



JULY 16, 17, 18, 2013 | WHITEHORSE, YUKON

## DRAFT AGENDA

### ***Our Nations, Our Rights, Our Future: Empowering Our Citizens to Drive Change***

#### **Annual General Assembly 2013 Objectives**

Consistent with the AFN Charter, Assemblies will provide First Nations Chiefs or their designated representatives a forum at which they can:

- *Maximize opportunities for exchange and the **development of consensus on fundamental issues** and common interests in relation to First Nation - Crown relations, international relations and partnerships.*
- *Enable **focused dialogue** and political strategy discussion dealing with health and wellness, claims and land rights, education, residential schools, First Nation governments, environment and economic partnerships, community development and safety and social development and child welfare.*
- *Provide **mandate and direction** through designated regional caucus sessions and dedicated resolutions review and decision making.*



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**ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2013 – DAY ONE**

**Tuesday, July 16, 2013**

6:30 a.m.	<b>PIPE CEREMONY</b>	Sacred Fire, Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre
7:30 a.m.	<b>REGISTRATION</b>	High Country Inn Hotel Ballroom B2
<b>9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Yukon First Nations Regional Tradeshow and Artists Market – Convention Centre</b>		
8:30 a.m.	<b>GRAND ENTRY</b>	HIGH COUNTRY INN CONVENTION CENTRE
8:45 a.m.	<b>OPENING PRAYER</b>	Ta'an Kwäch'än Elder Shirley Adamson AFN Elders Council Representative, Barney Williams Veteran's welcome, Eldon Bernard
9:00 a.m.	<b>WELCOMING</b>	Chief Kristina Kane, Ta'an Kwäch'än Council Acting Chief Alicia Vance, Kwanlin Dün First Nation Grand Chief Ruth Massie, Council of Yukon First Nations Yukon Premier Darrell Pasloski Whitehorse Mayor Dan Curtis Introduction to Yukon First Nations Self-Government – Commemorative Film: "Mapping the Way" Presentation: 40 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of "Together Today for our Children Tomorrow" and 20 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Umbrella Final Agreement Yukon Regional Chief Mike Smith Kerry Peacock, Executive Vice President, Retail Banking Products and Services, TD Bank Group
9:45 a.m.	<b>PROCEDURE</b>	Adoption of Rules and Agenda
10:00 a.m.	<b>OPENING ADDRESSES</b>	National Chief Shawn A-in-chut Atleo
10:20 a.m.		National Youth Council National Women's Council National Elders Council
	<b>REPORT</b>	Management Committee: Audited Financial Statements
11:00 a.m.	<b>PANEL International Efforts and Opportunities</b>	Grand Chief Ed John Dr. Wilton Littlechild



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11:20 a.m.	<b>IMPORTANT TITLE AND RIGHTS CASE – CALL TO ACTION FOR ALL NATIONS</b> - Chief Roger William, Xeni Gwet'in
11:45 a.m.	<b>POSTHUMOUS HONOURING &amp; AWARDS</b> <b>Treaty Rights Recognition Honouring</b> - Jim Sinclair - Elijah Harper - Tobasonakwut Kinew <b>Leadership Recognition</b> - Grand Chief Harry Allen, Council of Yukon First Nations
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b> <b>Treaty 7 – Flood Relief – Update and Fundraising Information</b>
1:00 p.m.	<b>PANEL: Displacing the Indian Act with our Solutions ~ Implementing Laws &amp; Building Capacity</b> - Dave Joe, former negotiator Yukon First Nations - Grand Chief Michael Mitchell, Akwesasne Mohawk Nation - Chief Carl Sidney, Teslin Tlingit First Nation, YK - Chief Robert Louie, Westbank First Nation, BC - Ed Schultz, Former Grand Chief, Council of Yukon First Nations
2:15 p.m.	<b>Canada's Imperative to Support First Nations Sustainability and Growth</b> - Jim Prentice, former Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Environment Canada
2:40 p.m.	<b>PANEL: Driving a Sustainable Economic Future ~ Applying Standards and Realizing Rights</b> - Bob Rae, Negotiator, Matawa First Nations, ON - Tony Penikett, former Yukon Premier - Chief Mathieya Alatini, Kluane First Nation, YK
3:50 p.m.	<b>PANEL: First Nations Leading Approaches to First Nations Education</b> - Dr. Leroy Littlebear, Lethbridge University - Michael DeGagné, President and Vice-Chancellor, Nipissing University - Eleanor Bernard, Mi'kmaw Kina'matnewey - Ms. Tosh Southwick, Director of First Nation Initiatives, Yukon College - Delbert Horton, CEO & Laura Horton, Director, Post Secondary Education, Seven Generations Education Institute

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<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	<b>OUTLINE for DAY TWO / DAY ONE ADJOURNS</b>
<b>EVENING ACTIVITIES</b>	
<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	IndigenACTION 5k Fun Run & Walk – Rotary Park
<p><b>Host Committee Event:</b>  <b>Cultural Night at Helen’s Fish Camp, hosted by Ta’an Kwäch’än Council</b>  <b>Shuttles leave the Coast High Country Inn and selected hotels at 6:00 p.m.</b></p>	



