



April 2022

SEMÁ:TH SUMAS FIRST NATION COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER



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OFFICE CLOSURE

APRIL 15, 2022

Good Friday

APRIL 18, 2022

Easter Monday

PANCAKE BREAKFAST!

PANCAKE BREAKFAST DRIVE THRU

ON APRIL 18TH
FROM 10:00AM-12:00PM



alana.james@sumasfirstnation.com



**Operating
the same as
last year!**

*at the
Community
Hall*

Easter Basket Delivery

The Easter bunny will be hopping by again
this year to deliver your Easter baskets!!

From 12:00pm - 2:00pm

SPRING CLEAN UP!

Annual Spring Clean Up!

Good morning Sumas Community,
As it happens every year, this year from April 08 to April 18, 2022 we will be providing large garbage bins at 5 locations across the Reserve for our Members to clear their houses of unwanted items/ garbage.



COMMUNITY IMMUNITY



GET YOUR BOOSTER

STO:LO HEALTH NURSES WILL BE AT SFN ON
APRIL 27, 2022 TO PROVIDE COVID-19
VACCINATIONS AND BOOSTERS FOR ELDERLY 55
AND UP, AS WELL AS CHILDREN 5- 11 IF
INTERESTED.

APRIL 27, 2022

2022 SFN ELECTION UPDATE



SUMAS FIRST NATION

Notice of Nomination Meeting

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the electors of the **Sumas First Nation will be held in the Sumas First Nation Health Building Board Room, located at 2788 Sumas Mountain Road, Abbotsford, B.C. on the 11th day of March, 2022, beginning at 6:00 o'clock P.M. and lasting for at least two hours,** for the purpose of nominating a Chief and candidates for positions on the Band Council of the said Band for the next ensuing term. **Three (3) Councillor Positions** and **one(1) position for Chief** are available. **The election will be held at The Sumas First Nation Health Building Board Room at 2788 Sumas Mountain Road, Abbotsford, B.C. , on April 29, 2022 from 9:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m.**

Please note that any Elector may nominate candidates by using a mail-in nomination form. **Electors residing off-reserve may nominate or run as a candidate for the position of Chief and Council.** You can either deliver, mail or Email written nomination forms and completed, signed and witnessed voter declaration forms to the electoral officer before the time set for the nomination meeting **OR** you may nominate candidates orally at the nomination meeting. Mailed nominations not received by the electoral officer before the time set for the nomination meeting are void. Also note that any voter may vote in person or by mail-in ballot.

PLEASE NOTE: NOMINATED CANDIDATES MUST BE PRESENT AT THE NOMINATION MEETING TO ACCEPT THEIR NOMINATION.

All Sumas First Nation Members, 18 years or older, are eligible to vote in the election.

Given under my hand at Delta, B.C. this 6th day of February, 2022

F.P. Schiffner
Electoral Officer

5245 Augusta Place, Delta, B.C. V4M 4E1
Phone number: 604-786-2512

Toll Free: 1-800-813-2173
Email: fschiffner90@gmail.com

2022 SFN ELECTION FINAL LIST OF CANDIDATES



SUMAS FIRST NATION FINAL LIST OF CANDIDATES AS OF MARCH 23, 2022

CHIEF

1	SILVER, DALTON
2	SILVER, DENA

COUNCIL

1	GANZEVELD, TROY
2	GETTY, BRENDAN
3	KELLY, JOSEPHINE
4	KELLY, SHANE
5	NED, PATRICIA
6	SILVER, CHRIS
7	TUTTLE, CLINT
8	WILLIAMS, CLARENCE
9	WILLIAMS, EILEEN

**NOTE: THE ABOVE LIST OF CANDIDATES ARE
SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL UP TO APRIL 29,
2022**

ELECTORAL OFFICER
SUMAS FIRST NATION

KILGARD CROSSFIT PROGRAM

KILGARD CROSSFIT PROGRAM

HUSTLE FOR THAT MUSCLE

INTRO TO CROSSFIT SESSION

a) Tuesday, April 12th at
6:00pm

OR

b) Tuesday, April 19th at
6:00pm

Sumas First Nation has partnered with Kilgard CrossFit. Each SFN Member will have access to utilize the Gym at Kilgard Crossfit free of charge until March 31, 2023.

