



LULUMEXUN
Lands and Self-Governance
DEPARTMENT



July 27, 2022

Re. Cowichan/Koksilah Estuary Restoration Projects

To whom it may concern,

Cowichan Tribes has been working in partnership with Nature Trust British Columbia for the past 4 years; though we have worked alongside for many years prior. Through this work and other projects, we aim to contribute to the management of our traditional territory through habitat restoration, monitoring and evaluating of the climatic impact on these important ecosystems to our peoples.

Supporting this proposal aligns with the purpose of our Lulumexun Department:

Lulumexun are caregivers and guardians - preserving, reclaiming and protecting Quw'utsun tumuhw, waters and all beings. We work with our community to advance self-governance, assert Quw'utsun Mustimuhw inherent rights and title, and keep our territory safe and thriving for future generations.

My staff has met several times to speak on the potential sites of a large scale restoration in the Cowichan estuary; this includes the Dinsdale farm. We are excited to hear that the data and partners support such a project at this site as it will complement other work we have completed down in the estuary. We support this project and confirm adequate consultation has occurred; we do not believe this project will infringe upon our rights and title.

Sincerely,

Larry George
Director of Lulumexun
Cowichan Tribes

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