

Biography for the Cohen Commission

Marcel Shepert

Marcel Shepert is a professional mediator, facilitator and negotiator. He is the coordinator of the Upper Fraser Fisheries Conservation Alliance (UFFCA). He is the former executive director of the Fraser River Aboriginal Fisheries Secretariat (FRAFS), and continues to assist FRAFS as a facilitator. He sits as a Canadian member on the Pacific Salmon Commission's Fraser River Panel, and as an Upper Fraser representative on the Integrated Harvest Planning Committee (IHPC).

Previously, Mr. Shepert worked for the Carrier Sekani Tribal Council as their fisheries program manager and coordinator. In 2004, he was appointed to the three-person panel that prepared the report titled, "Our Place at the Table: First Nations in the BC Fishery".

Mr. Shepert received academic training at the Open Learning agency of British Columbia, the Mohawk College of Applied Arts and Technology in Ontario, the British Columbia Institute of Technology, and the Justice Institute of British Columbia.