

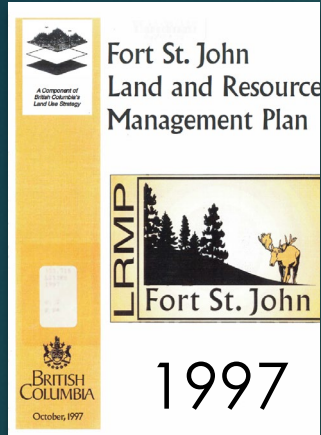
A winter scene at Fort St John. In the background, a log cabin with a corrugated metal roof is illuminated from within, showing a warm interior. To the right of the cabin, two snowmobiles are parked on the snow. In the foreground, a campfire with bright orange and yellow flames is burning in a metal fire pit. The ground is covered in a thick layer of snow. A solid red vertical bar is located in the top right corner of the image.

Fort St John Land and Resource Management Plan Update

MAY 5, 2021

NE ROUNDTABLE

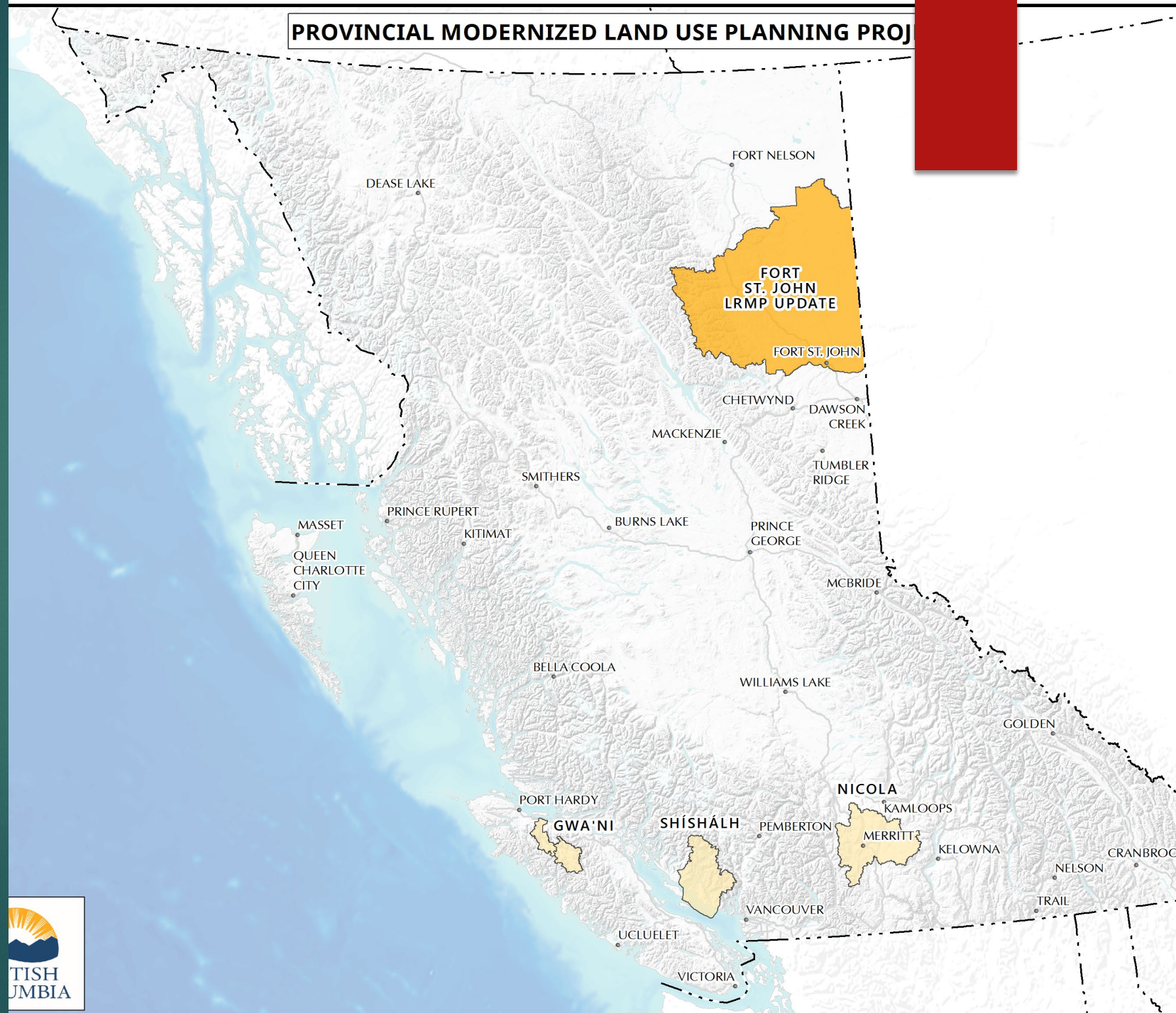
*Offering acknowledgment to the
Treaty 8 First Nations, the
traditional keepers of the land
where I live.*



Modernized Land Use Planning project that is inclusive and transparent

- ▶ Partnership with Treaty 8 First Nations;
- ▶ Collaboration with local governments; and
- ▶ Engagement with the public and stakeholders.

