



ROBERT EDWARD

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Hello, good day my name is Rob Edward. I am from the Similkameen Band. I have been blessed with knowledge from elders from the smelqmix, sukna?kinx and surrounding sneqsyilxwtet.

I am fluent speaker in the nsyilxcen language; I was raised by immediate family and my father Johnny Edward where I received most of my informal education on the collective cultural code that was internalized into our families, community and nation.

I was taught about the strength of our people prior to and during the colonization and assimilation processes which critically impacted the cultural foundation of our nation in which we are still struggling in a state of recovery from.

I have extensive knowledge in:

- Language fluency
- Traditional leadership
- Language protocols
- Internal and external nation protocols
- Captikwl and the many meanings surrounding the stories
- Relationship building skills with natural resource companies
- Negotiation skills
- Land protocols
- Timxw protocols
- Social foundations