



Doig River First Nation Liaison Program

The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) has established the First Nations Liaison Program as a means to support greater First Nations community awareness of oil and gas planning, development, safety, environmental and emergency management, restoration activities, and compliance management. The Liaison Program provides a knowledgeable, trained and properly equipped resource for First Nations communities that can assist the Commission in monitoring and inspection tasks as appropriate.

A pilot program was successfully initiated in May 2014, in partnership with the Doig River First Nation (DRFN) in northeast British Columbia. The agreement has worked to the mutual benefit of both the Commission and DRFN in incidents, complaints, and general field and office interactions. The DRFN Liaison has also aided in establishing firm points of contact with the community and has strengthened positive working relationships between the Commission, its staff and the community.

Please be advised that the DRFN Liaisons are actively working in their traditional territory. This role may include field activities related to disturbance monitoring and reclamation, compliance and enforcement, and emergency response. They can be identified by the Commission's and DRFN's Liaison Program decals on the sides of their trucks.

The Commission is considering opportunities to expand the Liaison Program, including broadening the program to provide for other natural-resource sector agencies and industry proponents to participate.

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