



Ut łūn Gwelē

(Galore Pack Sack)

4th Annual GCMC/ Tahltan Nation 2009 Bursary

GCMC would like to thank the 19 eligible applications this year for their participation with the bursary awards. There were 4 judges this year with three of these judges being Tahltan. GCMC would like to congratulate the winners as stated in the list below.

Riannon Ball
1st Academic Bursary Award
\$2500.00

Amanda Quash
2nd Academic Bursary Award
\$2500.00

Natasha Seymour
3rd/4th Academic Bursary
Award \$2000.00

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GALORE CREEK ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE FOR 2009 SEASON

There are several ways of monitoring environmental impacts on the Galore site. All monitoring is done by qualified individuals who either have degrees in the area or have gone through extensive training.

Soil erosion and sediment control is monitored throughout the road corridor with more emphasis placed in the bridge areas and along fish bearing streams.

Waste management and recycling is ongoing throughout the entire project and materials such as used oil, scrap metal, cardboard, paper and beverage containers are transported off-site to recycling facilities. Any contaminated wastes, including oil pails and jugs are transported to a specialized facility in Alberta. All food contaminated wastes, excluding plastic and metal, are incinerated to reduce potential for wildlife problems.

Baseline data and water quality sampling is performed by RTEC (Rescan Tahltan Environmental Consultants). Periodically throughout the year, Rescan Tahltan Environmental Consultants, conducted field activities related to weather stations and stream hydrology as part of ongoing data collection. RTEC staff also collected water quality samples from various locations on a monthly and quarterly basis.

Archeology is looked after closely by GCMC in conjunction with THREAT. GCMC has RTEC's archeologist, Lisa Seip who has been on the project from the beginning and has conducted all of the digs that were required for recovery of artifacts with the help of trained Tahltan employees. In August of 2009 an Elders/Leadership Tour was conducted in order to explain where and how the sites were looked after and what the next step was to conserve



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the sites. With all of the artifacts extracted from the listed sites and sent to Victoria to the museum where they can be properly maintained with climate control the next step is to cover with filter cloth and then place gravel over the sites, thus making it now part of the road corridor. All sites will be gps marked for future use after the road is reclaimed. Keith Nole was invaluable on this trip as he participated in the archeology portion of the project from day one and was involved in the digs. He gave insight as to the use of the area and what was found and why so many shards were discovered in certain areas. From this information he gave; GCMC would like to go to the schools in the area and have Keith participate with us to give the same presentation that was given to the Elders and the Leadership that participated.

This project will be slated for next season.

Environmental Team led by Karen Hosford Manager of Environmental and Community affairs with Robert Donald, Doug Stoves, Keith Nole, Dwayne Day, John Dennis, Dennis Quock and Rob Bourcier as the on-site crew.

2009 Camp closure- Chiyone camp officially closed on October 31, 2009. There is now a locked gate at The beginning of the access road in place until the Spring start up. All groceries were brought to Dease Lake and given to the Church for upcoming hampers at Christmas time. GCMC would like to wish everyone an upcoming Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



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Christine Creyke	3 rd /4 th	Academic Bursary Award	\$2000.00
Candice McBride	5 th	Academic Bursary Award	\$1000.00
Geraldine Tashoots	1 st	Post Secondary Bursary	\$1000.00
Sheldon Dennis	2 nd	Post Secondary Bursary	\$1000.00
Alexis Dennis	3 rd	Post Secondary Bursary	\$1000.00
Courtney Wheelton	4 th	Post Secondary Bursary	\$1000.00
Lauren Wolfe	5 th	Post Secondary Bursary	\$1000.00

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