Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government

Order-In-Council

Chronological no.: 3098	**Subject:** 2026-27 Lobster Conservation Harvesting Plans 21B & 21B West	**Originated by:**
The Council of the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government		**District** Gespe'gewa'gi
Date of duly convened meeting D 28 M 09 Y 26		**Province** Gepeg

WHEREAS the Listuguj Mi'gmaq First Nation is a Mi'gmaq community Indigenous to Gespe'gewa'gi with a sacred, inherent responsibility for the stewardship of the land, waters, and living things of Gespe'gewa'gi;

WHEREAS the Mi'gmaq of Gespe'gewa'gi, including the Listuguj Mi'gmaq First Nation, have inherent, aboriginal, and treaty rights with respect to fisheries;

WHEREAS in R. v. Marshall the Supreme Court of Canada affirmed that the Peace and Friendship Treaties of 1760-61 and the Canadian constitution guarantee the Listuguj Mi'gmaq First Nation's right as a Mi'gmaq community to fish commercially in pursuit of a moderate livelihood;

WHEREAS in order to govern the conduct of our lobster fishery, on June 17, 2019, the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government Chief and Council adopted the Listuguj Lobster Law, which requires the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government to adopt annual lobster conservation harvesting plans for each fishing year;

WHEREAS on April 16, 2026, Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government and Canada renewed the Rights Reconciliation Agreement on Fisheries; and

WHEREAS the LMG is committed to continued collaborations with Canada's Department of Fisheries and Oceans to ensure that our lobster fishery is conducted in manner that is safe, responsible, and respectful of our Treaty rights;

NOW THEREFORE THE LISTUGUJ MI'GMAQ GOVERNMENT MAKES THE FOLLOWING ORDER-IN-COUNCIL:

1. Pursuant to the Listuguj Lobster Law, the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government Chief and Council adopts:
   a. The Conservation Harvesting Plan for Lobster Fishing Area 21B for the 2026-2027 Season, hereby attached; and
   b. a. The Conservation Harvesting Plan for Lobster Fishing Area 21B-West for the 2026 Fall Season, hereby attached.

Moved: Gordon Isaac Jr.
Seconded: George Martin
Abstain: -
Opposed: -
Absent: Erwin Peter Molley, Sheila Swasson
Status: ☑ Passed ☐ Defeated ☐ Tabled

Quorum 7

Chief Scott Martin
Councillor Annette Barnaby
Councillor Sheila Swasson
Councillor Sky Metallic
Councillor Erwin Peter Molley
Councillor Dr. Cathy Martin
Councillor Christie Caplin
Councillor Wendell Metallic
Councillor Macy Metallic
Councillor George Martin
Councillor Gordon Isaac Jr.
Councillor Tanner Isaac
Councillor Chris Wysote

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2. The Natural Resources Directorate, on behalf of the Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government, will administer and manage the aforementioned Conservation Harvesting Plans, including the designation of fishers, registration of vessels, allocation of tags and fishing effort, dockside monitoring, coordination of food distribution, monitoring of commercial sales, collection of administration fees, and on-going engagement with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans as necessary; and

3. The Public Security Directorate, via the Ranger Department, will enforce the aforementioned Conservation Harvesting Plans, as described under Schedule C of the Listuguj Lobster Law and as described within any valid Enforcement Protocol.