

Hunting Camp in the historic Neskonlith Douglas Reserve

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Purpose A cultural hunting camp will be established within the historic Neskonlith Douglas Reserve, around Skwelkwek'welt and McGillvray Lake

Duration of Hunting Camp:

October 15-17,
2010



Camp set up and preparation:

October 11-14,
2010

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We are inviting Elders, hunters, women, youth, and children from our three communities as well as members of the Secwepemc Nation to participate and be a part of this camp.

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- hunt for food moose, deer for our people
- preserve the meat for winter use
- share the food among our people, especially Elders and single mothers
- teach our young people cultural and survival skills
- gather medicines and prepare them
- learn Secwepemctsin words for camping and hunting
- improve the overall physical, emotional, and spiritual health of our people
- assert our ownership of this area
- learn Secwepemc song & dance
- last but not least this will be a drug and alcohol free activity

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We are looking for helpers, to support the camp.
We need help with rides, camping supplies.

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The hunting camp will be open: Friday, October 15, 2010 until Sunday, October 17, 2010

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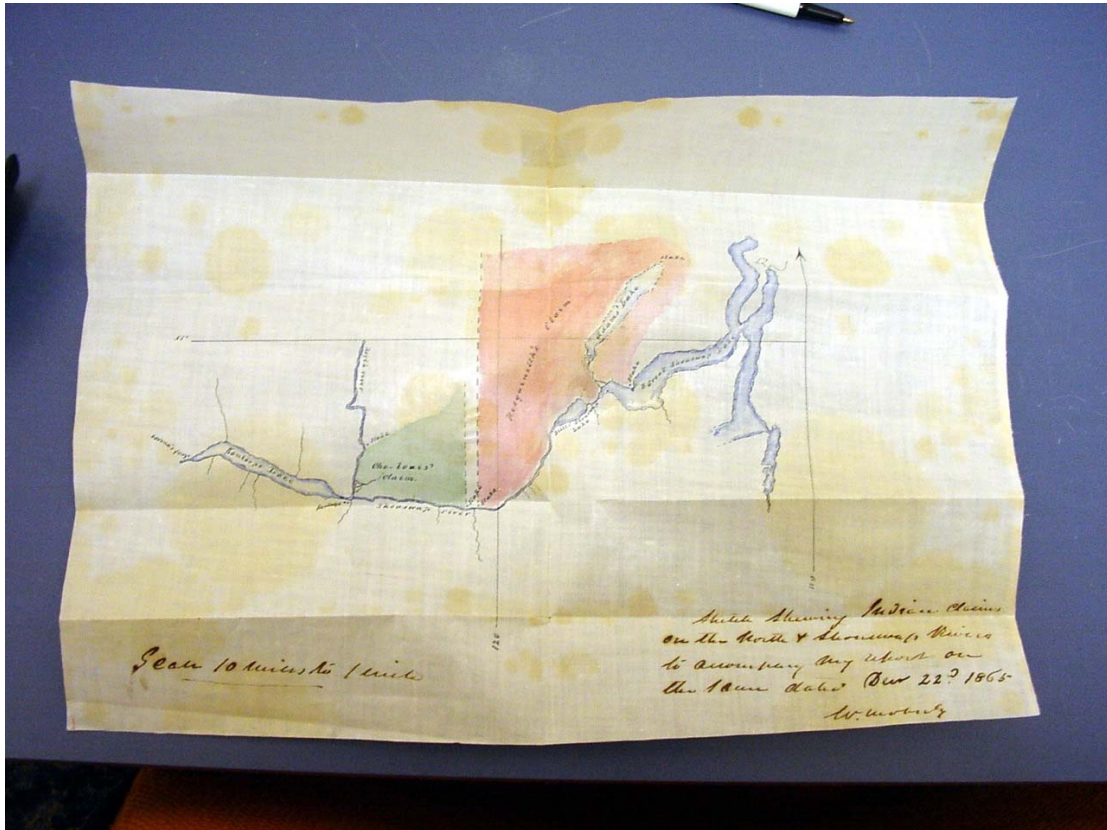
Camp location: Skwelkwek'welt/Spirit Lake (McGillvray) - signs will be posted
NO DRUGS AND ALCOHOL AT CAMP

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(photo of original drawing of Neskonlith Douglas Reserve map)

This map delineates the location for the hunting camp and the associated hunting area, namely the historic Neskonlith Douglas Reserve. This area was set aside as an exclusive use area for the Lake Secwepemc People in an agreement between our Chief Neskonlith and then Governor Douglas. The area covers 882,000 acres and the entire area that Sun Peaks claims as the Controlled Recreation Area and now the municipal boundary. Our Aboriginal rights to hunt inside this area, including at Skwelkwek'welt and Spirit Lake, where our people have always hunted and continue to hunt cannot be unilaterally limited and infringed.

