

# FIRST NATION OF NACHO NYAK DUN

## NASH CREEK HOT SPRINGS – PRIVATE PROPERTY

### NNDFN SETTLEMENT LAND R-11A

To whom it may concern,

The First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun has extensive management powers over its lands under the Final Agreement and the *Nacho Nyak Dun Self-Government Agreement*, including, but not limited to, the ability to regulate, manage, and issue authorizations respecting lands, resources, and heritage resources. FNNND's jurisdiction over its lands, and its role as a decision maker with respect to those lands, also finds its source in the constitutional law of Canada with respect to Aboriginal rights and title, and in the principles of free, prior, informed consent enshrined in the *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples*, which has now been adopted in Canada.

The Nash Creek Hot Springs have provided healing waters to the FNNND for time immemorial and the site remains of extreme cultural importance. Use of the Nash Creek Hot Springs site on FNNND settlement land parcel R-11A without express permission from the First Nation is unauthorized use of private lands.

There is a process for NND Citizens seeking permission to use the site which requires advanced application, with terms and condition of use of the site *if* permission is granted. At this time we are not permitting anyone else access to the site.

Absolutely no alcohol or drug use is permitted at the site and the utmost respect for the land must be upheld.

Any unauthorized use and access of the site is in contravention of FNNND policy and its jurisdiction over its lands. Enforcement will be increasing.

Please contact:

First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun's Lands Department at 867-996-2265 ext. 144 or email [lands.director@nndfn.com](mailto:lands.director@nndfn.com)

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