Kudukupku 2019 June 2019

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Biography - Gregg Huculak

Gregg Huculak started working at KNC as the Lands and Resources Business Administrator on May 06, 2019. Gregg was born and raised in The Pas, Manitoba and spent 7 years as the Finance Manager for Cree Nation Tribal Health Centre which provided health services to

the Swampy Cree Tribal Council region of Northern Manitoba and as the General Accountant for Opaskwayak Cree Nation for 4 years after that. Gregg moved to the East Kootenay's with his wife Heather (coming home for her) in the summer of 2010. Since moving to BC, he has worked in accounting with SEM Resort from 2010-2012 and 7 years with Nupqu Development Corporation as Controller from 2012-2019. Gregg is excited by the opportunity to work with the KNC Lands department. When not at work, you will find Gregg on the many lakes and rivers of the area kayaking in the summer, and curling in the winter.

Lands and Resources Sector Council:

Sandra Luke (Chair) Lower Kootenay

> Dan Gravelle Tobacco Plains

Jason Andrew Pagam

Alfred Joseph Pakisánuk

Meet Our New L&R Summer Students

The Lands and Resources Sector is please to introduce our two student interns for the 2019 summer season!

Dustinaya (Naya) Duteau started with us on April 25th as an Environmental Technician, doing archaeological and environmental fieldwork, supporting our engagement on Environmental Assessments, and helping with citizen outreach and engagement. Naya recently completed her certificate in Environmental Studies at the College of the Rockies. She is planning on returning in the fall to obtain an Associate's Degree in Environmental Sciences, and hopes to eventually receive a Bachelor's degree in Environmental Sciences. We are very pleased that she chose to work for our Sector and look forward to helping her in her chosen career path!

Natasha Burgoyne will be starting with us at the end of June, after her spring semester is completed. Natasha formerly worked for the Traditional Knowledge and Language Sector as a Cultural Liaison. It was through this work she realized that she wanted to further her education at University. She recently completed her first year of a Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology at the University of Alberta. Natasha will be supporting the KNC Title and Rights Strategy, conducting interviews and facilitating focus groups with Ktunaxa Knowledge Holders. Through this work she will be supporting both the Lands and Resources and the Traditional Knowledge and Language Sectors. We are very happy to have Natasha on our team and hope we can support her through her studies over the coming years.





Presentation at Wings over the Rockies - Invermere

On May 8th, 2019 KNC staff Jim Clarricoates, Frankie Alexander and Nicole Kapell accompanied Alfred Joseph to Invermere to provide two sessions on Ktunaxa Trails and Transportation at the annual Wings Over the Rockies event. This is the fourth year that the Ktunaxa Nation has participated and it is always a great turnout. At the sessions, Alfred spoke about how the Creation Story follows the waterways within ?amak?is Ktunaxa, highlighting the importance of the Columbia and Kootenay Rivers as travel corridors. Historically, Ktunaxa relied on a variety of plant and animal resources that were harvested throughout ?amak?is Ktunaxa according to seasonal availability. Ktunaxa travelled well-known transportation routes through the mountains and rivers of the Kootenay region and had a complex, well-orchestrated seasonal round that reflected a deep understanding of the environment in which they lived. Alfred led an interactive discussion facilitated by maps, photos and artifacts about the historic trails and transportation routes taken by Ktunaxa to move throughout their Territory. There were almost twenty participants at these sessions from around the Kootenays, Alberta and even some visitors from Europe. There were lots of questions and great discussion and it was a great way to share and learn about Ktunaxa history and culture.







Monolog of the Animal - Jim Clarricoates

Ekos, the Latin word for home. This word is the basis for other words, such as Ecosystem and Economy.

Let's explore the literal interpretation of these words.... Ecosystem, which would interpret as "Home Dynamics" or "Working". Economy, "Home Support" (personal interpretation).

Can we honestly say that these words are being represented to their literal meaning, or, are the principals these word represent (as well as our focus and voice) been distracted because of the re-shuffling of the bureaucrats that we deal with, or the distraction of things that are happening in other areas of the world.

If the animals could talk, what would they be relaying to us. Would they be angry because we do not recognize their rights as living beings, would they be crying for the losses that they are helpless to re-acquire. Would they feel pity on us because we cannot live in a balance with nature and each other (including animals). OR are they planning their revenge?!?!

Our lack of wisdom and clarity has brought our society to a point of breaking, with climate change coming ever so close to the point of no return. Our distraction of having the newest gadgets and vehicles, and providing our offspring with things we never had is taking our eye off the big picture. Survival!!!! And diversity.

We, as a species of great influence on all beings, need to get back into balance with our homes. We need to feel empathy for all living thing and recognize their rights, and we need to make some tough decisions going into the future and make sacrifices for the good of all.

Be the voice for the animals... they have done so much for humans since the time we first took a step on the land.



Mine Day
KNC Lands and Resources staff (Heather McMahon, Kamila Baranowska, and Erin Robertson) supported the ETG (Employment Task Group) at the first May Mining Event (MME) for May 15 and May 16, 2019. This two day session was piloted to support the youth and their educational growth to work toward being ready to join our industry partners in their respective fields of work. The station set up by L&R staff taught the youth about macroinvertebrates, water quality, and invasive species. This outreach is anticipated to be a yearly event and Lands staff look forward to collaborating with the ETG next year.



