



**Via Email**

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Dear Ms. Macdonald:

**Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp (Km 28.8) G20X009**

The Department of Infrastructure (INF) is pleased to submit revised versions of the Waste Management Plan and Engagement Plan, following the public review period and issuance of the Land Use Permit (G20X009) for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp at km 28.8. The revisions are in accordance with condition 18 and 43 of the Land Use Permit, and are described in the attached Conformance Table. The requested edits to the Spill Contingency Plan will require information from INF's contractor. Once INF hires a contractor for the construction of the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp, INF will submit a revised Spill Contingency Plan.

Should you have any questions or comments please contact me at (867) 767-9083 ext. 31045 or by email at [Joyce\\_Gourlay@gov.nt.ca](mailto:Joyce_Gourlay@gov.nt.ca) at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Joyce Gourlay  
Junior Environmental Analyst  
Design and Technical Services  
Department of Infrastructure

Attachment

## Conformance Table for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp (28.8)

Condition Number	Title	Requirement	Revisions
18	Revised Waste Management Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Update the WMP to provide details regarding how INF will prevent garbage from becoming a wildlife attractant</li> <li>- Update the WMP to provide details on the Oil/Water Separator</li> <li>- Confirm if/where hazardous materials will be stored on site, and update the WMP appropriately</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- References added to include bear proof containers</li> <li>- Details on the oil/water separator have been added</li> <li>- Updated to include that hazardous wastes may be stored temporarily at the HMC in a designated location, likely within the maintenance garage.</li> </ul>
43	Revised Engagement Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Update the Engagement Plan to include a life of project Engagement Plan, in accordance with section 3.4 of the MVLWB Engagement Guidelines for Applicants and Holders of Water Licences and Land Use Permits</li> <li>- Update the Engagement Plan after engagement with traditional land users takes place</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Engagement triggers for life of project have been added.</li> <li>- Engagement Plan updated to include details in the Engagement Record about community engagement on Traditional Land Use.</li> </ul>



Government of the Northwest Territories  
Department of Infrastructure  
Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp  
Highway #8

**Engagement Plan**



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## **Introduction**

The Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Infrastructure (INF) is applying for a new Permit to construct, operate and maintain a highway maintenance camp (HMC) at KM 28.8 of the Dempster Highway (NWT #8). Comprehensive community engagement regarding the HMC has taken place since December 2017.

As Public Servants, the GNWT is accountable and open to the public for discussion of all matters. As such, the Department and staff are well acquainted with the communities and community members along the highway, and engagement practices and community relationships are well established.

## **Affected Parties**

The Affected Parties identified include:

- Aklavik Indian Band;
- Charter Community of Tsiigehtchic;
- Ehdiitat Gwich'in Council (Aklavik)
- Ehdiitat Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Aklavik)
- Gwich'in Land Use Planning Board
- Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board
- Gwich'in Tribal Council
- Gwichya Gwich'in Band (Tsiigehtchic)
- Gwichya Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council
- Gwich'in Tribal Council;
- Tetlit Gwich'in Band;
- Tetlit Gwich'in Renewable Resource Council;
- Gwichya Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council;
- Hamlet of Aklavik;
- Hamlet of Fort McPherson;
- Inuvik Native Band;
- Nihtat Gwich'in Council (Inuvik);
- Nihtat Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Inuvik);



- Teel'it Gwich'in Band;
- Tetlit Gwich'in Renewable Resource Council;
- Tetlit Gwich'in Council (Fort McPherson);
- Town of Inuvik.

INF may engage with other Parties on a case by case basis as appropriate.

### **Past Engagement Activities**

The Department of Infrastructure, formerly the Department of Transportation, has operated and maintained the Dempster Highway for the last 20+ years and during that time multiple opportunities to engage stakeholders have occurred. As a result the Department has kept community members and the public involved in an ongoing basis.

### **Engagement Approach**

INF believes that meaningful community engagement is crucial to build and maintain good relationships with communities, community members and affected parties. Regional Offices are open for residents to provide in-person comments and concerns, or to ask questions regarding INF activities. As a result of INF open lines of communication, well-established relationships have been built with the people and communities of the Northwest Territories.

