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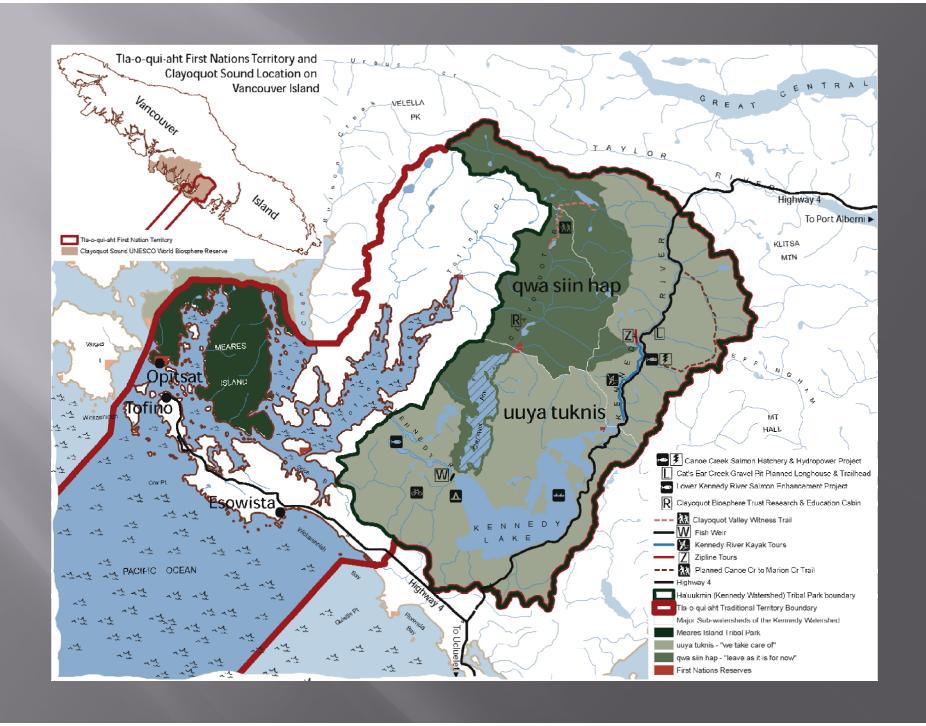


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TLA-O-QUI-AHT TRIBAL PARKS

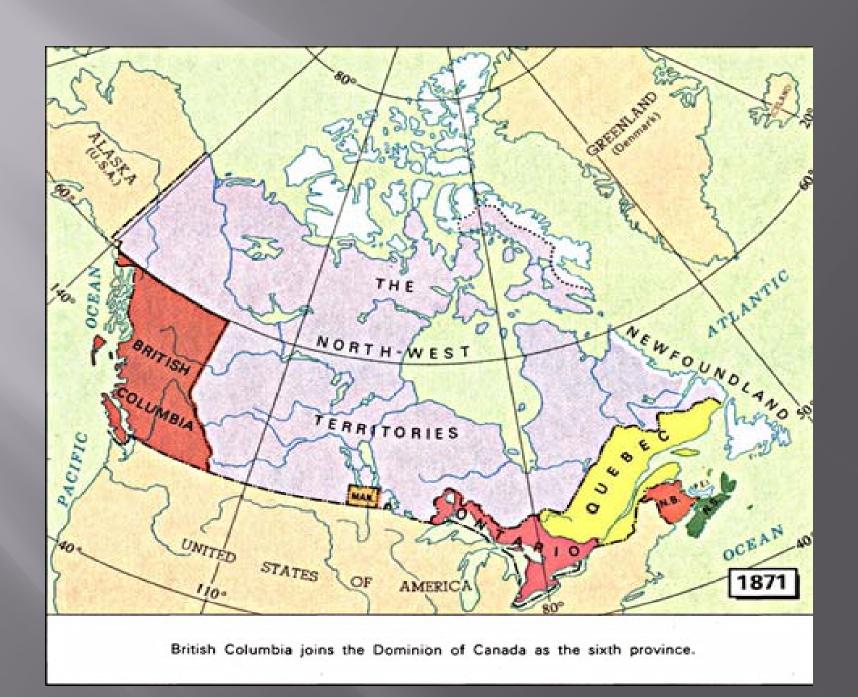
Indigenous Watershed Management Areas

Clayoquot Sound - Vancouver Island - British Columbia - Canada



Brief history

- A constitutional partnership in Canada; Royal Proclamations, confederation and treaty making
- Protest in Clayoquot Sound over logging, the Meares Island court case and the Tribal Parks declaration
- Modern treaty making and the application of Traditional governance values and principles to resource management



What are Tribal Parks?