Conservation Lands Culture Camp June 7-9, 2019



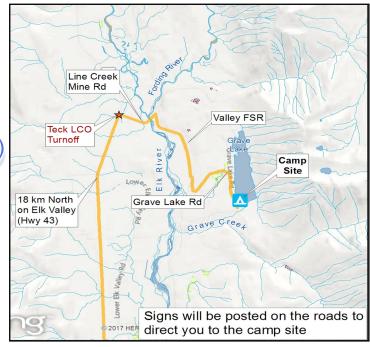






Proposed Activities include:

- * Beading
- * Legends
- * Fish Harvesting Fish Processing (Canning & Smoked)
- * Bow making
- * Moccasin Making
- * Language Skills
- * Stick Games
- * Cultural Management Plan
- * Wild Foods Program
- * Access sManagement Plan

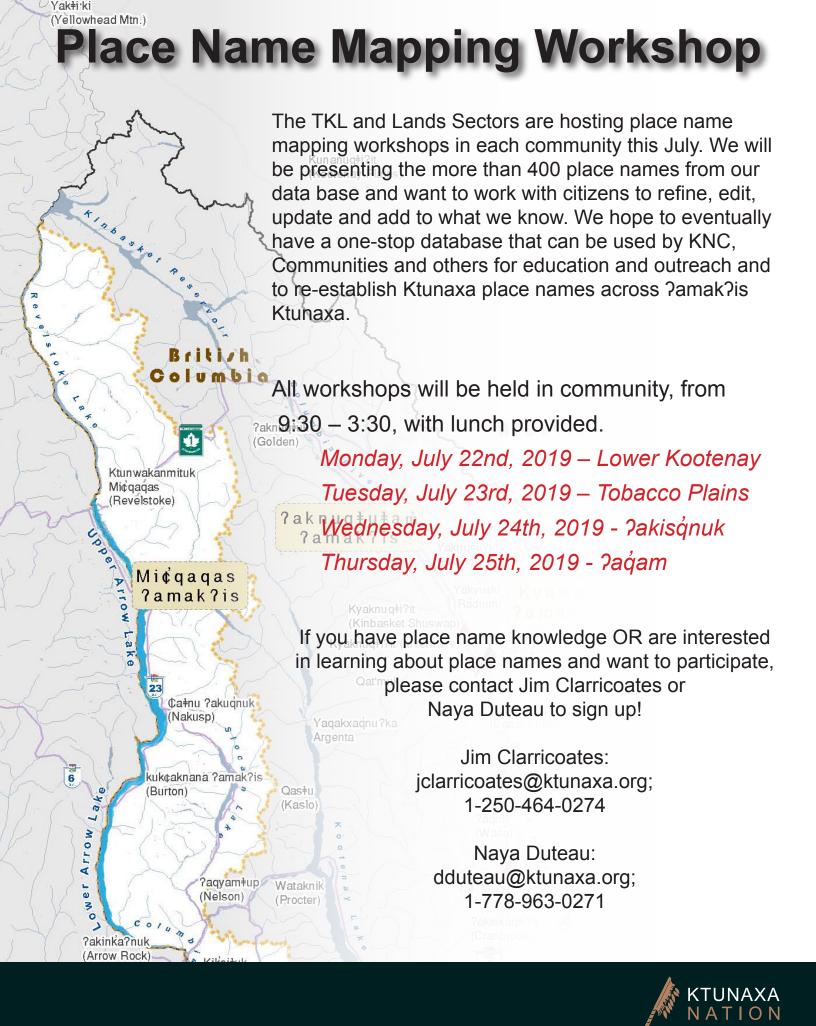


Location: Grave Lake Recreation Site located in the Elk Valley BC

Contact Rachelle Sebastian to register: RSebastian@ktunaxa.org 250-489-2464 Ext: 4063

This is important so we can provide directions and safety instructions as well prepare for meals.





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Kakkmi April

?i·ka Sasquatch
numa thunder

†umayit Spring

huqqluni The snow is melting

siya?ya June berry

haqanuqkani The sun is shining

pa·k kyukyit Easter qaŧsanwu 30 days

?at¢inakił kakqninmuku?ni Cracks beginning to form in the ground

gamma Woodtick kuktuki Stinkbug

napituk Fresh spring water

tukeqamna animals eitnana puppy/colt

?umi@q‡i?it for there to be a washout or water to break through a barrier

hakliklukil Take a break ?a·knumu¢tilil Laws of the land

pi¢kaŧwi nervous kaqaŧmiyit Macaroni ŧaʔa outside

KNC Lands and Resources Staff Directory

Name	Extension	Job Title
Aleitha Harvey	3120	Admininstrative Assistant
Bill Green	3131	Special Initiatives Advisor
Cathy Conroy	4033	Terrestrial Biologist
Chad Luke		Lands Stewardship Assistant
Craig Paskin	3124	Manager, Policy and Planning
Dustinaya Duteau		Environmental Technician - Student
Erin Robertson	3137	Lands Project Officer - Qukin ?amak?is
Heather McMahon	3172	Project Biologist
Gregg Hucaluk	3130	Business Administrator
Jim Clarricoates		Cultural Heritage Advisor
Jose Galdamez	3122	GIS Analyst
Katrina Caley	4062	Project Biologist
Kamila Baranowska		Aquatic Biologist
Kerri Garner	3115	Lands Stewardship Manager
Michelle Dunn	4308	Guardian Team Administrator
Misun Kang	3106	Aqautic Ecologist
Nathalie Allard	4309	Archaeology Technician
Nicole Kapell	3123	Land Use Research Program Coordinator
Ray Warden	3121	Lands Sector Director
Vickie Thomas	4034	Agreements Coordinator

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2	3	Inter-Sector Directors Committee	5	Cumulative Effects Citizen meeting ?aqam C&C meeting	Conservation Lands Camp	Conservation Lands Camp
9 Conservation Lands Camp	10	11	12	13	14 Kootenai Falls	15 Sam Steele Days
16	17	18 ?aqam C&C meeting	19	Ktunaxa Annual Charity Golf Tournament	21 National Aboriginal Day	22
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