

News Release

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Huu-ay-aht & Yuułu?ił?atḥ Nations Join the ACRD Board

As of April 1, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District (ACRD) will increase from 10 to 12 members with the addition of the Huu-ay-aht and Yuułu?ił?atḥ Nations. Their inclusion at the Board continues the implementation of the Maa-nulth Treaty.

"We Welcome representation of Huu-ay-aht and Yuulu At Path Nations at the Board, they will provide broader inclusion and expanded cooperation among the communities within the Regional District" stated Regional District Chair Glenn Wong.

The first official Board meeting with all twelve directors will be Wednesday April 11th at 1:30 pm in the Regional District Board Room, 3008 Fifth Avenue, Port Alberni, BC. The meeting will start with a welcoming ceremony. A Commissioner for taking affidavits will be on hand to conduct the oaths of office for the new Treaty First Nation Directors.

This is unprecedented in British Columbia for a Regional District to grow by two new members representing First Nations. In the future both the Toquaht and Uchucklesaht Nations will also join. In the meantime, they remain as observers able to attend and follow Regional District business in advance of their formal participation.

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