



# Sahtu Land Use Planning Board

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To: SLUPB Distribution List

## **Re: Public Hearing Update - November 23-25, 2010, Norman Wells, NT**

Dear Sirs and Madams,

We'd like to take this opportunity to provide additional information to you on our Public Hearing, scheduled for November 23-25, 2010 in Norman Wells, NT at the Dennis Drolet Memorial Hall.

Many comments have been submitted to the Board on Draft 3 of the Sahtu Land Use Plan. All comments are posted to the Board's website at [www.sahtulanduseplan.org](http://www.sahtulanduseplan.org) under the Public Comments tab. We encourage all participants to review comments submitted by others to understand the diverse input provided for the Board's consideration. Further to our Notice of Hearing letter of September 17, 2010, the Board is reserving the second half of the Hearing for discussion of key topics on which the Board would like to hear broader discussion among participants (the "Hearing Workshop"). The Board has reviewed the input received to date and has identified the following broad discussion topics for the Hearing Workshop:

### **1) Should the subsurface be open for development beneath Conservation Zones and Proposed Conservation Initiatives?**

- ✚ The Board has had requests from INAC and the oil and gas industry to open the subsurface beneath Conservation Zones to directional drilling while using the Plan to prohibit surface access in these areas. Should subsurface development be allowed if the surface could be protected?

### **2) Discussion of Conformity Requirements**

- ✚ In the comments received to date, the Board has received conflicting recommendations for revisions for many of the Conformity Requirements, including who the conformity requirements should be directed at (applicants or regulators). The Board would like to have further discussion amongst participants to better understand the diverse perspectives surrounding certain CRs. Comments from some key Parties are still outstanding at this time. Prior to finalizing the agenda, the Board will select specific CRs for discussion at the Hearing. Key points of discussion at this time may include CRs #2, 3, 4, 6, 7, and 20.

### **3) Discussion of Actions**

- ✚ The nature of Actions – INAC has indicated that they will not be bound by Actions (i.e. they will not accept them as mandatory requirements). The Board would like to hear from other participants on how this will affect their final input into the Plan.
- ✚ Discussion of participation in the Sahtu Working Group, work priorities and timelines.

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### 4) Zoning and Protected Areas in the Mackenzie Mountains (Time Permitting)

- ✚ The Board has heard concerns from the Tulita District, the federal and territorial governments and industry about the amount of land to be protected in the Mackenzie Mountains. While the Board primarily sees this as a matter to be dealt with through Parks Canada's park establishment process and the Protected Areas Strategy, the Board may invite discussion on this topic (time permitting) to determine if any direction is required in the Plan on this subject.

The Board received considerable feedback during consultations regarding the Hearing Workshop format. The Board is considering different options for running the workshop discussions and is hiring professional facilitators to assist with this portion of the Hearing. The Board will use the most appropriate method given the number and representation of participants, the topics to be discussed, and the goals for these discussions.

Now that the Hearing topics have been set, **all individuals interested in attending and/or presenting at the Hearing must register by November 1<sup>st</sup>**, using the attached form. Everyone attending is welcome to listen to presentations and participate in the Hearing Workshop. Those individuals and organizations wanting to make a presentation during the first day and a half of the Hearing must identify this on their registration forms. Presenters may speak on any aspect of the Plan or may present specific comments relating to the Workshop discussion topics. **Presentations and/or speaking notes must be submitted to the Board by November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010.**

The Board will distribute a revised agenda following the registration deadline in early November. At this time, it is anticipated that presenters will have 15 minutes each to present and respond to any immediate questions of clarification. In developing your presentations, please remember to use plain language and avoid the use of jargon and acronyms. Further information regarding presentations will be sent out with the final agenda in early November.

If you have any immediate questions, please contact Edna Tobac, Executive Director at 867-598-2055 or [etobac@netkaster.ca](mailto:etobac@netkaster.ca). We look forward to seeing you at the Hearing.

