



CENTRAL COUNCIL
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Executive Council of the Central Council
TLINGIT & HAIDA INDIAN TRIBES OF ALASKA

Resolution EC 22-49

Title: Adoption of Emergency Management Practices

WHEREAS, the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Tlingit & Haida) is a federally recognized tribe with more than 34,000 citizens; and

WHEREAS, under Article X of the Tlingit & Haida Constitution, the Executive Council is the governing body of Tlingit & Haida when the Tribal Assembly is not in session; and

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WHEREAS, the President of the United States in Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5, directed the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS), which would provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state, local, and tribal governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size, or complexity; and

WHEREAS, the collective input and guidance from all federal, state, local, and tribal homeland security partners have been, and will continue to be, vital to the development, effective implementation, and utilization of a comprehensive NIMS; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary and desirable that all federal, state, local, and tribal emergency agencies and personnel coordinate their efforts to effectively and efficiently provide the highest levels of incident management; and

WHEREAS, to facilitate the most efficient and effective incident management it is critical that federal, state, local, and tribal organizations utilize standardized terminology, standardized organizational structures, interoperable communications, consolidated action plans, unified command structures, uniform personnel qualification standards, uniform standards for planning, training, and exercising, comprehensive resource management, and designated incident facilities during emergencies or disasters; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities, and resources will improve the tribe's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance tribal, regional, and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are already an integral part of various incident management activities throughout the Tribe, including current emergency management training programs and public safety activities; and

WHEREAS, the National Commission on Terrorist Attacks (9-11 Commission) recommended the adoption of a standardized Incident Command System; and

WHEREAS, a specific individual needs to be designated as a Local Point of Contact (LPOC) to coordinate NIMS activities and ensure compliance; and

WHEREAS, in the event of a tribal, state, or nationally declared emergency or disaster, the LPOC will serve as the Tribal Coordinating Officer (TCO) between the Tribe and FEMA’s Federal Coordinating Officer (FCO); and

WHEREAS, the Public Safety Department is charged with and has shown effectiveness in safeguarding the health and well-being of our Tribal citizens and employees;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska hereby establishes the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the standard for incident management of the Tribe; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Director of Public Safety, or their designee, under the guidance of the Tlingit & Haida President, is hereby designated as the Tribal Point of Contact (TPOC) for all emergency response and disaster-related activities including but not limited to mitigation, preparedness, planning, response, and recovery.

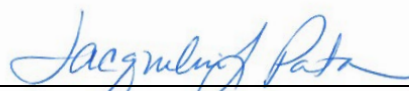
ADOPTED this 23rd day of September 2022, by the Executive Council of the Central Council of Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, by a vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays, 0 abstentions and 1 absence.

CERTIFY



President Richard J. Peterson

ATTEST



Tribal Secretary Jacqueline L. Pata