# Northeast Roundtable Session MEETING NOTES



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#### NORTHEAST ROUNDTABLE SESSION 6 – MEETING NOTES

Date: Time: Location:	June 26, 2019 9:00 a.m. – 3:3 Fort St. John Po	0 PM omeroy Hotel, 11308 Alaska Highway
Handouts:	West Moberly	la ndtable Terms of Reference First Nations TLE Feedback Forms ndtable Process Feedback Forms
Appendices:	Appendix A: Appendix B: Appendix C:	Agenda List of Attendees Northeast Roundtable and LRMP presentation * LRMP update provided by Genevieve Paterson, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD) * Caribou Recovery Program Update provided by Joelle Scheck, FLNRORD
	Appendix D: Appendix E: Appendix F: Appendix G:	West Moberly First Nations TLE presentation by Dale Morgan, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation Stakeholder feedback form on West Moberly First Nations TLE Parks Update by Anna McIndoe, BC Parks Summary of Northeast Roundtable Process Feedback by Trina Wamboldt, Urban Systems

Meeting Notes Prepared by Urban Systems

#### 1. Welcome and Objective Setting

- Dale Morgan welcomed participants and reviewed the agenda and participants introduced themselves.
- Genevieve Paterson noted that facilitation of the Northeast Roundtable is transitioning from Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation (MIRR) to Ministry of Forests, Lands, Resources and Rural Development (FLNRORD) as of the fall with support from Urban Systems.
- Jason Lawson, with support from Genevieve Paterson, will be the FLNRORD leads for the Northeast Roundtable.
- A participant noted a perceived conflict of interest related to Urban Systems facilitating the Northeast Roundtable and also working with First Nations related to TLE; The Province and Urban Systems reiterated that Urban's role is to facilitate an objective and transparent multi-stakeholder engagement process which does not include providing land use advice or recommendations to the Province.
- The Province intends to develop a Northeast Stakeholder Roundtable website to support document and information sharing related to the Northeast initiatives discussed at the Roundtable.
- Participants were invited to identify dates that don't work for future Roundtable meetings in an effort to avoid future scheduling conflicts; no dates were identified by participants.

• Participants were invited to complete a brief questionnaire assessing satisfaction with the Northeast Roundtable process, topics of interest, and suggestions for improved process in future (see results Appendix G).

#### 2. LRMP Update

- Genevieve Paterson, FLNRORD provided an update on the status of the Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP) Update Project.
- The What We Heard Report developed by Urban Systems documenting the initial engagement is under review by the Province and will be released to stakeholders in early July.
- Questions, answers, comments and action items related to the LRMP Update Project are outlined in Table 1 below.

	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
Q	What is the status of the LRMP Update Terms of Reference? How will the LRMP Update be delivered if not through a consensus-based process?	
Α	A draft Terms of Reference is currently being developed by the Province and a copy will be shared for public review and comment prior to finalization.	
Q	Will First Nations be required by the Province to sign Non-Disclosure Agreements related to LRMP? This drove a wedge related to caribou?	
Α	No.	
С	Need to cut original LRMP area down to reflect current state which is not the same as it used to be. This would take into effect all parks, conservation areas, tribal parks, etc. that any new plan would not need to be included in the planning scope.	
Q	What effect will the BRFN court case have on the LRMP process?	
Α	Cumulative effects and climate change are issues the LRMP will seek to address. Blueberry, Doig and Halfway River First Nations are working with the Province to deliver the LRMP Update Project.	

#### TABLE 1 – LRMP Q&A

#### 3. West Moberly First Nations TLE Update

- Dale Morgan provided an update on the West Moberly First Nations (WMFN) TLE parcel selections.
- Questions, answers, comments and action items related to WMFN TLE parcel selections are outlined in Table 2 below.



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	TABLE 2 – WMFN TLE SELECTIONS Q&A				
	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action			
<b>Q</b> A	Why can't fee simple land be included as part of the TLE land process like it is in Saskatchewan and Manitoba? Saskatchewan and Manitoba do not have much Crown land so fee simple land was included to satisfy the quantums owed to the Nations in those Provinces.				
<b>Q</b> A	How are land values being defined? Are lost opportunities associated with that land (e.g. minerals, natural amenities, restricted/ curtailed access/ subsurface/ timber values) being considered? How are comparable for each TLE parcel being established for valuation purposes? Land is being valued using its intended end use. Therefore, if a Nation wishes to protect an area, the land would be valued as conservation lands. A land value appraisal process is under development at this time.				
Q A	Will there be a 'cumulative map' for the TLE showing all selections? Yes.				
<b>Q</b> A	<b>Can maps be provided in JPEG format?</b> Yes. Maps of TLE selections can be found on the Gov-Together-BC site <u>https://engage.gov.bc.ca/govtogetherbc/consultation/land-transfers-in-northeast-british-columbia/</u>				
Q A	How much money has the Federal government provided to the Province to support the TLE land transfer process? Heard it was \$800M? Can someone from Canada attend a Northeast Roundtable meeting to provide information about their investment? Yes, the Province will be paid for Crown lands transferred through TLE process; Not able to confirm a dollar amount. BC can and only will be commenting on their part in the TLE settlement.	D. Morgan to forward this question to ADM/Minister to be confirmed			
	There are two types of land transfers: (1) Shortfall lands that are transferred from Province to Canada for conversion to Reserve and include sky to sub-surface, and (2) Addition to Reserve which are lands sold at market value to First Nations, which may or may not be converted to Reserve land depending on what's negotiated with each community. These lands would include surface rights only.				
Q	How will the ALR be factored into the process? Reference Sunset Prairie Community Pasture - we need a better understanding of what this (transfer) means to folks currently using this for grazing? There is a temporary work camp out there (West Moberly JV) and this falls within the restrictions of the ALC, but with any transfer then the ALR is no longer applicable, and the temporary camp suddenly becomes permanent. What are the effects to the adjacent community				

#### TABLE 2 – WMFN TLE SELECTIONS Q&A



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pasture? Land use activities that occur adjacent to private land



