## Musgamagw Dzawad<u>a</u>'enu<u>x</u>w Fisheries Group



## **Looking for one Board Member!**

We have a position for a new board member for our organization.

## If you are interested, please email midorin@telus.net

Obligations of being on the board is quarterly board meetings, usually held in Campbell River, with follow up duties occasionally via email. We do cover travel costs to the meeting and a small honorarium when you have to travel to a meeting. Due to the current situation, most meetings will be via video conferencing.

## **Organization Information**

The Mandate is to create sustainable employment for member communities by acquiring fisheries assets to invest in the local commercial fishery – increasing its direct role in the seafood sector by diversifying its species portfolio and providing vessel operators and crew with the necessary training to succeed in today's modern fishery.

The MDFG (Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw Fisheries Group) was developed as a Commercial Fishing Enterprise (CFE) of the four tribes as part of new DFO funded fisheries work that includes first nations acquiring and managing commercial fishing licenses. For several years now, the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw have been managing several licenses (Salmon Gillnet, Prawn, Herring, Rockfish and Halibut & Sablefish quota).

There are 25 First Nation CFE's in BC. These are designed as First Nation owned and managed fishing enterprises. The MDFG is the smallest CFE, but will learn and work with the other First Nation CFE's to build the economic base and training and knowledge gains to the communities through these partnerships. The commercial fishing industry in BC has drastically changed, but there is still opportunity to reclaim a space in this important activity on the coast. We hope fishermen/women of the Musgamagw Dzawada'enuxw can look at this as a real opportunity to start a career in this area, through taking part in the training offered

Deadline to apply is July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020.