

In 2022 the Makah Tribe Enrollment Officer reported 3,186 enrolled citizens, with ½ residing on the reservation, along with approx. 400 non-tribal member residents. In 2020 the Tribal Council declared the reservation Officially Closed to non-residents. Dr. Libby Cope, Clinic Director developed a web-link requiring an on-line Visitor Request form for proof of vaccination and purpose of business visits to enable clearance at the Check-Point. During 2020-2021 the data-base revealed 100,000 business visits. The Makah eastern reservation boundary line is MM-0 connecting to SR112. It provides the only primary public road to and from the reservation. The WA State Patrol Crash data base recorded in 2015-2021 on SR112's 70-miles between Makah and Port Angeles, WA an average of 48 accidents occurring annually.

On November 15, 2021 a Severe Storm Event caused a major landslide on SR 112 when a hill collapsed into the Salish Sea at MM 15.8. Residents of Neah Bay were completely cut off from the outside for approximately a week limiting access to food supplies, medical emergency and medical supplies, gas and diesel for backup generators.

On November 19, 2021 the Makah Tribe Declared a Proclamation of Emergency due to imminent and life-threatening impacts due to the road closures and continuing severe winter storms. The General Manager's appeals to WSDOT for a meeting went unanswered for three months. The first Gov't. to Gov't. conference call convened with MT Chairman, Operation Manager and this Transportation Planner to discuss a Progress Report from WSDOT on Tuesday January 25, 2021 at 9:00 am.

January 23, 2022-I requested/attended a Makah Council Agenda Meeting for Transportation.

Approved were my recommendations;

- Resolution 013-22 Co-Management of 23 miles on SR112 to the Reservation
- Public Authority Letter of Acknowledgement from WSDOT to accept a MOA Co-Management Plan