

# Secwepémc Elders Council

## *About the Secwepemc Elders Council*

### Me7 T'ekstém (Mission Statement):

Re stext'ex7é7em élkstmens e st'ekstés k cwk'úl'tns te m-sq'7est.s re Secwepemc re tk'wem7íple7tns ell le ts'ílmes le tk'wen7íple7tns le q'7es te qelmúcw ne Secwepemcúl'ecw.

*(The Secwepemc Elders' Council works to move the nation forward in helping to re-establish and define our Secwepemc laws and ancestral ways of governance of the nation.)*

### Four Guiding Principals

#### **Kell7úpekst ell seséle te tsyuqwyéqw** *(Ancestral Campfires)*

Xyemstém xwexwéyt re k'wséltkten-kt ell xwexwéyt re k'wséltktnéws-kt tek stet'e7ék te skwelk'welt wel m-t'7ek te cseksek'éwt ne sxuxwiyúlecwems nSecwepemcúl'ecw.  
*(Respecting all our families and relatives from the highest peaks and valleys within the territory.)*

#### **Stk'wem7íplems re Secwepemc ell re Stseptékwlls** *(Secwepemc Law & Oral History)*

Tsq'ey' ri7 mell ell, tsq'ey' ne mítk'ye-kt te m-sq'7est.s.  
*(It is written and it has always been there in our blood.)*

#### **Secwepemcúl'ecw ri7 re Tmicw-kt** *(Title and Ownership)*

Xwexwéyt re k'wséltktnéws te Secwepemc me7 tsyecwemínt.s re tmicw wel me7 yews, Tsyecwemíct.s k stet'e7ék te se7wít tek Secwepemc.  
*(All our Secwepemc relatives will take care of the land in perpetuity and pass it on to future generations.)*

#### **Secwepemctsin (Language)**

Re xwqweltén-kt ell xwexwéyt- te k'wséltén-kt tsq'ey' mell ne tmicw.  
*(Our language and our people are marked on the land already.)*

## February Meeting Notice (Virtual meeting via Zoom)

**Thursday February 18<sup>th</sup>,  
2021, 10:00-2:00 PM**

**Columbia River Treaty  
&  
Stsmemelt Presentations**

**To join the Zoom meeting**  
Meeting ID: 925 5010 9686  
Passcode: 735723

**\*\* Each participating Elder will receive  
Secwepemcúl'ecw swag\*\***

### Meeting Details:

A small monetary gift is available for family members who provide assistance to any Elder who may require assistance in connecting to the Zoom meeting, please contact Stacey Archie at 778-471-8200.

Future Elders Council meetings will take place online due to COVID-19 restrictions until further notice.

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