	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
A	affects the value of the private land (e.g. directional drilling); These impacts need to be considered; Province is looking for information from tenure holders on impacts. Fee simple lands transferred to First Nations will be subject to the same regulatory requirements as all other fee simple lands. It is anticipated that ALR land will stay ALR land but this is still under negotiation.	
Q	Where will the revenues from the sale of Crown lands go into general revenues? How will the federal money be used to benefit to region?	D. Morgan to confirm how the TLE money transferred from
Α	Unknown at this time – to be determined and reported back at future Roundtable meetings.	Canada to BC will be used/allocated
Q	Under the Peace River Agreement (formerly Fair Share) monies flow through to the PRRD to offset industrial activity in the region. With land (shortfall and ATR) transfers to reserve (or fee-simple) status, and that could subsequently be realized as industrial/ economic development, will these be subject to a similar taxation system that will feed the Peace River Agreement regionally? How does the PRRD get compensated for loss of tax revenue on lands transferred? Will consideration be given towards current status versus future declared (industrial/ economic development) use as compensation? Utility corridors (pipelines) going through transfer lands have an associated revenue transfer to the federal government. What is the mechanism to have these monies transferred to the Regional District? This process is new for all parties and a lot of these details need to be worked out. Tenure will transfer from Province to Feds but taxes on commercial property that becomes ATR will still be collected; Goal is to minimize impact to current operations and tenures.	D. Morgan to confirm how current taxation regime will be impacted by TLE and ATR
Q A	<b>How will zoning be handled related to land transfers?</b> Fee Simple lands will be subject to the PRRD / municipal zoning requirements. Reserve lands will be managed by the Federal government.	
С	City of Fort St. John has an ATR policy in place and is currently negotiating service agreements with First Nations. This can also be done by other governments in the region.	
Q	Can the TLE selections change based on public response to selections?	
A	Yes, for example, Summit Lake selections were improved based on conversation with the community.	
	Will the Land Use Terms be written into land transfer agreements?	

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	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
	<b>How will land transfers impact access to land by the public?</b> Fee simple lands owned by First Nations will be subject to the same access laws as other fee simple lands; the Province is committed to maintaining broad access to the greatest extent possible; it is important to remember that the TLE lands represent a very small proportion of Crown lands overall but continued access is a priority of the Province.	
С	Low public awareness on this TLE process. The Province needs to do more to ensure the public is aware and engaged.	
С	Show more detail on TLE maps including major routes / access points and traplines, need Google Earth detail, Show TLE overlaps of all Nations. Noted that current TLE maps are available on the Province's Government Together site. <u>https://engage.gov.bc.ca/govtogetherbc/consultation/land- transfers-in-northeast-british-columbia/</u> .	
Q	How are Trapline Holders being engaged in this process? What about adjacent trapline permit holders? How will access across these	D. Morgan to confirm number of traplines ir
A	selection areas be maintained for adjacent trapline owners? Letters went out in December 2018 to all trapline holders that may potentially be impacted by the transfer of lands to West Moberly. We are interested to hear from trapline holders on how they access their lands to ensure that they have continued access after the transfer.	region at next meeting
Q A	<b>How does TLE impact access to waterways?</b> Depending on the size of the waterbody, the Province has access standards in place which will be used to provide the public with continued access.	
Q A	What is the deadline for input on TLE selections? Tenure holders were notified about West Moberly's selections in December with follow-up letters sent to tenure holders on selections that were added/amended in May. The Province would like to encourage feedback as soon as possible. Feedback will be received until the decision has been made to transfer the land.	
-	Sunset Prairie Community Pasture – 212 acres access being removed from existing cattle producers. Will the Province be making this area up (elsewhere) or compensation/ mitigation? Province is looking for ways to mitigate not compensate but is open to hearing from land holders about impacts.	
Q	Selection named "Stewart Lake North" – is this Shortfall Land Selection? Does it include subsurface rights? Will the Stewart Lake parcels (East and North) be Additions to Reserve? How can the public	



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A	provide feedback if it's not clear whether the TLE selections will be fee simple land or Reserve land? Settlement Agreements are still under negotiation. You can assume it will be Addition to Reserve as this will be the more substantial change.	
С	WMFN Councillor Willson noted that WMFN assumes all TLE parcels will be Reserve as many selections don't make sense if they are not ATR. The intention is not to disrupt, but to grow WMFN economic opportunities.	
С	A resident of Summit Lake spoke to the concerns of many Summit Lake residents related to losing jurisdiction over land and water use decisions in their community through the ATR process.	

#### 4. BC Parks Update

- Anna McIndoe provided update on BC Parks work
- Questions, answers, comments and action items related to the BC Parks update are outlined in Table 3 below

#### TABLE 3 – BC PARKS Q&A

	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
Q	What will be the impact of proposed Kaska Protected Areas?	
Α	This is outside of the scope of BC Parks	

#### 5. Caribou Recovery

- Joelle Scheck provided update on the Caribou Recovery Program.
- Premiere announced BC's intention to sign the Southern Mountain Caribou Bilateral Conservation Agreement (Section 11). The agreement establishes a framework for cooperation between Canada and BC to work collaboratively with Indigenous nations, local governments, industry and communities to develop caribou management plans for southern mountain caribou. Information is available on the Province's website at:

https://engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou/section11agreement/

• Links to the maps and data re: ELUA and Part 13 Forest Act Orders re: S. Peace interim moratorium areas can be found here:

ftp://ftp.geobc.gov.bc.ca/sections/outgoing/dss/GeoBC\_Digital\_Media/ELUC\_order/Caribou\_EL
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ftp://ftp.geobc.gov.bc.ca/sections/outgoing/dss/GeoBC\_Digital\_Media/PART13/Caribou\_PT13\_ No1\_20190612/

• Questions, answers, comments and action items related to the Caribou Recovery update are outlined in Table 4 below.





#### TABLE 4 – CARIBOU RECOVERY Q&A

	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Actior
Q A	Is there ongoing monitoring of herd populations? Yes, specific data is available.	
Q A	What are the next steps in the Partnership Agreement? Feedback will continue to be collected while the province is considering what they have heard so far. The Blair Lekstrom report makes several recommendations and the province is reviewing how best to proceed with this agreement. Provide feedback and learn more by visiting the Province's Caribou Recovery Engagement website at https://engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou.	
Q A	<b>Will the Province continue with the wolf cull during the moratorium?</b> Yes, a five year commitment was made for Central Group Caribou and a 5 year review has been completed with intention to continue into a 6 <sup>th</sup> year for these herds. The Province may be able to apply slightly less effort in this Group of caribou based on last year's results. This practice has been proven to make a positive impact on caribou but may not continue at the same pace in the future.	
Q A	When will Section 11 be signed off by Canada? Not certain when Canada will sign off, anticipate this will happen before the Federal election.	
Q A	Will Minister Doug Donaldson be at the meeting with the District of Chetwynd on Caribou Recovery? Blair Lekstrom will be at the meeting, but not Minister Donaldson.	
Q A	Will there be wolf control in other areas? Yes, Aerial wolf control also occurred within Pink Mountain and Chinchaga herds last winter, which was the first commitment of 3 years, and we are anticipating commencing a program in the Graham herd this winter based on a sharp decline over the last 10 years or so.	
Q A	Why wait for the Partnership Agreement? Hope to move forward with what can be addressed outside the agreement in the fall. While the section 11 agreement is not signed BC is moving forward based on the intent of that agreement. As mentioned previously the Section 11 agreement is based largely on the existing plans of the Caribou Recovery Program.	
Q	Will there be Grizzly Bear Protection?	





