

Tłıchǫ Government and Whatı Community Government Commitments

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Tłıchǫ Ndek'awoo



Tłıchǫ Government

Background



For the **proposed all season road to Whatì** the Tłıchǫ Government and Whatì Community Government have:

- Spoken to community members
- Reviewed research studies
- Met regularly with the Department of Transportation
- Developed 10 commitments for managing social and economic impacts, and are willing to commit to more if need arises.

Background

Commitments deal with:

1. Community Safety
2. Economic Development
3. Community Preparedness
4. Governance

Community Safety



Goal: Strengthen community security and safety through resilient policing, policies and programs



1. Whatì
Community
Government
wishes to
strengthen
community
security ...

- Full review of community by-laws
- First reading on traffic control by-law to manage heavy trucks
- Still investigating options on bylaw officer and aboriginal policing
- Security details created during Christmas break and carnival

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2. There is a need to provide on-the-land treatment for substance abusers, using the healing power of the elders and the land
 - TCSA beginning on the land camps, and
 - Whatì has community programs where the land is healing people with addictions

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3. Whatì Community Government would like to review more proactive resilience strategies for managing alcohol and drug consumption in the community.

Subject of public meeting

Program by RCMP, “Not Us”, encouraging healthy activities

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Tłıchq Government



Goal: Strengthen community economic development through programs and resources



4. Support for Tłıchǫ residents in establishing their own businesses is needed to maximize opportunities for contracts from the road and mine
 - Business license by-law significantly reduces costs
 - Reciprocal agreement between Behchokǵ and Whatì
 - Regional Economic Working Group
 - Employment in Community Government: example, brush cutting for road preparation

Economic Development



Community Preparedness

- Strategic Plan to 2020
- Community Land Use Plan
- Community Emergency Plan



Goal: Prepare the community of Whati for road development through programs, intergovernmental coordination and provision of resources.

5. Interagency Committee to continue on community preparedness.



Our reputation is strong, with our community emergency preparedness plan being used by other communities in the north.

Three Interagency meetings.

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6. The Whatì Community Government commits to clear and ongoing communication with citizens in the region, using appropriate means.

- February Community Tour 2016
- Tłıchǫ All-season road website
- Newsletters
- Public meetings

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7. Housing stock and condition is an ongoing barrier to community wellbeing and preparedness. Commit to review barriers, such as income support, home ownership, property management, local organization, and financing.



Housing 2016 Outcomes



- The Tłıchǫ Government and Minister Responsible for Housing **have committed** to establishing a Joint Working Group of Senior Officials to better understand and address housing concerns.

& the Whati lobbies very hard on this matter.

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8. Need for locally agreed upon goals and plans for Community Well-Being.
- Interagency Committee to develop a small set of community based goals of resilience.
 - The Whatì Community Government commits to forming community goals through community planning, and then monitoring progress towards goals over time.



Resilience Plan

Governance: Prepare the citizens and governments for road development through development of predictable regulations, policies and support of services.



9. Design of regulations and policies to manage the construction of cabins and design of hunting, trapping, and fishing in the area, to minimize impacts on animals.

There are now Cabin Land Use Guidelines: use of cabins is primarily intended for continued traditional use of Tłıchǫ



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10. The Tłıchǫ Government will develop mineral policy for Tłıchǫ Lands.

The Tłıchǫ Government is developing a Mineral Strategy that would apply to Tłıcho lands. We are currently developing a scoping paper that will be shared with GNWT, industry and citizens