



Resolution CO2026-29

Re: Porcupine River Chinook Fishery

WHEREAS:

- A. The Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation ("VGFN") has the right to self-determination, including:
 - a. the inherent right to self-government;
 - b. the right to be secure in our enjoyment of our means of subsistence and development;
 - c. the right to maintain and strengthen our distinct physical, spiritual, cultural and economic relationship to the Traditional Territory, and to uphold our responsibilities to future generations in this regard;
 - d. the right to the conservation and protection of the environment and the productive capacity of the Traditional Territory; and,
 - e. the right to the recognition, observance and enforcement of VGFN's inherent and treaty rights and responsibilities recognized and protected under the Final Agreement and Self-Government Agreement.
- B. VGFN's inherent and treaty rights and responsibilities include:
 - a. An inherent self-government authority recognized under Article 13 of the Self-Government Agreement in relation to the protection of fish, including Porcupine River Chinook salmon; and,
 - b. Treaty rights to harvest salmon and co-manage the salmon fishery in the Porcupine River watershed basin recognized under Chapter 16 of the Final Agreement including an exclusive needs-based allocation for Porcupine River Chinook salmon with priority over all other fisheries.
- C. Council established fishing restrictions in VGFN Traditional Territory through Council Resolution CO2026-19.
- D. Council now wishes to amend Council Resolution 2026-19 to match the duration of the Chinook Run on the Porcupine River until August 17, 2026.

THEREFORE, the Council of the Vuntut Gwitchin First Nation resolves that:

- 1. The measures established in CO-2026-19 shall remain in effect until August 17, 2026, at 11:59 PM.



THIS RESOLUTION being duly approved by a quorum of the Council at a meeting convened on *August 5, 2026*, in Old Crow, Yukon.

Chief Pauline Frost

Deputy Chief Gladys Netro

Councillor Cindy Dickson