Map of Plan Area



Context of Updating the LRMP

An opportunity to work cooperatively to re-examine current management direction and establishing a vision for future land use in the plan area (Fort St John Timber Supply Area).

It is our intent to advance reconciliation, increase socioeconomic wellbeing for all, and sets strategic direction for natural resource management.

Partnership

- ▶ The act of the Partners working together in good faith on all aspects of the planning process in efforts to arrive at consensus on planning products that reflect their values, interests, perspectives, and Treaty Rights.
- ▶ Partnership will aim to ensure that interested Treaty 8 First Nations are full participants in decision-making matters that may affect their Treaty Rights recognized and affirmed under the section 35(1) of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.

Consensus

- ▶ Partners will be seeking consensus on all aspects of the planning process in attempts to produce key deliverables: updated land use plan and implementation plan, that are supported unanimously, or at least not objected to.

Collaboration

- ▶ The act of the Partners working directly with participating local governments throughout the planning process to ensure their values, interests, and perspectives are fully understood and considered in the development of planning products.

Engagement

- ▶ The act of the Province iteratively seeking input from the public and stakeholders throughout the planning process to ensure their values, interests, and perspectives are fully understood and considered in the development of planning products.
- ▶ The Province will conduct engagement with all those who have an interest in, or may be affected by, the planning process and associated outcomes.

The LRMP will be updated using the best available information:



Indigenous knowledge.

Outputs of related land use planning initiatives.

Provincial data.

Insights gathered through engagement with communities and stakeholders.

Oversight

- ▶ Technical Planning Team:
Implement the planning process and develop planning products.
- ▶ Community Leadership Forum:
Provide strategic oversight of the planning process.



Work Completed

- ▶ Draft Terms of Reference Version 0.5
- ▶ Draft Engagement Strategy Version 0.2
- ▶ Orientation Sessions
- ▶ Onboard Two Worlds Consulting as facilitators
- ▶ Resolve outstanding sections of Terms of Reference and Engagement Strategy



Engagement Activities

- ▶ NE Roundtable, Interagency, and Energy Group updates
- ▶ Summer 2020 Newsletter
- ▶ Fort St John Land and Resource Management Plan Update Project Website
 - <https://landuseplanning.gov.bc.ca>
- ▶ Virtual Land Use Planning Summer School and College

| Planning Products | Communication Purpose | Audience | Delivery Methods | Target Date |
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| Land Use Planning Summer School and College | Enhanced understanding of Modernized Land Use Planning principles. | All | •Meetings •FSJ LRMP Project Website | Aug-20 Spring 2021 |
| Draft Engagement Strategy and Draft Terms of Reference | Collect feedback on the draft structures and processes that have been developed to guide an update of the Land Use Plan. | All | •Meetings •FSJ LRMP Project Website •Online Engagement •Information note via e-mail | Late Spring 2021 (45 days) |
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Draft Engagement Schedule

Land Use Planning Summer School

Modernizing Land Use Planning 101 ✓

- Delivered by: Ian Curtis, FLNRORD
- July 22, 2020

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples ✓

- Delivered by: Laureen Whyte of Arbutus Consulting
- August 11, 2020

Provincial Assessment of 1997 Fort St John LRMP ✓

- Delivered by: Ian Curtis, FLNRORD
- August 27, 2020

Land Use Planning College

Course

Date

Time (mst)

Regional Strategic Environmental Assessment 101

March 31, 2021

10:30–11:30 AM

Caribou Recovery Program 101

April 14, 2021

10:30–11:30 AM

Partnership in Land Use Planning

April 28, 2021

10:30–11:30 AM

Draft Terms of Reference and Engagement Strategy



VIRTUAL
MEETINGS



FSJ LRMP
PROJECT
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How **Feedback** is Considered

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Plan Initiation Information Package

- ▶ Regional Strategic Environmental Assessment
- ▶ Caribou Recovery Planning
- ▶ Interim Measures
- ▶ Ecosystem Management
- ▶ Climate Change
- ▶ Socioeconomic and Environmental Assessments

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If done correctly,
we feel the
planning process
has the potential to
unify our
communities
around shared
interests and
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land use solutions.



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Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan Update

The B.C. Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development and interested First Nations are working together in partnership and in collaboration with local government and other interested parties to prepare an update to the Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan.

Partner First Nation(s) currently in government-to-government discussions

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Project website

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*Questions
and
Thank You*