



# YOU'RE INVITED...

## FIRST NATIONS LAND RECLAMATION WORKSHOP

**October 29-30, 2014 | In Terrace  
@ Kitselas Community Hall  
1561 Kulspai Crescent  
Hosted by Kitselas & Haisla First Nations**

A high volume of industrial development is being proposed on our traditional territories. And we must work hard to ensure a high standard of environmental stewardship is maintained.

First Nations involvement in land reclamation can help maintain those high standards while benefiting First Nations.

Potential benefits include: employment and business opportunities for youth and community members, increased capacity by way of training and skills development in the environmental industry, community development, and industry mentoring opportunities.

### **Land reclamation:**

the process of improving disturbed land (soil, vegetation, water) to achieve land capability equivalent to the predisturbed condition or for a specified end land use.

## WE WANT YOU!

### Economic Development Corporations

To participate in a dialogue between local First Nations communities, government, and industry on best practices and opportunities that could foster future business development.

### Youth

To learn about exciting career opportunities, outdoor work, and transferable skills.

### Community Leaders

To learn about and support economic development entities, and protect the environment now and in the future.

### Elders

To impart traditional knowledge, provide oversight, and guidance.

### Educators

To help with student career mapping. Help your students achieve more!

### Employment Counsellors

To develop a community skills database and identify education needs and opportunities for now and in the future. To encourage inter-nation training courses and employment opportunities.

### Lands and Resource Staff

To help complete environmental assessments and mitigation planning.

### Business Owners

To enable partnerships and mentorship opportunities for employees and with students.

### Community Members

To learn about and contribute to land stewardship.

## PURPOSE OF THE WORKSHOP

1. **Increase awareness of and interest in land reclamation** among community members including chief and council, community administration, elders, youth and the community at large.
2. **Develop a philosophy** of what land reclamation should look like, including what values should be taken into account in end land uses
3. **Identify potential land reclamation projects** within the traditional territories of participating communities & that could be implemented in the short-term by community membership with support provided by land reclamation professionals.
4. **Prioritize projects**
5. **Create a community-based core project working group** to lead the development and implementation of the overall land reclamation initiative moving forward.



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## AGENDA

DAY 1 - WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2014

MORNING	8:30 – 9:00	<b>Opening Prayers and Welcome</b>
	9:00 – 9:30	<b>Overview of Land Reclamation Initiative</b> Community Perspective
	9:30 – 10:00	<b>Industry Presentation</b> Stantec
	10:00 – 10:30	<b>Industry Presentation</b> McElhanney
	10:30 – 11:00	<b>Health Break</b>
	11:00 – 11:30	<b>Industry Presentation</b> Clean Harbors
	11:30 – 12:00	<b>Industry Presentation</b> Valard
	12:00 – 1:00	<b>Lunch</b>
AFTERNOON	1:00 – 1:30	<b>Land Reclamation Example</b> Kitselas
	1:30 – 2:00	<b>Land Reclamation Example</b> Haisla
	2:00 – 2:30	<b>Small Group Discussions</b> Facilitated. Based on presentations.
	2:30 – 3:00	<b>Health Break</b>
	3:00 – 4:00	<b>Idea Generation: What needs to be done?</b> Community driven project suggestions
	4:00 – 4:30	<b>Reporting Back</b>
	4:30 – 5:00	<b>Closing Remarks</b>

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## AGENDA continued...

DAY 2 - THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2014

MORNING

**8:30 – 9:00**

**Opening Prayers and Welcome**

**9:00 – 10:30**

**Idea Generation - Your Turn!**

Community Driven. Continue brainstorming. Flesh out ideas from Day 1.

**10:30 – 10:45**

**Health Break**

**10:45 – 11:00**

**Call for Participation**

Participants identify their top 3 to 5 priority projects.

**11:00 – 11:30**

**Request for Further Participation**

Form community-based core project working group.

**11:30 – 12:00**

**Reporting Back & Closing Remarks**

**12:00 – 1:00**

**Parting Lunch**

### RSVP

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