



# Coastal Stewardship Network



## *Annual Gathering Summary* *May 25 to 28, 2015 – Kay Llnagaay, Haida Gwaii*

The Coastal Stewardship Network Annual Gathering brings together stewardship staff from First Nations on the North Coast, Central Coast and Haida Gwaii to share information, discuss, and strategize about important issues related to governing our territories, including monitoring, managing, and protecting our resources. This is a unique opportunity to build collaborations, unity, and action in support of First Nations' stewardship on the coast. This year, attendance at the gathering was opened up to other Nations who are also interested in learning and sharing. There were participants from northern Vancouver Island, Northwest Territories, and southern Alaska. At this year's Gathering, participants had the opportunity to:

- Share stories about the work of First Nation stewardship offices;
- Engage and strategize with other stewardship staff about marine plan implementation, First Nations' and Guardian Watchman authority, and approaches to monitoring;
- Learn more about Haida stewardship initiatives, including approaches to terrestrial and fisheries monitoring, the Joint Solutions Table, Indigenous governance, co-management of protected areas (federal and provincial), and marine planning;
- Participate in an Open Space to discuss and develop action plans on the topics they were most interested in; and
- Spend time outside the office and collaborate with stewardship staff from different Nations, as well as connect with their Nation's stewardship team.

The conference is supported and organized by the Coastal First Nations - Great Bear Initiative. We are grateful to the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, Tides Canada, Wilburforce Foundation, The Nature Conservancy, and Tula Foundation for their generous financial support to the Coastal Stewardship Network.

## Conference Agenda

Monday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Time	
7:00 am	<b>Arrival;</b> Bus from the BC Ferries terminal in Skidegate to <u>Kay Centre</u> ; Participant registration; Breakfast
8:30 am	<b>Welcome to Haida Gwaii;</b> Introductions & Logistics
9:30 am	<b>Community Presentations</b> – Sharing stories about your work this year <i>A chance to hear about the accomplishments and challenges of each Stewardship Office – each Nation will have an opportunity to share their experiences and reflections by highlighting 3 unique and successful initiatives currently underway.</i>
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm – 3:30 pm	<b>Community Presentations</b> – Sharing stories about your work this year <i>Continued</i>
3:30 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>Check in to accommodations in Queen Charlotte;</b> free time
6:00 pm	<b>Welcome Dinner;</b> <u>Kay Centre</u>
7:00 pm	<b>World Film Premiere: The Great Bear Sea: Reflecting on the Past—Planning for the Future</b> <i>Amid growing demands on British Columbia’s coastal waters, people are coming together to shape the future of the Great Bear Sea. Green Fire Productions filmed throughout the region in 2014, with the help of many Guardian Watchmen. This film portrays the people and communities involved in the planning and their vision for sustaining their marine environment, livelihoods and cultures. Q &amp; A to follow film.</i>

Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

Time	
7:30 am	Bus pick up from hotels in Queen Charlotte; Breakfast at <u>Kay Centre</u>
8:30 am – 10:00 am	<b>Marine Planning Approaches</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Andrew Day – Placing MaPP in a global context</i></li> <li>• <i>Russ Jones – Haida approach to marine planning with a focus on traditional knowledge</i></li> </ul>
10:00 am	Break
10:30 am	<b>Marine Plan Implementation</b> – What does it mean day to day on the territory? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Presentations by Craig Outhet, Penny White, Scott Harris, and Russ Jones</i></li> <li>• <i>Q&amp;A Panel with presenters</i></li> </ul>
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	<b>Cumulative Effects Monitoring</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Taylor Zeeg, Metlaktala Stewardship Office – Cumulative Effects Monitoring</i></li> </ul>
2:30 pm – 4:30 pm	<b>First Nations’ Authority</b> – Approaches to Stewardship: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Doug Neasloss – Kitasoo Achievements and Challenges in Asserting Authority</i></li> </ul>

(with break)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Megan Moody – Sputc Initiative – Revitalizing Indigenous Governance of Eulachon</li> <li>• Colin Richardson and Tyler Peet – Haida Joint Solutions Table</li> </ul>
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4:30 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>Compliance and Enforcement</b> – Learning From Nisga’a and Haida Experiences <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blair Stewart and Zane Testawich – Nisga’a Lisims Government</li> <li>• Darryl Struthers – Haida Gwaii Conservation Officer Service</li> </ul>
6:00 pm	Dinner
7:30 pm	<b>Barter Night</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bring whatever you would like to trade!</li> </ul>

### Wednesday, May 27th – Field Trip to Masset Area

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7:00 am	Bus pick up from hotels in Queen Charlotte; Pick up breakfast at Kay Centre and depart for field trips (two options)		
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1:00 pm	Lunch in Masset		
2:30 pm – 5:30 pm (with break)	<b>Haida Approaches to Monitoring and Stewardship</b> – Council of the Haida Nation Staff from Heritage and Natural Resources, Fisheries, and Mapping <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Garth Greskiw – Overview of Haida Stewardship</li> <li>• Sean Muise – Integrated Monitoring of Land Use Orders, Forest &amp; Range Practices, and Ecosystem-Based Management</li> <li>• Sonia Rice – Haida Protected Areas Management</li> <li>• David Vanderhoop and Paul Bell – Haida Mapping Department and Sorting System</li> <li>• Vanessa Bellis – Fisheries Monitoring, including creel and clam surveys</li> </ul>		
6:00 pm	Dinner in Masset		
7:30 pm	Travel back to Village of Queen Charlotte		

### Thursday, May 28th

Time	
7:00 am	Pack up and check out
7:30 am	Bus pick up from hotels in Queen Charlotte; Breakfast at Kay Centre
8:30 am – 9:30 am	<b>Monitoring</b> – Climate Change, Strange Fish & Invasive Species <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lynn Lee, Biologist – Climate change, strange fish: importance of monitoring</li> <li>• Doug Biffard, BC Parks &amp; Matthias Herborg, MoE – Invasive Species</li> </ul>
10:00 am – 11:00	<b>Gwaii Haanas Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ernie Gladstone, Parks Canada – Gwaii Haanas National Park Management</li> <li>• Upsy Moody, Council of the Haida Nation – Haida Gwaii Watchman Program</li> </ul>

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11:00 am – noon	<b>First Nations' &amp; GW Authority – Haida Perspective</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Peter Lantin, President of the Haida Nation</i></li> </ul>
12:00 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm – 5:30 pm	<b>Open Space</b> – Engaging around issues of common concern in stewardship on the Coast <i>Raise your issues of concern and discuss, problem-solve and strategize in small groups with other interested staff.</i>
6:00 pm	<b>Farewell Dinner and Reflections</b> <i>Opportunity for sharing songs, stories, and reflections on the gathering and the path forward.</i>
7:30 pm	<b>Departure</b> – Check in at BC Ferries for 10 pm departure

Friday, May 29th

7:00 am	Travel home from Prince Rupert
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