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	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
Q	The Federal Government recently released a Grizzly Bear Recovery Strategy. Will there be Grizzly Bear Protection?	
Α	Unknown. Grizzly bear are not considered in the Partnership Agreement or Section 11 specifically.	
С	We need to learn from the caribou process and not repeat the same mistakes. Suggestion to have Audrey Gagne-Delorme (Regional Wildlife Biologist) come to a future meeting to talk about bison recovery planning (Province agrees).	Invite Audrey Gagne- Delorme to future Roundtable meeting

#### 6. TLE Wrap-up Discussion

- Participants were invited to provide any final comments or questions related to WMFN TLE selections.
- Questions, answers, comments and action items related to the TLE Wrap-up Discussion are outlined in Table 5 below.

#### TABLE 5 – TLE WRAP-UP DISCUSSION Q&A

	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
Q	Do these maps show ATR or Fee Simple?	
Α	These maps show shortfall lands including Stewart Lake North.	
Q	What is the significance of these lands to WMFN?	
Α	Economic interest, as well as other interests.	
с	Mayor of Chetwynd enquired about WMFN's meeting with the Tumbler Ridge community related to TLE selections. Tumbler Ridge responded noting that WMFN had made a good presentation and community response was positive (approx. 25 - 30 residents in attendance).	
Q A	Who will be responsible for maintaining access roads with ATR? Depends on the type of road; Forest Service roads maintained through 3 <sup>rd</sup> party agreements; old roads with no agreement are usually not maintained; roads have been cut out of parcels to maintain access but maintenance will depend on who is using the roads.	
c	Province to provide Roundtable with feedback on all TLE selections cumulatively; Need dialogue not just to read a report. Need to communicate where the process is at, even if there is no other news to report.	

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#### 7. Northeast Roundtable Process

• Additional questions, answers, comments and action items related to the Northeast Roundtable process are included in Table 6 Below.

	TOPIC (Q = Question / A = Answer / C = Comment)	Follow Up Action
Q	Who does the FLNRORD team report to related to Northeast	
	Roundtable? Who are the decision makers? How do we get	
	information out of the "nest"; Perception that ADMs are not well	
	briefed on the process which has been the biggest issue with caribou.	
Α	Genevieve Paterson and Jason Lawson will be coordinating with	
	Northeast initiative leads to ensure feedback from the Roundtable will	
	be provided and leads will be asked to respond accordingly.	
Q	How will the feedback from the Roundtable be used? Are we wasting	
	our time? Need more frequent updates. Caribou What We Heard	
	Report never happened.	
Α	Participants invited to complete Northeast Roundtable Process	
	feedback form to highlight what's working well and what should be	
	improved. Continue to check Caribou Recovery engagement site for	
	updates <u>https://engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou.</u> Some topics still in active	
	discussion so it is important to come back when there is something	
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#### TABLE 6 – NORTHEAST ROUNDTABLE PROCESS

#### 8. Summary of Action Items

	Action Item	Assigned To
1.	Ask ADM/Minister to confirmed how much money the Federal government has provided to the Province to support the TLE land transfer process.	D. Morgan
2.	Confirm how the TLE money transferred from Canada to BC will be used/allocated.	D. Morgan
3.	Confirm how current taxation regime will be impacted by TLE and ATR.	D. Morgan
4.	Confirm number of traplines in region at next meeting.	D. Morgan
5.	Invite Audrey Gagne-Delorme to future Roundtable meeting.	G. Patersen

# Appendix A: Agenda



### Northeast Roundtable

### **DRAFT AGENDA**

June 26, 2019 Time 9:00AM-3:30PM Fort St. John, Pomeroy Hotel, 11308 Alaska Road - Scotty Room

Time	Agenda Item	Lead	Objective	Outcome
9:00-9:30	Welcome and Objective Setting	Province of BC	Roundtable introductions, opening remarks and objective setting.	<ul> <li>Review and confirm agenda for the day</li> <li>Add any new agenda items that come from the floor</li> </ul>
9:30-10:30	Overview of Provincial Northeast Initiatives	Province of BC	<ul> <li>Provide updates on Provincial initiatives underway in the Northeast including:</li> <li>Caribou Recovery Program</li> <li>Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan Update Project</li> <li>Treaty Land Entitlement</li> <li>BC Parks Planning (Afternoon)</li> </ul>	Background and introduction to process overview: opportunities for engagement, timing, deliverables and milestones
			Morning Break 10:30-10:45	
10:45-12:00	Introduction to West Moberly Treaty Land Entitlement - Parcel engagement	Province of BC	<ul> <li>Overview of West Moberly First Nations' Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE) land selections, including:</li> <li>Parcel by parcel review, including West Moberly's interests</li> <li>Identify potential opportunities and impacts of the potential land transfers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Address concerns of stakeholder and public</li> <li>Creating a common understanding on where West Moberly First Nations' TLE settlement is in the land transfer process</li> <li>Confirmation of encumbrances on the land and identifying any missing rights/interest</li> </ul>

			<ul> <li>Understanding stakeholders and public concerns</li> <li>Identify priority parcels for further review and parcels where there are no concerns         Lunch 12:00-1:00     </li> </ul>	
1:00-1:30	Park Planning Update	Province of BC	Update on BC Parks Planning	<ul> <li>Introduction to process overview: opportunities for engagement, timing, deliverables and milestones</li> </ul>
1:30-1:45	Morning Wrap-up & Next Steps Introduction to Feedback Session	Province of BC	<ul> <li>Action Review:</li> <li>Review key achievements of the day and summarize actions moving forward</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Workplan/meeting schedule</li> </ul>
		-	Afternoon Break 1:45-2:00	
2:00-3:30	Feedback Session: West Moberly's Treaty Land Entitlement selections	Province of BC	<ul> <li>Gathering site specific concerns on West</li> <li>Moberly's TLE selections from the roundtable participants.</li> <li>Focus on priority parcels identified in the morning</li> <li>Stakeholders fill out feedback forms on parcels</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Understanding of rights/interests on each parcel</li> <li>Addressing concerns of stakeholders and public</li> <li>Describe how feedback has been incorporated</li> </ul>

