

## ORDER OF THE PRESIDENT

Re: State of Emergency on Yuulu?il?ath Lands

Enacted under the Emergency Preparedness Act section 2.4(a)

YFNO 46/2021

## BACKGROUND:

- A. Yuulu?il?ath First Nation is faced with the ongoing spread of the infectious agent SARS-CoV-2, which has caused cases, clusters and outbreaks of a serious communicable disease known as COVID-19 within British Columbia:
- B. The presence of virus variants of concern, in particular the Delta variant, has heightened the risk to Yuulu?il?ath First Nation members generally and particularly to elders and members with underlying medical concerns; and
- C. As a result of this heightened risk and recent confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the community, the President wishes to declare a state of local emergency on all Yuułu?ił?atḥ lands to protect Yuułu?ił?atḥ citizens and all British Columbians from contracting COVID-19, maintain essential goods and services for Yuułu?ił?atḥ citizens and support the Yuułu?ił?atḥ government's ongoing response to COVID-19.

## NOW THEREFORE THE PRESIDENT ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

- 1) Effective as of the date of this Order and pursuant to section 2.4(a) of the Emergency Preparedness Act, the President declares that a state of local emergency exists on all Yuulu?il?ath lands;
- 2) The Executive's authority under section 3.4 of the Emergency Preparedness Act to implement response measures, including any approved emergency plan, is hereby enabled;
- 3) The director of operations and the director of lands and resources are hereby ordered to perform their duties and exercise their powers under sections 2.5 and 2.6 of the Emergency Preparedness Act, respectively;
- 4) Without limiting the directives issued in this Order, the Executive may at any time during the local state of emergency enable additional response measures in accordance with the Emergency Preparedness Act;
- 5) Failure to comply with this Order or any Order enacted during this state of local emergency is an offence under section 4.2 of the Emergency Preparedness Act and any person committing an offence is liable, on summary conviction, to a fine not exceeding \$10,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months; and
- This Order expires on October 14, 2021 and is subject to revision, cancellation or extension by the President in accordance with section 2.4(a) of the Emergency Preparedness Act.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding during this difficult time.

This Order enacted on October 7, 2021

Signed

Charles McCarthy, President of the

Yuułu?ił?ath Government

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