



Confederacy of Treaty Six First Nations

Health, Environment and Climate Forum

Date: November 14-15, 2019

Location: Delta Hotels by Marriott, Edmonton South Conference Centre, Edmonton, AB

Forum Purpose and Objectives

- To collectively discuss, examine and devise health, environment and climate solutions from an inherent, Treaty and Indigenous Rights lens; and including the practice of meaningful land-based practices as a trigger to holistic wellness;
- To communicate on current research findings from the AFN First Nations Food, Nutrition and Environment Study (FNFNES); and to present the upcoming Food, Environment, Health and Nutrition of First Nations Children and Youth (FEHNCY) Study;
- To provide Indigenous Clean Energy Networking current and future opportunities; and present and workshop the Community Energy Planning Implementation toolkit

Please Note:

- This event will be recorded for future reference and viewing





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DAY ONE (1): November 14, 2019

Time	Item
07:30 am	Pipe Ceremony
08:00 am	Breakfast Buffet
09:00 am	Welcoming Remarks and Housekeeping
09:30 am – 10:30 am	Part I – First Nations Food, Nutrition and Environment Study (FNFNES): <i>Presentation of the findings stemming from the 10+ year study conducted with 92 First Nations across Canada</i>
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Health Break
10:45 am – 11:30 am	Part II – Food, Environment, Health and Nutrition of First Nations Children and Youth (FEHNCY) Study: <i>Announcement of the upcoming national research study on the Health of First Nations Children and Youth</i>
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	Moderated Q&A on FNFNES and FEHNCY w/ Principle Investigator Dr. Laurie Chan
12:00 pm – 01:00 pm	Lunch Provided
01:00 pm – 01:45 pm	Keynote Address: Danika Billie Littlechild, Ermineskin Cree Nation, Treaty No. 6
01:45 pm – 02:00 pm	Health Break
02:00 pm – 02:45 pm	Open Forum Discussion Following Keynote Address
02:45 pm – 03:30 pm	Community Testimonials: <i>What did the communities who engaged in the research learn? How have they applied the research findings to their community work? Does the research trigger support for health, environment and climate policy reform?</i>
03:30 pm – 03:45 pm	Wrap Up of Day 1



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DAY TWO (2): November 15, 2019

Time	Item
08:00 am	Breakfast Buffet
08:30 am	Morning Greetings Day One Reflection
09:00 am – 10:00 am	Meaningful Land-Based Practices as a Trigger to Holistic Wellness: <i>Beaver Lake Cree Nation Presented as a Case Study for the Practice of and Funding Sustainability of Meaningful Land-Based Practices Projects.</i>
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Indigenous Clean Energy (ICE) Social Enterprise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduction to the ICE Social Enterprise, ICE Network and 20/20 Catalysts Program
10:30 am – 10:45 am	Health Break
10:45 am – 11:15 am	<i>Energy Systems in Canada Exercise</i>
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Indigenous Clean Energy Projects in Treaty No. 6 (Alberta): <i>Community Scale vs. Utility Scale – What worked? What needs work? Lessons learned and Future opportunities.</i>
12:00 pm – 01:00 pm	Buffet Lunch Provided
01:00 pm – 01:30 pm	Community Energy Planning (CEP): <i>What is CEP? Why is it important?</i>
01:30 pm – 02:45 pm	Introduction of the Arctic Community Energy Planning and Implementation Toolkit Applying the Arctic Community Energy Planning and Implementation Toolkit
02:45 pm – 03:00 pm	Health Break
03:00 pm – 03:30 pm	Green Jobs and Green Energy Development: <i>Are there opportunities in Alberta? Why should we care about diversification of jobs and the economy?</i>
03:30 pm – 04:00 pm	Wrap Up of Day 2 and Closing Prayer



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Program Overview

Danika Billie Littlechild

Danika will be providing an overview of how the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), expert mechanisms and reports intersect with environmental health, and climate while providing a pathway to implementation and inclusion to further support the community work as it relates to environmental health.

Chris Henderson

Chris is one of Canada's pre-eminent clean energy advisors to Indigenous communities on clean energy projects. Chris has advised communities, tribal councils and Indigenous economic development corporations on how to effectively secure and leverage partnership positions in clean energy projects across Canada. Chris also guides utilities, financial firms, corporations and governments on engaging and partnering with Indigenous communities on clean energy projects. His book, *Aboriginal Power*, was published in 2013.

First Nations Food, Nutrition and Environment Study (FNFNES): *Presentation of the findings stemming from the 10+ year study conducted with 92 First Nations across Canada*

Over the past 10 years, the FNFNES has worked with 92 First Nations, from across Canada, to gather information about the current traditional and store-bought food use, food security, the nutrient values and environmental chemical hazards in traditional foods, and heavy metals and pharmaceuticals in drinking and surface water. This presentation will provide a summary of the key findings, where to access the data and full report, and an overview of the study, but will also provide an opportunity for dialogue and questions.

Food, Environment, Health and Nutrition of First Nations Children and Youth (FEHNCY) Study: *Announcement of the upcoming national research study on the Health of First Nations Children and Youth*

FEHNCY is an upcoming research study that will look at the nutrition, health and environment of First Nations children and youth aged 3-19 years across Canada in communities through partnerships and community participation. This presentation will provide an overview of the study and allow for dialogue and questions.

Meaningful Land-Based Practices as a Trigger to Holistic Wellness: *Beaver Lake Cree Nation Presented as a Case Study for the Practice of and Funding Sustainability of Meaningful Land-Based Practices Projects.*

Marilyn Gladue, Beaver Lake Cree Nation Health Services Health Director will co-present with Crystal Lameman, member of the Beaver Lake Cree Nation an overview of the land-based projects and programs initiated by the community as a collective in realizing holistic wellness through meaningful land-based practices. Building on the work of Indigenous communities, scholars, and researchers who have positioned traditional Indigenous knowledge at the center of Indigenous wellness.



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Indigenous Clean Energy Social Enterprise (ICE):

This workshop will explore the notion that as Indigenous communities, allies, and partners, we are all change agents in advancing a clean energy future. The workshop will explore topics like:

- Energy democracy
- Inclusive prosperity
- Indigenous entrepreneurship
- Green energy, Green jobs, and clean energy technologies
- Connect with others who are moving projects forward, and;
- Learn more about shared funding, programming, and job opportunities.

The workshop would be most suitable for First Nation Climate or Energy Lead Technicians, First Nation housing, grassroots individuals with a strong passion for Health, Climate and the Environment, Economic Development Officers, and others. What is most important for participants is that they are motivated to use clean energy initiatives to create positive change in their communities whether that be environmentally, economically or socially.