## Tseshaht First Nation Request for Proposals (RFP) for Forestry Resource Development

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Tseshaht First Nation (TFN) is requesting proposals from qualified Forestry Resource and/or Land Use Management contractors/ consultants to facilitate the review and development of the forest resource within TFN traditional territory.

The scope of work will encompass the following identified areas of need:

- Review of Traditional Land Use data and current forestry referrals process to develop a Forestry and Land Use Plan, including a Cedar strategy;
- GIS development; review of GIS file system and carry out GIS mapping work to support land use and forestry referrals.
- Review of current process for the considering of impacts to forestry resources, identifying areas requiring protection and developing a Forest Review Process.

Working in collaboration with our Forestry, Lands and Resource staff, the contractor will be accountable for leadership coordination and delivery of project work, inclusive of final reporting and for ensuring the methodology includes community dialogue such as surveys, workshops, Elder and knowledge holder interviews.

Project funding requires to the scope of work, including the preparation of draft reports, to be completed by March 31, 2017.

## Submitted RFPs must demonstrate the following qualifications:

- Accreditation as a trained professional forester and/or as a land management planner consultant, supported by 5 plus years of consulting experiences which include the review and development of plans and processes for forest management.
- A sound understanding of First Nation forestry and land use referral systems; including the impacts relevant to First Nation traditional land use and to community living environments.
- Demonstrated capacity to offer comprehensive forest and land use advice and to undertake and coordinate all project deliverables.

How to Apply: Qualified applicants are requested to contact Virginia Shrimpton, Executive Assistant by Email (<a href="mailto:executiveassistant@tseshaht.com">executiveassistant@tseshaht.com</a>) to receive a detailed Project Overview, including budgetary components. Completed RFPs can be submitted by mail to the attention of: V.Shrimpton, Executive Assistant, Tseshaht First Nation Administration Office, 5091 Tsuma-as Drive, Port Alberni, BC V9Y 8X9; or by Email.