

MAA-NULTH FIRST NATIONS SIDE AGREEMENT SUMMARY

UCHUCKLESAHT TRIBE: THUNDERBIRD'S NEST (T'IITSK'IN PAAWATS) PROTECTED AREA MONUMENTAL CEDAR AND CYPRESS HARVEST AGREEMENT

Purpose

The Thunderbird's Nest (T'iitsk'in Paawats) Protected Area Monumental Cedar and Cypress Harvest Agreement ("Agreement") sets out the Uchucklesaht Tribes ability to harvest Monumental Cedar and Cypress, which is old-growth cedar and cypress as defined in the Agreement, on Crown Land within the Protected Area for Cultural Purposes, which are purposes integral to the culture of the Uchucklesaht prior to contact and community purposes, but does not include a commercial or individual purpose.

How the Agreement Works

- The Agreement is between the Uchucklesaht Tribe and the Province, represented by the Minister of Environment.
- The Agreement will take effect on the date that the Final Agreement takes effect and the Parties will review the Agreement no later than five years after the Effective Date.
- Each Party is responsible for their own costs in participating in this Agreement.
- Prior to the Effective Date, the Parties will develop a Cedar and Cypress Plan consistent with the Agreement.
- In each year, Uchucklesaht Tribe may, pursuant to a park use permit, harvest up to two Monumental Cedar and Cypress from the Protected Area.
- Prior to harvesting from the Protected Area Uchucklesaht must either first harvest Monumental Cedar and Cypress for Cultural Purposes from its Maa-nulth First Nation Lands or provide reasons to British Columbia why Monumental Cedar and Cypress are not suitable or adequate for Cultural Purposes from its Maa-nulth First Nation Lands.
- The Uchucklesaht Tribes will not pay stumpage to British Columbia for any Monumental Cedar and Cypress harvested under this Agreement.