### **Engagement Activities for the Project**

During the life of the Highway Maintenance Camp, INF will build on the engagement approach and there will be various opportunities for affected parties to learn about and provide input on the highway operations. This engagement plan will ensure that the people of the communities affected by the construction, operation and maintenance of the HMC are made aware of activities they need to know about.

During the pre-submission engagement period, INF built on the engagement approach and opened lines of communication for affected parties to provide input on the project at a number of different steps in the process.



Engagement for on-going operations includes activities such as:

- Land Use Permit Renewals, Amendments or Extensions;
- Construction/maintenance activities that could affect the public.

If a community meeting is to take place, it will be open to all members of the community, including:

- Youth;
- Elders; and
- Women and Men.

### Summary

A summary of engagement triggers and methods is provided below in Table 1.

**Table 1: Summary of Engagement Triggers and Methods**

Engagement	Primary Purpose	Primary Methods	Participants
Land Use Permit Renewals, Amendments, Extensions, or changes in the scope of work.	To advise stakeholders of INF's plans regarding the Land Use Permit	Written notification	22 parties identified in this plan.
HMC Construction or Maintenance Activities	To advise the public of any construction or maintenance activities that could affect the public.	Social Media (INF Website, Twitter).	All members of the public.
Prior to any disturbance to traffic movement on public roads	To advise of traffic disturbances	Social Media (INF Website, Twitter).	All members of the public.



Occurrence of a spill	Inform regulators and communities as required by authorizations.	Written and/or verbal communication.	Regulators and communities as required.
Incident/wildlife incident	Inform appropriate regulating authorities and other stakeholders if required.	Written and/or verbal communication	Regulators, GNWT Environment and Natural Resources, and stakeholders as required.
Discovery of suspected archaeological, historical or burial site.	Inform regulators, PWNHC, GTC, and communities parties as required by authorizations.	Written and/or verbal communication	Regulator, Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre, and Gwich'in Tribal Council Department of Cultural Heritage
Prior to the start of construction	Inform about the construction schedule	Social Media (INF Website, Twitter).	All members of the public.
As required	To provide updates on the construction progress and schedule	Social Media (INF Website, Twitter).	All members of the public.



## Appendix E - Pre-Submission Engagement Record (Summary and Log) Template <sup>13</sup>

### 1. Pre-Submission Engagement Summary: Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp

**Name of Proponent:** GNWT – Department of Infrastructure

**Name of Affected Party:** Aklavik Indian Band, Charter Community of Tsiigehtchic, Ehdiitat Gwich'in Council (Aklavik), Ehdiitat Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Aklavik), Gwich'in Land Use Planning Board, Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board, Gwich'in Tribal Council, Gwichya Gwich'in Band (Tsiigehtchic), Gwichya Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council, Tetlit Gwich'in Band, Tetlit Gwich'in Renewable Resource Council, Hamlet of Aklavik, Hamlet of Fort McPherson, Inuvik Native band, Nihtat Gwich'in Council (Inuvik), Nihtat Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Inuvik), Teel'it Gwich'in Band, Tetlit Gwich'in Council (Fort McPherson), Town of Inuvik

GNWT – Department of Infrastructure hosted a community engagement session on March 1, 2021, in Fort McPherson. Details are provided at the end of the engagement log.

Name(s) of representative(s) of affected parties who participated in engagement	Dates of Engagement (e.g. list dates or range of dates)	Reason(s) for Engagement (e.g., application for timber harvesting)	Overview of Issue(s) Resolved	Overview of Issue(s) Unresolved
Aklavik Indian Band  Debbie Greenland Executive Director 'egc.director.aklavik@gmail.com'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on November 6 and left a voicemail.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up call.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement letter.  Debbie called back on November 9, and asked whether anyone at the GTC responded. INF advised that Sharon Snowshoe forwarded a letter from Godlove Suh Ngeh from the Land Reserve engagement process.	n/a
Charter Community of Tsiigehtchic  Grant Scott SAO 'sao@tsiigehtchic.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.	INF forwarded the letters to Grant again, along with additional information about the location of the HMC. Grant responded and said they have no comments for the application.	n/a

