

Board Strategic Planning Workshop



Day 1

February 2, 2021, 1:30-3:30 pm

Minutes by Catarina Owen

List of Acronyms/Terms Used

Dene ts'ıı	Dene way of life
ʔehdzo Got'Inę	Renewable Resources Council - SRRB
ʔehdzo Got'Inę Gots'ę Nákedı	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board - SRRB
ʔetexé ʔeghálats'eda	Working together

Participants

Board Members

Camilla Tutcho (Chair)

Sam Haché

Special Advisors

Camilla Rabisca

George Barnaby

Paul Latour

Walter Bezha

Staff

Deborah Simmons

Catarina Owen

Leon Andrew

Guest

Christine Weinman

Tracy Williams

Agenda Day 1

- Opening Prayer
- Overview of plan
- Review goal 1 – community conservation planning processes

Opening

Opening Prayer by Camilla Tutcho

Overview

Our Mission - Our Dene name, ʔehdzo Got’ıne Gots’ę Nákedı, means “Helpers of the ʔehdzo Got’ıne, the Trap People.” We work together with ʔehdzo Got’ıne in the five communities of the Sahtú Region to maintain Dene ts’ııı (ways of life), and to keep the land and animals healthy for future generations.

Our Mandate - The SRRB is empowered to address key objectives of the Sahtú Dene and Métis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement in partnership with ʔehdzo Got’ıne (Renewable Resources Councils) by:

- Supporting healthy ecological and social relationships among people, wildlife and habitat.
- Recognizing and encouraging Dene ts’ııı (ways of life) and the role of Sahtú Dene and Métis as stewards of wildlife and habitat for the present and future.

Our approach is rooted in Dene ts’ııı (Dene ways of life) and community conservation planning, it is youth-centered, supports Dene and Métis leadership development, draws upon Dene language, accounts for traditional knowledge and science, and addresses conditions of social and environmental change. Our approach reflects a holistic and biocultural Approach to conservation.

Our Principles - A “principle” is a fundamental truth that is a source of ʔeʔa (law or policy) and that guides our actions. The SRRB has adopted the following three principles founded in Dene ts’ııı:

- ʔetexé ʔeghálats’eda (working together) to decolonize decision-making
- Building on strengths in Dene and Métis communities
- Keeping future generations in mind

Goal 1

Planning and related initiatives in the Sahtú are undertaken through community conservation planning processes

Adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Day 2

February 3, 2021, 1:30-3:30 pm

Minutes by Catarina Owen

List of Acronyms/Terms Used

ʔehdzo Got’ıne	Renewable Resources Council - RRC
ʔehdzo Got’ıne Gots’ę Nákedı	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board - SRRB
SDMCLCA	Sahtú Dene and Métis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement

Participants

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Paul Latour

Walter Bezha

Staff

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Catarina Owen

Leon Andrew

Guest

Christine Weinman

Agenda Day 2

- Review goal 1 – community conservation planning process
- Review goal 2 – ʔehdzo Got'ɲę

Goal #1

Planning and related initiatives in the Sahtú are undertaken through community conservation planning processes

- Support ʔehdzo Got'ɲę and other community organizations in developing or expanding community conservation plans
- Facilitate co-management partner staff (including SRRB staff) and leaders to be trained in community conservation planning
- Assist communities to undertake a community conservation planning approach in response to planning opportunities, such as, but not limited to, forestry planning, and boreal woodland and barren-ground caribou range planning
- Advance the Board's responsibility arising from the SDMCLCA to approve forest management plans

Goal #2

Community ʔehdzo Got'ɲę are strong, independent organizations, fully implementing their role as defined in the Sahtú Dene and Métis Comprehensive Land Claim Agreement

- Facilitate each ʔehdzo Got'ɲę to have a self-determined strategic plan and a process for evaluating progress over time.

- Support ʔehdzo Got’ɫnɛ members to continue to build a strong understanding of ʔehdzo Got’ɫnɛ roles and responsibilities within an evolving interpretation of the SDMCLCA.
- Encourage a constructive and supportive relationship with frequent communication between each ʔehdzo Got’ɫnɛ and the Board, as represented both by their respective leadership and staff.

Adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Day 3

February 4, 2021, 1:30-3:30 pm

Minutes by Catarina Owen

List of Acronyms/Terms Used

ʔehdzo Got’ɫnɛ Gots’ɛ Nákedı	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board - SRRB
Nɛ K’ádı Kə	Keepers of the land - guardians

Participants

Board Members

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Keith Hickling

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Leon Andrew

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Agenda Day 3

- Délɫnɛ 2021 Public Listening Session
- Review goal 3 – Sahtú’s Nɛ K’ádı Kə

Délɫnɛ 2021 Public Listening Session

Based on ENR’s response to the SRRB’s Colville Lake Public Listening Session Final Report - Reasons for Decisions, the Board will postpone the Délɫnɛ Public Listening Session.

M2021-023

M2021-023	Déljne 2021 Public Listening Session be postponed. <i>Keith Hickling/Samuel Haché.</i>	Consensus
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Goal #3

The Sahtú's NeK'ádká programs are consistent, strong and sustainable – after discussion and consideration it was decided this goal should be incorporated into Goal #2.

Adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Day 4

February 5, 2021, 1:30-3:30 pm

Minutes by Catarina Owen

List of Acronyms/Terms Used

Dene Ts'ı́ı	Dene way of life
ʔehdzo Got'ı́ne Gots'ę Nákedı	Sahtú Renewable Resources Board - SRRB
ʔekwé	Bluenose East caribou

Participants

Board Members

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Special Advisors

Paul Latour

Walter Bezha

Staff

Deborah Simmons

Catarina Owen

Leon Andrew

Guest

Christine Weinman

Agenda Day 4

- Review goal 4
- Review goal 5
- Next Steps

Goal #4

Goal #4 Research and monitoring in the Sahtú is community collaborative, and supports community and regional leaders to make wise decisions

- Facilitate Sahtú research and monitoring partners to form meaningful partnerships with community Forum members to improve understanding of and inform decision-making related to water, fish, caribou and other large animals, in order to support Sahtú self determination, food security and Dene Ts'ı̨ı̨.
- Facilitate Sahtú organizations to create a Sahtú-made approach to research governance, including a revamped approach to research licensing.
- Workshop the draft regional environmental research and monitoring strategy and complete a final version to be endorsed and implemented by all Forum Members, with progress tracked. The strategy will outline approaches to meeting the research commitments identified in the 2016 Bluenose East Ɂekwé hearing decisions.
- Document traditional and local knowledge according to community identified priorities and ensure resulting outcomes are controlled by and accessible to appropriate community organizations and members.

Goal #5

Goal #5 Sahtú youth are strong environmental stewards and future community leaders

- Build the Sahtú Youth Network program so that it consists of year-round programming and multi-media platforms for inter-community communications and collaborations
- Work with partners to ensure that Sahtú youth increasingly participate in on the land experiences with seasonal camps and local opportunities between camps
- Strengthen the Sahtú youth scholarship program to support youth in education and training to become leaders and stewards
- Expose Sahtú youth to experiential learning opportunities including internships and hands-on roles in research and monitoring projects

Next Steps

February 12th – all written comments on this draft submitted to Christine

February 19th – Christine circulates revised version of the Plan

February 26th – all written comments received on revised draft; Christine will distribute summary / visual version

March 4th – deadline for comments on summary document

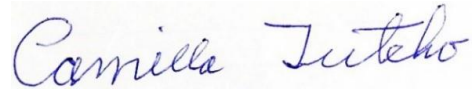
March 5th 1:30 - 3:30 – Board meeting - focus on implementation implications of plan

March 9th 1:30 - 3:30 - Board meeting - final discussion (as needed) and approval

Adjourned at 3:35 pm.

Approval of Minutes

Approved by Board decision, April 22, 2021.



Camilla Tutcho, Acting Chair

Summary of Motions

Number	Description	Result
M2021-023	Déljñę 2021 Public Listening Session be postponed. <i>Keith Hickling/Samuel Haché.</i>	Consensus