**CONTACT ALANA, TO BOOK YOUR SPOT IN THE
INTRO TO CROSSFIT SESSION**

ALANA.JAMES@SUMASFIRSTNATION.COM

604 852 4041 EXT 202

Busy Bear Preschool Update

April 2022

Éy Swáyel,



Reminder to parents that we will be closed Good Friday and Easter Monday.

DATES TO REMEMBER:



April 15th-Good Friday-Center closed.

April 18th-Easter Monday-Center closed.

KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION

Friendly reminder to register your child for kindergarten. Registration is now open at Upper Sumas, Irene Kelleher (schools that are in this catchment).

LANGUAGE

We are working on a new song in Halq'emeylem with Aiden as well as continuing the words that we have been learning in preschool the last few weeks. Thank you, Aiden, for teaching us!

ELDERS VISITS

We are excited to have our Elders coming to visit us in April, May, and June. They will be sharing their cultural knowledge and songs with the children and staff.

GARDEN

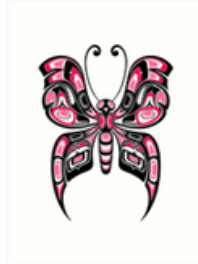
In the Fall we planted tulip bulbs with the children in the garden. The flowers are starting to bloom now with spring arriving. Please take a walk with your little ones to "enjoy the tulips".



Busy Bear Preschool Update

BUTTERFLIES

Every year we order butterfly larvae. It is an exciting time for the children to observe how the caterpillars from a chrysalis and then emerge as butterflies. After our butterflies have hatched, the children release them.



EMERGENCY & ACTIVITY KITS

We have activity and emergency kits with grocery gift cards for each family available for pick up at the center. Contact us if you would like to arrange for drop off.



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOPS

March 4 - 6, 2022 the staff attended a Health through Wellness Approach to Team Building workshop with Tara McLaughlin (First Nations Health Authority, Aboriginal Head Start on Reserve advisor). Thank you to Tara for an excellent workshop! Tara will be facilitating more Professional Development workshops for staff in the future.

Busy Bear Preschool Update



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RACHEL ON HOLIDAYS

Rachel will be on holidays between March 28th to April 14th, 2022. If you have any questions or concerns while she is away, please talk to a supervising teacher in your child's class (Marlana in the daycare program and Grace in the I/T program). They will be in contact with Rachel if needed.

FRIENDLY REMINDER

We close at 5pm. We understand that there may be times you may not be able to pick up your children on time. We just ask you please call us or text via the HiMama app.

IN CLOSING...

We hope you have a very Happy Easter!

Ts'ithóme tsel – thank you,

GRANTS UPDATE



Éy Swáyél,

I am very pleased to discuss our Sumas First Nation FireSmart Project with the community where we have been awarded \$50,000.00 with a timeline of April 1, 2022 to January 31, 2023. The purpose of this project will be to focus on building Community Resiliency against wildfires, implementing FireSmart principles and engaging in Community awareness.

To facilitate this project, we have two (2) SFN Staff member who have been trained and certified as Local FireSmart Representatives (LFR). Namely, Harmeet Rai, Capital and Public Works Manager and Jenna Noppen, Grants Officer. Local FireSmart Representatives are provided with an understanding of current Wildland Urban Interface concepts and Wildfire hazard Assessment training. The purpose of an LFR is to assist community leaders and members with becoming more familiar with FireSmart principles.

As an LFR I am looking forward to helping create awareness to foster a safer community, while promoting environmental stewardship and assisting with implementation of FireSmart principles. In addition, I am very much looking forward to engaging with the Community during our Neighbourhood Assessments and Awareness Event.

Our upcoming project will include the following:

- Development of a Community Wildfire Resiliency Plan (B.A. Blackwell & Associates).
- Local FireSmart Neighbourhood Assessments & Community Planning.
- FireSmart Awareness Community Event, during a pancake breakfast (Date TBD).

