

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers
(BCALM)



BCALM

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● Introduction to BCALM

BCALM is a not-for-profit organization and one of eight regional associations affiliated with the National Aboriginal Land Managers Association (NALMA). BCALM provides regional specific training and networking opportunities to Land Managers working for First Nations in British Columbia. Both BCALM and NALMA work together to provide communication and partnership across all levels of government (local, regional and national) to ensure sustainable management of First Nations lands.

● Message from BCALM President, Tom Bob (Nanoose First Nation)

We at BCALM are excited to share this exciting opportunity to help assist First Nations in British Columbia with their land management activities. By becoming a member of BCALM, you will receive exclusive training opportunities, gain a network of partnerships and access to both BCALM's and NALMA's resources, toolkits and information. Land management is a complex and dynamic issue; however, BCALM and NALMA have years of expertise in land management and have developed the resources to support you through the process, no matter what land regime you are using.

We thank you for your interest in BCALM and we look forward to working with you to achieve professional best practices in First Nations Lands and Resources management.

In good spirit!

Tom Bob, Nanoose First Nation
President, BCALM

● BCALM Board of Directors



Tom Bob, President
(Nanoose First Nation)



Stephen Jimmie, Vice President
(Lower Nicola Indian Band)



Terry Babin, Secretary
(Tobacco Plains Indian Band)



Deanna Honeyman, Director
(Tzeachten First Nation)



Theresa Morris, Treasurer
(Binche Whut'en)

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● BCALM Mission Statement

We, the British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers (BCALM), seek to manage our First Nation lands and resources through professional best practices that promote sustainable use in the interest of our future generations.

● BCALM Goals and Objectives

The goals and objectives of the BC Land Aboriginal Land Managers (BCALM) are to provide a working and learning environment to facilitate the participation and networking of all First Nations Land Managers on land related issues and to create systems that will assist First Nations in various land management functions.

Please note that BCALM is a non-political and not-for-profit organization.

● What are the benefits?

- Networking Opportunities amongst First Nation Land Managers across Canada, Land Management officials and government.
- Access to Land Management Training
- Access to NALMA's online Land Management Resource library
- Access to NALMA's specialized toolkit training opportunities

For more information on NALMA resources, please visit:
www.nalma.ca

● Who is eligible to join and what are the costs?

First Nations in British Columbia under all regimes wishing to enhance their skills and knowledge and access training, tools and systems for their Lands Managers and staff.

Full Member - a voting member of the association

- An individual working in the field of First Nation Land Management within the province of British Columbia.
(\$300.00 Annual Fee)

Associate Member - a non-voting member of the association

- An individual working in areas relating to First Nation Land Management within the province of British Columbia.
(\$300.00 Annual Fee)
- A corporation working in areas related to First Nations Land Management within the province of British Columbia.
(\$600.00 Annual Fee)

If you are interested in becoming a Corporate Sponsor, please contact the BCALM Office.

Please note that cheques are made payable to the British Columbia Lands Managers Association.

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● Sample Band Council Resolution (BCR) to become a new member

Membership renewals **DO NOT** require a BCR.

SEE SAMPLE BELOW.

WHEREAS, the Council of _____ First Nation recognizes a Society of First Nation Land representatives, AND

WHEREAS, the British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers (BCALM) has been formed to provide a framework of the exchange of information and technical resources in First Nation Land Management.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of _____ First Nation resolves to become a voting member of the British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers (BCALM) and will commit to a minimum of one representative, exercising one vote on behalf of the _____ First Nation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council of _____ First Nation recognizes the annual membership fee of _____ for the year of _____ for participation in British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers (BCALM) activities.

● Where do I submit the membership application or find out more information?

For more information or to submit membership applications, please contact:

British Columbia Land Managers Association

5214 Clcahl Road
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Attn: BCALM Membership
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● BCALM Application Form

Please fill out the required information below:

First Nation/ Organization: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____ E-mail: _____

Primary Contact: _____ Title: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact E-mail: _____

Secondary Contact: _____ Title: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact E-mail: _____

Other: _____ Title: _____

Contact Phone: _____ Contact E-mail: _____

Governance - First Nation Regime: _____

Land Management Regimes:

1. **(RLEMP)** Reserve Land and Environment Management Program - Regional Lands Administration under the Indian Act.
Authority to approve land transactions remains with Indigenous Services Canada (ISC).
2. **(53/60)** Delegated Lands Management Program - (sections 53 and 60 of the Indian Act).
First Nations are delegated the authority to approve transactions on behalf of the Minister.
3. **(Self-Government)** Self-government Agreements.
Negotiated with individual First Nations.
4. **(FNLMA)** First Nation Land Management Act - The First Nation & Canada sign a Framework Agreement. Canada must ratify the Framework Agreement with the First Nation.
The First Nation develops its own Land Code and then must enter an Individual Transfer Agreement with Canada and it must be put before membership for a ratification vote.

Levels of responsibility with RLEMP:

- Training and Development Level
- Operational Level
- Delegated Authority Level

5. **(Treaty)** Land management under Treaty.

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Please fill out the required information below:

Please describe your Organization's Mission Statement :

Please briefly describe the scope of your Organization's activities; including areas specific of interest:

BCALM MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION SIGNATURE

I hereby make application to become a member of the British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers (BCALM) and certify that all information contained herein is true and accurate. Further, I support the goals and objectives of BCALM.

Signature Of Applicant

Date

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Date Received: _____

Approved by the Board : YES NO

Resolution #: _____

Date: _____