

Information Bulletin

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QUESNEL, B.C., May 23, 2023 – West Fraser is pleased to announce that it is donating \$100,000 to the Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games to support the general cost of hosting the sporting event.

The 2024 BC Winter Games are expected to draw as many as 1,250 of the province’s top young athletes, supported by 600 coaches and officials. The participants will come from communities across the province to compete in 16 sports in venues around our community and the surrounding area.

“West Fraser is thrilled to support the Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games, which will bring young people together from across the province through sport and friendship, and in the spirit of reconciliation,” said Keith Carter, Senior Vice-President, Western Canada. “The Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games will be a wonderful cultural and community event that will have lasting benefits long after the Games conclude. We see our investment as a meaningful way to give back to the local community.”

The 2024 BC Winter Games are being co-hosted by the City of Quesnel and the Lhtako Dene Nation, marking the first time in the history of the BC Games that a city and First Nations community have been featured together in the official name of the Games. This partnership between the Games and Lhtako Dene Nation is in recognition of Lhtako Dene’s traditional territory, ways of life, and cultural presence in the region.

“We are thankful for West Fraser’s donation towards general hosting costs, supporting the athletes, coaches, officials, and volunteers who participate. In particular, a portion of the funds will be directed to recognition of the many dedicated volunteers who will take on leadership roles for the Games,” said Brian Balkwill, President, Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games.

About West Fraser

West Fraser is a diversified wood products company with more than 60 facilities in Canada, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Europe. From responsibly sourced and sustainably managed forest resources, the Company produces lumber, engineered wood products (OSB, LVL, MDF, plywood, and particleboard), pulp, newsprint, wood chips, other residuals, and renewable energy. West Fraser’s products are used in home construction, repair and remodelling, industrial applications, papers, tissue, and box materials.

About the Lhtako Quesnel 2024 BC Winter Games

The BC Games Society provides a competitive multisport environment that supports the development of the athletes, coaches and officials as they move on to higher levels of competition. The BC Winter Games is held every two years. The BC Games contribute to the development of the sport and communities through infrastructure updates and improvements,

volunteer engagement and skill enhancement, and large event hosting experience. The Lhtako Quesnel Winter Games is scheduled to take place on **February 22-25, 2024** and is expected to involve up to 2000 volunteers.

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