

DEPARTMENT OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT

## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** a referendum vote will be held by secret ballot to determine if a majority of the electors of the 'Namgis First Nation are in favour of, and assent to:

The Revocation of the 1947 Timber Surrender and the Designation of all of Lot 1 of Ches-la-kee Indian Reserve No. 3, as shown on Plan of Survey 105708 deposited in the Canada Lands Surveys Records, Ottawa, Ontario, containing approximately 7.64 hectares (18.88 acres), on the terms set out in Annex "A" to the Notice of Referendum.

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT** the question to be submitted to the electors is:

Are you in favour of, and do you approve of the Revocation of the 1947 Timber Surrender, and the Designation of Lot 1, for the purposes set out in Annex "A" to the Notice of Referendum signed by the Electoral Officer and dated February 20, 2017?

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT** the referendum will be held on **April 6th, 2017** and the electors may vote between the hours of **9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.**, local time, at a polling station located at the following location:

Elders' Centre, 50 School Road, Alert Bay BC, V0N 1A0

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT:**

1. Electors may vote either by a mail-in ballot or in person at a polling station, but not both.
2. A mail-in ballot package (including a Notice of Referendum, a mail-in ballot, and an information package) will be mailed or delivered to electors who reside off the reserve and for whom an address has been provided by the band to the electoral officer.

At the request of an elector who resides on the reserve, the electoral officer will provide the elector with these documents.

3. If an elector was mailed, delivered or provided a mail-in ballot, the elector may only vote in person at a polling station if:

- a) the elector returns the mail-in ballot to the electoral officer or deputy electoral officer; **or**
- b) where the elector has lost the mail-in ballot, the elector provides the electoral officer or deputy electoral officer with a written affirmation that the elector has lost the mail-in ballot, signed by the elector in the presence of the electoral officer, deputy electoral officer, a justice of the peace, a notary public or a commissioner for oaths.

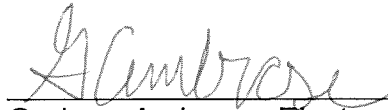
**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT** information meetings will be held at the dates, times, and locations shown below:

<b>Date</b>	<b>City</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Time</b>
Friday March 10, 2017	Nanaimo	Snuneymuxw Rec Centre 1145 Totem Road 250-741-0158	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
Saturday March 11, 2017	Victoria	Ambrosia 638 Fisgard Street Burnaby Room 250-216-6137	2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Sunday March 12, 2017	Vancouver	Holiday Inn 1110 Howe Street 604-684-2151	2:00 – 4:00 p.m.
Tuesday March 14, 2017	Alert Bay	T'lisalagilakw School 128 Boundary Road	7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

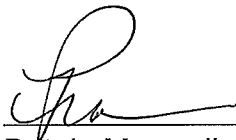
**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT** a list of electors is being posted at the same time and at the same locations as this Notice of Referendum. Upon request, the electoral officer or deputy electoral officer will confirm whether or not the name of a person is on the voters list.

Any application for a change to the voters list may be made to the electoral officer at the address noted below. (For further information, see the document entitled "Voting and the List of Electors" attached to the voters list.)

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2017.



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