



**RESOLUTION 121918D  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
FORTERRA NW**

**Tulalip Tribes Acknowledgments and Actions**

WHEREAS, Forterra NW (“Forterra”) is an organization dedicated to making our region healthy, vibrant, and sustainable for generations to come; and

WHEREAS, supporting tribal sovereignty and the Tulalip Tribes’ interests in the landscape are critical aspects of Forterra’s long-term success; and

WHEREAS, Forterra acknowledges the *Principles for Supporting Treaty Rights and Tribal Lifeways* provided to Forterra by Tulalip Tribes is a compelling summary explaining the importance of Tulalips Tribes’ reserved and inherent rights and an instructive guide for how nonprofits and other organizations can support them; and

WHEREAS, Forterra acknowledges for thousands of years Coast Salish peoples have lived here and maintain a strong spiritual relationship to these lands and watersheds of their ancestors; and

WHEREAS, Forterra acknowledges treaty tribes have inherent and reserved rights; and

WHEREAS, Forterra acknowledges that federal and state resource agencies have a responsibility to consult with tribes whenever a project affects treaty rights or tribal interests; and

WHEREAS, Forterra acknowledges that landscapes, populations, and use patterns are changing and, in order to mitigate the effects of these changes, there is a need for creative solutions and flexibility necessary for tribes to maintain their lifeways; and

WHEREAS, Forterra’s actions affect treaty lands and rights.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**

In acknowledgment of the above recitals and as a means for applying these acknowledgments to Forterra’s work, the Board of Directors authorizes and directs Forterra to:

1. Engage Tulalip Tribes early in projects or acquisitions that may affect tribal interests.
2. Seek Tulalip Tribes’ counsel on potential impacts to cultural uses and areas protected by treaty and federal law.
3. Promote public and institutional awareness and understanding about tribal treaty rights and interests.

4. Facilitate tribal access to lands owned by Forterra, acknowledging there may be property-specific restrictions limiting or prohibiting certain activities on certain properties.
5. Seek opportunities to facilitate tribal ownership.
6. Support policies that protect and restore critical habitat necessary for sustainable populations of fish, wildlife, and plant resources.
7. Support tribal efforts to revitalize Tulalip Tribes' vision of the landscape, including telling its story of these lands.

Adopted this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2018.

  
Terry Mutter, Chair

  
Ruth True, Secretary