues/determine new issues; to strive to work together on issues of common interest and concern; and to establish a process for receiving/reviewing land referral information.

Recommendations by participants

Commitments were made by all three municipalities to continue to work on our relationship building, and to meet at least once or twice a year in a similar format. The Kwantlen Council is committed to seeing our relationship with our local governments continue to grow and to improve our methods of communication with each other and work on various initiatives collaboratively and in the spirit of mutual respect and cooperation.

Feedback from our Kwantlen Council and members of our Elders Advisory Committee on the results of these meetings were positive and many suggested



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that we continue to host these meetings and work on relationship-building with our local municipalities.

Meetings with the Mayors and Council were made open to Kwantlen community members to attend. Feedback received from those who attended was also similar as above.

Financial Summary of Event Expenditures

Please see attached financial summary.

Written Material from Event

Please see attached written material (agendas/meeting handouts) from the events hosted.

Acknowledgements

Kwantlen First Nation wishes to thank the Union of BC Municipalities and the First Nations Summit for approving our funding for our Community to Community Forum events. The events were very positive for our Kwantlen government in promoting our initiatives to local communities and in educating local communities on Kwantlen First Nation.

Kwantlen First Nation Account QuickReport

April 2004 through March 2005

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Amount
81531 - Meetings Com.To Com. Forum					
Cheque	12/1/2004	758	Lyla Victor	Dec 2 Mtg w/Langley Township Mayor and Council- grocery money	150.00
Cheque	12/1/2004	758	Lyla Victor	Dec 2 Mtg w/Langley Township Mayor and Council- catering fee	150.00
Cheque	12/1/2004	759	Maureen Gabriel	Dec 2 Mtg w/Langley Township Mayor & Council - purchase of 4 sockeye	80.00
Credit Card ...	12/1/2004		Staples	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts - colour photocopy expense	89.84
Cheque	12/2/2004	766	Scott Gabriel	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts and Council - catering assistant	0.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	767	Chris Thomas	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts and Council - drumming/singing	150.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	770	George Antone	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	771	Helen Carr	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	772	Maureen Gabriel	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	773	May Rae	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	774	John Savino	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	775	Hazel Gludo	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/2/2004	776	Florence Thomas	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/3/2004	793	Ruth Tough	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council	100.00
Cheque	12/3/2004	795	Lyla Victor	Dec 2 Mtg w/Mayor Alberts & Council - additional catering fee	100.00
Cheque	12/10/2004	830	Lyla Victor	Dec 13 Mtg w/ Mayor of Maple Ridge - catering fee	150.00
Cheque	12/10/2004	830	Lyla Victor	Dec 13 Mtg w/ Mayor of Maple Ridge - grocery money	150.00
Cheque	12/10/2004	DP48...	Scott Gabriel	Dec 13 Meeting with Mayor of Maple Ridge-cater fee	100.00
Cheque	12/13/2004	833	Chris Thomas	Dec 13 Drumming/singing Mtg w/Mayor of Maple Ridge	0.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	894	Tony Dandurand	Dec 13 Drumming/singing - Mtg w/Mayor of Maple Ridge	75.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	895	Allison Antone	Dec 13 Drumming/singing - Mtg w/Mayor of Maple Ridge	75.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	897	George Antone	Dec 13 Mtg w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge	100.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	898	Helen Carr	Dec 13 Mtg w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge	100.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	899	Maureen Gabriel	Dec 13 Mtg w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge	100.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	900	May Rae	Dec 13 Mtg w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge	100.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	901	John Savino	Dec 13 Mtg w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge	100.00
Cheque	12/15/2004	902	Hazel Gludo	Dec 13 Mtg w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge	100.00
Cheque	12/16/2004	914	Maureen Gabriel	Dec 13 dinner w/Mayor & Council of Maple Ridge - 4 sockeye salmon	80.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	992	Lyla Victor	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council cater supplies	150.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	993	Lyla Victor	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council cater fee	150.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	994	Chris Thomas	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council - drumming and singing	150.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	995	Maureen Gabriel	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council - catering supplies	80.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	996	Maureen Gabriel	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	997	May Rae	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	998	George Antone	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	999	Helen Carr	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/12/2005	1000	Florence Thomas	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/13/2005	DP01...	Hazel Gludo	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/13/2005	DP34...	Scott Gabriel	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Cheque	1/13/2005	DP42...	John Savino	Jan 13 Meeting with Mission Council	100.00
Credit Card ...	1/13/2005		Office Depot	Photocopies - Mission Mayor & Council Mtg	51.30
General Jou...	1/31/2005	56	Monthly Journal Entry	Dec,Jan reallocate Tumia's honoraria	1,325.00
General Jou...	1/31/2005	56	Monthly Journal Entry	Dec,Jan reallocate Marilyn's honoraria	1,000.00
General Jou...	1/31/2005	56	Monthly Journal Entry	Dec,Jan reallocate Les' honoraria	970.00
Total 81531 - Meetings Com.To Com. Forum					7,426.14
TOTAL					7,426.14



