

Land Development Procedures, Public Works & Infrastructure under Land Code

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NIPISSING FIRST NATION



Cathy McLeod - Land Manager

Cathy has worked for Nipissing Nation since May 18, 1989 and celebrated her 30th work Anniversary in 2019. She became Land Manager for Nipissing Nation in 2019. During her employment Cathy was involved in a couple of land claim processes up to the settlement agreement being signed as well as the enactment of the Nipissing First Nation Matrimonial Property Law which required a vote. Over the years she steered into law a number of land laws under the Land Code.



Steve Doucette – Public Work Manager

I have been with Nipissing First Nation since September of 2020. Graduated from the Civil Engineering Technologist program at Fanshawe College in 1997. Training in project management and project development. Throughout my career I worked in various industries forestry, construction and Engineering Services holding lower and upper positions. Working on various infrastructure project. Installation of Cooling Towers, Resin plant modification, water distribution system, road development and water & sewer installations.

WESTBANK FIRST NATION



Krista Derrickson – Manager of Utilities & Public Works

Krista Derrickson is a member of Westbank First Nation and the Manager of Utilities & Public Works. WFN is one of BC's largest First Nation purveyors of water with over 6,100 water connections between its 2 inhabited reserves. Krista previously held the Operator/Environmental Officer position at WFN for just over 7 years (2002 – 2009). She then moved to Vancouver in 2009 to take a position with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) in the BC Region. At INAC she worked on training programs for Operators as well as managed the Circuit Rider Training program that consists of hands on training and mentoring for Operators who work for the 203 First Nation communities throughout all of BC. She is actively involved with the BCWWA, PWABC and EOCP having served 2 terms on the board of Directors. She organized and hosted the annual First Nation Operators conference for 6 years, which brought together First Nation Operators from across BC & the Yukon. Krista moved back to take on her role as WFN's Manager of Utilities in October of 2016.



Joe Mocilac – Director of Development Services

Joe has 28 years of experience in the industry including land development, planning, engineering and government operations managing outside and inside staff. 17 years have been spent working within Government at various levels most recently at WFN as the Director of Development Services which has 7 departments which look after Housing/Property Management, Public Works, Utilities, Engineering, Lands, Building Inspection and Planning. 11 years was spent as a consultant working for various levels of Government, Developers and Indigenous Communities. During this time he has had the opportunity working across BC and Western Canada.

KITSUMKALUM FIRST NATION



Margaret De Grace - Land Planner

Mag has been a member of the Kitsumkalum Lands Department for over four years. She was heavily involved in the development of the Kitsumkalum Land Code and is now a big support to Kitsumkalum as they pursue various community development ventures.

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Stephen - Specialist, Land Use Planning & Curriculum Delivery

Stephen McGlenn grew up on a farm in Southern Alberta, in Treaty 7 Territory. He completed his Bachelor of Arts (with Honours and Distinction) in Native American Studies at the University of Lethbridge in 2010. As a student, he was very active as an advocate for indigenous rights, social justice and climate change action. He then moved to the West Coast and in 2015 completed a Master of Arts degree at UBC, specializing in Indigenous Community Planning. Stephen then worked as a Lands & Resources Manager and faced the complex challenges and opportunities of implementing indigenous self-government.



Chantal – Environment & Enforcement Advisor

Chantal joined the Resource Centre in 2021. She is delighted to be part of the team and is enthusiastic about her role as Environment and Enforcement Specialist.



Cory - Environment & Enforcement Advisor

Cory resides within Central-Northern Ontario and holds a BSc (Hons) specializing in Conservation from Trent University and is currently a Master's candidate in Boreal Ecology at Laurentian University. She also holds a Business diploma from Fleming College and is a certified restricted drone operator and Nitrox Scuba Diver.



Patti – Manager First Nation Support Services BC

Patti Wight is from the Squamish Nation and currently resides in the heart of Lheidli T'enneh traditional territory (Prince George, BC) where she has been working with the Resource Centre since 2012. Patti holds a Bachelor of Science in Geography with an environmental science focus from the University of Northern BC and also has a certificate in Indigenous Peoples Resource Management from the University of Saskatchewan. Prior to joining the Resource Centre, Patti was the Lheidli T'enneh Director of Lands & Natural Resources. Patti enjoys spending her free time in nature exploring and camping. She loves to travel and is always trying out new ways to prepare foods, teas and medicines.



Stefanie – Waste Management Specialist

Stefanie Recollet is a member of Wahnapitae First Nation, in Northern Ontario. She is from the Crane Clan and a proud Anishinaabe kwe. Stefanie's academic background includes a bachelors in Law, a certificate in Community Development and she holds numerous certifications related to land and environment management.



Adam – Planner, Land Code Governance

Adam Wright is a registered professional planner (RPP, MCIP) and works as a Land Code Governance Planner with the First Nations Land Management Resource Centre. Over the past 10 + years Adam's work has spanned various sectors including private, non-profit, government and academia with a specific focus on the planning processes that regulate and guide land development on First Nations land. In his role with the Resource Centre, Adam provides landuse planning support to signatory Communities which includes offering any relevant expertise, resources, information, advice and guidance.