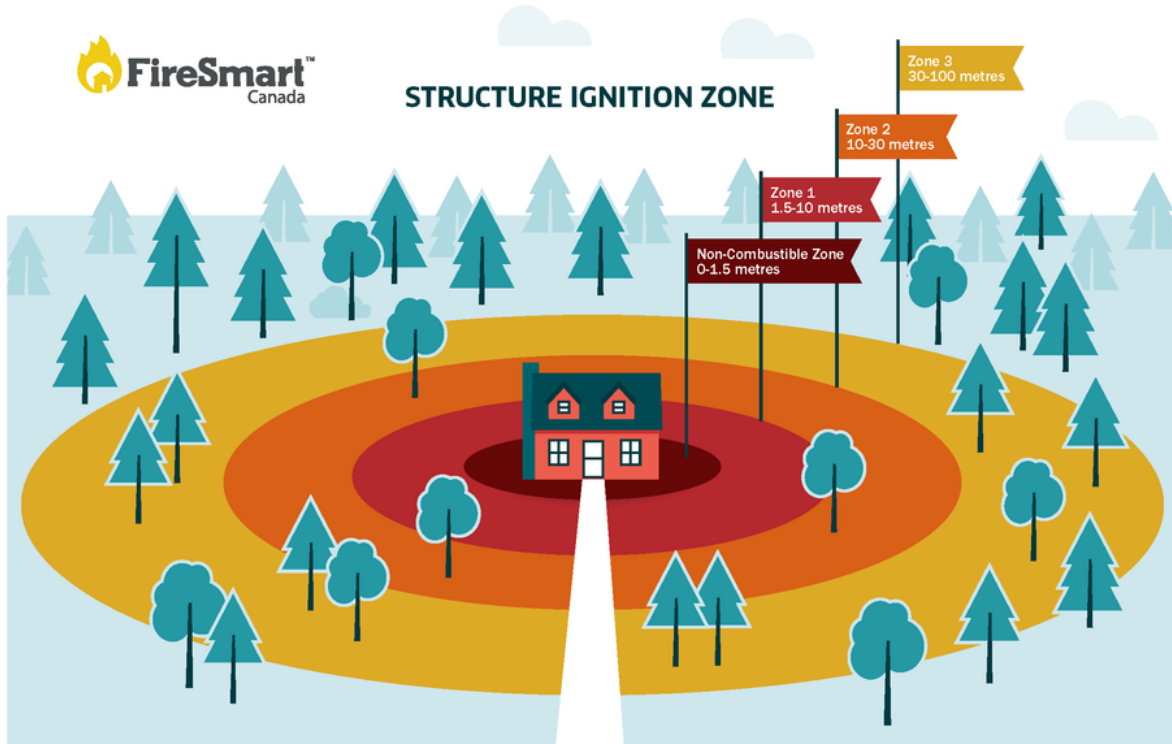
Finally, we are establishing an SFN FireSmart Committee where we are seeking three (3) or more Community Members to join us. If you would like to become involved or want to learn more please contact me by email at Jenna.Noppen@sumasfirstnation.com or by telephone at 604-852-4041 Ext. 228.

Ts'ithóme tsel – thank you,

Jenna Noppen, B.A.
Grants Officer
Local FireSmart Representative



GRANTS UPDATE



Work with your neighbours in any overlapping priority zones!

