



HAISLA NATION

2025
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May / qápilaqus

“spring salmon month”

HAISLA

JOB FAIR



For Haisla Members & their spouses



TUESDAY, MAY 27, 2025
1:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Haisla Recreation Centre
1538 Jasee Street, Haisla, BC

This is a great opportunity to check out employment and training opportunities in the area.

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR RESUMES!

Haisla Members and their spouses have the option to complete an employment survey for a chance to win a door prize.

DOOR PRIZES!





Haisla Nation Council

2025 Haisla Nation Council Meeting Schedule

In alignment with elected Chief and Council's dedication to providing membership opportunities for engagement, and considering time constraints when tackling agenda items, discussions at our 2024 Council Retreat led to a proposal that was agreed upon at the December 2024 duly convened meeting. This proposal involved adding a second meeting date to the monthly schedule. The goal of this approach is to ensure that there is ample time for both membership discussions and for addressing time limitation concerns.

Haisla Nation Council is the elected decision-making body that sets the overall direction of the Haisla Nation in organizational and community planning. One committee has been established as a branch of Haisla Nation Council, which is the Committee of the Whole (COTW).

The Committee of the Whole (COTW) serves as an intermediary body, ensuring that the organization's operational functions are running effectively and to a satisfactory standard. The role of the COTW is to set expectations and monitor the performance of Administration. The COTW is accountable to the elected Chief and Council, and its primary responsibilities include developing and proposing recommendations to Council and tracking the performance of Administration, ensuring expectations are being met. Agenda items passed at the COTW level will be addressed at duly convened meetings.

Haisla Members are welcome to attend any duly convened council meeting. For those who do not wish to attend but would appreciate a meeting summary, summaries for all duly convened meetings will be released electronically for Haisla membership via the membership portal on haisla.ca and the private membership Facebook page.

The schedule for the meetings is noted below – please note dates are subject to change:

Haisla Nation Council Monthly Meetings for 2025	
Monthly Committee Meetings	Monthly Duly Convened Meetings
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tuesday March 25, 2025• Tuesday April 15, 2025• Tuesday May 20, 2025• Tuesday June 17, 2025• Tuesday July 15, 2025• Tuesday August 19, 2025• Tuesday September 16, 2025• Tuesday October 14, 2025• Tuesday November 18, 2025• Tuesday December 16, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wednesday March 26, 2025• Wednesday April 16, 2025• Wednesday May 21, 2025• Wednesday June 18, 2025• Wednesday July 16, 2025• Wednesday August 20, 2025• Wednesday September 17, 2025• Wednesday October 15, 2025• Wednesday November 19, 2025• Wednesday December 17, 2025



Haisla Nation Council



HAISLA NATION 2025 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

AGENDA

May 12, 2025:

Opening Remarks – Interim CAO

Department presentations by:

Elected Chief & Council

Natural Resources

Community Operations

–Emergency Services

–Public Works

Child & Family Services

–Early Years

–Youth

–Social Services

Human Resources

Culture & Heritage

May 13, 2025

Opening Remarks – Interim CAO

Department presentations by:

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Education & Training

–Haisla Community School

–Education & Training

Governance & Administrative Services

Health & Wellness

Capital Projects

Finance



May 12–13, 2025



5:00PM – 9:00PM



HN Administration Building
Large Boardroom
500 Gitksan Avenue
Haisla, BC

*Virtual option available via
Microsoft Teams.
Email mgrant@haisla.ca to request
the meeting link.



If you have any questions
for a specific department,
you can submit them in
advance by emailing
Kierra Stevens at
kstevens@haisla.ca

**Light snacks will
be served on both
days and there**

**will be door
prizes!**





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Calling All Haisla Members! Join the Block Watch Program

The Haisla Nation is launching a Block Watch Program to help make our community safer — and we need your help!

We're currently seeking:



1 Block Watch Captain



Volunteers who want to play a role in keeping our neighbourhood safe and connected

As part of the Block Watch team, you'll work closely with HN staff and community safety representatives to:

- Promote safety and crime prevention
- Share important updates with your neighbours
- Build stronger community ties

This is a community-led initiative, and we're looking for people who care about our community and want to be part of the solution.

