

# WET'SUWET'EN NATION CENTRAL GOVERNMENT PROPOSAL



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PROPOSED BY

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# WHAT WOULD A CENTRAL GOVERNMENT DO?

Borrowing from the Tahltan Central Government: The Band Councils would continue to govern Wet'suwet'en interest in respect of the Indian Act but the Wet'suwet'en Nation Central Government would be as recognized as the representative government of the Wet'suwet'en Nation in respect of inherent Aboriginal title and rights. This means the WNCG is responsible for the ecosystem and natural resources of Wet'suwet'en Territory, for managing sustainable economic development, and for strengthening the cultural wellness of the Wet'suwet'en Nation.

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# HOW WOULD IT WORK?



Every member of Wet'suwet'en Nation would have a vote for the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, regardless of where they live.

The Five Clans would put forward a name to represent the hereditary chiefs. These names will be decided using existing Feast Hall protocol.

Elected government representatives would serve 4 year terms.

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