<p>Non-combustible Zone (0-1.5 metres)</p>	<p>Reduce the chance of wind-blown embers igniting materials near your home. A non-combustible surface should extend around the entire home and any attachments, such as decks. Creating a non-combustible surface can be as easy clearing vegetation and combustible material down to mineral soil. To add to your landscape design, use non-combustible materials such as gravel, brick, or concrete in this critical area adjacent to your home. Woody shrubs, trees or tree branches should be avoided in this zone, any that are present should be properly mitigated.</p>
<p>Zone 1 (1.5-10 metres)</p>	<p>Create a landscape that will not easily transmit fire to the home. A FireSmart yard includes making smart choices for your plants, shrubs, grass and mulch. Selecting fire-resistant plants and materials can increase the likelihood of your home surviving a wildfire. Plant a low density of fire-resistant plants and shrubs. Avoid having any woody debris, including mulch, as it provides potential places for fires to start. Storing items such as firewood piles, construction materials, patio furniture, tools and decorative pieces against or near a house is a major fire hazard. Move firewood piles, trailers/ recreational vehicles, storage sheds and other combustible structures out of this zone and into Zone 2. If unable to move, store firewood inside your mitigated garage, shed or other ember resistant structures, create a non-combustible zone underneath and for 1.5 metres around trailers/ vehicles and mitigate sheds and other structures to the same standards as those of your home.</p>
<p>Zone 2 (10-30 metres)</p>	<p>If your property extends out to this zone, thin and prune evergreen trees to reduce hazard in this area. Within 30 metres of your home, selectively remove evergreen trees to create at least 3 metres of horizontal space between the single or grouped tree crowns and remove all branches to a height of 2 metres from the ground on the remaining evergreen trees. If possible, pruning trees up to 100 metres from your home (Zone 3) is recommended. Regularly clean up accumulations of fallen branches, dry grass and needles from on the ground to eliminate potential surface fuels. Consider seeking the guidance of a forest professional with wildland fire knowledge on appropriate management options for this zone.</p>
<p>Zone 3 (30-100 metres)</p>	<p>Taking FireSmart actions in Zone 3 on your property will influence how a wildfire approaches your home. You can change the dynamics of wildfire behaviour by managing vegetation within this zone. Look for opportunities to create a fire break by creating space between trees and other potentially flammable vegetation. Thinning and pruning is effective here as well. These actions will help reduce the intensity of a wildfire. Consider seeking the guidance of a forest professional with wildland fire knowledge on appropriate management options for this zone.</p>



Begins at Home

for more information:
emailcommunications@sumasfirstnation.com

LANDS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

LANDS & RESOURCES DEPARTMENT UPDATE

The Lands and Resources Department has been very busy. We contribute to weekly policy reviews/revisions; we participated in the Semá:th Strategic Planning session, and we are taking Survey Training with Natural Resources Canada.

SFN BIOLOGIST RESIGNATION

Above all this, we have been preparing for the resignation of Carrie Milsop. Carrie was the Lands & Resource Biologist; she has been a great asset to our team, and she will be missed. We wish her well in all her future endeavours!

VAL SAM & MURRAY SAM

At the end of April, Val Sam and Murray Sam are leaving Sema:th. Val has been training me for eight months; once her contract has ended, I will take on the Lands & Resources Manager position. Val has taught me a lot over eight months, and I will miss our daily chats and training sessions. Val has been a fantastic mentor, and I am forever indebted to Val for her generous sharing of knowledge.

INFLOW AND INFILTRATION SYSTEM UPGRADE

We have assisted the Capital, Housing & Public Works Manager with the inflow and infiltration system upgrade with Right-of-Way Agreements. We have a few that need to be signed, and those CP holders who have yet to sign off on the agreements will be contacted directly. The SFN system must be upgraded as we are at max capacity with the City of Abbotsford, and for us to move forward with new homes and Economic Ventures, this system must be upgraded. It is imperative to have these Right-of-Way Agreements signed to commence the project.

LANDS DEPARTMENT UPDATE

SITE VISITS

I will be doing site visits and having conversations regularly with those developing on our lands. The General Manager, Lands Officer and I completed our first site visit on April 5, 2022. Over the next few weeks, we will be making our way to visit all the sites being developed throughout our community.

UPDATING THE SFN LAND USE PLAN

The Lands Department and Land Advisory Committee (LAC) have begun working with Dillion Consulting on updating our 2018 Land Use Plan (LUP). Please know that members of the LAC will be contacting you to go over an LUP Questionnaire. The questionnaire is 35 questions; most questions are multiple-choice. The questionnaire shouldn't take more than thirty minutes to complete. We will have more detailed information about the Land Use Plan out to you soon.



WOOD STOVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

is offering a

Wood Stove Exchange Program

Incentives:

- exchanging uncertified wood stove to a certified wood stove
- wood stove to pellet stove
- wood stove to gas stove or electric heat pump

If you have a woodstove in your home and would like this opportunity please contact :

Paula Olmstead – 604-852-4041 ext 227 or Paula.olmstead@sumasfirstnation.com

Nancy Murphy – 604-997-9500 or nancy.murphy@sumasfirstnation.com

Incentive Levels Update

An exchange from an uncertified old wood stove to:	Incentive Amount 2022 (\$)		
	First Nation Communities	RedZone Communities	All Other BC Communities
EPA or CSA certified wood stove	600	300	300
Natural Gas, propane, and pellet stove	1000	750	500
Heat pump	1500	1000	750

