



January 27, 2020

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Mayor and Council  
District of Sechelt  
PO Box 129  
Sechelt, BC V0N 3A0

Dear Mayor and Council:

The BC Geographical Names Office has received proposals from shíshálh Nation to change or adopt names for several geographical features in the shíshálh swiya/Sunshine Coast Area. At this time, we are inviting comments on four proposed names as detailed in Appendix A and shown on the attached map. For additional information and audio recordings of the names visit their name records on the BC Geographical Names Web App.

1. Change the name of **Wilson Creek** (community) to "**ts'ukw'um**" for a community on the E side of the Strait of Georgia, at Mission Point.
  - "**ts'ukw'um**" is the shashishalhem name for this place, it is an important shíshálh Nation village site. Ts'ukw'um's meaning/origin has been lost over time. (Advice from the shíshálh Nation Stewardship and Territorial Land Management Division, 2019).
  - The centre point of this place is located at: 49.448056, -123.724722.
  - Name record: <http://apps.gov.bc.ca/pub/bcgnws/names/73722.html>
  
2. Change the name of **Wilson Creek** to "**ts'ukw'um**" for a creek that flows SW into the Strait of Georgia.
  - "**ts'ukw'um**" is the shashishalhem name for this creek and its surrounding area, an important shíshálh Nation village site was located on the creek. Ts'ukw'um's meaning/origin has been lost over time. (Advice from the shíshálh Nation Stewardship and Territorial Land Management Division, 2019).
  - The mouth of this creek is located at: 49.438333, -123.709722.
  - Name record: <http://apps.gov.bc.ca/pub/bcgnws/names/73741.html>

These features are within or forms a portion of the boundary of the shíshálh swiya and traditional territory of several other First Nations and is within or near the border of local governments, so it is important to ascertain a) if there are other known traditional names for these features, and b) that the proposed names reflect the heritage values in the area.

Before considering adoption of these names, may I have your advice and comments? In particular, is there any reason why these names would not be appropriate for these features?

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Adoption of these names would not prejudice legitimate claims to the land.

Thank you in advance for your comments. Your response before 23 April 2020 would be appreciated.

Kind regards,

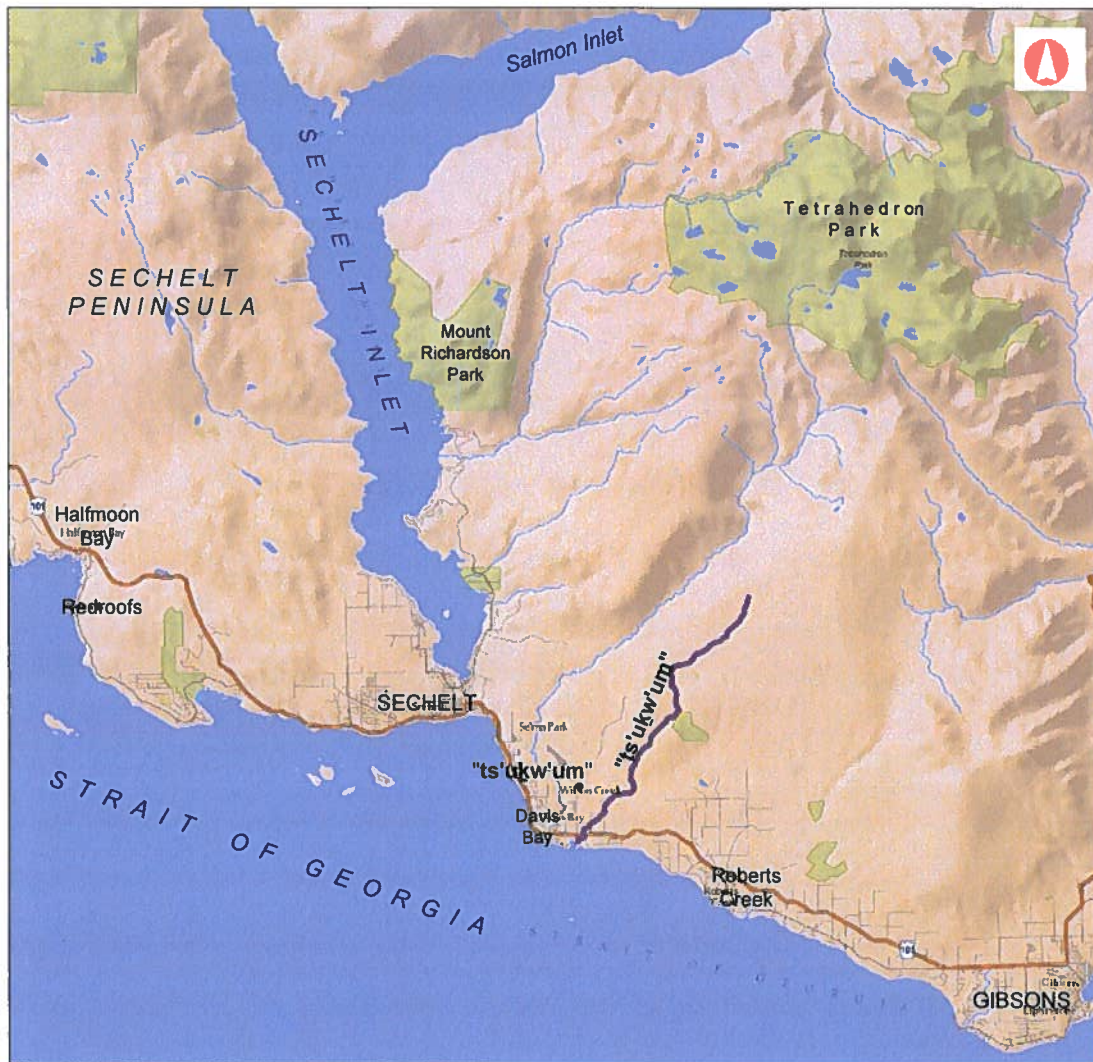


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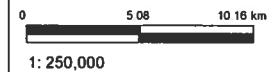
BC Geographical Names

**Proposed Names**

**Proposed Name:**  
"ts'ukw'um"  
**Current Name:** Wilson Creek  
**Mouth of Creek:** 49.4383,  
-123.7097

**Proposed Name:**  
"ts'ukw'um"  
**Current Name:** Wilson  
Creek (community)  
**Location:** 49.4500,  
-123.7167

**NTS Maps:** 92G/5



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**Key Map of British Columbia**

