



Liard First Nation 3 Year Regional Treatment Strategy

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Dear Citizens and Friends:

The Planning Committee met recently to review the planning process and consider next steps for the process now that summer has ended.

We are approaching the half way point of the project and hope to have a draft treatment strategy by the end of December 2009.

The planning milestones completed to date include:

- Planning Committee Workshop – April 2008, September 2009
- Public Open House & Survey – June 2008
- Literature & Resource Review – June 2008
- Open House Survey Report – August 2008
- Kaska Mining Conference – October 2008
- Community Vision Workshop – October 2008
- Vision Workshop Report – Dec. 2008
- Community Profile Research – Dec. 2008
- Launched Community Research – May 2008
- 4 Community Newsletters – June, Oct., Jan., Sept. 2009

Come out and share your ideas to build a healthy community at our next public sessions!

Example Lessons Learned To Date

- ▶ *"It's been a real learning curve how to work the plan"*
- ▶ *"We know what people need and want, it's how to get action"*
- ▶ *"Our Vision has not changed"*
- ▶ *"It has been very frustrating collecting community data"*
- ▶ *"Leadership and people say they want healing but there is no action"*
- ▶ *"Need to update our work plan as we experience the planning process"*
- ▶ *"Getting community data is essential to our planning process and decision making"*
- ▶ *"Ongoing leadership support is essential to implement our vision for health and wellness"*
- ▶ *"Our Newsletters, website and reports have been effective in sharing the results of the process"*

NEXT WORKSHOPS

Youth Workshop
TBA

Planning Committee
TBA

**Community Options
Workshop**
November 15 & 16, 2009

Details to Follow



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Example Planning Strategies for Phase 2 & 3

- We need to include Kaska terms (command words around wellness) and symbols in the project, including pictures in the final plan
- Need to get the non-Aboriginal players in the conversation
- We need to get to the people who have turned their life around – get the healthy people to tell their story
- We need to implement parallel processes to build momentum
- We need to develop a media strategy for our process
- We need to put the onus on people to champion information
- We need to leverage past planning results
- How do we title this strategy – what are Kaska terms and symbols we can use?
- Circulate a package of newsletters – need another public circulation of planning documents
- Get the message out regarding input and data – get it out to all communities
- Bring people to the door – ask people for feedback
- Need to get to C & C and Non-Aboriginal resource workers, including the Chamber of Commerce, Health & Hope, Justice, RCMP, Mayor & Council, KTC, Chief & Council, School, etc) to share their ideas



THANK YOU TO THE COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO PARTICIPATED!

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Action Plan: Next Steps

- ✓ Prepare Meeting Summary Notes
- ✓ Review and Modify Project Budget
- ✓ Organize and Set Dates for Youth Workshop
- ✓ Set Dates for Options Workshop
- ✓ Prepare Newsletter # 4
- ✓ Distribute Newsletters and Reports
- ✓ Prepare 2 Surveys
- ✓ Deliver 2 Surveys
- ✓ Conduct External Research
- ✓ Conduct Key Informant Interviews
- ✓ Facilitate Community Research
- ✓ Facilitate Youth Workshop
- ✓ Facilitate Options Workshop
- ✓ Conduct Research and Costing
- ✓ Prepare Draft Report
- ✓ Host Open House to Review Strategy
- ✓ Committee Implementation/ M & E Workshop
- ✓ Prepare Final Report



NAMING OUR PLAN & STRATEGY

We need to come up with Kaska words and symbols that give meaning to the kind of healthy individuals and community we want to create in addressing alcohol and drug addiction in our community.

Share your ideas and get involved! Call the LAWS office at 867-536-2097 or email: lawsadmin@northwestel.net