Comparison (2017 to 2021 Incentive)

An exchange from an uncertified old wood stove to:	Incentive Amount 2017 to 2021 (\$)	
	RedZone Communities	All Other BC Communities
EPA or CSA certified wood stove	250	250
Natural Gas, propane, and pellet stove	500	400
Heat pump	500	400



CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to Clayton Ritchie on achieving Honour Roll. Honour Roll is awarded to students who show excellence in their studies. Clayton is a dedicated student with excellent attendance. Way to go Clayton!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to Madelyn Ward on achieving her Bachelor of Fine Arts at The University Of The Fraser Valley. Madelyn plans to attend Simon Fraser University in the Fall to achieve her teaching degree to follow her passion of becoming a teacher. Congratulations and all the best in your future endeavors Madelyn!

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



SEMÁ:TH FIRST NATION

Job Posting

POSITION:	Accounts Payable Clerk
HOURS:	35 HRS PER WEEK
TERM:	1 YEAR TERM CONTRACT
SALARY	TO BE DETERMINED BASED ON QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE
REPORTS TO:	FINANCE MANAGER

1.0 PURPOSE & SUMMARY

Reporting to the Finance Manager, the Accounting Clerk is responsible for performing a range of accounting tasks related to the accounts payable function. This generally includes receiving, processing, and verifying invoices, tracking, and recording purchase orders, and processing payments.

2.0 DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1) General ledger journal entries and credit card / reconciliations.
- 2) Accounts payable invoice and data entry.
- 3) Handling payments in an organized and timely manner.
- 4) Development and maintenance of Excel spreadsheets.
- 5) Internal credit card reconciliation when required.
- 6) Reconciling vendor statements
- 7) Ensuring imaging of invoice supporting documents is timely and accurately performed.
- 8) Assisting with audit support, as necessary.
- 9) Assisting in streamlining the accounts payable process.
- 10) Expense report handling.
- 11) Other duties as needed

3.0 EDUCATION

- 1) High school diploma.
- 2) Bachelor's degree in accounting, finance, or related field is considered an asset.
- 3) Previous accounts payable experience.
- 4) Prior experience working in a fast-paced field-based environment with the ability to prioritize.
- 5) Experience in working with First Nations communities and/or organizations an asset.
- 6) Proven ability to maintain confidentiality.
- 7) Working knowledge of office procedures, records management, and document processing.
- 8) Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with peers, managers, community members, contractors, field staff and suppliers.
- 9) First Nations descent is considered an asset.
- 10) Advanced knowledge and expertise about Microsoft Excel, Word, Zoom, Go-To Meetings.
- 11) Appreciation of First Nations culture, traditions, procedures and protocols.

TO APPLY:

Please email your cover letter & resume to Human.Resources@sumasfirstnation.com

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



SEMÁ:TH FIRST NATION

Job Posting

POSITION:	LANDS AND RESOURCES BIOLOGIST
HOURS:	35 HRS PER WEEK
TERM:	PERMANENT POSITION
SALARY	NEGOTIABLE
REPORTS TO:	LANDS AND RESOURCES MANAGER

1.0 PURPOSE & SUMMARY

Reporting to the Lands and Resources Manager, the Lands and Resources Biologist (LRB) ensures compliance with environmental issues (e.g., development referrals). The LRB helps facilitate the lands development process under the Sema:th Land Code by providing broad technical support, making recommendations to the department on environmental issues and initiatives, including leasing, permitting, law & policy development, and other environmental-related issues and projects, as well as enforcing environmental-related terms and conditions in Sema:th lands-instruments. The LRB may also be responsible for the coordination of environment-based grant projects (e.g., habitat restoration, community outreach). The LRB will, on behalf of the department, work closely with proponents, SFN staff, community members and leadership to ensure that environmental protections and monitoring requirements are communicated and implemented for all approved development projects and that any violations or infractions are promptly addressed. The LRB will have the authority to inspect properties, and to identify and order the remediation to any environmental non-compliance issues.

