## **DEPARTMENT OF INDIGENOUS SERVICES**

## NOTICE OF REFERENDUM

**TAKE NOTICE THAT** a referendum vote will be held by secret ballot to determine if a majority of the participating voters of the Lower Kootenay Indian Band are in favour of, and approve of:

the cancellation of the September 5, 1934 Designation for Lower Kootenay Indian Reserve No. 1C, Lot 9999; Lower Kootenay Indian Reserve No. 2, Lot 10000; Lower Kootenay Indian Reserve No. 3, Lot 10001; and Lower Kootenay Indian Reserve No. 5, Lot 10003, known as "The 1934 Designation"; and

are you in favour of, and approve of:

the designation of all of Lot 2, as shown on Plan of Survey 107658 deposited in the Canada Lands Surveys Records, Ottawa, Ontario, containing approximately 2.55 hectares (6.301 acres) as described in Annex "A" attached to this Notice of Referendum.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT the question to be submitted to the voters is:

are you in favour of, and do you approve of:

- (1) the cancellation of the September 5, 1934 Designation; and
- (2) the Designation of the Lower Kootenay Indian Reserve No. 1C,

all as set out in Annex "A" to the Notice of Referendum signed by the Electoral Officer and dated September 4, 2019?

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT the referendum will be held on October 23, 2019 and the voters may vote between the hours of 9:00 am and 8:00 pm, local time, at a polling station located at:

Lower Kootenay Band Administration Complex Gymnasium 830 Simon Road, Creston, B.C., V0B 1G5

## AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT:

- 1. Voters may vote either by a mail-in ballot or in person at a polling station, but not both.
- 2. A mail-in ballot package (including a Notice of Referendum, a mail-in ballot, and an information package) will be mailed or delivered to voters who reside off the reserve and for whom an address has been provided by the band to the electoral officer.

At the request of a voter who resides on the reserve, the electoral officer will provide the voter with these documents.

- 3. If an voter was mailed, delivered or provided a mail-in ballot, the voter may only vote in person at a polling station if:
  - a) the voter returns the mail-in ballot to the electoral officer or deputy electoral officer; **or**
  - where the voter has lost the mail-in ballot, the voter provides the electoral officer or deputy electoral officer with a written affirmation that the voter has lost the mail-in ballot, signed by the voter in the presence of the electoral officer, deputy electoral officer, a justice of the peace, a notary public or a commissioner for oaths.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT an Information Meeting will be held at the date, time, and location shown below:

October 16, 2019 at 5:00 p.m, at the Lower Kootenay Band Administration Complex Gymnasium, 830 Simon Road, Creston, B.C., V0B 1G5

**AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE THAT** a list of voters is being posted at the same time and at the same locations as this Notice of Referendum. Upon request, the electoral officer or deputy electoral officer will confirm whether or not the name of a person is on the voters list.

Any application for a change to the voters list may be made to the electoral officer at the address noted below. (For further information, see the document entitled "Voting and the List of Electors" attached to the voters list.)

DATED at Vancouver, British Columbia, on September 4, 2019.

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