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Chair and Directors Fraser Valley Regional District 45950 Cheam Ave Chilliwack, BC V2P 1N6 File: 10280-60 (92G/09, 92G/16, 92J/01, 92J/02, 92J/07, 92J/08, 92J/10, 92J/11, 92J/12)

Dear Chair and Directors:

The BC Geographical Names Office has received proposals from Lil'wat Nation to correct the spelling of a few features in the Fraser Valley Regional District. At this time, we are inviting comments on two proposed name changes as detailed below and shown on the attached map:

- 1. Change the name of Lillooet River to "Lilwat River."
  - The river flows SE through Lillooet (Lilwat) Lake into Harrison Lake
  - "Lilwat River" is the Ucwalmicwts name of the feature. Lillooet is an anglicization of Lilwat (Advice from Lilwat Nation, 2018).
  - The mouth of the river is located at: 49.122.14556, -122.14556
- Change the name of Lillooet Lake to "Lilwat Lake."
  - The lake is an expansion of Lillooet (Lilwat) River, NW of Harrison Lake
  - "Lilwat Lake" is the Ucwalmicwts name of the feature. Lillooet is an anglicization of Lilwat (Advice from Lilwat Nation, 2018).
  - The approximate centre of the lake is located at: 50.24583, -122.49611

These features are within or form a portion of the boundary of the traditional territory of several First Nations and are 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 we have your advice and comments? In particular, is there any reason why these names would not be appropriate for these features?

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

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Please feel free to provide your comments in any format. Your response before 24 August 2019 would be appreciated. Thank you in advance.

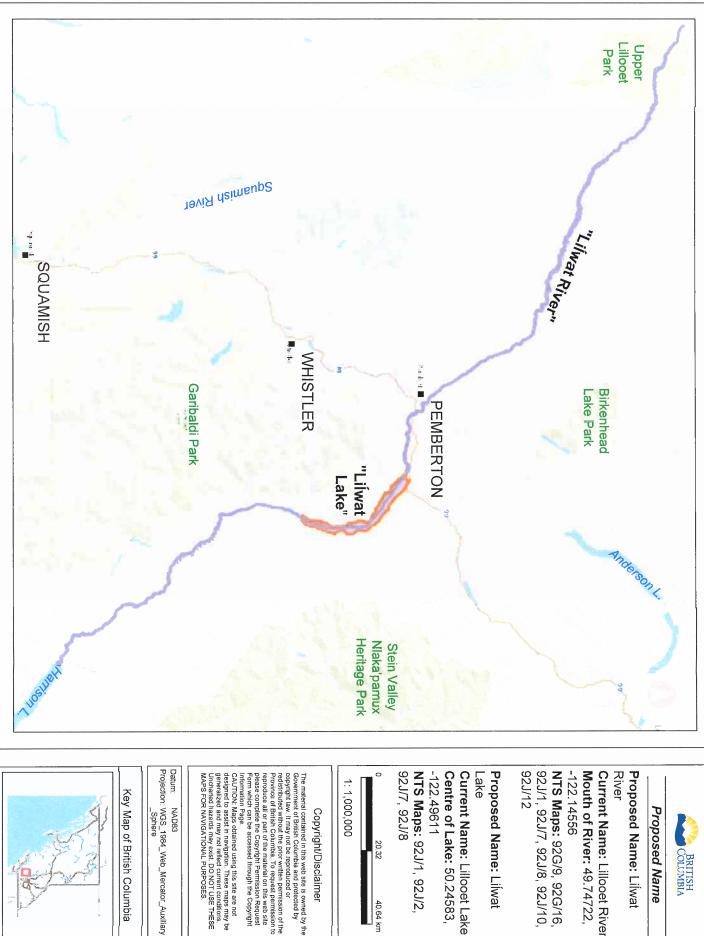
Kind regards,

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## Enclosure

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BC Mountaineering Club
BC Parks
Bridge River Indian Band
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Federation of Mountain Clubs of BC
Klahoose First Nation
Kwantlen First Nation
Laich-kwil-tach Treaty Society

Recreation Sites and Trails BC
Samahquam First Nation
Search and Rescue - Pemberton
Skatin Nation
Squamish-Lillooet Regional District
St'at'imc / Lillooet Tribal Council
Stewardship Pemberton
Sto:lo Nation/ Sto:lo Tribal Council
Sts'ailes First Nation
Tsilhqot'in National Government
Village of Pemberton
Water Licensing - South Coast





# **Proposed Name**

Proposed Name: Lilwat

Mouth of River: 49.74722, **Current Name:** Lillooet River

-122.14556

NTS Maps: 92G/9, 92G/16, 92J/1, 92J/7, 92J/8, 92J/10,

Proposed Name: Lilwat

-122.49611 NTS Maps: 92J/1, 92J/2, Centre of Lake: 50.24583,

40.64 km



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Key Map of British Columbia