Please note: All Block Watch Captains and Volunteers must be able to pass a criminal record check.

Interested?

Contact Kierra Stevens at KStevens@haisla.ca to express your interest or to learn more.

Let's work together to protect our homes and support one another.

Your voice and your presence make a difference.



Writing to Council - The process

Steps Haisla Nation Council Follows Upon Receiving Letters or Emails from Community Members:

- 1** Letter/email submissions are received by the Clerk to Council in-person, by email (dugrant@haisla.ca) or by fax (250-632-2840)
- 2** The Clerk to Council will acknowledge receipt of the submission and provide dates of upcoming Committee/Duly Convened Council meetings.
- 3** Senior management will review the submission and following the applicable policy will make recommendations to the Committees and/or elected Council, if required.
- 4** Once the item has been addressed a follow up will occur with the community member.



Haisla Nation's Commitment to Community Safety



HELP STOP DRUGS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Keeping our community safe is everyone's responsibility.

If you see drugs in our community or any suspicious activity, please report it.

If you have information about drug trafficking or related concerns, you can report it anonymously.

Call 1-800- 222-TIPS (8477)

Visit www.crimestoppers.net

Dial 9-1-1 if there is imminent danger

OR Scan the QR Code
to report
anonymously
online.



If you see something, say something. Report it today.

Background: In November 2024, HNC passed a formal resolution condemning drug trafficking within the community, taking a zero-tolerance policy, and establishing a comprehensive approach to address the ongoing opioid crisis. HNC's position comes following recent months that has seen a rise in drug-related crime that has threatened the well-being of the Haisla community near and far.





Communications & Events



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HAISLA DAYS 2025

Saturday, May 17, 2025

9:00 AM Canoe Teams Gather at the Haisla Dock

9:30 AM Canoe Races Start at the Haisla Dock

12:00 PM Family Friendly Fun Begins! - Haisla Soccer Field

Giant Games

Paint the RCMP Trucks

Face Painting

Hot Dogs, Fruit and Water

Bubble Station

Kid Friendly Contests like Pie Eating, Donut Eating, Egg on a Spoon

5:00 PM Community Dinner at the Haisla Recreation Centre

Welcoming Haisla Babies

Door Prize Draws

Approx 9:00 PM Fireworks at the Soccer Fields with Hot Chocolate Station

Sunday, May 18, 2025

11:00 AM to 11:30 AM Bike Parade registration at the Haisla Recreation Centre

11:30 AM Bike Parade starts at the Haisla Recreation Centre and goes to the Soccer Fields

12:00 PM Field Events - Haisla Soccer Field

Races

Tug of War! Who will win?

Subway Lunch served at the Youth Centre Kitchen





Communications & Events

Haisla Days Canoe Races Enter your team today!



**HAISLA
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Haisla Days CANOE RACES

Create a team of 8-10 participants including a team captain. Equipment will be provided. For ages 15 and over.

Saturday, May 17th, 2025

Kitamaat Village Dock

Races Begin at 9:30AM

To Register or for more information, contact Liz Robinson at lrobinson@haisla.ca or by phone at 250-639-4004. Teams are required to be at the south basin by 9:00AM. If you have your own paddle and life jacket, you are encouraged to bring it. Harvey Grant has donated two steering paddles carved by Eugene Stewart.

PRIZES TO BE WON!

This event will depend on weather and wind. If conditions are unsafe, the event will be cancelled. Liability waiver must be signed to participate. Safety boats will be at the start and finish of the race.





Finance

*RESCHEDULED DATE

Haisla members are invited to join a workshop that provides essential information on the journey to home ownership. While the primary focus will be on-reserve home buyers, there will also be a brief discussion on off-reserve home purchases.

This workshop will be available both in-person and online through Microsoft Teams.

If you're interested in attending virtually, please reach out to mgrant@haisla.ca.

The deadline to register for virtual attendance is June 10 2025, at 2:00 PM. An invitation will be sent to your email by 4:00 PM that same day.

For those attending in person, no prior registration is necessary.

ON-RESERVE **HOME BUYING** Workshop

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025

6:00 PM TO 8:00 PM

**HAISLA NATION ADMINISTRATION BUILDING -
LARGE BOARDROOM**



Offered through
RBC Canada -
Kitimat Branch





Public Works



Heavy Garbage Pickup Notice for Haisla Community

May 5-16, 2025



Place items curbside by 8:00 AM
Daily Pickup Ends at 3:30 PM



Separate wood, metal, plastic etc.



