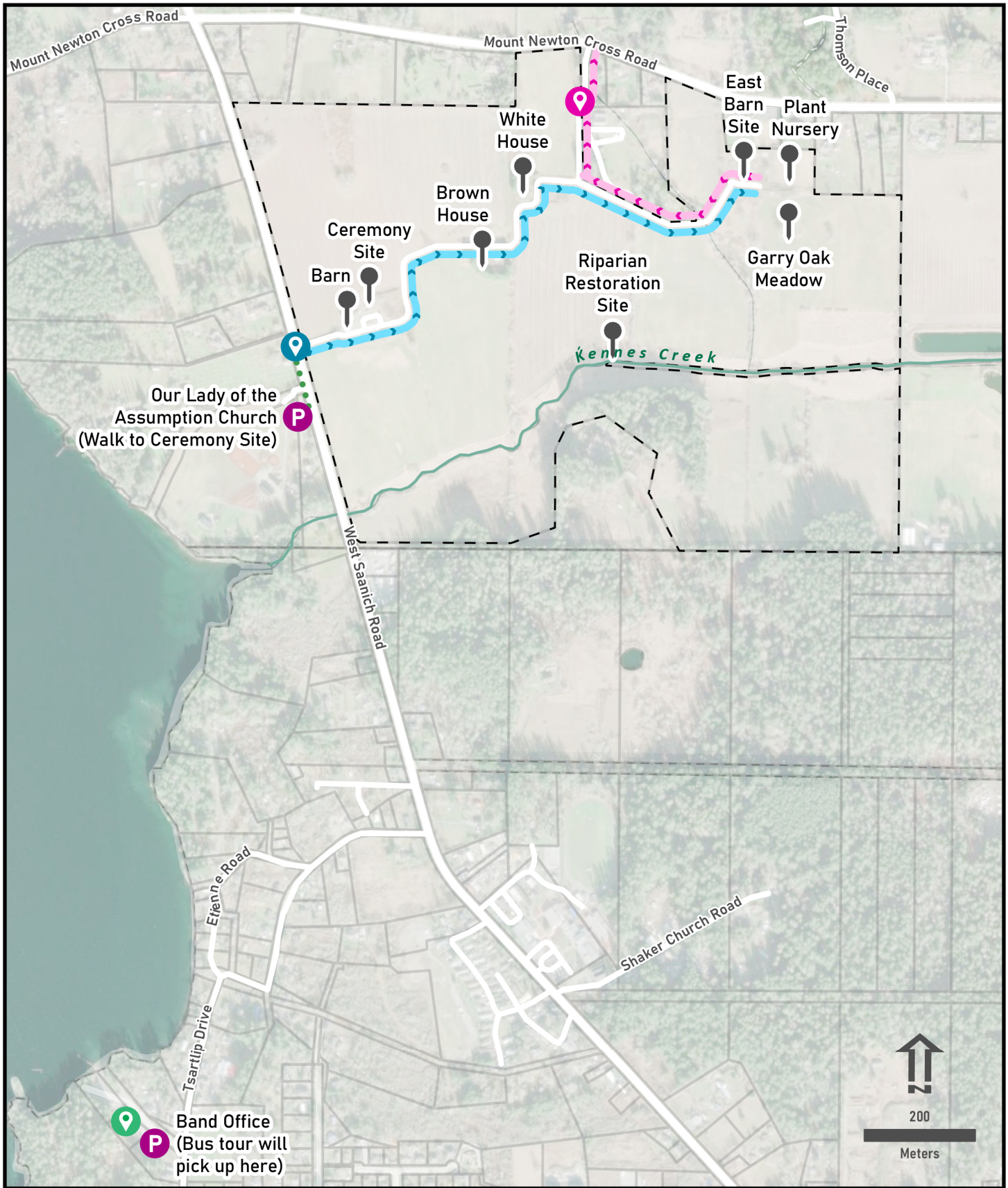


We are excited for you to join us on welcoming and celebrating the return of MÁWUEĆ to Tsartlip First Nation on May 15th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm. Seating and tents will be provided alongside light refreshments.

We encourage you to also join us on May 29th in the Tribal School Gymnasium from 5:00pm to 7:00pm for a community dinner, presentation, and visioning session. You'll be able to learn more about MÁWUEĆ and participate in discussions about the future uses of MÁWUEĆ.

