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Response of Duane Nookemis to Challenge of Nomination

Challenging Nomination

My self and a couple other Huuayaht harvest 9 windfalls off out of our Traditional territory, the purpose was for personal use, house repairs , smokehouses , carving wood etc

The wood was not harvested in HFN TSL, if we had been able to obtain permission it probably would have been, but were instead told to use our Aboriginal Right to harvest what we needed

I was not charged under the criminal code but rather under the Forestry Act,

I personally believe we as Huuayaht should be allowed to use our natural resources , I believe the majority of Huuayaht would agree with this

I don't think this has any bearing on my job are the way I conduct myself both on and off the job

,I believe my job performance and how I carry out my duties as crew supervisor speaks for itself

I don't think this has any bearing on my job or with my intent to run for a councillor position, but ultimately that will be up to the Huuayaht citizens to decide

Thanks

Duane Nookemis