No Garbage left inside fridges/freezers



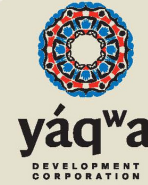
Questions? Please call
Prescott Bolton
Public Works Supervisor
250-639-9361 ext. 907





HAISLA CENTRE UPDATE

APRIL 2025



PROJECT UPDATE

As yáq^wa Development Corporation advances planning for the next phase of the Haisla Centre Project, we want to make sure the community is informed about site activities and future plans. To receive updates, please follow us on Facebook or email us at: info@yaqwadevcorp.com.

CURRENT ACTIVITIES

- ✓ Road and site work will be coming to an end in late spring/early summer at Haisla Centre getting us one step closer to our ultimate goal.
- ✓ The Master Plan Consultant has been engaged, and the process, which is now in full swing, will help define a clear vision for the future.
- ✓ We are preparing community engagement plans regarding the next phase of Haisla Centre.



BACKGROUND The first phase of Haisla Centre, the Haisla Condo building, includes a 49-room building which was completed in 2017. The building is currently being leased to LNG Canada to provide housing for LNG Canada temporary-relocated personnel under a long-term lease.

Phase 2 envisions the potential development of a broad range of residential and commercial spaces, and services and amenities for the community.

The final design and timing of the development of Phase 2 is subject to further detailed analysis and financial feasibility work, however yáq^wa has engaged a consultant to develop a Master Plan for Phase 2, work which is currently underway.





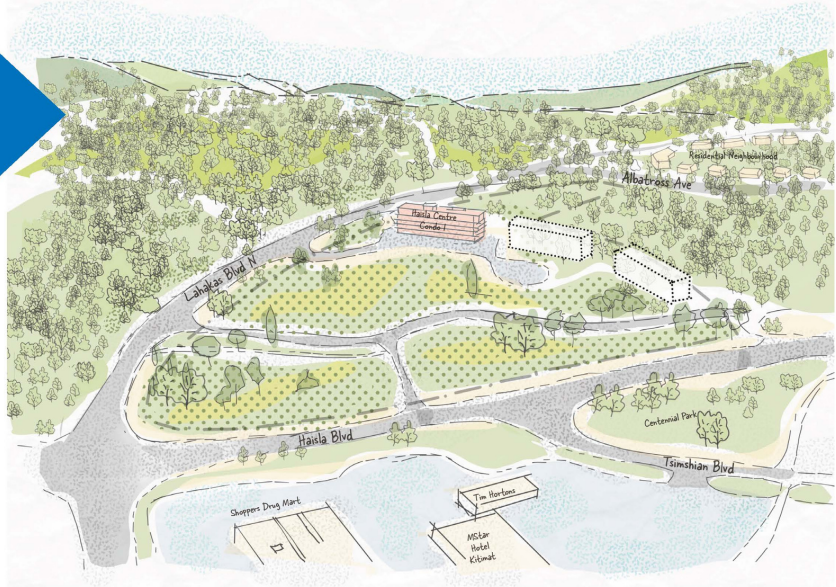
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MASTER PLANNING PROCESS UNDERWAY

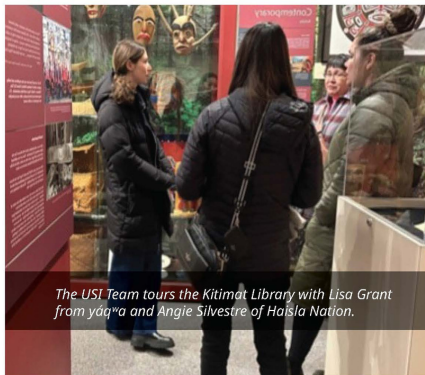
MEET URBAN STRATEGIES – OUR MASTER PLAN TEAM

Earlier in 2025, through a competitive RFP process, yáq^wa selected **Urban Strategies Inc.** to lead the development of a Master Plan for Haisla Centre. Urban Strategies has teamed up with **McElhanney** in Kitimat and **Vamos Advisors** to deliver the scope of work.

