

Shxw'ōwhámél First Nation



Sally Hope (Quetitse) - Lands and Resources Manager

My Traditional Name is Quetitse and I am Stó:lō and Nlaka'pamux. I am a member and resident of Seabird Island Band one of the 8 Nations of the Tiyt Tribe. I am the Lands & Resources Manager for Shxw'ōwhámél First Nation. I successfully completed a Certificate of Applied Lands Management through Tulo Centre of Indigenous Economics at Thompson Rivers University in 2019. I work closely with the Shxw'ōwhámél First Nation Lands Committee and Siyá:m Council on drafting and enacting Shxw'ōwhámél First Nation laws. To date we have enacted 12 laws, plus the COVID-19 Virus Community Protection Law.

Misipawistik Cree Nation



Chief Heidi Cook

Chief Cook is from Grand Rapids, Manitoba, and is a member of the Misipawistik Cree Nation. Her interests include the protection of lands and waters, understanding and strengthening Treaty relationships, cultural teachings and ceremonies, and living a good life. She holds a BA in Environmental Sustainability and Politics and a Masters Certificate in Project Management from UWinnipeg, and a Masters in Development Practice (MDP) in Indigenous Development from the University of Winnipeg.

Heidi has served for 6 years as a Councillor for Misipawistik Cree Nation and most recently, in July of 2020, she was elected Chief of Misipawistik. Prior to her time as an elected official, Heidi worked with the Misipawistik Cree Nation Traditional Lands and Waters in areas of land use, planning, and management.

She continues her work with Indigenous communities in Manitoba to achieve development that is just, improves opportunities for health and employment, and ensures lands, waters, and rights are protected.

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Andrew Beynon - Director, Land Code Governance

Andrew Beynon has over thirty years experience working on First Nation lands and self-government. Andrew has worked on land development, environmental protection, environmental assessments, additions to reserve and treaty land entitlement, economic development, specific claims, federal-provincial agreements, optional self-government legislation, taxation, infrastructure projects, reform of federal funding agreements, work with First Nations drafting laws and many other areas.

Andrew was Canada's lead lawyer on the Nisga'a treaty and has considerable experience with negotiations as well as drafting and has appeared on numerous occasions before Parliamentary Committees. Andrew is one of the authors of "Modern First Nations Legislation Annotated", a legal publication which includes a chapter dealing with the Framework Agreement and the federal legislation which ratifies the Framework Agreement.

Andrew is married with two "kids" in post secondary studies. Andrew has no time for his wide range of hobbies and interests which range from eternal home renovations to collecting vintage JBL studio monitors originally used by Led Zeppelin and the Rolling Stones, to studying the history of the Nixon administration, as well as to international soccer and playing golf rarely, but always badly.