Respectfully,

Heidi Wiebe  
Plan Development Lead  
Sahtu Land Use Planning Board

Attch: SLUPB Public Hearing Registration Form  
SLUPB Public Hearing Logistical Information  
Map of Norman Wells

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# Draft 3 Sahtu Land Use Plan Public Hearing Registration Form

November 23-25, 2010, 9 am – 5 pm  
Dennis Drolet Memorial Hall  
Norman Wells, Northwest Territories

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I will be representing: \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Postal Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to make a presentation at the Public Hearing:  
 Yes  No

If so: **All presentations/speaking notes must be received by Nov. 12, 2010.**

I am submitting my presentation and/or speaking notes now:  
 Yes  No

I will attend the following days of the public hearing:

Tuesday, November 23, 2010, 9am-5pm:  Yes  No

Wednesday, November 24, 2010, 9am-5pm:  Yes  No

Thursday, November 25, 2010, 9am-5pm:  Yes  No

**If** there is time to discuss additional issues I would like the Board to consider the following:

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**All registration forms must be received by the SLUPB no later than November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.**  
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## Public Hearing Logistical Info

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### Air Travel

#### **Canadian North**

Jet service to Norman Wells from major city centers such as Yellowknife, Edmonton or Calgary.  
Book online: [www.canadiannorth.com](http://www.canadiannorth.com)

#### **First Air**

Jet service to Norman Wells from major city centers such as Yellowknife, Edmonton or Calgary.  
Book online: [www.firstair.ca](http://www.firstair.ca)

#### **Northwright Airways**

Flights within the Sahtu and from Yellowknife to Norman Wells.  
Book online for scheduled or charter flights: [www.north-wrightairways.com](http://www.north-wrightairways.com)

### Accommodations

#### **Heritage Hotel – 867-587-5000**

Offers shuttle service to and from the airport, has a lounge and restaurant, includes a continental breakfast and offers internet access, tv, private bath, phones, radio, business services and fitness passes.

#### **Mackenzie Valley Hotel –867- 587-2511**

Private bath, phones, tv, a coffee shop that is open all day and a licensed restaurant for dinner service. Outflow rooms in trailer units are also available.

#### **Rayuka Inn – 867-587-2354 or 867-587-2355**

Private bath, tv, radio, phone, fax, wireless internet, laundry and shuttle service to airport. The coffee shop is open for breakfast, lunch and early supper.

#### **Yamouri Inn – 867-587-2744**

Private bath, fridge, phone, tv, licenced lounge and restaurant and wireless internet access are available. Airport transportation offered.

#### **Mackenzie House - 867-587-2418**

Esso's houses its workers in a 75 room building. When there is vacancy the rooms go out for rent. For reservations send them a fax to find out if there is vacancy or not. Fax: 867-587-2219.

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### **Taxi Service**

Norman Wells has a taxi service that charges \$6.00 per person for travel to and from the airport.  
Triple M Taxi: 867-587-2121

### **Banking & ATMs**

A CIBC Bank is located in the Town Square. It closes for lunch from 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm.  
Monday-Thursday: 9:30 am – 4:00 pm  
Friday: 9:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Telephone: 867-587-2131

ATMs can be found in the Northern Store and Mary's Store, also located in the Town Square.

### **Norman Wells Historical Centre & Gift Shop**

The Norman Wells museum provides visitors with a bit of history on the Sahtu region and on the town itself. Photographs, crafts, artwork and displays give visitors a sense of traditional Dene lifestyles and the history of development such as the CANOL project. The Gift Shop features a variety of local Sahtu made crafts and art pieces including slippers, mitts, carvings, beading and more.

Monday to Friday: 10 am - 5:30 pm  
Saturday: 10 am – 4 pm  
Telephone: 867-587-2415

### **General Stores**

The Northern Store is located in the Town Square.  
Monday to Friday: 10 am – 8 pm  
Saturday: 10 am – 6 pm; Sunday: 1 pm – 5 pm  
Telephone: 867-587-2345

Mary's Store is a general store located in the Town Square.  
Monday to Friday: 9-8 pm  
Saturday: 10 – 8 pm; Sunday: 11 – 5 pm  
Telephone: 587-2822

### **Health Emergencies**

A health centre with nursing staff is located on Mackenzie Drive, the main road in town.  
Telephone: 867-587-3675