

**2021 LIL'WAT EDUCATION
JURISDICTION RATIFICATION VOTE
RATIFICATION OFFICER REPORT**



9th December, 2021

OneFeather Election Services
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Attention: Skalulmecw Dean Nelson
Lil'wat Nation
P.O. Box 602
Mount Currie, British Columbia
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Re: Submission of Final Ratification Officer Report

Dear Skalulmecw Dean Nelson;

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Lil'wat Nation as the Ratification Officer for this important community vote. Please accept my congratulations on the work which you, your staff, and the Lil'wat Nation organization have put in to achieving the result.

Thank you also for the hospitality which you and your staff showed to our OneFeather team members Kristle and myself during this event. Having one poll station in the future instead of two would result in cost savings to your administration.

This report lets you know how many of your members voted in each location, as well as the results, which may help in planning for future events.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly should you require any additional materials or if you have any questions, at lawrence@onefeather.ca, or through our website www.onefeather.ca.

Sincerely,



Lawrence Lewis
Ratification Officer, OneFeather

Voting Event Report – 2021 Education Jurisdiction Ratification Vote

Lawrence Lewis, Ratification Officer

1. Name of First Nation: **Lil'wat Nation**
2. Date of Event: **9th December, 2021**

1. Type of event:	Ratification Vote
2. Total number of eligible voters:	1743
a) Total number of Ballots cast:	110
b) Percentage of Voter participation:	6%

3. The Elector's list was:
 - a) Posted on or before the 10th day of November, 2021, at the Lil'wat Nation Administration Building, and electronically to the vote's website (onefeather.ca/nations/lilwat).
4. The Notice of Approval Vote and Polling Locations was:
 - a) Posted on or before the 10th day of November, 2021, at the Lil'wat Nation Administration Building, and electronically to the vote's website (onefeather.ca/nations/lilwat).
 - b) Polling station notices were posted continuously throughout the event online, via text message, social media, and via direct mail as required.
5. The Poll was conducted at the following location:
 - a) **POLLING STATIONS** – 9th December, 2021 at the Xetolacw School and Tszil Learning Centre in Lil'wat Nation, from 11:00AM to 7:00PM.
 - b) **ELECTRONIC VOTING** – 9:00AM 18 NOV – 7:00PM 9th December, 2021.
 - c) Vote results were tabulated on the 9th of December in Mt. Currie immediately following close of polls.
 - d) The Official Notice of Ratification Vote Results was given to the elected official and the administrator present, and posted electronically to the election's website (onefeather.ca/nations/lilwat) immediately following the count of all properly recorded Ballots.

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6. Polling Station Results:

RATIFICATION VOTE RESULTS	
	TOTAL
TOTAL BALLOTS CAST	110
	TOTAL
TOTAL BALLOTS REJECTED	1
TOTAL	TOTAL
YES	101
NO	8

Vote	Mail-in	Electronic	Regular	Total Votes
YES	4	8	89	101
NO	0	1	7	8
SPOILED	0	0	1	1
TOTAL	4	9	97	110

7. The following result is publicly declared:

In the matter of the 2021 Education Jurisdiction Ratification Vote the majority of voters answered “yes” to the following question:

As an Eligible Voter of Lil'wat Nation: Do you approve of Lil'wat Nation entering into the Education Jurisdiction Agreement, of adopting the Education Jurisdiction Law-Making Protocol, and of Chiefs and Council making minor amendments to either document, if required, before they are signed and adopted?

8. Declaration:

I, **Lawrence Lewis**, appointed to the position of Ratification Officer for the Lil'wat Nation declare that: the polling locations were kept open between the hours of 11:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. (local time); that I have correctly counted the votes cast; and that I have performed to the best of my abilities all duties required of me.

I further declare that a copy of the *Official Count Sheet and Results Declaration* was posted electronically to the election's website (onefeather.ca/nations/lilwat).



Lawrence Lewis, Ratification Officer

9th December, 2021