



INDIGENOUS STEWARDSHIP OF SALMON WATERSHEDS WEBINAR SERIES

Webinar 1: Sharing Stories on Climate Change and Cumulative Effects

Wednesday, June 30, 2021

OBJECTIVES

The overall purpose of the webinar series is to explore Indigenous perspectives on potential improvements in the management of cumulative effects for salmon watersheds.

The objective of this first webinar is to share information on the observed cumulative impacts in salmon bearing watersheds that are related to climate change, and the steps taken by communities and groups to tackle those impacts effectively.

SCOPE & FORMAT

The June 2021 webinar is intended as an opportunity for the sharing of information among Indigenous technical staff, who have first-hand experience of the changes linked to climate change in their own watersheds and whose perspective is informed by those who have lived in place for countless generations.

The design of the webinar series reflects an appreciation for the value of person-to-person sharing of experience and dialogue among individuals ('virtual visiting'). The approach adopted for these events also reflects an understanding of the complexity of cumulative effects, a belief in the wisdom of communities and the first-hand experience of those 'on the ground,' and a direct challenge to the assumption that climate change is overwhelming, disempowering and that often seems impossible for communities to tackle.

This webinar is **not** intended as a forum for:

- An examination of the science of climate change or the modelling of impacts in BC;
- Detailed, quantitative assessment of cumulative effects in any one salmon watershed or across BC's entire salmon ecosystem;
- A systematic evaluation of current strategies for managing impacts to salmon watersheds; or
- Discussion of funding opportunities for community-based efforts to tackle cumulative effects;



WEBINAR AGENDA

TIME	TOPIC
9:30 am	Orientation (15 mins) With opening remarks from Webinar Chair Bob ('Galagame') Chamberlin, Chairman, First Nation Wild Salmon Alliance. Bob will be joined by Co-Chairs Andrea Reid, Assistant Professor at the University of British Columbia and Stu Barnes, Chair of the Skeena Fisheries Commission.
9:45 am	Background: Why Are We Here? (15 mins)
10:00 am	Case Studies: Sharing Stories on Climate Change and Cumulative Effects (40 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• William Housty—Heiltsuk Integrated Resource Management Department• Nicole (Cole) Morven—Nisga'a Fisheries & Wildlife Department• Michelle Walsh— Secwepemc Fisheries Commission
10:40 am	Panel Discussion (20 mins)
11:00 am	Break (15 mins)
11:15 am	Small Group Discussions (55 mins) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Sharing our experience:</i> What changes are we observing in salmon-bearing watersheds that can be attributed to climate change? How might the changes we are observing be interconnected?• <i>Gaps:</i> What impacts are overlooked by current, siloed approaches to planning and management?• <i>Learning from each other:</i> How have Indigenous communities and nations been successful in addressing the negative impacts of climate change and addressing cumulative effects?
12:10 pm	Summary and Reflections (10 mins) With closing remarks from K_ii'iljuus (Barbara) Wilson—Council of the Haida Nation
12:20 pm	Summary & Wrap Up (10 mins)
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