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DITIDAHT FIRST NATION



Ditidaht is proud to announce that we had 9 Ditidaht/Community Members represent BC at the North American Indigenous Games in Regina. We are proud of the courage and bravery it took for our youth to have taken it upon themselves to conquer such a challenging competition. The Youth that participated were in the sports of Canoeing/Kayaking and Volleyball. Our athletes were challenged, by the best of the North American continent and completed these challenges with amazing integrity. Our athlete's hopes are to inspire others to pursue their dreams and aspirations.

Way to go TEAM BC-Chayton Sam, Jari Tate, Robin Mack, Krissy Edgar, Tristen Tate, Kyle Mack, Tyra Johnston, Sebastian Sutherland and Crystal Charles.

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Ditidaht First Nation Website

Great news! Ditidaht First Nation now has an active website. Please check it out at www.ditidaht.ca.

The site includes: News Media and Events, Ditidaht History, Parks and Recreation, Treaty Negotiations, Member Services and Contact Directory. In addition, all future Ditidaht First Nation community meetings information will be posted prior to the events.

In the Members Services section you will be able to print out forms for: Report Card Incentive Application, University Application, Skills and Training Application, Housing Application, Status Card Application, and the 2013 - DFN Annual General Meeting Handout. All future DFN employment opportunities will be posted under 'Employment Opportunities' so please check it frequently.

To ensure you receive regular updates about Ditidaht's current events, activities, information sessions and community meetings, please update your contact information on a regular basis.

For more information, please contact Mary-Ann Dick, Administrative Assistant at 1-888-745-3366 or email at mary-ann@ditidaht.ca

If you have any questions regarding the Ditidaht Treaty Process, please contact Shelley Chester, Treaty Coordinator at 1-800-997-3799 or via e-mail at dtdots@shaw.ca - OR - Paul Sieber, Treaty Communications, 1-888-745-3366 or via e-mail at paul-comm@ditidaht.ca.

Be the change
that you wish
to see in the
world."

– Mahatma
Gandhi



Photo submitted by: Ditidaht
Heritage Researchers on the
Groundtruthing trip

Ditidaht Heritage Researcher

Ditidaht Heritage Project (DHP): The overall purpose of the DHP is to research, identify, document, compile and organize information about Ditidaht traditional and contemporary use of lands, waters and resources in our territory so that this information is available for analysis and presentation at the treaty negotiations table, in response to referrals, and for community and educational purposes.

The project team consists of Kevin Neary, Brendan Neary, Chelsea Horton, Kelita Seiber, Mary Lucas and the newest member Brian Tate. Brian joined the team July 15th this year and will be working in the same capacity as Kelita and Mary, participating in and processing information from interviews and building a historical library and archives of old photographs and studies along with historical documents. Interviews are being conducted with Ditidaht Elders and other Band members. Information on Ditidaht history and practices such as fishing, hunting, and seafood gathering is being placed on maps for Treaty and archived for Ditidaht's own historical use and future possibilities such as building a Ditidaht Community School curriculum.

Information gathered during interviews is also being used in a Traditional Marine Use and Occupancy Study (TMUOS) related to Kinder Morgan's proposed Trans Mountain Expansion Project. For example, sites for the harvesting of Halibut, Lingcod, salmon species, crab, along with areas where seafood is harvested from the many rocky areas on the West Coast of Ditidaht Traditional Territory are being placed on a map to show Kinder Morgan what is at risk from a potential oil spill from increased Oil Tanker traffic that is being proposed.

Recently the DHP Team went on a "Groundtruthing" expedition with Jimmy Chester and Mike Thompson to Clo-oose (IR #4) / λuuʔuuws and Whyac (IR #3) / Waayaa. A Groundtruthing expedition is a Field Trip where the DHP Team and Elders or other Band members go out to sites of interest to verify and confirm or refresh memories of the specific happenings in an area. For example, at Clo-oose (IR #4) / λuuʔuuws both Jimmy and Mike talked about who lived where and what they recall about this village. One of their fondest memories was playing lahal on the beach at Clo-oose (IR #4) / λuuʔuuws.

If you have any questions or are interested in sharing with the project, we'd love to hear from you. The DHP team can be reached Monday-Friday at the Band Office.



Ditidaht Council and Administration Managers



Yuutu?it?it?ath First Nation Government

Government Roles and Responsibility's-Post Treaty- July 2, 2014

The meetings purpose was to give the Ditidaht Council and the Administration Staff a quick overview of the transition process from an Indian Act government to a Post treaty government.

Topics- Discussed: Administrative Capacity Building, Lands & Resources, Community Services, Economic Development and Public Works. They also visited their Tourism Developments.