# Appendix B: List of Attendees



#### Northeast Roundtable Meeting Participants - June 26, 2019 Pomeroy Hotel, Fort St. John, BC

Name	Organization / Affiliation	
Dave Heiberg	District of Hudson's Hope	
Chris Cvik	District of Hudson's Hope	
Carol Newsom	District of Chetwynd	
Mike Muluchill	Peace River Cattlemen	
Kathleen Connolly	DC Chamber of Commerce & Team CCCR	
Darryl Krakowka	District of Tumbler Ridge	
Curtis Miedzinski	District of Tumbler Ridge	
Chad Moffat	BC Oil & Gas Commission	
Barry Holland	NP Rod and Gun Club	
Gerry Paille	BC Wildlife Federation	
Ray Ensz	FSJ/BCTA Trappers	
Jim Little	NE Stakeholders	
Lorraine Michetti	Pouce Coupe BC	
Allen Courtoreille	Chetwynd	
Ron Long	Pink Mountain	
Elizabeth Abbs	Summit Lake	
Dan Rosen	Canfor Chetwynd	
Clinton Goald	LP Dawson Creek	
Renee Ardill	North Peace Cattlemen Association	
Brad Sperling	PRRD	
Dan Rosen	PRRD	
Leonard Hiebert	PRRD	
Karen Goodings	PRRD	
Ken Wolfe	Chewynd Forest Industries West Fraser	
Glynnis Maudrell	Charlie Lake Conservation Society	
Helen Gilbert	School District #60 Peace River North	
Clarence Wilson	WMFN Council	
Theresa Brown	WMFN Council	
Brad Dokkie	WMFN Council	
Genevieve Paterson	FLNRORD	
Dale Morgan	MIRR	
Renee Simard	MIRR	
Joelle Scheck	FLNRORD	
Anna McIndoe	BC Parks	
Edward Stanford	Urban Systems Ltd.	
Trina Wamboldt	Urban Systems Ltd.	

# Appendix C: Northeast Roundtable and LRMP presentation





## Northeast BC Roundtable

Prepared by the Province of BC for the Northeast BC Roundtable

June 26, 2019



## Introductions

- Roundtable Introductions
- Northeast Roundtable Support:
  - Province of BC
    - Jason Lawson, Crown Land Opportunity Specialist
    - Genevieve Paterson, Land and Resource Specialist
  - Urban Systems Limited
    - Edward Stanford, Principal
    - Trina Wamboldt, Principal



## **Agenda Overview**

- 1. Introductions and Agenda Review
- 2. Update on Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan Update Project
- 3. Introduction of West Moberly Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE)
  - Morning Break
- 4. TLE continued
- 5. Morning Wrap-up and Next Steps
  - Lunch Break
- 6. BC Parks Planning Update
- 7. Caribou Recovery Program Update
- 8. TLE continued



## **Meeting Objectives**

- ✓ Provide updates on regional initiatives
- ✓ Introduce West Moberly Treaty Land Entitlement Parcels and seek feedback and input from Table Members
- ✓ Explore Roundtable meeting calendar



## **Northeast Initiatives**

- Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan
- Treaty Land Entitlement
- BC Parks Planning
- Caribou Recovery Program



## Fort St. John Land and Resource Management Plan Update Project

- Based on what was heard, designing the update process and commencing technical assessment of 1997 LRMP
- Will continue to collaborate with Treaty 8, local government, industry, stakeholders and the public to amend and update the plan
- Planning for first public workshop in Fall 2019





## **Treaty Land Entitlement**

• Overview of West Moberly Parcels



## **Caribou Recovery Program**

### Central Group

- BC intends to move forward on Section 11 agreement.
- The Partnership agreement will take more time to finalize negotiations based on feedback from engagement sessions and Lekstrom report.
- Interim Moratorium while discussions continue.
- Developing next steps to bring parties and communities together.



## **Caribou Recovery Program**

### <u>Boreal Caribou</u>

- Phase 1
  - Science/technical planning complete
  - First Nations engagement initiated
- Phase 2
  - Strategic Planning
    - Local government participation
    - Stakeholder & Public engagement
    - Continue First Nations engagement
    - Socio-economic analysis
    - Develop recommended recovery option for ELUC



## **Key Next Steps**

- Roundtable meeting calendar
- Confirm topics to bring forward to September meeting
  - Updated Terms of Reference Segments
  - Updates on regional initiatives
  - Topics requested by Table Members



## Thank-you Questions? Contacts:

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## **Appendix D:** West Moberly First Nations TLE presentation by Dale Morgan, Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation



# West Moberly First Nation (WMFN) Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE) Selections

Northeast Stakeholder Roundtable Meeting

June 26th, 2019

## Overview

- TLE Background
- West Moberly First Nation Background
- West Moberly and BC process status
- West Moberly's TLE land parcels
- Opportunity to hear and understand site specific interests



# Treaty Land Entitlement (TLE)

# TLE (Recap)

## Why

- A specific claim
- To settle a 100-year old obligation righting a historic wrong
- Land is owed to some T8 First Nations (lands missed at the time of Treaty)
- BC is settling the land that was not provided when Treaty 8 was signed
- The Crown is *legally obligated* to resolve TLE

## Who

## **Blueberry River & Doig River**

• Originally the Fort St John Indian Band

### Halfway River & West Moberly

• Originally the Hudson Hope Indian Band

## **Saulteau First Nations**

# TLE (Recap)

- Provincial land transfers for TLE (BC):
  - Shortfall is a historic obligation
    - Owed since the Treaty was signed
    - Land will be transferred to Canada on behalf of the FN for Indian Reserve
  - Additional is land for reconciliation that First Nations may purchase
    - Land may be considered for Addition to Reserve (ATR) through Canada's process
- Federal settlement for lost opportunity (Canada)

\*ATR = Addition to Reserve (Federal process to add land as Indian Reserve)



# About West Moberly (Background)

# Background

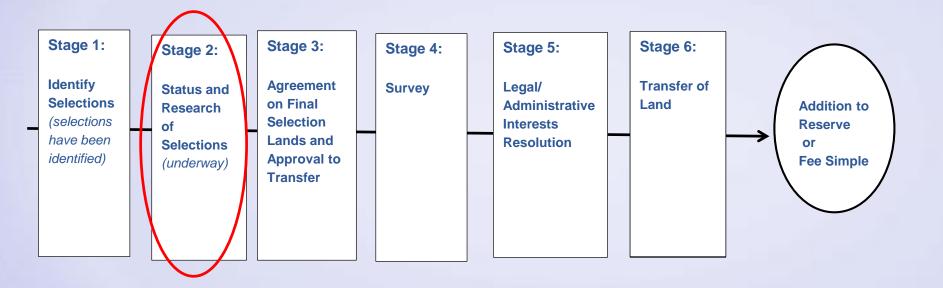
- West Moberly First Nation was formerly part of the Hudson Hope Beaver Band (along with Halfway River) which signed Treaty No. 8 in 1900.
- The Hudson Hope Band divided into Halfway and West Moberly in 1977.
- West Moberly TLE Claim was filed with Canada in 1996 and accepted for negotiation in 2004.



