

Economic Development Update

From your HUU-ay-aht group of businesses

Greetings from Your Chief Executive Officer, Stan Coleman

Welcome HUU-ay-aht citizens to your first update from your HUU-ay-aht group of businesses. In this update you will find highlights from HUU-ay-aht-owned businesses gathered over the past three months. This update is intended to provide a look at the HUU-ay-aht group of businesses and its most recent activities.

Three times per year you will receive similar updates and once per year in the summer we will issue a comprehensive Annual Report containing financial information and an in-depth look at business activities for the year.

If you have any questions or would like to learn more about your HUU-ay-aht group of businesses, please don't hesitate to contact me. We have an open door policy, and I am happy to answer your questions. You can also visit our new website at www.hfndevelopmentlp.org where there is information on your operating board and a section on each limited partnership (LP).

Our Vision

Together, the HUU-ay-aht Economic Development Committee and Development Corporation strive to achieve a flourishing HUU-ay-aht economy through initiatives that provide sustainable benefits for all.

Your Operating Board

Angela Wesley (Chair)
Val Bellwood
John Mass
Cory McIntosh
Bob Brough



Management Services provides administrative, accounting, and operational services to all HUU-ay-aht enterprises under the HUU-ay-aht group of businesses. The following people provide these services and support smooth business operations every day (there are other people who work solely for one of the LPs i.e. Paul Dagg for the Forestry LP):

Stan Coleman	Chief Executive Officer, HUU-ay-aht Group of Businesses
Sarah Johnson	Administrative support
Trudy Warner	Communication and Human Resource support (by contract)
Rhett Sullivan	Senior Accounting Clerk
Martha Johnson	Accounting clerk support (by contract)
Mark Goddard	Environment and safety services

West Coast Trail: The new West Coast Trail Guardians started work in early spring aiming to have the trail ready for business on May 1. Their season began with training in March, which included courses in Wildlife Danger Tree Assessment, Swift Water Rescue, Bear Aware, and Alternative Trail-building. As front-line workers dealing with tourists from all over the world, the West Coast Trail crew take great pride in their important role. Their commitment shows through high quality work and dedication to the crew's shared goals. This year's crew includes Trail Supervisor Duane Nookemis Sr., and crew members Kevin Peters, Brian Lucas, Cory Howard Sr., and James Williams. Currently your Operating Board is looking at other opportunities for the West Coast Trail through the Nuu-chah-nulth Employment Training Program (NETP) to further expand offerings.

Pachena Bay Campground: The HFN group of businesses hired Trevor Cootes as campground supervisor. Trevor previously worked at the campground before spending time away studying business and working in the tourism industry. Trevor and his family will stay on site throughout the season along with a Parks Canada employee who will place a trailer at the far end of the campground. Nora Peters and Bobby Nookemus have also been hired. To date employees are clearing the sites and brushing trails. Potholes in the campground road have also been filled. With an eye on the campground's future, the HFN group of businesses is pursuing a long-term lease with the Nation.

Gas Bar: James Nookemus will continue working at the gas bar and helping with extra work in the campground.



Individual Cut Blocks: During the spring program, crews planted 40,000 trees (cedar, fir, and sitka spruce) in five openings (logged areas). More trees (approximately 106,000, including cedar, fir, sitka spruce, and yellow cedar) are scheduled for planting in September. Paul Dagg, HFN Planning Forester,

met with a consultant to begin designing a survey that will check the status of 170 hectares (ha) of forestry plantations managed by HUU-ay-aht Forestry LP. Dagg and the forestry crew are also setting up four sample plots that will help them gather information about forest growth and yield over the long term. Paul Dagg is excited to see the crew using ipads for meeting forms and data collection. Employed on the crew are Andy Clappis (excavator operator) and Don Prevost (First Aid).

Spencer Dryland Sort: The sort is currently active and has been since early January, keeping a crew of six employees busy. Among them, Dan McKay is the sort supervisor, Ken (Paulo) Johnson operates the tugboat, and Brad Johnson and Brad Jaskins work on the sort crew in varying capacities.

Shake and Shingle Operation: In April the shake and shingle crew delivered 52 cords of shingle wood and 16 cords of shake wood to eager customers. There continues to be a market for the shake and shingle wood produced by the operation and productivity is increasing. Currently Patrick Nookemus, Duane Nookemis Jr., Ed Lopez, and Roger Gerard work on the shake and shingle crew.



Fishing Licences: The Nuu-chah-nulth Seafood Development Corporation (NSDC) is currently managing two HUU-ay-aht sardine licences under a agreement with the Fisheries LP. Participation in NSDC allows HUU-ay-aht First Nation to attract a higher price for these licences than we would alone because our sardine licences are grouped with those of other First Nations. Other fishing licence activity includes halibut, prawn, rockfish, and salmon licences leased out through a bidding process. In total, this year's licences are expected to generate more than \$160,000 in revenue.

Bamfield East Dock: Mitch McPhee is managing wharfinger duties for the dock and Gordie Lamb is taking care of dock maintenance. People interested in using the dock may now register and pay at the Bamfield Market and Café. Rates are as follows:

- Per night: \$0.75 per ft.
- Per week: \$3.90 per ft. (7 nights) *10% discount for advance payment = \$3.51 ft.*
- Per month: \$4.15 per ft. *10% discount for advance payment = \$3.74 per ft.*
- Per year: \$49.80 per ft. *20% discount for advance payment = \$39.84 per ft.*

Commercial Fishing Vessels:

- All fishing vessels should display their license numbers.
- Nightly: \$0.20 cents per ft. per night
- Monthly: \$2.26 per ft. per month & 10% discount if paid in advance



Pachena Bay Gravel Pit: Wayne Newfield operates the Pachena Bay gravel pit, which has been operational over the past three months.



The HFN Lands LP is a holding company for capital assets including real estate and leases, agreements, and tenure holdings. The recent purchase of the Bamfield Market and Café (see below) added both land and commercial real estate to these holdings in the last quarter.



The biggest news in the Huu-ay-aht group of businesses is the purchase of the Bamfield Market and Café, located in downtown Bamfield. At the end of April, market ownership transitioned to the Huu-ay-aht group of businesses from local owners, Ralf and Rita Weber. Earlier in the month, your Operating Board posted an advertisement for a Transition Team Leader to oversee transitional management for the new market. After a job competition, which took place in April, the Operating Board offered the short-term position to local business operators John Mass and Sheryl Ferguson. John and Sheryl are long-time Bamfield residents and business owners. They will work to ensure the Market and Café meets HFN goals and they will train the future management team.

Safety and Environment

Despite a stellar safety record, the HFN Forestry LP incurred two accidents in the last three months. Both incidents ranked third on a severity scale of 1 to 4, with one being the most severe. The incidents resulted in days off work for employees and lost-time for the businesses. Together the forestry management staff and crew are working hard to prevent future incidents and ensure a safe working environment for all Forestry LP employees.

For more information on any business managed by the Huu-ay-aht group of businesses, please contact Stan Coleman at 250-728-3080.