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	<p>9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on Nov 6 to follow up.</p>	<p>Follow up call.</p>		
<p>Ehdiitat Gwich'in Council (Aklavik)</p> <p>Michael Greenland Director 'Mike_greenland91@hotmail.com'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on Nov 6 and left a message.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up call.</p>	<p>No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>Ehdiitat Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Aklavik)</p> <p>Eugene Pasacal RRC Coordinator 'errccoord@northwestel.net'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on Nov 6 to follow up.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up call.</p>	<p>Eugene advised they had received the letters and will see if they can provide comment prior to re-submission of the application.</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>Gwich'in Land Use Planning Board</p> <p>Susan McKenzie Land Use Planner 'planner@gwichinplanning.nt.ca'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on Nov 6 to follow up and left a</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up phone call.</p>	<p>No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.</p>	<p>n/a</p>

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	voice mail.			
<p>Gwich'in Renewable Resources Board</p> <p>Amy Amos Executive Director 'aamos@grrb.nt.ca' 'reviews@grrb.nt.ca'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on Nov 6 to follow up.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up phone call.</p>	<p>Responded and requested that they will provide comment on the GLWBs ORS, and asked INF to include another email address in the distribution list.</p> <p>Advised again that they will provide comment on the GLWB ORS.</p>	n/a
<p>Gwich'in Tribal Council</p> <p>Sharon Snowshoe Executive Director 'SSnowshoe@gwichin.nt.ca'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on November 5, 2020 and left a voicemail.</p> <p>INF emailed on January 27, 2021 to discuss the GTC's comments on the Online Review System. GTC provided a letter on February 15, 2021 requesting that INF undertake community engagement.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Phone call to follow up.</p> <p>Discussions regarding engagement on Traditional Land Use.</p>	<p>Sharon replied via email on November 6 and provided letters that were given to GNWT Lands during the engagement process for the Land Reserve.</p> <p>INF response Dec 15, 2020.</p> <p>INF hosted a community engagement session on March 1, 2021 to discuss the HMC and Traditional Land Use. INF provided a summary of the meeting to the GTC on March 9, 2021.</p>	n/a
<p>Gwich'in Tribal Council, Lands and Resources</p> <p>Godlove Suh Ngeh Director</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p>	<p>INF was forwarded an email chain and letters from Sharon Snowshoe, the letters contained comments from Godlove Suh Ngeh during the Land Reserve engagement process.</p>	n/a

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'Godlove.Ngeh@gwichintribal.ca'	9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.	INF called on November 5, and on November 6. INF left voicemail.		
Gwich'in Tribal Council  James Thorbourne Interim Chief Operating Officer 'james.thorbourne@gwichintribal.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on Nov 5, and November 6. INF left voicemail on Nov 6.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone call.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.	n/a
Gwichya Gwich'in Council (Tsiigehtchic)  Brian Smith Interim Band Manager 'edo@tsiigehtchic.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on Nov 6 and was advised that Brian is no longer in that position. INF asked who they should speak with in lieu, and was directed to the SAO, who INF had already spoken with (Grant Scott).	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone call.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.	n/a
Gwichya Gwich'in Renewable  Michael Frank Executive Director Resources Council (Tsiigehtchic) 'ceo@gwichyagwichin.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.	n/a

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	<p>opportunity to comment.</p> <p>Unable to reach by phone, sent a follow-up email on November 9.</p>			
<p>Gwichya Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Tsiigehtchic)</p> <p>Roxanne McLeod RRC Coordinator 'gwichyarrcb@hotmail.com'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>Follow up phone call on November 6, left voicemail.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up phone call, Roxanne advised that they will be providing comments on November 10.</p> <p>Emailed to follow up on Nov 10, Roxanne advised that the meeting had been postponed due to a funeral and is rescheduled for Nov 12.</p>	<p>No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.</p> <p>Followed up via email on Dec. 4th. Roxanne replied to say that the meeting was rescheduled and no comments would be sent at this time.</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>Hamlet of Aklavik</p> <p>Fred Behrens SAO 'saoaklavik@permafrost.com'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>Called on Nov 6 and left a voicemail.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up phone call.</p>	<p>Fred replied via email and said the letters were distributed to council members and did not have any concerns.</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>Hamlet of Fort McPherson</p> <p>Bill Buckle Supervisor</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p>	<p>Bill restated the concerns he had stated when INF discussed permission to use Fort McPherson's waste facilities and asked that INF make sure the contractors advise them before disposing of waste at the facility.</p>	<p>n/a</p>