# TLE Land Transfer: WMFN and BC process status

### Land Transfer Process

• British Columbia has six land transfer stages :



• This process is heavily regulated by laws and procedure.

## Stakeholder Engagement

- BC is consulting and/or engaging as follows:
  - First Nations
  - Tenure holders (with licences/tenures that overlap parcels)
  - Local Government
  - Interest Groups (Industry, Recreation, Conservation)
    Public

## Status of Engagement on West Moberly's TLE Selections

Туре	Status	
First Nations	• First Nations consultation is underway / completed.	
Tenure Holder	• B.C. has sent initial letters to Tenure Holders with tenures overlapping parcels. West Moberly First Nation is also reaching out to Tenure Holders. Meetings with Tenure Holders are being scheduled as needed.	
Local Government	<ul> <li>Underway. Introduction and discussion at Roundtable.</li> <li>Next: Direct Letter and e-mail via Northeast Stakeholder E-mail List.</li> <li>Further in person/phone meeting opportunities may be available, depending on scope of potential impact.</li> </ul>	
Interest Groups	<ul> <li>Underway. Introduction and discussion at Roundtable.</li> <li>Email via Northeast Stakeholder Email List with link to public website to submit comments.</li> <li>Further opportunity to discuss at future Roundtable or alternative forums may be available depending on scope of potential impact.</li> </ul>	
Public	<ul> <li>Underway. Introduction and discussion at Roundtable.</li> <li>Depending on scope of potential impact, may be further opportunity to discuss at the Roundtable.</li> <li>For land transfers, adjacent private property owners may be engaged directly.</li> </ul>	



## West Moberly's Land Selections

### Overview

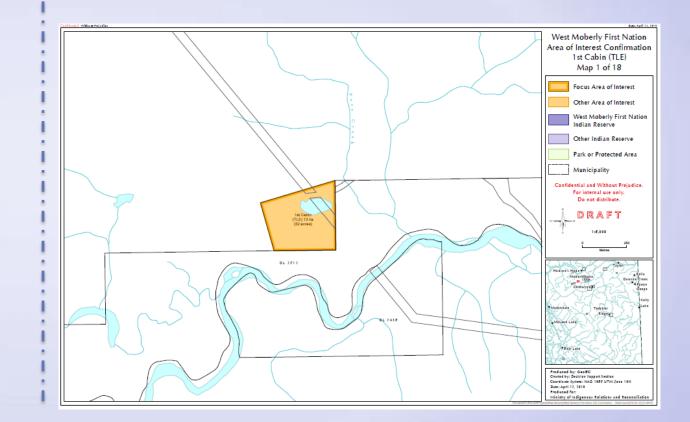
- West Moberly has selected 32 TLE land parcels (see 7 map areas).
- West Moberly has identified Stewart Lake North parcel as their shortfall.
- West Moberly First Nation and the Province are currently discussing which parcels of their Additional parcels they would like to apply for Additions to Reserve (ATR) at Transfer of Admin and Control (TAC).

## Examples of Known TLE Overlaps

- Guide Outfitting
- Recreation sites and trails
- Mineral occurrences
- Traplines
- Forestry: TSA
- Oil & gas: existing activities on some parcels
- Range(2): 1<sup>st</sup> Cabin (WMFN Range tenure) Stewart Lake East
- RoW: existing roads and hydro through some parcels

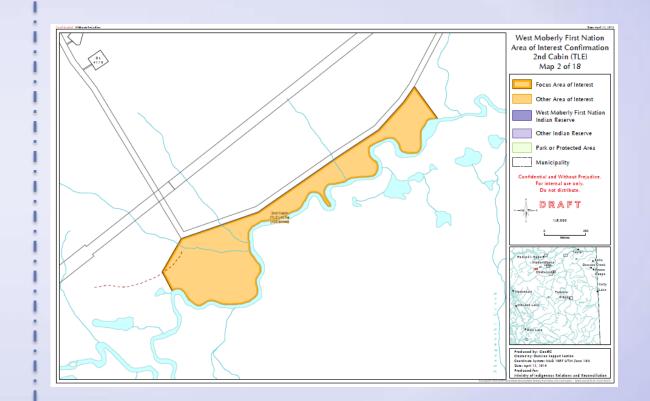
## 1<sup>st</sup> Cabin

- *Size:* 13 ha (32 acres)
- *Where:* West of Moberly Lake along the Moberly River
- Reason for Selecting:
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



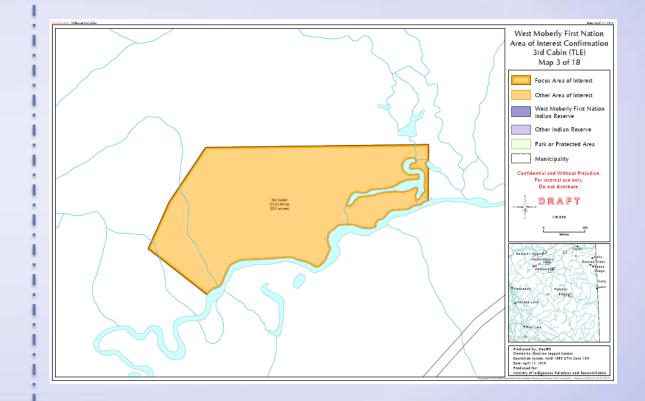
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Cabin

- *Size:* 42 ha (103 acres)
- *Where:* West of Moberly Lake along the Moberly River
- Reason for Selecting:
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



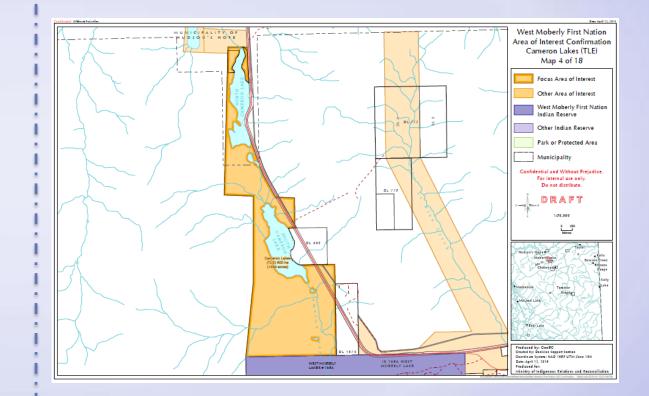


- Size: 94 ha (231 acres)
- *Where:* West of Moberly Lake along the Moberly River
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



