



**4th Councilperson Tyson Elliott Johnston
Quinault Indian Nation**

Tyson is a tribal citizen of the Quinault Indian Nation residing in Quinault's largest village, Taholah, on the Quinault Indian Reservation at the mouth of the Quinault River from the Pacific Northwest. Quinault people are the people of the salmon, traditional ocean navigators, and maintain sacred ties to our Coast Salish relatives up and down the northern pacific rim and into the Salish Sea. Quinault Indian Nation is a principal signatory to the Quinault River Treaty of 1855 later ratified as the Treaty of Olympia in 1856.

Tyson is the elected 4th Councilperson of the Quinault Indian Nation Business Committee and Tribal Council. Having been reelected back to tribal council in April of 2024, Tyson previously served 10 years on the Quinault Tribal Council from 2011-2021 with the latter six as the Nation's Vice President. Tyson currently serves as the chairperson for the Quinault Indian Nation's Natural Resources and Community Development Committee.

Tyson also serves the Quinault Indian Nation as the Executive Director of Self-Governance and maintains policy oversight over tribal self-governance, intergovernmental affairs, federal government relations, community development, treaty and self-regulatory issues to name a few. Since 2017, Tyson has directed the Quinault Nation's policy engagement related to the Chehalis Basin developing an extensive body of work supporting the Nation's goals of aquatic species restoration, flood damage reduction, and protection of treaty resources.