



YAQAN NUKIY
LOWER KOOTENAY BAND

Ki'suk kyukyit

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Flatbow



**Building things the old way,
In today's competitive markets**

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Vision

A stable, independent, self-governing authority providing principled leadership to a dynamic community of caring, healthy citizens, from a secure resource base.

Economic Sector Mission

To create wealth and a stable economic environment for the yaqan nu?kiy while providing business, employment and training opportunities for citizens of the community.

Economic Sector Vision Statement

yaqan nu?kiy has a self-sufficient and sustainable local economy that meets all of the community's economic needs, is grounded in the community's cultural values, provides its community and other local residents with ample business, economic and personal development opportunities, meets all of the community's needs, and has earned a reputation for business credibility in the local area and beyond.

Goals of LKB Economic Sector

- **Build an Economy that supplies the means to become an economically viable and independent Indigenous Nation through economic development;**
- **Economic Development that respects the land and environment in a manner that reflects the community's values;**
- **Engages the citizens in a meaningful way;**
- **Improve the prospects for youth;**
- **Improve the quality of life for our citizens;**
- **Provide business, employment and training opportunities for citizens in the region;**

HOW DO WE ACHIEVE OUR GOAL

- **Develop an approved Economic Strategy developed and supported by the citizens;**
- **Listen to the elders and the youth;**
- **Provide employment, training and business opportunities;**
- **Build partnerships and relationships with governments, industry and the private sector;**
- **Invest in our community's education, culture, language, social and health programs;**

LKB Community Land Assets

- **Agriculture Land Base**

 - Forage Crops – 3000 acres**

 - Orchard – Cherries – 120 acres**

 - Grazing Land – 600 acres**

 - Market Garden – 30 acres**

- **20 acres of Light Industrial Land on Creston IR #1:**

- **IR #2- 378 acres adjacent to Kootenay River and Highway 3 is Designated for Commercial, Retail, Residential and Recreational Purposes:**

- **yaminqan point – Kootenay Lake**

- **Kinsman Park Property in Creston – 2.5 acres**

- **Rykerts Property – 47 acres**

- **LKGO Property at Anchor Creek on Goat River FSR -8 acres**

Current LKB Business Interests

- **Lower Kootenay Development LP**
 - **Forest Licences – RFL and NRFL**
 - **General Contracting/ Consulting**
 - **Partnerships (JV Agreements)**
 - **Yaqan Nukiy Dent LLP**
- **Ainsworth Hot Springs Resort**
- **Yaqan Nukiy Farms LLP**
- **Yaqan Nukiy_Shukin Orchards Partnership**
- **Kootenay Huscroft Forest Products**
- **Lower Kootenay Guide Outfitters**
- **Ktunaxa Enterprises Ltd**
- **St Eugenes Mission Resort**

LKDLP Partners

(listed on Ktunaxa Ready Business Website)

Greyback Construction

Hil Tech Contracting Ltd

Venture Mechanical

Martech Electrical Systems

Marwest Industries Ltd

Arrow Transportation Systems

Sullivan Stone

Qtest Inspection Ltd

Interior Marine Construction

Masse Environmental

Surespan

Houle Electric

Centurion Canada

Cutting Edge Consulting

Keabray Energy

yaqan nukiy Citizen Owned Companies

(listed on Ktunaxa Ready Business Website)