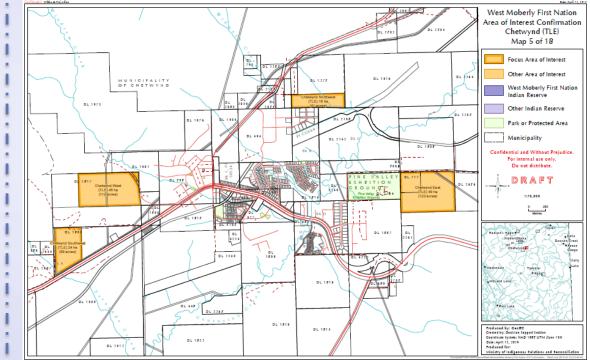
## **Cameron Lakes**

- *Size:* 600 ha (1484 acres)
- *Where:* Adjacent to WMFN reserve on Moberly Lake
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



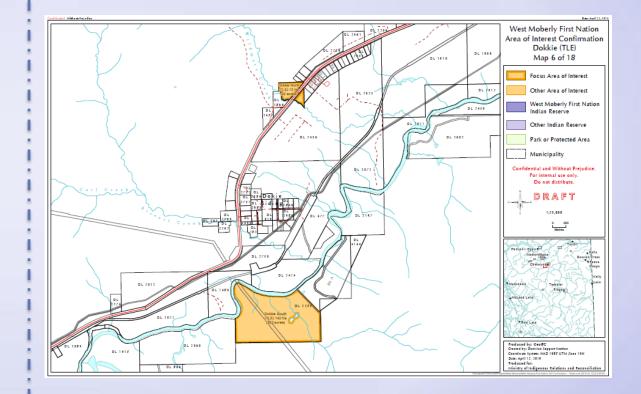
## **Chetwynd Parcels**

- Chetwynd W: 45 ha (112 acres)
- Chetwynd SW: 24 ha (59 acres)
- Chetwynd E: 49 ha (122 acres)
- Chetwynd NE: 16 ha (41 acres)
- Where: Municipality of Chetwynd
- Reasons for selecting:
  - Economic Development



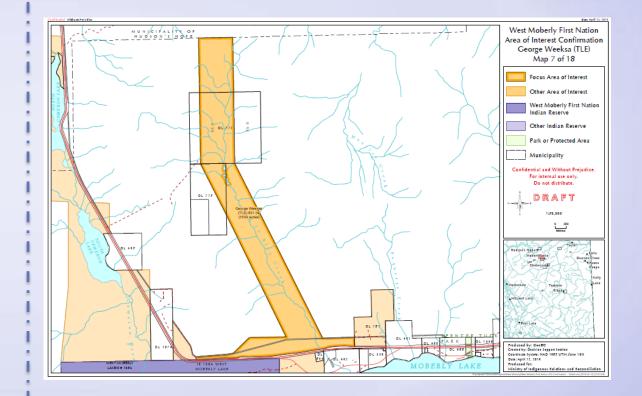
## **Dokkie North and South**

- *Dokkie N Size:* 13 ha (32 acres)
- Dokkie S Size: 142 ha (352 acres)
- *Where:* West of Chetwynd adjacent to Highway 97S
- Reasons for selecting:
  - Economic Development



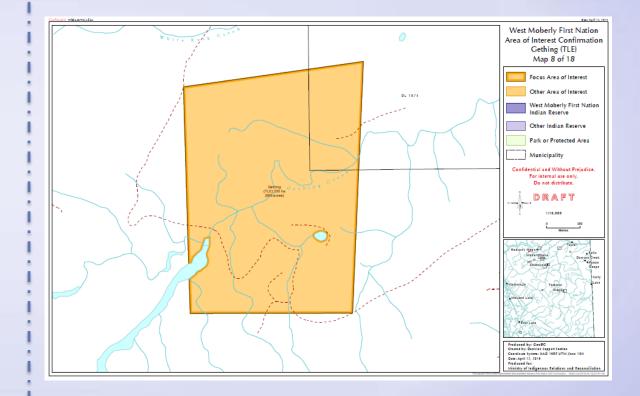
## George Weeksa

- *Size:* 621 ha (1534 acres)
- *Where:* Adjacent to WMFN reserve and Moberly Lake
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



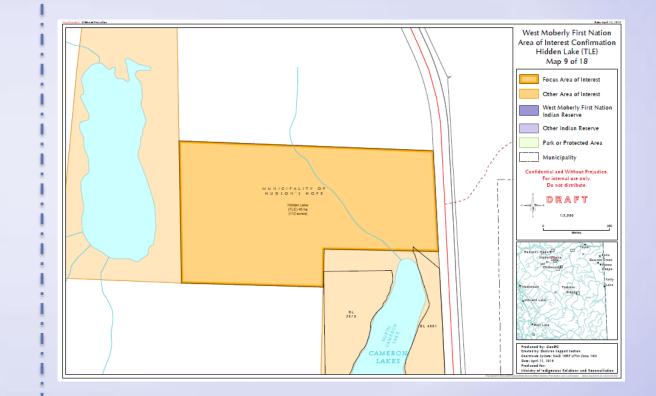
## Gething

- *Size:* 230 ha (568 acres)
- *Where:* West of Hudson Hope, south of Williston Reservoir
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



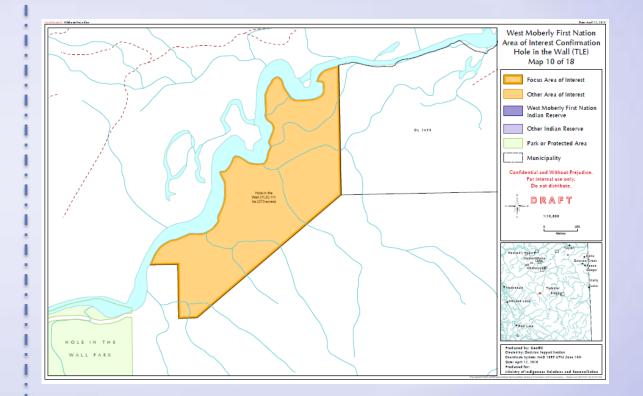
## Hidden Lake

- *Size:* 45 ha (112 acres)
- *Where:* North of Moberly Lake along highway 29
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