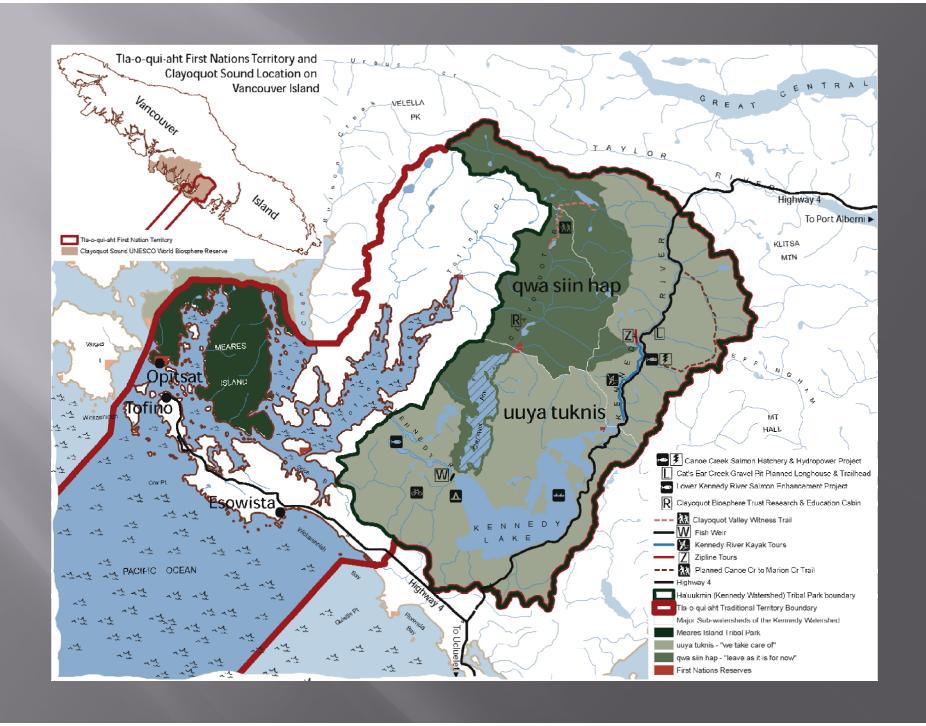
- Indigenous Watershed Management Areas
 - A comprehensive and integrated stakeholder management process
 - A watershed management approach that balances traditional governance with adaptive and ecosystem based management approaches
 - A cooperative approach to achieving "certainty" in a potentially volatile socio-political landscape
 - A regional economic development solution with an emphasis on creating sustainable livelihoods – Tribal Parks V.E.G.E.

Recent achievments

- Completed Tribal Parks Establishment Project in cooperation with Parks Canada - June 2009
- Completed Ha'uukmin (Kennedy Lake) Land Use Plan with funding from the British Columbia Capacity Initiative – March 2009
- Completed Joint-management Agreement of Chu-iss Campground with the British Columbia Ministry of Tourism, Culture and the Arts – February 2009

Current initiatives

- Nine Tribal Parks staff working on short-term funding; two directors, two office coordinators and five field staff
- Chu-iss Campground, Meares Island Big Tree
 Trail and Tsis-akiis (Heel boom bay) cabin
 recapitalization projects Winter 2009 2010
- Canoe Creek Green Power Project construction underway (testing in April 2010), investigations into two neighboring creeks promising



Canada Africa Learning & Research Alliance

- Research theme: Protected Areas & Poverty Reduction
- 5 year International Community University
 Research Alliance project
- Tanzania, Canada and Ghana
- The University of Victoria, Tofino Botanical Gardens, Parks Canada, Tla-o-qui-aht Tribal Parks, Serengeti National Park, Mole and Bole parks etc

The Pacific Salmon Security Initiative

- Applying the principle of ecological integrity & interconnectedness in a meaningful way to operational level planning
- Local, regional, national and international considerations
- Working with the West Coast Aquatic group,
 Parks Canada marine planning, Department of Fisheries and Oceans, Salmon Forum
- Ocean Zoning?

Challenges

- Forest tenure reform
 - Iisaak Wood with Respect: An innovative context for an innovative approach
- Long term financial sustainability
 - Endowment funding and Ecosystem Services; project funding versus program funding

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