

# MAA-NULTH FIRST NATIONS SIDE AGREEMENT SUMMARY

## TOQUAHT NATION: FISCAL FINANCING AGREEMENT

### **Purpose**

The Fiscal Financing Agreement (the “FFA”) is a financial arrangement that specifies the funding provided to Toquaht Nation (“Toquaht”) by Canada and British Columbia and sets out the responsibilities of Toquaht in delivering agreed upon programs and services. The FFA replaces the existing arrangement for Canada’s funding of programs and services.

### **How the Agreement Works**

- *Parties:* The Parties to the FFA are Toquaht, Canada and British Columbia.
- *Term:* The FFA is renewable eight-year agreement that begins on the Effective Date.

At least eighteen months before the expiration of the Agreement, the Parties will negotiate and attempt to reach agreement on a subsequent FFA.

- *Toquaht’s Responsibilities:* Toquaht will ensure that Federally Supported Programs and Services, Implementation Activities, Provincially Supported Programs and Services and fisheries functions and activities identified in the FFA will be provided in accordance with Toquaht Nation Law and any applicable Federal Law or Provincial Law.
- *Canada’s Responsibilities:* Canada will provide funds to Toquaht for Federally Supported Programs and Services, Implementation Activities and fisheries functions and activities.
- *British Columbia’s Responsibilities:* British Columbia will provide funds to Toquaht for Provincially Supported Programs and Services.
- *Federally Supported Programs and Services:* These programs and services include health, social development, education, legislative, administrative and residential and infrastructure capital.
- *Implementation Activities:* These activities include treaty management, implementation and operation of the Maa-nulth First Nation Fishing Right, information systems development, establishment of a registry of laws, support for a healing centre, Federal Parks consultation and capacity development.

- *Provincially Supported Programs and Services:* These programs and services include a community development officer and support for resource development.
- *Fisheries Functions and Activities:* The activities include catch monitoring and reporting and biological support.
- *Emergency Response:* Canada will be responsible for costs associated with a response to emergencies on Maa-nulth First Nation Lands co-ordinated by British Columbia.
- *Funding Details:* The agreement describes the details of funding (annual and time-limited or lump-sum funding), including amounts, payment schedules and the annual adjustors that will compensate for inflation and population growth.