Flatbow Culture Society

Cayts Creates

Native Pride Design

Sturgeon Nosed Creations

Delta K Electrical

Chief Burger Catering

Numa Holdings Ltd

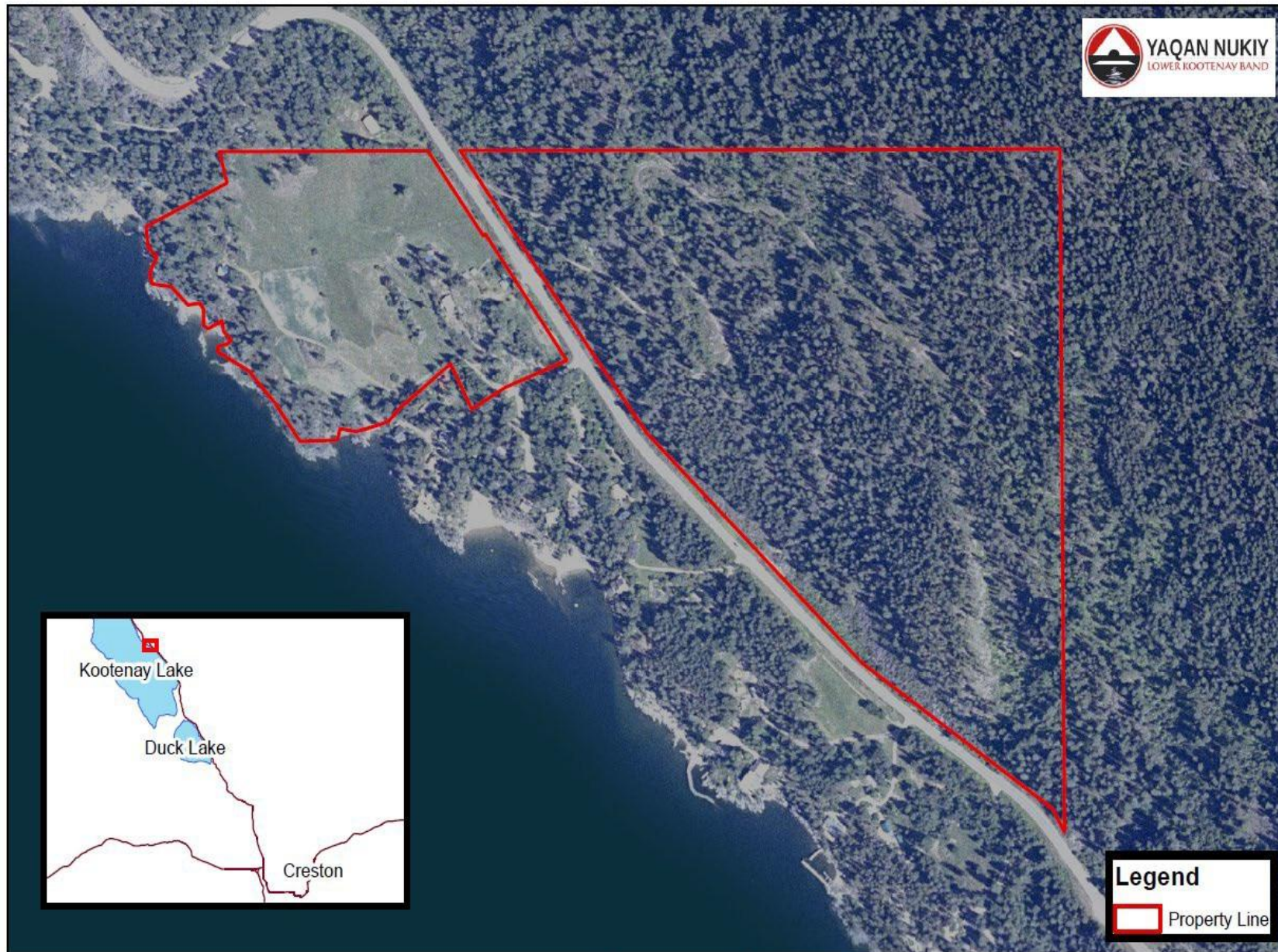
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Legend Products

Eagle Bear Spirit

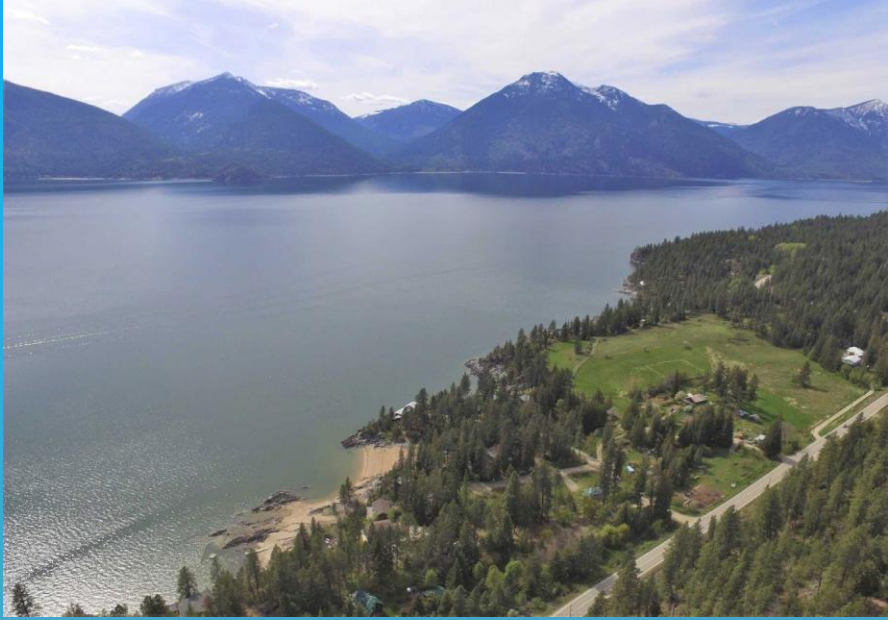
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Legend Logos



