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Lílwat Nation Citizens.

Lílwat Nation is carrying out a Socio-Economic Survey to help with planning and decision-making around the construction and operation of a proposed geothermal power plant on Qwelqwelusten (Mt Meager) and an associated hydrogen production facility on Lílwat Territory by a company named Meager Creek Development Corporation.

To be clear, the Mt Meager geothermal project has not yet been approved.

This is the first time the Lílwat Nation has used a survey like this. The survey is the result of several months of work by a Working Group made up of members of the Chiefs and Council, administration, and staff.

The Working Group took the utmost care to design the survey based on Lílwat values. With Kúltsam, we will "only take what we need and use everything we take." The survey is also designed to collect enough information to be representative of Lílwat overall, including Lílwat Citizens living in Lílwat Nation and in other places.

Through the survey, we ask you to share your views on the proposed project and on climate change. We also ask about your age, gender, household, cultural and traditional activities, education, and employment.

The survey is voluntary. Your privacy will be respected throughout. None of the information you provide will be linked to you personally.

Lílwat Nation has set up a website (https://www.lilwatsurvey.com) that provides details about both the proposed project and the survey. We encourage you to use it to learn more about the history of development on Qwelqwelusten and the proposed geothermal project, including the company involved.

Please be advised that Meager Creek Development Corporation is covering the costs of the survey and the other parts of the process. No funds have been taken from Lílwat Nation to cover these costs.

We strongly encourage you to participate in the survey. If you have any questions, please contact Roxanne Joe by email at roxanne.joe@lilwat.ca or by phone at (604)894-6115.

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