2.0 DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES

- 1) Support the Lands Manager in implementing Sema:th laws, Sema:th Lands Development procedures, the Sema:th Land Use Plan and the Sema:th Environmental Management Plan;
- 2) Make recommendations to the Lands Manager regarding environmental protection measures for inclusion in Sema:th Lands instruments (e.g. permits, leases);
- 3) Conduct research on environmental issues and make policy recommendations as requested by the Lands Manager;
- 4) Research and keep informed of pertinent information and developments in areas such as First Nation Environmental Protection laws and regulations and / or Canadian Environmental Protection Laws and regulations;
- 5) Prepare, organise, and maintain inspection records;
- 6) Track inventory and maintain records of all environmental compliance-related actions;
- 7) Inform proponents and prospective proponents of any changes or amendments to Sema:th Environmental Laws;
- 8) Identify, review, and assess incoming new proposed projects on Sema:th lands for potential environmental impacts and related mitigation measures;
- 9) Prepare written, oral, tabular, and graphical reports to the Sema:th Lands Manager and Lands Advisory Committee (LAC) summarizing community comments, legal requirements, regulations, recommendations, and reports;
- 10) Examine existing permits, licences, leases, and records to ensure compliance with Sema:th Law;
- 11) Liaise with proponents, contractors, and consultants on coordinating required works, completing required assessments, reports and certificates as needed under Sema:th Law;
- 12) Analyse and implement First Nation, federal, provincial, or local requirements as necessary to maintain environmental standards in development projects occurring on Sema:th Lands;

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- 13) Create a regular compliance inspection schedule, prioritizing which sites and violation reports to investigate;
- 14) Coordinate, hire, train, and supervise Semá:th community members to serve as community monitors on all major development projects on Semá:th Lands;
- 15) Investigate complaints and suspected violations e.g., illegal dumping, pollutions, improper environmental protections;
- 16) Determine which sites and violation reports to investigation and coordinate compliance and enforcement as needed with other government agencies;
- 17) Determine the nature of any environmental violations and actions to be taken, and issue written notices of violation, and participate in enforcement hearings, as necessary;
- 18) Monitor follow-up actions in cases where violations were found and review compliance monitoring reports;
- 19) Observe and record field conditions, gathering, interpreting, and reporting data;
- 20) Coordinate compliance and enforcement activities with Semá:th Monitors, Enforcement Officer or other government agencies as required;
- 21) Other duties as required.

3.0 EDUCATION

- 1) Graduate degree and work experience in the field of land/resource management, fisheries, biology, environmental consulting. Preference given to candidates with Master's degree and who are eligible to become a registered Professional Biologist in the Province of BC;
- 2) Experience with the Sto:ló perspective in relation to lands, resources, and governance;
- 3) Sensitivity towards culturally appropriate and respectful practices;
- 4) Knowledge of First Nation land management, land leasing processes, environmental assessments is an asset;
- 5) Proven experience in project management;
- 6) Extensive understanding of environmental issues, environmental legislation and protocols for environmental monitoring, data collection, analysis, and reporting;
- 7) Excellent communication, influencing and presentation skills;
- 8) Proficient IT skills, including the ability to prepare and deliver computer-based presentations;
- 9) Proven ability to maintain confidentiality;
- 10) Working knowledge of office procedures, records management, and document processing;
- 11) Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with peers, managers, community members, contractors, field staff and suppliers;
- 12) First Nations descent is considered an asset;
- 13) Appreciation of First Nations culture, traditions, procedures and protocols.

TO APPLY:

Please email your cover letter & resume to Human.Resources@sumasfirstnation.com
Deadline: April 6th, 2022

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Seasonal Vacancy Announcement Assistant Fisheries Technician(s)

The Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC), an international organization responsible for transboundary salmon fisheries management in Canada and the United States, is seeking multiple **Assistant Fisheries Technician(s)** for seasonal contract positions. The positions will begin the third week of June and continue until the end of upstream sockeye migration (approximately early October). Based at the Mission Hydroacoustic field site in Abbotsford, BC, the Fisheries Technician(s) will assist in deploying, monitoring, and processing hydroacoustic data to monitor the upstream passage of Fraser River sockeye salmon. In addition to gaining experience in fisheries hydroacoustics, successful applicants will be contributing towards the assessment of sockeye salmon populations for fisheries management as part of an international fisheries agency.

Also see listing for: Vessel Operator(s). If interested in both positions, split duties may be considered. Please visit website link at the end of this posting for more information.

