



LAW ENFORCEMENT STRATEGIES & CONSIDERATIONS

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McLeod Lake Indian Band



Tania Solonas – Land Management Officer

Tania Solonas is a member of the Tse'Khene Nation (People of the Rocks) & grew up in McLeod Lake, BC. She is certified in First Nations Applied Lands Management & Tax Administration through TULO – Centre for Indigenous Economics at the Thompson Rivers University. Passionate about helping move the community forward with sustainability & unity in mind, Tania is the Land Management Officer for the McLeod Lake Indian Band. She enjoys walking, hiking, being a volunteer for the Tse'Khene Fire Department, Indigenous Zero Waste Technical Advisory Group (IZWTAG), McLeod Lake Mackenzie Community Forest (MLMCF) & various committees. Thankful for a loving family and being an active Steward of the Land.

Lac La Ronge Indian Band



Ty Robers - Reserve Lands Manager

Ty Roberts has over seven years of experience in environmental science and soil science. His expertise and training is in environmental science, soil science, and environmental monitoring and protection. During his time with previous employers, Ty has been involved with numerous mining/downstream oil and gas projects throughout Saskatchewan and Western Canada. He has participated in project planning, field data collection, data analyses, and report preparation on multiple project types. Ty has experience coordinating and leading field activities, including oversight of field logistics, supervision of staff, and working within defined budgets in all aspects of project implementation and delivery. He is familiar with provincial and federal environmental regulations as well as permitting requirements. Ty is a member of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band and he is currently the Reserve Lands Manager in the Lands & Resources department at the Lac La Ronge Indian Band.

Tla'amin Nation



Derek Yang - Chief Officer, Public Safety Department

Derek Yang is currently the Director of Community Services, and Chief Officer, Public Safety Department for Tla'amin Nation. Derek has over a decade's experience in law enforcement and public safety, both as a frontline officer and as a senior manager. Derek has worked with Nations in British Columbia, and the Yukon, assisting them in developing their own law enforcement and community safety initiatives. With a Bachelor of Arts in Justice Studies from Royal Roads University, Derek left the federal public service to pursue opportunities within Indigenous governments. Derek is currently completing his Master of Arts in Justice Studies from Royal Roads University, with a research focus on Indigenous Community Safety and Law Enforcement. Recently, Derek appeared before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Indigenous and Northern Affairs, as the representative for Tla'amin Nation, and gave evidence to the struggles law enforcement initiatives experiences in Indigenous communities. In addition to his work at Tla'amin Nation, Derek is also a sessional faculty at both the Justice Institute of British Columbia, and the Native Education College.

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.

as they pursue various community development ventures.

FIRST NATION LAND MANAGEMENT RESOURCE CENTRE



Michelle Bouvier – Environment & Enforcement Advisor

Michelle Delorme is a member of Muskeg Lake Cree Nation within Treaty 6 Territory in Saskatchewan. Michelle attained her J.D. from the University of Saskatchewan where she concentrated her studies on First Nations legal issues and corporate law.

After being called to the Bar of The Law Society of Saskatchewan in 2010, she worked in private practice and represented hundreds of residential school survivors within the Independent Assessment Process. She has also spent time as an instructor within the College of Agriculture and Bioresources and the College of Law at the University of Saskatchewan.



Kevin Broughton- Enforcement Advisor

Kevin Broughton served 33 years with Ontario Provincial Police now living in Thunder Bay Ontario. Kevin served across Ontario in the capacity of Provincial Constable posted to Schreiber, Temagami, Rolphton, and Pembroke. Kevin was promoted to the rank of Identification Constable posted to the Kenora, London, and the Tillsonburg Forensic Unit.

Kevin has worked extensively with First Nation communities throughout northern and southern Ontario. Kevin worked for the Ontario College of Trades as an Inspector, Manager of Investigations, Courts and Hearings and transferred to the position of Project Manager for their new Records Management system.

Gail Starr - Environment & Enforcement Advisor



Gail Starr is a member of the Seabird Island First Nation in the Sto:lo (people of the river) Territory located the Upper Fraser Valley in BC. Gail joined the Royal Canadian Mounted Police in 1987 she completed the Police training program in Regina, SK. After 30 years of service, Gail retired from the RCMP. In 2017 Gail accepted a position with First Nations Land Management Resource Centre as the Environment and Enforcement Advisor for the BC. Region.



Cory Kozmik - 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.



Chantal Kitamura - Environment & Enforcement Advisor

Chantal has great passion for environmental governance which began to flourish during her university studies. Chantal holds a Master of International Forestry Degree from the University of British Columbia. During her time at UBC, Chantal focused on furthering her knowledge of forest policy and resource management as it relates to Indigenous rights and land governance. Prior to attending UBC, Chantal graduated from the University of Waterloo where she obtained an Honours Bachelor of Environmental Studies Degree in Urban Planning with specialization in Environmental Planning and Management. Chantal enjoys learning new things and is currently working towards becoming a Registered Professional Planner with the Canadian Institute of Planners (CIP).