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'supervisor@fortmcperson.ca'	INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on Nov 6 to follow up.	Follow up phone call.		
Inuvik Native Band  Edward Wright Band Manager 'bandmanager@inuviknativeband.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on Nov 6 to follow up.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone call.	Edward advised that the letters were received and that Chief and Council did not have any input.	n/a
Nihtat Gwich'in Council (Inuvik)  Lianne Nerysoo Finance Officer 'financeofficer@nihtatgwichin.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on Nov 6 and left a voicemail.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone call.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.	n/a
Nihtat Gwich'in Renewable Resources Council (Inuvik)  Allen First RRC Coordinator 'rrc@nihtatgwichin.ca'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone calls and email.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.	n/a

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	INF phoned on Nov 6 and Nov 9 but could not get through on the phone line. INF emailed to follow up again.			
Teetl'it Gwich'in Band Trina Nerysoo Band Manager 'tgcbandmanager@gmail.com'	Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF called on Nov 6 and left a voicemail.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone call.	No comments provided during pre-submission engagement review period.	n/a
Tetlit Gwich'in Renewable Resource Council (Fort McPherson)  Georgina Vaneltsi Neyando RRC Coordinator 'GeorginaVN@tgcouncil.ca'	In person meeting on December 13, 2017 to discuss options for the HMC.  Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.  INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.  INF emailed and called on Nov 6, emailed on Nov 10, and Nov 12.  INF emailed on February 22, 2021 to discuss arrangements for a community engagement session.	Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.  Follow up phone call.  Help coordinating a community engagement session.	Responded and requested that we wait to submit the application till October 21, 2020, as they had a meeting on October 20, 2020, and would be discussing the HMC. INF agreed to extend timeline to accommodate the boards meeting.  On October 22, 2020, INF emailed to follow up and were advised the meeting had been cancelled. INF encouraged them to provide their comment on the GLWB's ORS.  On Nov 6, Georgina said that she would provide a letter with comments on Nov 9.  On November 10 INF emailed to inquire about the status of their letter as INF had not received it yet. Georgina responded on Nov 12 and said she would get it ready ASAP.	n/a

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<p>Tetlit Gwich'in Council (Fort McPherson)</p> <p>Diane E Koe Executive Director 'ExecDirector@tgcouncil.ca'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called to follow up on Nov 6.</p> <p>INF emailed to follow up on Nov 9.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p> <p>Follow up phone call.</p>	<p>Letter received Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, INF response Dec 15<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>Diane advised that she wasn't sure she had the authority to provide comment and would refer to her President. INF followed up on Nov 9 to ask if the President had any comments to provide.</p>	<p>n/a</p>
<p>Town of Inuvik</p> <p>Rick Campbell Director of Public Works 'RCampbell@inuvik.ca'</p>	<p>Emailed October 2, 2020 to notify parties of the Land Use Permit Application and the 2 week comment period.</p> <p>INF followed up with an email dated October 9 2020 to remind parties of the 2 week opportunity to comment.</p> <p>INF called on Nov 6 to follow up and left a voicemail.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement letters for the Land Use Permit Application for the Dempster Highway Maintenance Camp.</p>	<p>Rick called back on Nov 9 and said they did not provide any comments because they are so far away from the Project site. Rick advised he knew that the site was in an old quarry, and said that in his opinion it doesn't matter if it's at 15.0 or 28.8, both are good places.</p>	<p>n/a</p>

***\*All engagement and follow up letters sent via email.***

**Signature of Proponent (representative):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Affected Party (representative):** <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>13</sup> A summary sheet for each affected party should accompany the log (which may be a chronological list of all engagement with all parties).