Duties and Responsibilities - Work task assignment (approx.): 70% computer; 30% field work

Work Task Assignment	% Allocation
Processing hydroacoustic data to count fish passage through the lower Fraser River	65%
Assisting with the deployment and monitoring of hydroacoustic equipment	15%
Setting-up and maintaining the field site at Mission	10%
Monitoring data collection and performing backups using Microsoft Windows software	5%
Operating a boat on the Fraser River (approximate length: 18ft)	5%

Minimum Qualifications:

- Experience using Microsoft Excel and Windows operating systems
- Ability to work shift work, including night shifts
- Ability to sit for extended periods of time enumerating data and working on computers
- Comfortable working independently at a field site
- Ability to work on a boat in a riverine environment
- Possession of a Pleasure Craft Operator Card (PCOC) (*Can be acquired in 1-day at <https://www.boaterexam.com/canada/>*)
- Valid driver's license and access to transportation to/from the field site in Matsqui Trail Regional Park, Abbotsford, BC (personal vehicle preferable but other options possible e.g. car share)

Advantages:

- Experience with setting up and operating a field site
- Experience with small construction projects involving the use of tools
- Experience operating a vessel and working in a riverine environment
- Knowledge of fisheries and/or salmon biology

Wages will begin at \$ 23.29 CAD per hour plus 4% in lieu of vacation.

Applications should be received by 11:59pm PDT **Sunday, May 8, 2022**, and be addressed to Ms. Ehrmantraut at resumes@psc.org. Include a cover letter and résumé with two references. **Please reference the name of the position in the email subject line.**

For additional seasonal positions available at the Pacific Salmon Commission for the 2022 season, please visit <https://www.psc.org/about-us/history-purpose/employment-opportunities/> If interested or applying to multiple seasonal positions with the PSC, please indicate this in your cover letter or apply to each position individually.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES



Seasonal Vacancy Announcement Vessel Operator(s)

The Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC), an international organization responsible for transboundary salmon fisheries management in Canada and the United States, is seeking two **Vessel Operators** for a seasonal contract position. This position would begin the third week of June and continue until the end of upstream sockeye migration (approximately early October). Based at the Mission Hydroacoustic field site in Abbotsford, BC, vessel operators will collect hydroacoustic data while piloting a 7-metre (~22ft) vessel across the Fraser River. Successful applicants will become familiar with fisheries hydroacoustics while contributing towards the assessment of sockeye salmon populations for fisheries management as part of an international fisheries agency.

Also see listing for: Assistant Fisheries Technician(s). If interested in both positions, split duties may be considered. Please visit website link at the end of this posting for more information.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Operate a 7-metre (~22ft) vessel transecting across the Fraser River to collect hydroacoustic data
- Deploy and monitor hydroacoustic equipment to ensure accurate data collection
- Troubleshoot minor vessel problems
- Record fishing vessel activity at the hydroacoustic site
- Assist with the set-up and take-down of the field site as required
- General site maintenance when required during vessel downtime

Minimum Qualifications:

- Experience operating a boat
- Ability to work shift work, including night shifts (12-hour shifts)
- Ability to sit for extended periods of time while driving the vessel
- Comfortable working independently
- Possession of a Pleasure Craft Operators Card (PCOC) (*Can be acquired in 1-day at <https://www.boaterexam.com/canada/>*)
- Valid driver's license and access to transportation to/from the field site in Matsqui Trail Regional Park, Abbotsford, BC (personal vehicle preferable but other options possible e.g. car share)

Advantages:

- Experience with boating in a riverine environment
- Experience with boat engine repairs
- Familiarity with fisheries and/or environmental awareness
- Possession of the Small Vessel Operator Proficiency (SVOP) certification
- Possession of a Marine Radio Operators Certificate (ROC-M)
- Possession of a Marine Emergency Duties Certificate (MED-A3/SDV-BS)

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Halq'méylem Word of The Month



Xpá:yelhp

Pronounced: kuh-PAY-ullp

Meaning: Cedar Tree

TS'IT- greet/thank

OME- second person singular

OLE - second person plural

Ts'itthome-thankyou, singular

ts'itchexw - thankyou

Ts'ittole - thankyou all

Ts'itthometsel - I thankyou

Ts'ittoletsel - I thank you all