WEST COAST TRAIL GUARDIAN & MAINTENANCE CREW

Closing Date: August 29, 2014 4:00pm

Tenure: Full-time term numerous positions, April through September 2015 (Training courses in October 2014)

The Ditidaht Administration is pleased to offer positions for the 2014/15 seasonal operations, maintenance and hiker interaction on the Ditidaht traditional lands along the West Coast Trail.

The duties will include;

- early season brushing and clearing of West Coast Trail as well as ongoing brushing and minor repairs and maintenance of board walk structures.
- interaction with hikers and campers along the West Coast Trail and share Ditidaht First Nation culture and history. set-up and dismantling of Comfort Camping tents as well as the maintaining of site grounds, tents and facilities.

Training will be supplied if required:

Candidates with experience in trail construction and/or maintenance or Interpretation the West Coast Trail is an asset however those applicants showing willingness to work as a team player and for the betterment of the Ditidaht Nation will not be excluded from the hiring process.

Physical fitness is a criteria as you will be required to hike the trail on a daily basis, pack gear and supplies use brushing and clearing equipment and chop firewood.

Willingness to work long shift including weekends, evenings and statutory holidays on the trail, take direction from your supervisor and carry out duties with little or no direct daily supervision will also be required.

Interested persons please submit a covering letter and resume to:

Ditidaht First Nation

Fax: 250-745-3332

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DITIDAHT DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND BUSINESS OFFICER

Closing Date: August 29th 4:00pm

Tenure: Full-time training position

The Ditidaht Administration is pleased to offer a high level training position for the economic development and business management of the Ditidaht First Nation's future economic developments and existing business operations.

The Economic Development and Business Officer will be responsible for facilitating, promoting and ensuring community and economic development in order to secure opportunities for economic and business development while providing local employment.

This position will work closely with the business manager and administration in writing, reviewing and applying for funding, as well as proposals, contracts, budgets, reporting requirements and auditing of all economic and business related programs.

Willingness to work in cooperation with others including, Administration, Council, Boards, Consultants and Trainers is essential. Attendance may at times include some weekends, evenings and statutory holidays and duties at times will be carried out with little or no direct supervision.

The training component will consist of relevant post secondary courses, workshops and shadowing of the business manager, contractors and consultants.

Physical fitness is a criteria, as "hands on" requirements will be the over-seeing on a regular basis existing business operations and staff located on rural reserve and settlement lands.

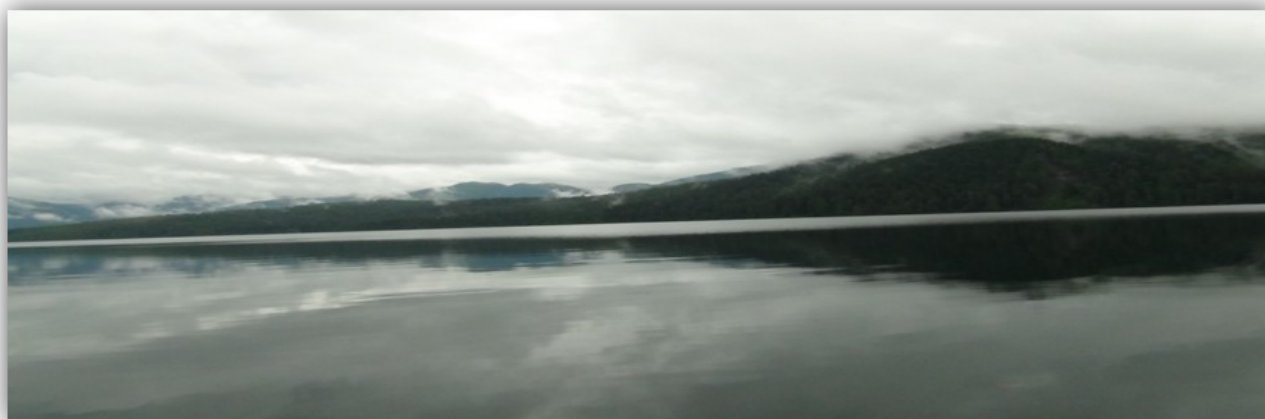
Candidates with some financial, economic or business experience and/or post secondary education is an asset as is the willingness to learn and work as a team player for the betterment of the Ditidaht Nation.

A valid driver's license is essential.

All interested parties requiring additional information regarding this position please

email: ditdevcorp@ditidaht.ca

Please submit your covering letter and resume to: **Ditidaht First Nation**
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Attention Ditidaht Membership

Please see the attached documents from the:

Ditidaht Annual General Meeting

On July 11-12, 2014

At Ditidaht Community Hall

1. Approved Budget for 2014-2015 from Ditidaht Band Council
2. Treaty Annual Progress Report



Photos submitted by : Ditidaht
Heritage Researchers on the
Groundtruthing trip.

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