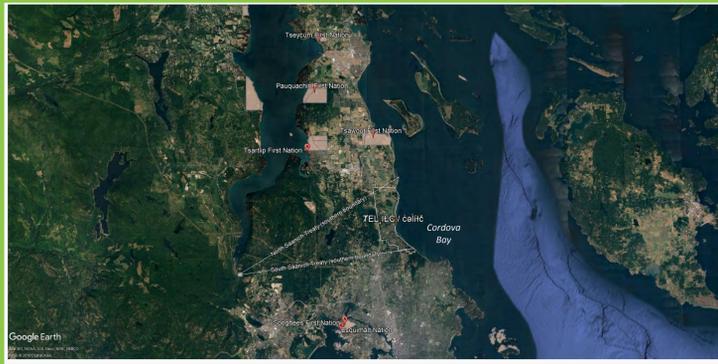


INDIGENOUS HISTORY IN CORDOVA BAY

ANCIENT VILLAGE - ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč

S'YEWE HISTORY POLE

LANGUAGE



Location of Cordova Bay community and the ancient village of ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč



In SENĆOŦEN:
ʔ is like -tth'
, is a glottal stop ('uh-oh')
L is a lateral fricative -lh
Ć is -ch

Say it like: Tthul-i-lh-ch

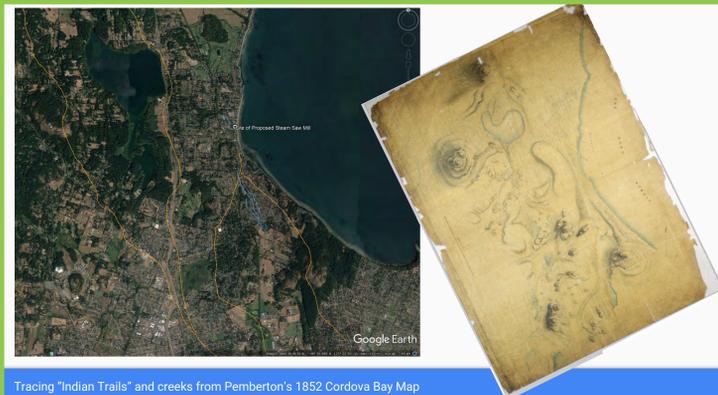
In Lekwungen:
č is like -ts'
f is a glottalized -l (l')
í shows stress on vowel
ɦ is a lateral fricative -lh
č is -ch

Say it like: tsul-i-lh-ch

Original Cordova Bay Village Name	Language / source
ʔEL,ILĆ	SENĆOŦEN writing system
čəlítč	Lekwungen IPA writing system
alternate spellings	
ʔELILĆ	SENĆOŦEN / Elliott and Poth 1990:20,26
ʔELILCE	SENĆOŦEN / Claxton and Elliott 1994:46
čəlítč	SENĆOŦEN / IPA Montier n.d.
th'eliltse	SENĆOŦEN / Bouchard and Kennedy 1996:47
c'əl'itč	Lekwungen / Duff 1969:50
čəl'itč	Lekwungen / Suttles 1951:20
Tseleethch	Lekwungen / Duff 1969:50

The Place Name ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč – the original Cordova Bay village

ANCIENT TRAILS



Tracing "Indian Trails" and creeks from Pemberton's 1852 Cordova Bay Map

WOOD RESOURCES

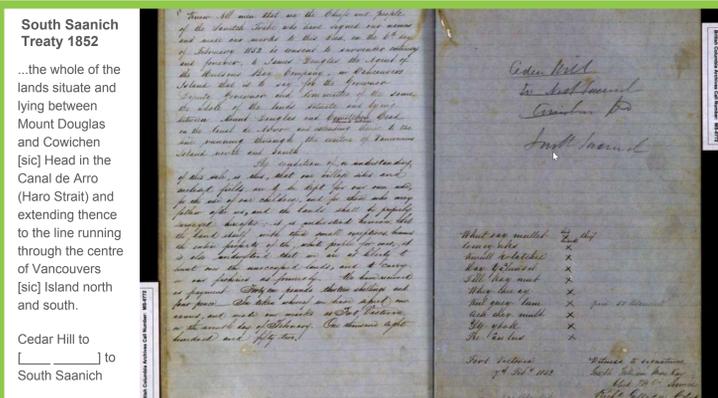


Detail of Map of Lakes District (1859) showing lands

"Good Land Covered with Valuable Pine and Cedar" in Cordova Bay

Air photo of Cordova Bay (1926)

