



*Remembering where we came from...*

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Dear Mr. Chairman, Michael Marchand,

I want to thank you and the Natural Resources Committee for taking the time to receive our elders and LSIB leaders today, and to hear our capt1kwl. It is very important to us that you understand why the Similkameen River and Coyote Falls are so important to the smelqmix people.

As we move forward in understanding the project in more detail may I request that the committee and full Council adopt a resolution in support of our LSIB BRC #10, which favors Enloe Dam removal and restoration of the pre-dam river?

We will also keep CBC and CBC NR of the coming ceremony at Coyote Falls. We thank you for your time and attention to this matter. I can be reached via email: [chief@lsib.net](mailto:chief@lsib.net) and/or via telephone: (250) 499-5528 Ext. 103.

Sincerely,

**LOWER SIMILKAMEEN INDIAN BAND**

Kal?lupaqn Chief Keith Crow

Attach. LSIB BCR # 10 – 2014

Cc: Joseph Somday  
Carrie Nichols  
Billy Gun  
Cody Desautel  
Randy Freedlander



### BAND COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Chronological no. <b>2013/2014 - 10</b>
File reference no.

NOTE: The words "from our Band Funds" "capital" or "revenue", whichever is the case, must appear in all resolutions requesting expenditures from Band Funds.

The Council of the

### LOWER SIMILKAMEEN INDIAN BAND

Date of duly convened meeting	D-J <b>07</b>	M <b>06</b>	Y-A <b>2013</b>	Province <b>BRITISH COLUMBIA</b>	Cash free balance
					Capital account \$ _____
					Revenue account \$ _____

**THE CHIEF AND COUNCIL OF THE LOWER SIMILKAMEEN INDIAN BAND DO HEREBY RESOLVE THAT:**

**Whereas:** the Similkameen River is the heart of the historic territory of the Lower Similkameen Indian Band; and

**Whereas:** that historic territory precedes modern nations and is on both sides of the US/Canada border; and

**Whereas:** places along the lower stretch of the Similkameen River are of the highest cultural value to the LSIB for identity, spiritual and subsistence purposes; and

**Whereas:** Similkameen Falls is one of the most important places to the LSIB; and

**Whereas:** substantial and natural flow of water over Similkameen Falls is of vital interest to the LSIB; and


**Whereas:** Similkameen Falls is associated with one of the LSIB's most powerful cultural legends; and


**Whereas:** that legend, involving Coyote (Sinclip) creating the Falls to block passage of salmon, means that our people were not meant to have salmon in the river above the Falls;

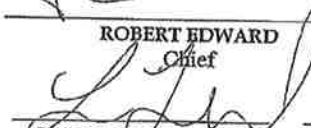
**Therefore be it resolved:** that the Chief and Council of the Lower Similkameen Indian Band:


- Oppose the current proposal by the Okanogan Public Utility District to modify the dam and river flows for purposes of electrical production;
- Oppose any means to artificially convey salmon beyond Similkameen Falls; but strongly supports and seeks removal of Enloe Dam, remediation of contaminated sediment behind the dam, and restoration of the Similkameen River to its historic and natural condition.
- Require that any changes or proposals must be reviewed in thoroughly notification and consult with LSIB Chief and Council.

Quorum THREE (3)

  
**ROBERT EDWARD**  
 Chief

  
**TERRY TERBASKET**  
 Councilor

  
**LAUREN TERBASKET**  
 Councilor

  
**LYLE TERBASKET**  
 Councilor

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Recommending officer			Recommending officer		
Signature _____ Date _____			Signature _____ Date _____		
Approving officer			Approving officer		
Signature _____ Date _____			Signature _____ Date _____		