
Ashlu River Near Squamish BC

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One river led interested members of the public to know that hundreds, over five hundred rivers are involved in a scheme to take public wealth. The people of BC expressed their decision in a drawn-out zoning process when a private water power license holder applied to build a power house on the Ashlu River. The local public, the regional public, the local government and the regional government decided to keep the Ashlu River as it is, a Wild Spirit Place, free from industrial development. MOonths after the Asholu was saved the provincial government gave the river to Ledcor Industries a close frind of the Premiers's and the Environment Minister. There are hundreds of BC rivers in the scheme to take public rivers and turn them into private perpetual profit machines. The provincial government of BC made a law eliminating all zoning controls giving the Ashlu away over the strong objections of the population. Bill 30, the Ashlu Bill as it is called was denounced by all of the local governments of BC when they voted at their 2006 convention calling for the Bill to be rescinded. A private company now occupies the Ashlu and has begun destroying it and the grizzly bear habitat, the fish habitat and the Wild Spirit Place. The Ashlu is fighting back as the massive bus-sized drill continues to get stuck and to fail in its forward progression. The dam site is moving forward quickly as dam sites on dozens of rivers are proceeding without public oversight. Canada eh? No one speaks in defense of the public assets. Those who are suppose to protect the public are doing the opposite.