SOUTH SAANICH TREATY 1852



South Saanich Treaty 1852

...the whole of the lands situate and lying between Mount Douglas and Cowichan [sic] Head in the Canal de Arro (Haro Strait) and extending thence to the line running through the centre of Vancouver's [sic] Island north and south.

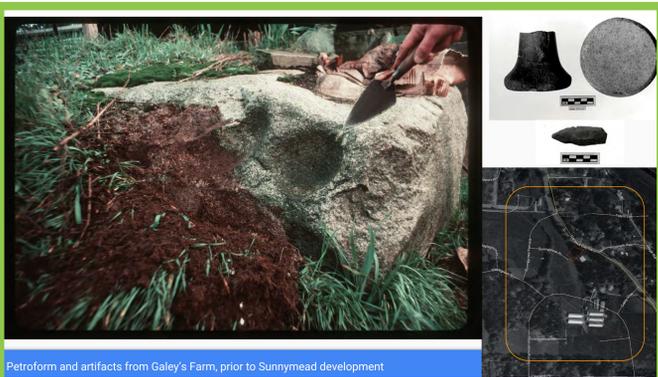
Cedar Hill to [] to South Saanich

VANCOUVER ISLAND TREATIES

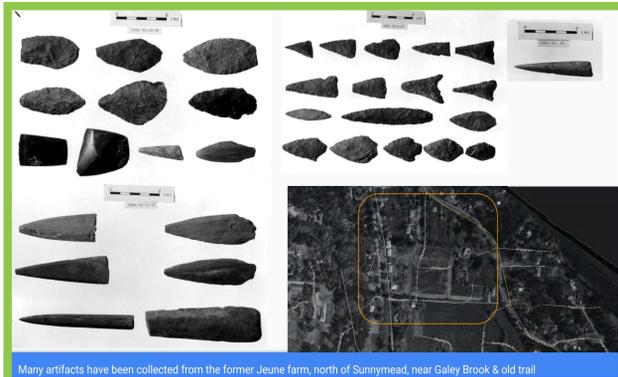
Excerpt from the "Vancouver Island Treaties"
The Conditions of, or understanding of this Sale is this, that **our Village Sites and enclosed Fields** are to be kept for our own use, for the use of our children, and for those who may follow after us; and **the land shall be properly surveyed** hereafter; it is understood, however, that **the land itself, with these small exceptions, becomes the Entire property of the White people for ever**; it is also understood that **we are at liberty to hunt over the unoccupied lands, and to carry on our fisheries as formerly.**

ARTIFACTS FROM GALEY'S FARM AND JEUNE FARM

FISH TRAPS



Petroform and artifacts from Galey's Farm, prior to Sunnymead development



Many artifacts have been collected from the former Jeune farm, north of Sunnymead, near Galey Brook & old trail



Cordova Bay Fish Trap (at mouth of Galey Brook)

ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATION IN 2008 AT ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč



Salvage archaeological excavations in 2008 at ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč

There have been surprisingly few systematic archaeological excavations at or near the the ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč village site.

In 2008 salvage excavations done to make way for a waterfront home next to Agate Lane Park:

- revealed over 40 ancient hearths & cache pits post moulds and other evidence of intensive domestic production
- Uncovered over 350 artifacts
- Numerous burials were removed

The entire footprint of the ʔEL,ILĆ / ʕəlítč village site has never been mapped.

Intact portions of the site lay under Agate Lane Park



DdRu-081 (2008 excavations) with radiocarbon dates 1065 - 1470 AD