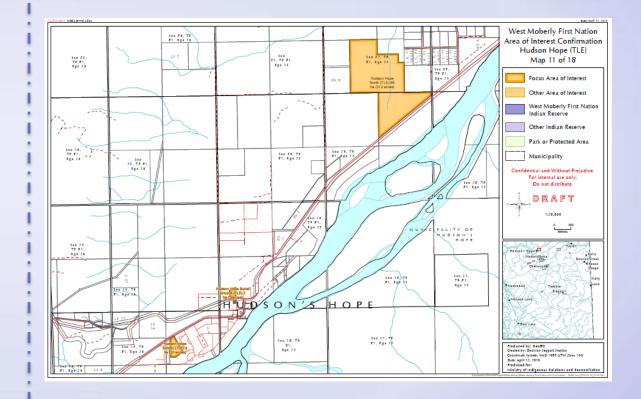
## Hole in the Wall

- *Size:* 111 ha (273 acres)
- *Where:* West of Tumbler Ridge, adjacent Sukunka River, East of Hole in the Wall Park
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Cultural/Protections/Other



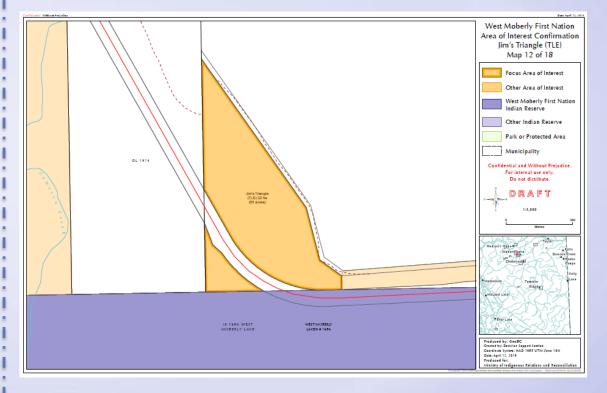
## Hudson Hope

- HH North Size: 86 ha (212 acres)
- HH Burial Size: 1 ha (3 acres)
- HH School: 4 ha (10 acres)
- Where: Municipality of Hudson Hope
- Reasons for selecting:
  - HH North & School = Economic
     Development
  - HH Burial Grounds = Cultural/Protections/Other



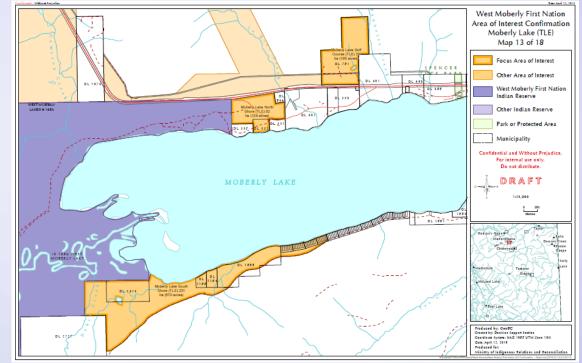
## Jim's Triangle

- *Size:* 22 ha (53 acres)
- *Where:* Adjacent to Moberly Lake and WMFN reserve
- Reasons for selecting:
  - Residential/Reserve Expansion



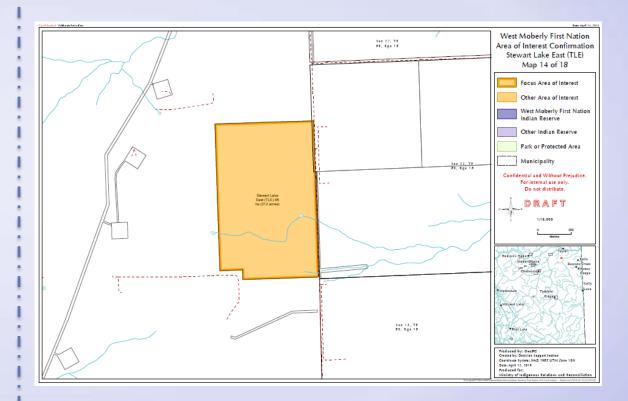
## **Moberly Lake Parcels**

- *ML North Size:* 52 ha (129 acres)
- *ML Golf Size:* 79 ha (195 acres)
- ML South Size: 231 ha (570 acres)
- Where: Adjacent to Moberly Lake
- Reasons for selecting:
  - Golf Course = Economic
     Development
  - North & South Shores = Residential/ Reserve Expansion



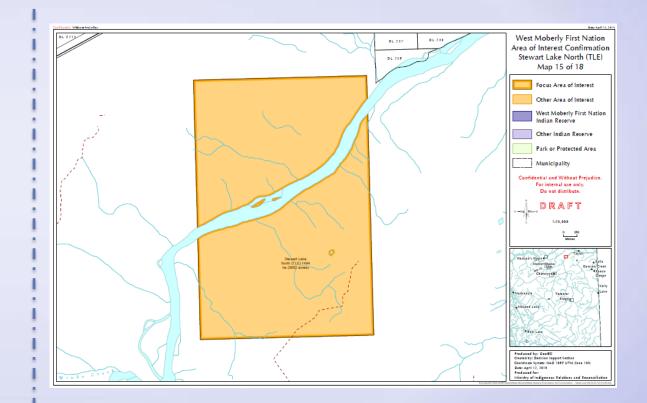
### Stewart Lake East

- *Size:* 86 ha (212 acres)
- Where: Approximately half way between FSJ and Dawson Creek, west of Alaska Highway
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Economic Development



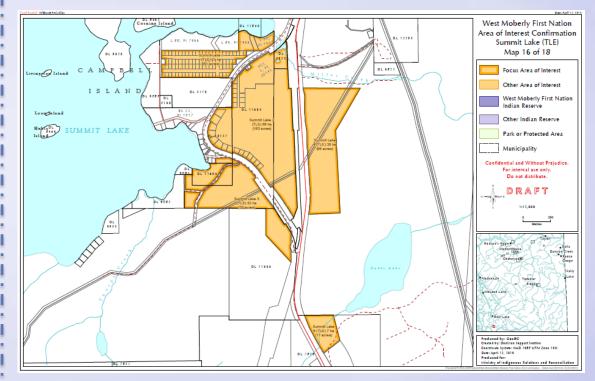
### **Stewart Lake North**

- *Size:* 1494 ha (3692 acres)
- *Where:* Southwest of Fort St John, adjacent to the Pine River
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Economic Development