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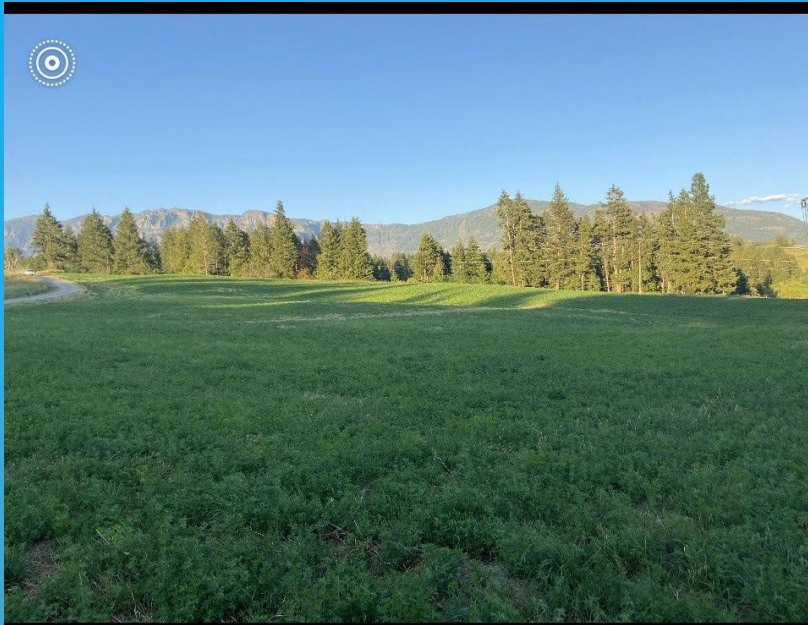


Kinsman Park



Rykerts Property

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Relationships create Opportunities

➤ **We are engaged in building the economy through building relationships with other stakeholders including:**

- **Ktunaxa Nation Businesses & Entrepreneurs**
- **RDCK and their Communities**
- **Fortis**
- **BC Hydro**
- **Teck**
- **EVR**
- **Forest Licencees including BCTS**
- **TC Energy**
- **College of the Rockies/ Selkirk College**
- **Government of Canada**
- **BC Government**
- **Columbia Basin Trust**
- **Columbia Power**

Opportunities for Discussion

We would like to meet to discuss more ideas you may have

- **Agriculture – Diversify and build relationships**
 - **Market Garden/ Greenhouses**
 - **Native Plants**
 - **Agri - Health**
 - **Secondary Processing**
 - **100 mile diet – Farm to Table**
- **Tourism – Cultural Tourism is a good fit**
 - **Adventure/ Eco Tourism**
 - **Campground, RV Park, Tipi Camp, Air B&B**
 - **Develop Partnerships with current operators**
 - **Provide opportunities for entrepreneurs**
- **Resource Sector – Become a leader**
 - **Increased participation in the Biomass Sector**
 - **Increased participation in Energy Sector**
 - **Increased participation in the Forest Sector**
 - **Increased Participation in Development/ Construction Sector**

Career Opportunities

➤ Trades People

- Electricians
- Plumbers
- HVAC Technicians
- Carpenters
- Heavy Duty Mechanics

➤ Agriculture

- Orchard Managers
- Farm Management
- Tractor/equipment operators,
- Pruners
- Labourers
- Pickers

➤ Heavy Equipment Operators

➤ Hotel Management

➤ Chefs and Line Cooks

➤ Restaurant Staff

➤ Housekeeping

➤ Professionals

- Engineers
- Foresters
- Biologists
- Accountants
- Counsellors
- Lawyers



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