

THE MUSQUEAM PLANNER

Comprehensive Sustainable Community Plan Newsletter

2008 – A Look Back

Last year was a busy one for our Comprehensive Community Plan team. This newsletter summarizes some of the work we've completed, or are very close to completing.

- >> **Community Survey:** We completed a community survey on critical issues, objectives, and directions for our community plan to address. Over 50% of on-reserve members (a very high response rate) responded. We will be sharing results with members at family gatherings and through our project newsletter this spring.
- >> **Land Use Plan:** Project consultants developed an innovative land use planning tool which we can use to develop different scenarios for new buildings and construction on our main reserve. Using this tool we are going to develop a land use plan that will generate new housing, community development and revenue opportunities, while reducing costs to the Band and minimizing any environmental or cultural impacts. Members and Council will be exploring land use options in February and March. A Draft Land Use Plan will be developed by the end of March. The final Land Use Plan will be developed over the summer and fall of 2009.
- >> **Sports Facility:** In recognition of potential funding opportunities and strong community support for a new sports field facility (90% in the Community Survey), we have been working on a project to find the best site for the facility. This past winter, we reviewed potential locations and activities for the facility and narrowed down our choices. A community Open House to discuss the short and long term plans for a sports facility and fields is planned for February. Watch for an Open House announcement soon!



HAVE YOUR SAY!

More FAMILY GATHERINGS this winter!

A second round of family gatherings is going to happen in February and March. At them, we will be:

- >> **Presenting the results of our Community Survey**
- >> **Exploring some short-term actions we might be taking**
- >> **Discussing potential land use scenarios for our main reserve**

Watch for notices. And please attend -- it's your community plan and your future!

Happy New Year!

The community planning team would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year. We look forward to working with everyone during a busy 2009!