## Summit Lake

- Summit Lake 1: 21 ha (51 acres)
- Summit Lake 2: 66 ha (163 acres)
- Summit Lake 3: 32 ha (78 acres)
- Summit Lake 4: 35 ha (86 acres)
- Summit Lake 5: 7 ha (17 acres)
- Where: Community of Summit Lake
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Parcels 1-4 = Residential/Reserve
     Expansion
  - Parcel 5 = Economic Development



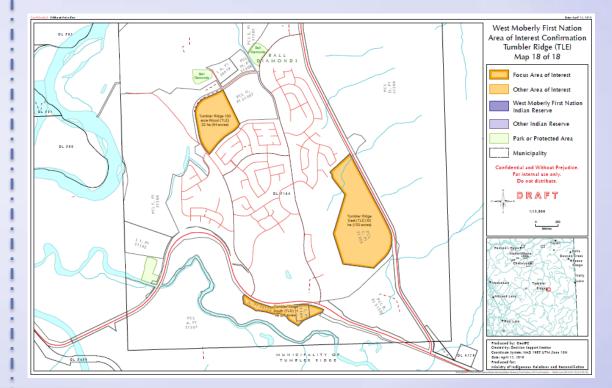
## **Three Lakes**

- Size: 51 ha (126 acres)
- Where: North of Moberly Lake
- *Reasons for selecting:* 
  - Residential/Reserve Expansion



## Tumbler Ridge

- 100 Acre Woods: 22 ha (54 acres)
- East: 53 ha (132 acres)
- South: 11 ha (26 acres)
- Where: District of Tumbler Ridge
- Reasons for selecting:
  - Economic Development



### Feedback Checklist

- Does your organization have a site specific interest in the land selection?
- What is the interest and how is the interest going to be impacted?
- Are there ways to avoid, mitigate or accommodate this impact?

### Next Steps

- We have captured your comments today for consideration during the land selection process
- We will provide you with a process update at the next roundtable meeting.





### Questions?

# Appendix E: Stakeholder feedback form on West Moberly First Nations TLE

#### Parcel Feedback Form Name and Organization: <u>School District #60</u>

Please identify the organization you are representing above. Please be as clear and concise in your wording as possible. Comments left blank will be interpreted as no interest or concern. Additional Space is provided on the last page for additional comments on specific maps.

Parcel name	Comments		
Cameron Lake	Our lease for Camp Cameron has been renewed for 30 years. The lease is with FLNRO. We are happy about this.		

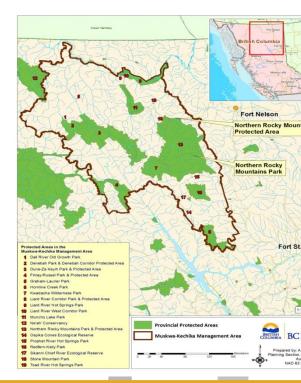
## Appendix F: Parks Update by Anna McIndoe, BC Parks



Northern Rocky Mountains Park and Northern Rocky Mountains Protected Area Draft Management Plan Draft for Public Review

#### Northern Rocky Mountains Park Within the Muskwa-Kechika Management Area

- Class A Park established in 1997
- The *Muskwa-Kechika Management Area Act* enacted the M-K Management Area in 1998
- The park management plan is one of several strategic plans
- This plan considers direction from the other strategic plans
- BC Parks is the Land Manager of the Park, but management is intended to be consistent with the *M-K Management Area Act*
- Approval of Plan is by the Minister





#### Summary of Engagement

- Original PAG formed in early 2000s
- Work was ongoing for ~8 years
- Most recent work initiated in 2012
- Current 2019 draft MP public review February 1 to March 31
- LSPAG face to face meetings held on May 31 & June 2
- LSPAG input will be considered for Final draft
- Addition face to face meeting in Fall 2019 to review final draft management plan
- FN consultation ongoing in a parallel process



- Prescribed Fire
- Snowmobile Access
- Predator Management
- Riverboat Access
- Aircraft Access





#### **Next Steps**

#### June 2019

 BC Parks consolidated results of meeting discussion in a summary document. This document was sent to the LSPAG members and the M-K Advisory Board

#### August 2019

• BC Parks will send revised draft management plan to LSPAG to review and comment.

#### October 2019

 Face to face meetings will be scheduled in Fort Nelson and Fort St. John to provide an opportunity for the LSPAG to review and comment on the final draft.

#### Appendix G: Summary of Northeast Roundtable Process Feedback by Trina Wamboldt, Urban Systems



Question 1: what has worked well at the Northeast Roundtable to date?	Question 2: What could be changed to improve the effectivness of the Northeast Roundtable moving forward?	Question 3: What benefit do you expect to get form particpating in the Northeat Roundtable?
Good venue and walk ability. Mic that allows public to be heard and give input	More frequent communication between members of the Roundtable	Proof that what is being given for infomraiton has been used and accepted
Broader audience particpation including local government	n/a	Comments considered and reflected in results
n/a	microphone for questions or have the faciliator repeat the question	Perhaps some of the attendees are not faimilar with Urban Systems. I think their relationship they have with many regional groups will help this process
conversation	every meeting has had an explaination of what is TLE. Perhaps can be sent out prior to meeting for newcomers to 'catch up' to save time at meetings	presentaiton of new information and opportunities for feedback, and helpful to have communication prior to meetings (regarding topics to be addressed)
the fact that these meetings exist, faciliations sessions, invovlement by First Nation communitites	participation by decision makers, ADMs and ministires before and after decisions are made to explain how info from these sessions impacted the decisions or didn't impact the decision. Participation by members of the table in agenda setting. Greater participation by First Nation Communities	Involvement in processes that inform Land Based Decisioin making. Knowledge about process and decisions that can be passed along to residents of our communities and region
n/a	proper delegation to answers to each topic ie: Feds to answer Federal questions, BC to answer questions to do with BC, local government	
n/a	public meetings, maps, showing all TLE's with Parks Caribou marked on the maps, numbers, timelines for follow ups with feedback	information
Have learned a lot about TLE	Better more detailed maps showing tenure, pipelines, rds, present parks and protected areas. A process that clearly laysout how conerns brought up here are dealt with in an objective way. Need to engage the public. Feedback, Feedback, Feedback	tranparent process understood and respected by all
Information re: maps is important. Opportunity to hear concerns and the possible resolution to the questions	Answers to questions, it is quite vague now, broader communication	I am interested in getting answers to the questions from the public and how those answers will be circulated as well as opprortunity for further discussion. Concerns that the decisions will not reflect the concerns of the majority
open conversation	Material and maps made more publicly available by province	Knowledge and understadning for the public. Conclusion and moving forward as a community