



# SQUAMISH NATION

## Chiefs and Council

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To: Membership

November 25, 2008

From: Chiefs and Council

### RE: LEASING PROCESS – 4 STEPS

#### Step #1 – DESIGNATION PROCESS INFORMATION SHARED WITH MEMBERSHIP (from now until December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008)

Chiefs and Council Mandate is to provide information to Membership to allow our members to make an informed decision. The role of the Department of Indian Affairs is explained in the presentations on November 17 & 18/08 at the Designation Information Sessions.

#### Step #2 – THE FIRST VOTE! – December 4, 2008

Membership Votes to lease lands at IR #24 (4 Lots) and IR #26 on December 4<sup>th</sup>

If YES, Department of Indian Affairs OUT of the decision-making process.

If NO, Department of Indian Affairs will NOT permit ANY leasing on the lands; Membership CANNOT legally make the choice to lease the lands on their own.

Membership is **NOT** voting on the Community Gaming Centre at IR #24 at Step #2 nor are they voting to develop townhomes at IR #26

#### Step #3 – POTENTIAL LEASING ACTIVITY INFORMATION SHARED WITH MEMBERSHIP

If YES on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Membership is in the drivers seat; MUST approve of the activity on the lands – (business terms / lease terms) – Chiefs and Council CANNOT develop on these lands without membership approval.

If NO on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008, no additional revenue to fund housing, programs and services.

#### Step #4 - THE SECOND VOTE (Early 2009) ON OPPORTUNITIES

This is the step where the vote on the Community Gaming Centre for Lot 83 at IR #24 and potential townhome development at Chekwelp IR #26 happens!

If YES on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Membership STILL must approve business and lease terms for ANY business activity on the lands (Community Gaming Centre or otherwise on IR #24 – Lots 82, 83 and 84 (the Nation-owned fuel facility is going on Lot 85 as it does not require a lease / designation); Market housing or otherwise on IR #26)

If NO on December 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008, Membership CANNOT decide to lease the lands for ANY purpose – Department of Indian Affairs remains in control of the decision-making process.

Sincerely,  
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Council Co-chair

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