<sup>14</sup> These signatures represent agreement on the contents of the log and record, but do not necessarily imply that the parties agree on the topics that were discussed

## Dempster Highway James Creek Maintenance Camp Replacement

Name	Address	Organization	Phone No	Email	Signature
John Chitzsch	Fort McPherson		952-2914		
Stanley Snowshoe	Fort McPherson		377-0083		
Sushma Khanal	Inuvik		403-618-3909		
RICHARDS BLAKE	INUVIK	INF	678-0346		
BRUCE KRUTKO	Fort McPherson	DOI	620-0966		
RICHARD NERYSOO	Fort McPherson	F McPherson	778-903-4844		
Rebecca Blake		L.I.'s	878-5494		
Anita Koe	Fort McPherson	DGO	952-2330		
DIANE E. KOE	Fort McPherson	DGO	952-2330		
Jason MacNell	Inuvik	INF	678-0791		
PAT McLaughlin	Inuvik	INF	444 9424		
David Okoonuk	Inuvik	INF			
Leslie P. Blake	McPherson	DGO	952-2425		
Phillip Kay	McPherson		688-9499		
Lauran Nerysoo	FMP.	DGO	377 0370		
Trina Nerysoo	BOX 86	Teethit Band	952-2006	tagband manager@ gmail.com	
Allan Hamilton	INUVIK	INF	777 7179		
Robert Greenband	FMP		688 7847		
Abay Kay Telleli	FMP	ENWT	952-2060		
Richard Wilson	''	RR C			



**James Creek Maintenance Camp Replacement  
Community Engagement Meeting Minutes  
Fort McPherson, NT  
Monday, March 1, 2021, 1pm**

**Community members in attendance:**

John Chitzer  
Stanley Snowshoe  
Bruce Krutko  
Richard Nerysoo  
Rebecca Blake  
Anita Koe  
Diane E. Koe  
Leslie P. Blake  
Phillip Kay  
Laura Nerysoo  
Trina Nerysoo  
Robert Greenland  
Richard Wilson  
Mary Rose Tetlich

**Department of Infrastructure attendees:**

Merle Carpenter – Regional Superintendent, Department of Infrastructure  
Mosiul Alam – Regional Manager, Highway Operations  
Jason MacNeil – Regional Airport Manager  
Patrick McLaughlin – Marine Manger, North  
Saifuddin Quazi – Project Officer  
Richard Blake – Project Technician  
David Okoronkwo – Project Officer  
Allan Hamilton – Project Officer  
Bruce Krutko – Highway Maintenance Officer  
Sushma Khanal – Project Officer

## **Startup:**

Session opened by Merle

Introduction of GNWT employees by Merle

Presentation by Merle, presentation attached

## **Open Discussion between Merle and community attendees:**

John: Where the camp will be?

Merle: Explained the location as per the Pamphlet

Phillip Kay: Is there a remediation plan for land farm?

Merle: We are working with your Grand Chief with the GTC in Inuvik. I haven't heard about any proposal but if the community wants it, we will have no opposition. That is opportunity for the business in the town. We can reduce the risks in regards to future spills. Operating highways is always a risk. We will reduce the risks further by operating drive-on drive-off. We will let the community decide.

Phillip Kay: Are we testing the camp soil?

Merle: Soil is being tested every year. Working with the GTC we will plan to add a chemical (Permeyex) with an excavator to get rid of hydrocarbon

John: What about leaking from vehicles in river etc. and will the fluids be allowed in ferry?

Patrick: If any vehicle is leaking, they need to be held back. We got at least 5 instances and action was taken. We need to clean it up properly making owner responsible if leaking. We have done great measures, training and enforcements for their actions. There was one leak was from ramp where the hose cracked and was leaking (less than a liter on the river) and was removed immediately. We are environmental friendly and we prioritize that. Certain vehicles from certain groups are not maintained. Leaking vehicles will not be allowed.

Richard: For the tendering process, is there any preferential consideration for community or regional businesses? Are there any considerations for Gwich'in working together in the community and how will that work and how will that go to consideration in tender documents for that to happen?

Merle: My suggestion would be if there is an organization or a company sends me/MLA a letter requesting to negotiate a contract. I will write up the proposal, I just need a letter saying company X wants to negotiate this contract to build a building message. I will draft the decision letter to the cabinet and they will make the decision. All the companies will have an equal chance. If there are multiple companies (e.g., 9), it goes to public tender. If the local companies (4-5) get together with a support letter and submit to me, I will support the local community and forward it to cabinet.

Richard: When it becomes public tender, everyone is allowed to bid on the process. Through the tendering process, local companies should be considered. Local companies would support employment locally, community can work together. With my last couple year experience, it may not be easy. We should be building partnerships with the local community. Community has worked hard to create the business. My suggestion would be for RFP.

