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Public Hearing Agenda

Kwetłłᓃàà (Rayrock) Remediation Project Proceeding Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)

Date: April 28 to 30, 2021 **Time:** 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Location: Virtually via Zoom Video Conference and the Explorer Hotel, Katimavik Rooms A, B, and C

Board Members: Joe Mackenzie, Mike Nitsiza, Mason Mantla, Rachel Crapeau, Alex Nitsiza

	Time	Topic
Day 1: April 28th	8:30 am – 9:00 am	Connect on Zoom (for those joining virtually)
	9:00 am – 9:15 am	Opening Drum Song
	9:15 am – 10:00 pm	Opening Prayer Welcome from Board Chairperson Roll Call and Introductions WLWB Presentation (Who We Are & What We Do)
	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC) Opening Statement & Presentation
	12:00 – 1:30 pm	Lunch Break (only provided in Wekweèti, Gamèti, Whatì, and Behchokò)
	1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Comments and Questions from Tłı̄chq̄ Community Hubs to CIRNAC
	2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Questions for CIRNAC: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GNWT, TG, Public, Board Staff & Legal Counsel, Board

Day 2: April 29th	Time	Topic
	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	Welcome from Board Chairperson Opening Prayer
		Tłıchq Government (TG) Presentation Statements from Kwetłłᓃàà Elders and Community Members
	12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch Break (only provided in Wekweèti, Gamèti, Whatì, and Behchokq)
	1:30 – 2:30 pm	Comments and Questions from Tłıchq Community Hubs to the TG
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm	Questions for TG: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIRNAC, GNWT, Public, Board Staff & Legal Counsel, Board 	
Day 3: April 30th	Time	Topic
	9:00 am – 9:15 am	Welcome from Board Chairperson Opening Prayer
	9:15 am – 10:15 am	Government of Northwest Territories (GNWT) Presentation
	10:15 am – 11:00 am	Questions for GNWT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CIRNAC, TG, Public/Community Hubs, Board Staff & Legal Counsel, Board
	11:00 am – 12:00 pm	Closing Remarks from Kwetłłᓃàà Elders and Community Members
		Closing Statements from Interveners: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> TG, GNWT
Closing Statements from CIRNAC		
Closing Remarks from the Board		
Closing Prayer		

COVID-19 Protocol for Parties in-Person:

- Intervenors are required to be available during the entirety of the Public Hearing.
- Parties that attend the hearing in person, as well as the support staff and any Members of the Public that can be admitted, are required to undergo the WLWB's screening protocol upon arrival. The screening is as follows:
 - YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ENTER THE MEETING ROOM IF YOU ANSWER YES TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:
 1. Have you traveled outside of the Northwest Territories in the past 14 days?
 2. Have you been in contact with someone who is suspected to have COVID-19?
 3. Is anyone in your household isolating?
 4. Do you have one (1) of the following symptoms?
 - Fever
 - New or worsening cough
 - Shortness of breath
 5. Do you have two (2) of the following symptoms?
 - A sore throat
 - Runny nose
 - Nausea/vomiting
 - Diarrhea
 - Headache
 - Body aches
 - New loss or decrease in your sense of taste or smell
- Parties **must** bring masks to wear whenever they are: moving around the room and if they are less than 6ft/2m from another person.
- Those attending in person must also sign in and provide contact information should subsequent contact tracing be necessary.
- Snacks will be provided but will individually wrapped, and coffee will be served by an Explorer staff member to avoid hearing attendees from moving around the room unnecessarily.

REMINDERS:

- If attending in person, the WLWB asks all attendees to bring their own reusable coffee mug and reusable water bottle to help reduce waste during the hearing.
- Organization and timelines of the Public Hearing are at the discretion of the Chairperson. Presenters should be ready to present at any time during the Hearing in the case that the schedule and timelines change.
- The order of questioning will follow the order of presentations, unless directed otherwise.
- There will be breaks in the morning, over lunch, and in the afternoon.
- No hard copies of any materials will be available at the Hearing – so please bring everything you need with you.
- Please visit the WLWB Registry ([W2020L8-0003](#)) for relevant materials related to the Rayrock proceeding.

ZOOM ETIQUETTE:

- For assistance using Zoom, please review the following [Zoom Video Tutorials](#).
- Please ensure you have the most current update of Zoom downloaded to ensure that all functionality will be available to you – the current version is 5.6.3.
- Please test your audio and video ahead of time and as soon as you log in each time for the Hearing. Keep the phone number handy to join by phone should you lose internet.
- Each participant is asked to use the following as their screen name: first and last name, followed by the acronym of their respective organization (e.g., Paula Green – WLWB).
 - This can be accomplished by selecting the three dots in the upper right-hand portion of your window and select “rename”.
- To minimize background noise and feedback, please always keep your microphone/headset muted when you are not speaking. Please only unmute yourself when the facilitator or Chair has indicated it's your turn to speak.
- Participants are not allowed to take screen captures or pictures of the Hearing in accordance with privacy legislations.
- Each participant should behave respectfully.
- If a participant would like to speak or have a follow-up question, use the chat option of Zoom, and the participant will be added to the speaking order.
 - DO NOT USE the 'Raise Hand' function.
- If a participant is having technical difficulties, the participant should notify the representative of your organization. The representative should contact the designated WLWB staff (identified on www.wlwb.ca) directly, or by using the chat option of Zoom.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Members of the Public can ask a question through the live stream with Cabin Radio, by emailing the designated Board staff, or by stepping up to the wireless microphone at the Explorer.
- The Public Hearing will be broadcast to Cabin Radio's Facebook page and the WLWB's website in an effort to increase the ability of the public to participate in the proceeding. Please note that Cabin Radio's Facebook stream will not be part of the Board's public record for this proceeding.
- Questions received by designated Board staff via email or through the live stream will be placed in the queue and read into the record.
- There is limited space at the Explorer Hotel, so the Public Hearing may need to recess in order to accommodate participation. Anyone wishing to ask a question in person at the Explorer, please use a face mask and step up to the microphone and wait to be acknowledged by the facilitator. Please do not touch the microphone.

NEXT STEPS:

- The Deadline for the Public Hearing Undertakings is May 14, 2021
- The Draft Water Licence will be distributed for review on May 27, 2021
- Interveners will have an opportunity to submit formal closing arguments to the Board, in writing, on July 2, 2021
- For the complete details of the work plan please visit the WLWB website (www.wlwb.ca) or click on the following link: [Rayrock - Work Plan – Feb 24 21](#)