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Nuxalk Nation EOC

A message to visitors during COVID-19 from the Nuxalk EOC & BCVT

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Welcome to the Bella Coola Valley. As you are aware, COVID-19 remains a threat to our community. Non-residents of B.C. are not permitted to enter. While you are in Nuxalk territory you **MUST** adhere to the following guidelines:

Please DO:

- have a personal safety plan before coming
- book ahead and bring supplies for your stay including hand sanitizer and sanitizing wipes
- carry a face mask while out and wear it if around others
- please keep your distance (physical distancing) especially from the elders in our community
- pre-order and pick up food and supplies or have someone else shop for you (ask your host)
- look for updates online here: (nuxalkemergency andcleanenergy.squarespace.com) and in physical locations
- self-monitor for flu like symptoms and contact 8-1-1 if you feel ill as well as informing your host
- practice excellent hand hygiene and etiquette
- greet community members with a wave not a hand shake

Please DO NOT:

- DO NOT travel or visit when sick
- DO NOT travel here if you do not live in B.C.
- DO NOT visit the Nuxalk Reserve in 4Mile or downtown
- DO NOT visit the petroglyphs our community uses the site for healing and outdoor meetings
- stay at the wharf the wharf does not have the capacity to implement COVID-19 safety measures
- show up to the valley with no plan or reservation
- expect that all businesses and venues have safety plans in place - for example, most places downtown cannot provide a washroom and restaurants are serving take-out only. Some businesses and services have limited hours or remain closed.

If a case of COVID-19 is discovered tourism will immediately close. Many neighboring communities are not welcoming visitors at this time and we support them in that decision. Any non-essential travellers (tourism based) hoping to come through the valley to visit a remote community that is not accepting guests will be told they are not welcome at this time and out of respect and safety for all of us, we ask them to find another place to visit.

LOCAL RESOURCES/INFORMATION:

Nuxalk Nation EOC: 250-799-5959 - eocinfo.nuxalk@gmail.com

Bella Coola Valley Tourism: info@bellacoola.ca

Bella Coola General Hospital: Clinic: 250-799-5342 - After hours: 250-799-5311

Bella Coola RCMP: 250-799-5363

B.C. Healthline: 8-1-1

Stutwiniitscw/Thank you for your cooperation. Way!