



Pacheedaht First Nation Land Use Planning

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Dear Community Members:

Pacheedaht First Nation is pleased to announce the launch of our Land Use Planning (LUP) process. Building on the success of our Comprehensive Community Planning (CCP) process, we are now entering our next phase of planning with our LUP.

CCP Review

Our CCP process (2015-2017) had us come together as a community to think about all of the parts of our community (health, lands and resources, infrastructure, education, economic development, culture, governance) and what we want for our future.

Our CCP can be considered our “masterplan” that helps organize and coordinate other plans. Our LUP allows us to focus specifically on our Vision, Values, Goals, Strategies and priority Actions specific to land use, all while keeping to overall Vision and Goals of our CCP in mind.

Our CCP Process

Over 100 community members participated in our CCP process with events in Port Renfrew, Victoria and Vancouver. Guided by our CCP Vision and Core Values, our CCP identified 9 Goals, 28 Strategies and 52 priority Actions (policies, programs, buildings, positions, training, planning) to help us achieve our hopes for our future.



What is a LUP?

All of the priority Actions identified in our CCP have implications for our land. Our LUP process has us consider the implications of our Vision for the future of our lands and water, and where on our land our priority actions will take place. In this process we will be planning for the future of our Reserve Lands, our Treaty Selection Lands (TSL), our fee-simple lands (such as Brown’s mountain) and Parks Canada selected lands.

Our LUP will document our Vision, Values, Goals, Strategies and priority Actions specific to land use, and include a set of maps that will communicate where certain uses are permitted or not permitted. For each part of our land we will consider what happened there in the past, what happens now, and what would we like to have happen in the future. For each area of our land, or land use planning zone, we may develop a set of policies or guidelines that describe what uses are permitted and not permitted.

A Land Use Plan is:

- A story about the past, present and future state of our lands
- A way to document this story and our community's identity and relationship to land, and how we will look after the land
- A process of coming together as a community to discuss how to use or not use the land in the future
- An exercise in identifying which lands to protect and develop based on needs, values and priorities
- A way to manage competing and conflicting uses, and set a foundation that guides future decisions about the land



Why Land Use Plan?

As we continue our journey towards self-governance, our LUP will be a powerful tool in negotiations, as part of the treaty process and with external interests. Our LUP will better position us to be ready for economic development opportunities and to be able to better respond strategically to municipal, provincial, federal and industry initiatives or opportunities.

Our LUP will also allow us to identify and respond to environmental concerns and ensure that our land is protected and/or developed according to our needs and values. It will allow us to consider how we might address population growth, housing and infrastructure and generate economic development. Our LUP is also an opportunity for us to learn about our land, about how we used the land in the past, now, and how we will like to use it in the future.

Ultimately, like CCP, our LUP process is another opportunity for us to come together as a community to be actively involved in the governance of our lands and community, and to get to know one another.

How do I get involved?

The LUP will be launched in October with the following events:

Event	Location	Date and Time
Youth Launch	Yellow House	October 24, 5-7pm
Community Launch	Community Health Care Center	October 25 5-8pm
Victoria Launch	G.R. Pearkes Rec Center	October 26, 5-8pm
Vancouver Launch	Vancouver Aboriginal Friendship Center	October 27, 5-8pm

Please join us for a meal, presentation introducing the LUP process and interactive activity where we will start to explore our past, present and future uses of our land. In these introductory sessions, we will be gathering information about how community members would like to get involved. We anticipate a combination of large community events, smaller workshops (Youth, Elders) and family visits. We look forward to speaking with you!