



# Snuneymuxw

First Nation

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January 5, 2021

Dear Snuneymuxw,

I am writing to update you that our Nation has confirmed three (3) more test positive cases for covid-19 in our community, for a total of nineteen (19) active cases. The affected persons are in isolation and Island Health is conducting contact tracing. Island Health nurses are also conducting daily check-ins with the affected families and our Snuneymuxw Health Team are providing support to the families as well.

Transmission is still happening in our community. Continue to stay home, significantly reduce your interactions with people outside of your household, and decrease movement within the community.

Our most important goal right now is to contain the spread of the virus and do our absolute best to prevent further transmission. None of us are perfect and we can only do the best that we can, everyday.

The pop-up Snuneymuxw Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic will be set up at the Snuneymuxw Gym on January 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 9:00AM – 4:00PM. The Moderna vaccine will be available to the Snuneymuxw community for these two days. More information about the Moderna vaccine is found in this newsletter.

We are prioritizing Snuneymuxw Elders in the cluster and who live on-reserve to have the opportunity to receive the vaccine first, and we have designated 9am-12pm tomorrow morning for Snuneymuxw Elders to be immunized. Snuneymuxw frontline workers are the next priority, and then it is first come first serve.

I fully understand that it is a personal choice to receive the covid-19 vaccine. If you choose not to get the vaccine, that is ok. But those who would like to get the Moderna vaccine, you are encouraged to attend the Snuneymuxw Covid-19 Vaccination Clinic.

On behalf of Council, I want to thank membership for your patience. A lot of hard work is going on behind the scenes and I want to also thank Snuneymuxw Councillors, the health team and administrative staff, who have come together in a good way to make it possible for a vaccine to be made available in our community.

We can't put our guard down and we must continue to do everything we can to flatten the curve. Continue to follow the stay at home order and community procedures.

Updates will be published daily and the next one will be tomorrow. Please be safe, reach out to our Nation at any time, and be kind to one another.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike Wyse', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Chief Mike Wyse