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## CHEAM FIRST NATION ACQUIRES BRIDAL FALLS GOLF COURSE IN STRATEGIC EXPANSION

Rosedale B.C., February 26, 2024 - Cheam First Nation proudly announces the acquisition of Bridal Falls Golf Course, marking a significant milestone in the expansion of Cheam's land base. This strategic move reflects Cheam's commitment to fostering economic growth while preserving and promoting Indigenous cultural heritage.

Under the visionary leadership of the new Chief and Council, Cheam is dedicated to building businesses that align with their core values of environmental stewardship and cultural preservation. The acquisition of Bridal Falls Golf Course is a crucial step towards realizing Cheam's vision for Indigenous cultural ecotourism initiatives.

These newly acquired lands will play a pivotal role in creating awareness of Cheam and Sto: lo history and culture. Cheam wants to showcase the natural beauty of the region while sharing the rich tapestry of Indigenous traditions.

Chief Darwin Douglas expressed enthusiasm about this endeavor, stating, "Our focus is not only on economic prosperity but also on safeguarding our land and heritage. This acquisition allows us to create intergenerational wealth for Cheam people and future generations, ensuring a sustainable and culturally vibrant legacy."

Cheam First Nation invites the community and stakeholders to join them on this transformative journey toward economic empowerment, environmental sustainability, and cultural preservation.

About Cheam First Nation - As part of the Pelólxw people, Xwchíyò:m (Cheam First Nation) is a major community within the broader S'olh Nation. The Xwchíyò:m have lived in S'olh Téméxw for thousands of years. They have never ceded or surrendered title to their lands, rights to their resources, or authority to make decisions within their territory.

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