

STAGE 5

FINAL NEGOTIATIONS



**Next Steps for Kitselas Treaty
Office and our Community**

WHAT IS STAGE 5?

Final Negotiations -The Road to a Final Agreement

➤ **Negotiation Sessions include:**

1. Kitselas Treaty Internal Planning

- **Kitselas/Kalum Negotiating Teams**
- **Gerald Wesley - Chief Negotiator**
- **Mark Stevenson - Negotiation Advisor**
- **Other experts as we need them**
 - ✓ **John Munro – Lands expert**
 - ✓ **Rick Brouwer – Forestry Expert**

WHAT IS STAGE 5?

4 Different Levels of Negotiating Tables:

1. **Chief Negotiators Table** - where all the major decisions are negotiated and made
2. **Main Table Working Group** – Carry out the work assigned by the Chief Negotiators
 - Rewording the AIP into Final Agreement language
3. **Technical Working Groups**
 - Experts do research and make recommendations to Main Table Working Group (ex: Lands, Forestry etc.)
4. **Legal Working Group**
 - Lawyers for Kitselas, Canada and BC preparing final wording to the Final Agreement

Kitselas Sits At Every Table & Working Group

What will Kitselas Members Roles be in Stage 5?

Community Working Groups will be formed within the next few years to work on topics such as:

- **Fish and Wildlife**
- **Enrollment and Eligibility**
- **Finance (Ex: Health / Education)**
- **Law Making**
- **Constitution ...etc...**

**Note- Each working group will be guided by an expert in that field*

Tentative Timeline

2013 -2016 Final Negotiations & Working Groups

2016 -2017 Explain and VOTE on Final Agreement

2017 -2018 BC and Canada Approval Process

2018 -2019 BC and Canada to pass Kitselas Treaty Act
(Reminder: A Treaty is not a Treaty until it is made Law, BC and Canada passes legislation & enables the Kitselas Treaty)

2020 - Kitselas Treaty Act will set the effective date
(Ex: 1 yr. following the passing of the Law)

On the Effective Date we begin to live under our own Kitselas Constitution and our own Laws

2028 - Property Tax Paid to Kitselas

2032 - Income Tax Paid to Kitselas

**NOTE - This timeline is an example of how long into the future it will be, for a Treaty to be put into effect. Circumstances such as (ex: Canadian or Provincial Gov't Cabinet Shuffles) can delay this process further.*

The work ahead of us..

**What will Kitselas look like in 50 years?
Let's prepare Kitselas !**

We want to work for ourselves, our children, our future..

- ✓ Young People think about careers/education options
- ✓ Talk about Treaty and what it means for you and your family

**WE HAVE TO DO IT
OURSELVES!**

If you have any questions, contact the Kitselas Treaty Office at
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