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<b>Wednesday, July 17, 2013</b>			
6:30 a.m.	<b>PIPE CEREMONY</b>	Sacred Fire, Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre	
<b>7:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. REGIONAL CAUCUS SESSIONS</b>			
<b>High Country Inn</b>	<b>Gold Rush Inn</b>	<b>Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre</b>	<b>Ramada Hotel</b>
Alberta – Ballroom B1 British Columbia – Ballroom A Saskatchewan – Ballroom B2	Ontario – Town Hall Manitoba – General Store	Atlantic – Art Studio Yukon and NWT – Multipurpose Room	Quebec – Ballroom
<b>9 a.m. – 5 p.m. Yukon First Nations Regional Tradeshow and Artists Market – Convention Centre</b>			
<b>9:30 a.m. STRATEGY SESSIONS:</b>			
Based on recommendations from First Nation leadership, these sessions are designed to maximize political dialogue and deliberation specific to First Nation government strategy development in relation to all key issues. These sessions will include an overview of past AFN resolutions and make a direct linkage to relevant articles of the UNDRIP. The discussion will be organized to enable a focused exchange on priority topics, to review draft resolutions and to chart a strategy forward. Regional Chiefs with portfolio responsibility along with designated AFN team leaders will moderate these sessions.			
<b>Comprehensive Claims</b>  High Country Inn Ballroom A	The focus of this session is to report on and advance a dialogue on Comprehensive Claims Policy (CCP) reform. Since before 2010, an ad hoc CCP Working Group has been advocating for the recognition and reconciliation of Aboriginal title & rights / CCP reform. On January 11 <sup>th</sup> of this year, Prime Minister Harper agreed to make reform of this policy a priority, and a joint Senior Oversight Committee has begun to meet to oversee reform discussions. This session will provide opportunities to discuss this ongoing initiative.		
<b>First Nations Education</b>  High Country Inn – Convention Centre Main Plenary	This session will provide participants with an opportunity to engage in a policy discussion on the implementation of First Nations control of First Nations education and share regional perspectives on the decision by the federal government to proceed with the development of a First Nations Education Act.		
<b>Justice &amp; Community Safety</b>  High Country Inn Ballroom B	First Nations are striving towards safe and secure communities. This session will focus on planning for engagement to improve First Nations Policing, including ensuring sustainable and adequate funding; and discuss a National Action Plan to End Violence Against Indigenous women and girls.		
<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>		

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<p>1:00 p.m. <b>MAIN PLENARY</b> High Country Inn Convention Centre</p>	<p><b>Seeking Justice for Day Scholars – recent developments</b> - Ray Mason, Spirit Wind</p> <p><b>LEADERSHIP &amp; CITIZENS TOGETHER ~ Idle No More and other movements for Change</b> - Marilyn Jensen, Yukon Idle No More and community activist</p> <p><b>LAND CLAIMS AGREEMENTS COALITION – challenges and successes in implementing modern Treaties</b></p>
<p>2:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>RESOLUTIONS / DECISION MAKING</b></p>
<p>5:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>OUTLINE for DAY THREE / DAY TWO ADJOURNS</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Host Committee Event:</b> <b>6:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. Yukon First Nations Gala</b> <b>Yukon Arts Centre</b> <b>Shuttle Services provided at 6 p.m.</b></p>	



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<b>Treaty Implementation</b>  Main Plenary – Convention Centre	This session is designed to report on the activities undertaken to achieve a working process on Treaty implementation with the government of Canada. This would be done on a Treaty by Treaty basis. On January 11, 2013 the Prime Minister agreed to establish a High Level mechanism to ensure each Treaty region would have a table for engagement with the government on Treaty implementation. It is understood that each Treaty region will drive this process based on their perspectives and the spirit and intent of their Treaty. This session will provide an opportunity to further discuss the mandate, structure and design of a high level working process to achieve Treaty implementation.		
<b>Strategies on Natural Resources in Traditional Territories</b>  High Country Inn Ballroom A	This session will provide information and facilitate discussion on strategies regarding current practices and legislative changes affecting the development of natural resources, such as amendments enacted through Bill C-38 and Bill C-45 to the <i>Fisheries Act</i> , <i>Canadian Environmental Assessment Act</i> , <i>Navigable Waters Protection Act</i> and <i>National Energy Board Act</i> as well as emerging areas including shale gas fracking.		
<b>Community Infrastructure, Water &amp; Housing</b>  High Country Inn Ballroom B	This session will focus on both Housing and Water for First Nations. It will continue the dialogue on the National First Nations Water Strategy which was ratified by the Chiefs-in-Assembly at the 2012 AFN SCA. A draft National First Nations Water Declaration will be presented for discussion and input. To emphasize the importance of water, a Water Ceremony will open the strategy session. This session will also focus on a National First Nations Housing Strategy to address critical housing shortages and assist First Nations in the development and delivery of safe and affordable housing as well as strategic dialogue on the transition of the First Nations Market Housing Fund (FNMHF) to First Nation control as one tool to address housing need.		

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<b>12:00 p.m.</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b> <b>SPECIAL SESSION – LAND CLAIMS AGREEMENTS COALITION DIALOGUE ON PARTNERSHIP WITH THE AFN (Kwanlin Dün Cultural Centre, Multipurpose Room)</b>
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	<b>MAIN PLENARY</b> <b>DIRECTION FROM THE ELDERS</b> <b>RESOLUTIONS / DECISION MAKING</b>
<b>3:00 p.m.</b>	<b>CLOSING REMARKS AND CEREMONIES</b>

***Council of Yukon First Nations Reception – Yukon Inn – 5:30 p.m.***  
***Free Post Conference Trip to Haines Junction - 5:30 p.m. – Registration Required***  
***Sponsored by Champagne and Aishihik First Nation***