Urban Strategies is a well-respected Canadian planning and urban design firm with over 35 years of experience.



Artist rendering of the Haisla Town site with current and potential future site development



The USI Team tours the Kitimat Library with Lisa Grant from yáq^wa and Angie Silvestre of Haisla Nation.

They specialize in site feasibility, planning, and development approval services. In B.C., they work with various clients including BC Housing, Huu-ay-aht First Nations, and the Musqueam, Squamish, and Tsleil-Waututh Development Corporation.

Their team visited Kitimat in early 2025. Together with the yáq^wa team and the Haisla Culture and Language Department, they explored Kitimat, Haisla Village, toured Haisla Centre and discovered our rich history and what a unique and special place our community can offer its residents, and visitors alike. Urban Strategies' planning is underway, including working with yáq^wa, the District of Kitimat and other stakeholders to collect important information for the development of the Master Plan.

COMMUNITY INPUT HELPS SHAPE THE FUTURE OF HAISLA CENTRE

In 2021, a community interest survey was undertaken to seek input from the people in Kitimat and the surrounding communities to (i) better plan for and build a town centre that meets community needs, and (ii) to inform the broader economic development of Kitimat.

While the survey yielded important data about the community's interests and desires, any input must be considered together with detailed financial and economic data analysis which is currently underway, to ensure Haisla Centre is successful and serves the community in the long-term.

Additional engagement and information sharing is planned. Details about activities and events will be shared with the community in the coming weeks.



STAY CONNECTED

yáq^wa will provide updates on future phases of planning through its channels. Be sure to follow us today so you can receive updates about planning and engagement activities.

Web: www.yaqwadevcorp.com

Email: info@yaqwadevcorp.com



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ABOUT HAISLA CENTRE

Duu'duks'wa ci'mo'ca means "our vision" and is the name of Haisla Nation's Comprehensive Community Plan (CCP). This plan was created by, and for, Haisla Nation members. As part of Haisla Nation's vision, yáq^wa is leading the development of the Haisla Centre Project, located at the site of the old Kitimat hospital. The land was acquired by the Haisla Nation from the Province of British Columbia. yáq^wa was established in 2024 as the economic development arm of the Haisla Nation. Our mandate is to develop, manage and own the active businesses of the Nation. Visit our website to learn more and reach out to our team.



Cedar LNG Update



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Thank you

Last month, we came together as a community in Haisla Village, Kitimat, and Vancouver to celebrate our historic Cedar LNG Project, and last year's positive final investment decision, the first for an Indigenous majority-owned LNG facility. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who came to celebrate, offer their advice, and share a delicious meal. It was wonderful to see so many familiar faces.

If you weren't able to make it, don't worry! Our team is planning more events and we look forward to connecting again soon and sharing more about the progress Cedar LNG is making.



Scan the QR code to watch the celebration video.



cedarlng.com



facebook.com/CedarLNG





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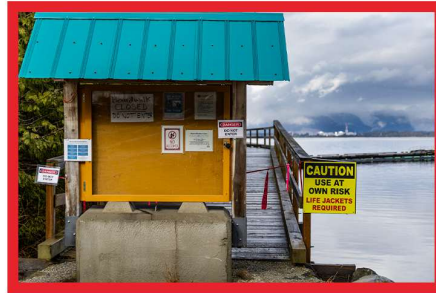
SAFETY ALERT

**Boardwalk to breakwater
closed until further notice**

The Haisla Nation Boardwalk is closed for safety reasons. A log has hit one of the pylons, causing damage. We are working with an engineer to check how bad the damage is and what repairs are needed.

Stay Safe - Do Not Use the Boardwalk

For everyone's safety, no one is allowed on the boardwalk until we say it is safe again. We know this may be frustrating, but keeping everyone safe is our priority. Thank you for your patience.



What Happens Next?

Experts are checking the damage. Once we know more, we will update the community about what will happen next and when the boardwalk can reopen.

If you have any questions, please contact:

Brenda Bouzane,
Harbour Master

Email: bbouzane@haisla.ca

Phone: 250-639-9361 ext. 207

Thank you for your understanding. We will share updates as soon as we can.



**Scan QR Code
For Updates**