

# UPDATED: International Days of Solidarity with Wet'suwet'en

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We stand with the Wet'suwet'en Nation as they assert jurisdiction over their lands and protect the inherent rights of their people. We condemn the colonial violence

carried out by the RCMP and the Coastal GasLink (CGL) pipeline company, including a raid on their sovereign lands.

Use this toolkit to organize your event and add Idle No More, Indigenous Environmental Network and Indigenous Climate Action as co-hosts so we can help to amplify.

\* Wet'suwet'en Supporter Toolkit:

<http://unistoten.camp/supportertoolkit2020/?fbclid=IwAR1HjIW4IsEofzS5ZVkYnFeLOl3m-Txgo0xLlhanhtVzjtHcRKbFGOkw8w>

The rights of the environment and natural world are inextricably linked to human and Indigenous rights. Show your support for the development of alternative climate solutions driven and directed by Indigenous worldview, rights frameworks, and knowledge built from millennia of ancestral knowledge and direct relationships with Mother Earth.

The Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chiefs issued an eviction notice to CGL on January 6, 2010 that applied to "Camp 9A" on Dark Horse territory, as well as the neighbouring Gidimt'en, Tsayu, and Laksamshu clan territories.

Since then, CGL has refused to comply with the eviction notice and British Columbia has not upheld its commitment to implement UNDRIP or removed its RCMP from sovereign Wet'suwet'en land.

CGL represents the expansion of the fossil fuel economy and the continued colonization of Indigenous lands and territories. Climate justice demands that these processes stop and that Indigenous sovereignty is respected as it deserves.

Anuc 'nu'at'en (Wet'suwet'en law) remains the highest law on Wet'suwet'en land and must be respected. Indigenous Peoples, Indigenous rights, Indigenous laws and Indigenous ways of knowing and being are a way of sustainably managing territories

in direct relationship with the natural world. These practices have proven success in maintaining lands and territories for millennia demonstrated by the fact that 80% of the world's biodiversity remains in Indigenous lands and territories.

Colonialism caused climate change and Indigenous rights and sovereignty are the solutions to the climate crisis.

Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chiefs demands:

- That the province cease construction of the Coastal Gaslink Pipeline project and suspend permits.
  - That the UNDRIP and our right to free, prior and informed consent (FPIC) are respected by the state and RCMP.
  - That the RCMP and associated security and policing services be withdrawn from Wet'suwet'en lands, in agreement with the most recent letter provided by the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination's (CERD) request.
  - That the provincial and federal government, RCMP and private industry employed by CGL respect our laws and our governance system, and refrain from using any force to access our lands or remove our people.
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Wet'suwet'en call for action:

Unceded and sovereign Wet'suwet'en land is under attack. On December 31, 2019, BC Supreme Court Justice Marguerite Church granted an injunction against members of the Wet'suwet'en nation who have been stewarding and protecting our traditional territories from the destruction of multiple pipelines, including Coastal Gas Link's (CGL) liquified natural gas (LNG) pipeline. Hereditary Chiefs of all five Wet'suwet'en clans have rejected Church's decision, which criminalizes Anuk 'nu'at'en (Wet'suwet'en law), and have issued and enforced an eviction of CGL's workers from the territory. The last CGL contractor was escorted out by

Wet'suwet'en Chiefs on Saturday, January 4, 2020.

We watched communities across Canada and worldwide rise up with us in January 2019 when the RCMP violently raided our territories and criminalized us for upholding our responsibilities towards our land. Our strength to act today comes from the knowledge that our allies across Canada and around the world will again rise up with us, as they did for Oka, Gustafsen Lake, and Elsipogtog, shutting down rail lines, ports, and industrial infrastructure and pressuring elected government officials to abide by UNDRIP. The state needs to stop violently supporting those members of the 1% who are stealing our resources and condemning our children to a world rendered uninhabitable by climate change. Light your sacred fires and come to our aid as the RCMP prepares again to enact colonial violence against Wet'suwet'en people.

We ask that all actions taken in solidarity are conducted peacefully and according to the laws of the Indigenous nation(s) of that land.

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