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Kwantlen First Nation Council Meeting with Mayor Kurt Alberts and Langley Council Members

**December 2, 2004
4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

AGENDA:

1. Dinner
 2. Welcome/Background/Introductions
 3. Background information on Kwantlen First Nation
 4. Updates: Bedford Channel Plan/ Dredging/ Equitas (Interfor) Development Site
 5. Erosion on McMillan Island
 6. Kwantlen Cultural Centre Development
 7. Update on other Kwantlen Programs
 - Health Centre
 - Economic Development Plans (re: Kwantlen I.R. #5)
 - Forestry Initiatives
 - Taxation Authority Establishment
 8. Discussion over establishing a protocol agreement between Kwantlen First Nation and the Langley Township to ensure a regular meeting schedule to keep updated on issues/determine new issues; to strive to work together on issues of common interest and concern; to establish a process for receiving/reviewing land referral information.
 9. Additional items:
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Kwantlen First Nation Council Meeting with Mayor Kathy Morse and Maple Ridge Council Members

**December 13, 2004
4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

AGENDA:

1. Dinner
 2. Welcome/Background/Introductions
 3. Background information on Kwantlen First Nation
 4. Updates: Fraser River Crossing/Albion Ferry, and Maple Ridge Official Community Plan
 5. Kwantlen Cultural Centre Development
 6. Update on other Kwantlen Programs
 - Health Centre
 - Economic Development Plans (re: Kwantlen I.R. #5)
 - Forestry Initiatives
 - Taxation Authority Establishment
 7. Discussion over establishing a protocol agreement between Kwantlen First Nation and the District of Maple Ridge to ensure a regular meeting schedule to keep updated on issues/determine new issues; to strive to work together on issues of common interest and concern; to establish a process for receiving/reviewing land referral information.
 8. Additional items:
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Kwantlen First Nation Council Meeting with Mayor Abe Neufeld and Mission Council Members

**January 13, 2005
4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.**

AGENDA:

1. Dinner
 2. Welcome/Background/Introductions
 3. Background information on Kwantlen First Nation
 4. Updates: Taxation Authority Establishment; communication of land referral consultation material; South-east area Mission Plan
 5. Kwantlen Cultural Centre Development
 6. Update on other Kwantlen Programs
 - Economic Development Plans (re: Kwantlen I.R. #5)
 - Forestry Initiatives
 - Subdivision Development for Kwantlen membership (I.R. #4)
 7. Discussion over establishing a protocol agreement between Kwantlen First Nation and the District of Mission to ensure a regular meeting schedule to keep updated on issues/determine new issues; to strive to work together on issues of common interest and concern; to establish a process for receiving/reviewing land referral information.
 8. Additional items:
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Kwantlen First Nation Backgrounder (current to January 2005)

Reserve Land Base

- 6 reserves in total – land base of 1227 acres
 - Kwantlen I.R. #1 – Whonnock (Maple Ridge) – 97 acres
 - Kwantlen I.R. #2 (Stave River (west side) – Mission) – 110 acres
 - Kwantlen I.R. #3 (Silvermere Island – Mission) – 89 acres
 - Kwantlen I.R. #4 (Stave River (east side) – Mission) – 237 acres
 - Kwantlen I.R. #5 (Maple Ridge) – 331 acres
 - Kwantlen I.R. #6 (McMillan Island – Fort Langley) – 412 acres

- Formerly, we had two reserves – I.R. #7 (New Westminister) and I.R. #8 (Surrey). These were sold in the 1940's and 1950's. This loss of our reserve land may form the part of a future specific land claim.

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 Westminister.

Population

- Traditionally, Kwantlen was one of the largest aboriginal groups in the Lower Fraser River area. Oral historical/ anthropological sources indicate the Kwantlen population in pre-contact times to be between 6-10,000 strong.

- Currently, the Kwantlen population totals 184 members (December 2004). Approximately half of these members live on reserve.

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).



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- Kwantlen Elders are actively involved in Kwantlen governance. Elders provide general advisory services and are involved in decision making for the Kwantlen community.
- Recently, the Kwantlen Council has established community committees to also assist in decision making for the community with respect to Education, Fishing, Lands and Resources, Housing and Social Issues. As we continue to grow, we anticipate having even more committees develop.

Programs and Services

- Kwantlen's jurisdiction, in terms of the programs and services it provides, is significantly more expansive than that of a local municipality or federal department.
- Programs and services delivered by Kwantlen First Nation to Kwantlen membership includes the following:
 - Fishing (negotiating with DFO/ enhancement projects)
 - Education – K-12, plus post-secondary
 - Social Development, Child/Family Issues
 - Cultural Enhancement
 - Economic Development
 - Financial/Program Administration
 - Housing
 - Capital Projects
 - Lands and Resource Issues
 - Health Programs
 - Headstart/ Youth Programs
 - Maintenance/Public Works
 - Heritage Issues
 - Governance Issues