Merle: Send a letter – whoever wants to build it together (negotiate the contract) with all the signatures and the letter of support from MLA. If 3-4 companies send a letter, I will send it up to the cabinet and they will decide. If 3-4 companies send me a letter, we can't pick one company ourselves. If you send a letter collaboratively, it will have more consideration.

Stanley Snowshoe: GTC, Development Corporation, they ever interested in negotiating?

Merle: Gwich'in sent a letter, GTC wouldn't support. So the negotiation contract was pulled. There is nobody that has a request at this point.

John: Any contracts on Gwich'in land has to be given to Gwich'in residents. Gwich'in land should be only for Gwich'in people. Many times contract is given to non-Gwich'in.

Merle: If there are 3-4 companies, than anything can't be done. I can only forward it.

Stanley Snowshoe: Lots of Gwich'in business. Small projects can be taken by local companies. We can hire external companies for the area that we don't have expertise on.

Merle: Band together from Fort McPherson, send me a letter and I can send it to cabinet. Significant contract can be done locally. I would support local jobs.

John: For the government project, let's setup a community. Local community be talking with the government so people know what they are talking about.

Merle: Please tell your elected officials about community involvement for your land.

### **Merle: Any questions about Berry Picking or hunting?**

#### **No response**

This topic was brought up on three (3) occasions with no response from anyone. The only comment was from Diane Koe,... "oh you found my berry patch". Merle mentioned that calcium will be applied to the highway in both directions (north and south) and during construction to keep the dust content down.

Merle mentioned there will only be one access road will be constructed to the new location to keep hunters and berry pickers away from a construction site. The current James Creek Maintenance camp is experiencing snowmobile parts, truck parts, and various animal carcasses being left at the James Creek location and we do not wish this to continue to happen.

Richard Nerysoo: Any energy efficient components on the building?

Merle: We are looking up for battery backup and solar. Design team is at Yellowknife; here we only have Project Officers.

Richard Nerysoo: Have you talked with the federal government about environment efficient equipment? We can work with energy department and address climate change with facilities.

Saifuddin: Will pass the information to the consultant.

Richard Nerysoo: There should be some time consideration so we could come together as a group.

Richard Nerysoo – Remediation of the old site has lots of opportunities for future projects. What are the plans?

Patrick GNWT: There is no location or place which would remove hazard from here. We have to go through lot of dealings. We follow the environmental laws/standards for contamination.

Richard Nerysoo: There are challenges with gravel contamination. It's accumulated over time. So much work for the barriers like gravel sourcing etc. We have talked to Transportation, Infrastructure before.

Merle: Allen, Mosiul or David can come and meet with you in future.

Richard Nerysoo: Community having consequences of dust and all that stuff but we haven't looked into that. We have not looked into building like this and the remediation and the possibility of remediation elsewhere. What will make us successful as a community point of view; make sure about all the activities around us. We haven't talked like that for a long time.

Merle: Please have those serious conversations and try to make your feelings heard. It's all about building capacity of your community.

John: We can't fish. You should look at building a bridge at the Peel River location?

Merle: Study was done. There is too much mud in the region. It's not feasible due to cost and traffic. We are trying to make another marine manager.

John: Any extension plan for the airport?

Jason: Runway to be extended 3000 ft with the federal project funding in Inuvik.

Richard Nerysoo: I don't like the idea of government running highway right away without discussing with Gwich'in, example is Fiber Optic project. Money transferred to Yukon government. Not living to the terms with the Gwich'in Final Agreement and the government can't talk to community. They created partnerships here and there and its strange.

Merle: Not sure who the govt. talked to but our office said No.

Richard Nerysoo: Gwich'in settlement region – dealing with traditional territory – you can't pick & choose the people to consult. Yukon government knows Yukon government is going to partner with aboriginal groups.

Richard Nerysoo: We are not getting connections to fiber optic line.

Merle: I wasn't part of the meeting about it.

John: What about job to young people?

Mosiul: Yes, we will be working on it.

Larry Firth: What about kilometers markers on Dempster?

Richard: Its' done.

Closing Prayer by Richard Wilson

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**Session Ended by Merle at 2:50 PM**