

BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

CHRONOLOGICAL NUMBER: 2020/2021:28 THE CHIEF AND COUNCIL OF THE UPPER SIMILKAMEEN INDIAN BAND AT HEDLEY, BRITISH COLUMBIA

DATED THIS 5th DAY OF March, 2021

WHEREAS: it is the recommendation of the Upper Similkameen Indian Band to support Lower Similkameen Indian Band's resolution BCR #10 as well as the Colville Business Council's (acting for and in behalf of the Colville Confederated Tribes, Nespelem Washington) resolution 2017-321, which; opposes dam modification and electrical production, any means of artificial salmon passage, strongly supports removal of Enloe Dam, remediation of contaminated sediment behind the dam, and restoration of the Similkameen River to its historic and natural condition so that the natural falls (natural "dam) are not altered and the captíkwł legend is still being respected.

WHEREAS: substantial and natural flow of water over Similkameen Falls is of vital interest to the USIB; and

WHEREAS: Similkameen Falls is associated with one of the USIB's most powerful cultural legends; and

WHEREAS: that legend, involving Coyote (Sinclip) creating the Falls to block passage of salmon, means that our people were not meant to have salmon in the river above the Falls.

THEREFORE: be it resolved: that the Chief and Council of the Upper Similkameen Indian Band:

Oppose any means to artificially convey salmon beyond Similkameen Falls; but strongly supports and seeks removal of Enloe Dam, remediation of contaminated sediment behind the dam, and restoration of the Similkameen River to its historic and natural condition so that the natural falls (natural "dam) are not altered and the captikwł legend is still being respected.

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A Quorum of the Upper Similkameen Indian Band Council Consists of Three (3) Council Members

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