

**TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION**

**2005/06 No. 053  
Fisheries**

**OKANAGAN RIVER CHINOOK - POTENTIAL SARA LISTING**

*June 30, 2005*

**WHEREAS:** Okanagan salmon fisheries were once a significant component of the culture and diet of Okanagan people

**WHEREAS:** The Okanagan Chinook salmon population is estimated at less than 50 adults each year

**WHEREAS:** The Okanagan Nation is concerned about the threat of extinction of Okanagan Chinook salmon population

**WHEREAS:** The Okanagan Nation has submitted an Okanagan Chinook Stock Status Report for the salmon to be considered for endangered species listing, protection and recovery under the Canadian Government's Species at Risk Act (SARA)

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The Chiefs Executive Council of the Okanagan Nation Alliance direct the ONA Fisheries Department to pursue funding opportunities to increase our knowledge and understanding of the existing chinook population.

**THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT:** The Chiefs Executive Council of the Okanagan Nation Alliance direct the ONA Fisheries Department to pursue funding to investigate legal options associated with the potential SARA listing of Okanagan Chinook

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Chief Fabian Alexis  
Okanagan Indian Band

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Chief Barbara Allison  
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Chief Clarence Louie  
Osoyoos Indian Band

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Chief Robert Louie  
Westbank First Nation

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Chief Richard Holmes  
Upper Similkameen Indian Band

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Chief Stewart Phillip  
Penticton Indian Band

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Chief Fred Holmes  
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