

Cheam's Land Use Plan: A Vision for the Future

The Cheam First Nation Land Use Plan (LUP) is a forward-looking document that provides guidance on how land is allocated and managed. It reflects the community's vision for growth and sustainability while balancing economic development with cultural values, environmental stewardship, and long-term prosperity.

A strong Land Use Plan is essential for Cheam's governance and self-reliance. It ensures that land is used in a way that respects traditions, fosters sustainable growth, and preserves the environment for future generations. By implementing a clear and strategic LUP, Cheam can shape its own future while keeping its lands vibrant, productive, and aligned with community priorities.

Developed through previous community consultations, alignment with the Strategic Plan, and input from the Lands Committee, the Cheam Land Use Plan establishes clear guidelines for development. It defines where and how growth can occur through the following designations:

- Low Density Residential
- Mixed Density Residential
- Mixed Use
- Community Facilities
- Commercial
- Light Industrial
- Agricultural
- Environmental Conservation Area
- Parks
- Cemetery
- Landfill
- Comprehensive Development Area



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LOW DENSITY & MIXED DENSITY RESIDENTIAL



Offer a range of housing options to accommodate all stages of life, from young families and youth to seniors, ensuring inclusive and flexible living arrangements

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MIXED USE



Enable a diverse range of building types, uses, and purposes to foster a vibrant, thriving community that supports the varied needs of residents, businesses, and organizations



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COMMUNITY FACILITIES



Expand community facilities to better serve the needs of all generations, fostering inclusivity, accessibility, and a stronger sense of connection

VISION COMMERCIAL



Develop vibrant commercial spaces that enable a balanced lifestyle, allowing community members to live, work, and engage in recreation within a connected and thriving environment



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LIGHT INDUSTRIAL



Foster economic growth and generate meaningful employment opportunities for community members by supporting local businesses, entrepreneurship, and skill development initiatives



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AGRICULTURAL



Promote food
sovereignty and
empower self-reliance
by supporting
sustainable food
systems, traditional
harvesting practices,
and community-led
food initiatives

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PARKS & ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION



Emphasize the preservation of culturally significant natural landscapes, including the stinging nettle fields and clusters of willow trees



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CULTURAL PRESERVATION



Create spaces that support the continuation of cultural traditions, such as areas for canning, smoking, and drying



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TRANSITIONAL SPACES



Design buffers and transition zones to smoothly blend different land use types, fostering a more cohesive and harmonious environment

