

Draft agenda – Wetland policy roundtable 4

March 26-27, 2019

Whitehorse, Yukon Inn, Fireside Room

Objectives:

- To come to agreement on draft wetland policy goal.
- To decide the overall intent of Objective 2 for balancing the ecological, cultural, and economic values of wetlands.
- To confirm direction on other policy objectives - Wetlands of Special Importance; Improving our knowledge and understanding; Implementation, monitoring and review.
- Confirm approach to 'Indigenous context' in the policy - is a specific section the best approach, and what should it say?

Day 1 - Tuesday, March 26th

TIME	ACTIVITY
Coffee served at 8:45 a.m.	Welcome and introductions
Start 9:00 a.m.	Draft policy summary presentation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drafting group overview of their work to date
BREAK	
Morning	Objective 2: Balancing ecological, cultural and economic values <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is the overall intent of the mitigation hierarchy?
LUNCH (provided)	
Afternoon	Objective 2 (continued): defining baselines <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When assessing impacts on wetlands, how do we set a reference point?
BREAK	
Afternoon End 4:30 p.m.	Objective 2 (continued): mitigation hierarchy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What actions contribute to avoidance, minimization, and offsetting? • How can the policy provide more clarity about moving from avoid → minimize → offset?

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Day 2 - Wednesday, March 27th

TIME	ACTIVITY
Morning 8:30 a.m.	Indigenous breakout – held in the Yukon Inn, Willow Room <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This break out session is intended for representatives of First Nation and transboundary Aboriginal groups, as well as representatives of Final Agreement boards and councils. • Potential topics may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Indigenous context - specific section, or another approach? What should be said in the policy? ○ Address draft Guiding Principles from drafting group
Start 10:00 a.m.	Indigenous breakout report back (whole group) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report back to full roundtable
BREAK	
Morning	Objective 1: Defining and protecting Wetlands of Special Importance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm roundtable support for the objective • Additional direction on approach to defining Wetlands of Special Importance
LUNCH (provided)	
Afternoon	Objective 3: Improving our collective understanding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the proposed objective and seek direction on approach
	Objective 4: Implementation, monitoring and review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the proposed objective and seek direction on approach
BREAK	
Afternoon End 4:30 p.m.	Towards roundtable 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confirm what work, information gathering, and communication needs to happen in order to finalize draft policy elements at roundtable 5 and send it for public engagement • The goal of roundtable 5 is to seek agreement from participants to take the draft policy out for public engagement.