DETAILED AGENDA FOR MAY 15TH

- **Please park at the Administration Building (Band Office) by 3:45pm.** We will pick you up and transport you to MAWUEC from the parking lot to the event. You will also be provided a ride back to your vehicles.
 - *Alternatively, you can also park at Our Lady of the Assumption Church (7742 W Saanich Rd). and walk across the street to the big barn across the road.*
- **3:45pm to 4:15pm** | Bus Transportation from Band Office to MAWUEC
- **4:15pm to 4:25pm** | Welcoming remarks by Chief Don Tom and John Elliot
- **4:25pm to 4:45pm** | Drumming group
- **4:45pm to 5:00pm** | Community survey and refreshments
- **5:00pm to 5:30pm** | Bus site tour and return to parking lots



ATR Land

POI

Parking Locations

Tsartlip Band Office (Tour Start/ End)

Site Access

Site Exit

Bus Tour Route (In)

Bus Tour Route (Out)

Walking Path

TIMELINE

July 2018

- BC Housing purchased MÁWUEĆ without consulting Tsartlip First Nation

2018-2020

- Tsartlip First Nation notifies Province of BC about historic use and claim to MÁWUEĆ.

March 2020

- Tsartlip signs settlement agreement with the Province of BC to acquire and remediate the land, and to engage in community planning for the land.

April to December 2020

- Tsartlip pursues due diligence of the lands (environmental, regulatory, legal).

December 2020

- A Tsartlip First Nation-owned corporation acquires MÁWUEĆ.

2021

- Environmental remediation begins.

May 2021

- Tsartlip submits Addition-to-Reserve (ATR) proposal to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC).

September 2021

- ISC formally accepts ATR proposal.

Ongoing

- ISC and Tsartlip are completing the addition-to-reserve (ATR) process.
- Tsartlip First Nation is completing community engagements to understand the future vision of MÁWUEĆ.
- Restoration and environmental monitoring initiatives are underway.

INFORMATION ABOUT MÁWUEĆ

Tsartlip First Nation brought MÁWUEĆ (also known as Woodwynn Farm) back under the Nation's stewardship in December 2020. MÁWUEĆ is located at 7779 West Saanich Road, just north of South Saanich IR 1 (see Map on last page).

Significance of MÁWUEĆ

These lands were originally part of the WJOLEŁP village site and were used by our ancestors for many purposes including hunting, fishing, gathering medicines, harvesting cedar, farming and ceremony. MÁWUEĆ also includes KÉNNES Creek where our ancestors would fish. The creek is called KÉNNES, meaning "whale" because a whale was once beached at the mouth of the creek.

General Facts About MÁWUEĆ Lands

→ **Size and Location:** 78 hectares (192 acres), next to the north boundary of Tsartlip reserve South Saanich 1.

→ **Zoning:** MÁWUEĆ is held as fee simple which means the lands are subject to Central Saanich's Zoning Regulations. MÁWUEĆ is also part of the Agricultural Land Reserve (ALR). Until the lands are added-to-reserve Tsartlip First Nation is limited in the types of uses that can take place on MÁWUEĆ.

→ **Remediation and Restoration:** Tsartlip First Nation has undergone remediation efforts on certain areas with contamination. The Stewardship Department has also been leading riparian restoration efforts for KÉNNES Creek.

→ **Current amenities and uses:** MÁWUEĆ is mostly agricultural land with some residential buildings and farming facilities.

Addition-to-Reserve Decision and Process

Council decided to proceed with adding MÁWUEĆ to Tsartlip's reserve lands. Adding MÁWUEĆ to reserve is important to ensure the Nation can make self-determined decisions on how the land is used. We achieve this by removing the Provinces and Central Saanich's ability to decide what uses can and cannot take place on MÁWUEĆ through their regulations and laws.

In accordance with Council's decision, Tsartlip submitted a Reserve Creation Proposal to Indigenous Services Canada (ISC) in May 2021. ISC accepted the proposal in late 2021. Tsartlip and ISC have started working together on the various steps required to add the lands to reserve.

Land Use Planning and Community Input

Once MÁWUEĆ becomes Tsartlip reserve land, the doors will open for Tsartlip's use and management of the lands. The land could be used for many purposes that will benefit Tsartlip community members including:

- Food security
- Cultural and traditional uses (such as medicine gardens)
- Housing
- Economic development
- Institutional uses
- Recreational uses

No commitments about land use have been made. A community dinner and visioning workshop is being hosted on May 29th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm at the Tribal School Gymnasium. Please join us and share your thoughts on how this land can serve the community.

Next steps:

The next steps regarding MÁWUEĆ include:

- Continue ecological restoration initiatives,
- Continue monitoring contamination on site,
- Consult the community on their vision of the future of MÁWUEĆ,
- Finalize the addition-to-reserve process, and
- Advance the community's vision for MÁWUEĆ