

Tsimshian Treaty Process:

Dates to remember -

continued - (please record)

1992: the Federal Government, Provincial Government & the B.C. 1st Nations Summit accepted and signed the B.C. Treaty Agreement.

1993: the Tsimshian Nation submits a "Letter of Intent" to the Federal Government and Provincial Government to Negotiate and Settle their Land Question Claim, which includes Kitselas.

1994: The Federal Government accepted the Tsimshian Claims for Negotiations.

1994: The Tsimshians accept Treaty Money to start preparing their claims for Negotiations.

1995: The Tsimshian have completed their Stage 2 and have entered into Stage 3 Treaty Negotiations Framework Agreement & Resource Interim Protection Measures Agreement.

Good Luck to the
New Kitselas
Elders Executive.

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**KITSELAS MEMBERS:
WE NEED YOU TO
HELP US ACHIEVE
YOUR VISION &
GOALS.**



WHAT ARE YOUR VIEWS ABOUT
TSIMSHIAN MEMBERS.

Kitselas Treaty Update - February 1996(2)

History was made February 12, 1996 - the Nisga'a Nation signed an Agreement In Principle - B.C.'s first Land-Claim Deal.

Tsimshian was among several neighboring Nations who helped celebrate with the Nisga'a Nation. This was a very happy day - not only for the Nisga'a - but for other Nations as well. This historical event will not be forgotten. It was an emotional welcome home for the Nisga'a Negotiators.

VISION - Develop positions for negotiations. Issues - ensuring that Kitselas is properly represented.

Entering into Treaty: How to come out of the Treaty; How do we relate to one another once out of the Treaty. How do we do business as a Nation? Now we want to know what we want out of the Treaty. Do we want the communities to depend on the central body of the Tsimshian Nation (T.T.C.)?

The community negotiators had concerns with respect to be properly represented in the Framework Agreement. Each individual community has different needs and interests-how to put the differences into a common agreement. Identifying Kitselas' needs will be achieved only with community involvement.

**WE ARE FOREVER JOINED
WITH ALL THAT CAME
BEFORE US.....
AND PART OF ALL THAT**

Did you know - the British Columbia Treaty Process now replaces the old Land Claims Process.

The Tsimshian Treaty Process which is coordinated by the Tsimshian Tribal Council is comprised of 14 Tribes, these tribes are based in 7 Tsimshian communities - Kitselas; Kitsumkalum; Metlakatla; Kitkatla; Hartley Bay, Kitasoo & Lax Kw'alaams.

Tsimshian Treaty Process Summary of Events (dates) to Remember!

1983: the "Tsimshian Declaration and Claim to Territories" was filed by the Council of Tsimshian Nation and the Allied Tsimshian Tribes against the Federal Government to enter into negotiations for Lands, Resources and Self-Government.

1986: the Federal Government accepts the Tsimshian Claims for Negotiations.

1991: The B.C. Claims Task Force carried out and submitted the "BC Treaty Agreement" report which recommended 19 points on how to negotiate and settle the Indian Land Question in British Columbia.

More important dates to record:

Write to the Kitselas Treaty Office or Call. Tell us your vision of the Tsimshian Treaty Process that Kitselas is a part of. Your input is vital at this point!