



OLD MASSETT VILLAGE COUNCIL

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RE: Checkpoints

Chief and Council passed a unanimous motion on April 3rd to erect check points at Tlaga Gaw Tlaas, Hiellen, and Gaw Tlagee. First Nations Communities have been given the opportunity to keep emergency orders in place until it is felt that the pandemic is no longer a threat to citizens, at the discretion of Council.

Checkpoints will be set-up at **Tlagaa Gaw Tlaas**/New Town, **Hiellen** Village, and **Gaw Tlagee**/Old Massett.

These 3 check points will be placed alongside the road and will have 3 people present at all times. The check points have 2 purposes:

- 1) To keep non-residents informed of emergency order and let them know that Haida Gwaii is asking that they depart the islands as soon as possible until non-essential travel is permitted on the islands. Individuals need to be asked questions which will be provided on a separate paper, all gatekeepers will be provided with the list.
*We need to ensure that we are assertive and respectful in this situation and ensure that visitors have a plan for accessing essential services in a way that doesn't put themselves and others at risk.
- 2) To inform local residents of the current state of emergency and what that means for how we need to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19.

OMVC thanks everyone for making the collective effort to do your part in staying home when possible, finding people to shop for you if you are isolating, social distancing, and checking in on loved ones through safe measures.

If you would like to volunteer to be a gatekeeper, please call or email our Emergency Operations Center. The contact information is at the bottom of this page

**As we are unable to deliver door-door please share this notice with loved ones that do not have access to it electronically.*

Haw'aa from the OMVC EOC Team

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