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Acronyms

ACLS	Association of Canada Land Surveyors
ARALA	
	Atlantic Region Aboriginal Lands Association
ATR	Additions to Reserve
BCALM	British Columbia Aboriginal Land Managers
Cando	Council for the Advancement of Native Development Officers
COEMRP	Centre of Excellence for Matrimonial Real Property
FHRMIRA	Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act
FNLMA	First Nation Land Management Act
FNLMAQ&L	First Nation Lands Managers Association for Quebec and Labrador
GIS	Geographic Information Systems
ILRS	Indian Lands Registry System
INAC	Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada
KA	Kanawayihetaytan Askiy
LEDAC	Lands and Economic Development Advisory Committee
NALMA	National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association
NRCan	Natural Resources Canada
OALA	Ontario Aboriginal Lands Association
PLA	Planning and Land Administrators
PLAN	Planning and Land Administrators of Nunavut
PLMCP	Professional Lands Management Certification Program
RLA	Regional Lands Associations
RLEMP	Reserve Land and Environment Management Program
SALT	Saskatchewan Aboriginal Lands Technicians
SG	Self Government
TALSAA	Treaty and Aboriginal Land Stewards Association of Alberta
Uske	Manitoba Uske

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Joint Letter from the NALMA Board of Directors and Executive Director

On behalf of the NALMA Board, we are pleased to present the 2016-2017 Annual Report.

This annual report will demonstrate our commitment to raise professional standards in land management as we continue to build capacity for First Nations across the country.

NALMA's diverse network of new and experienced land managers enhances our ability to incorporate First Nation values and beliefs into our land management training and operations.

The NALMA Board would like to thank and acknowledge our members, staff, partners, and affiliates, for their continued support and commitment in moving our mandate forward. These relationships enhance our ability to put forward resources that are relevant to the field, and our members.

We hope you find the information contained in this report to be informative and useful.

In good spirits!

Gord Bluesky

Chair

A. Leona Irons

Executive Director



Regional Lands Associations and NALMA Membership

These 8 RLA's provide technical support and networking opportunities to each of their members through meetings and training sessions that target the specific needs of their region. First Nations belonging to their respective Regional Lands Associations are automatically members of NALMA.

Total Membership at Large: 173

Yukon Territory

Northwest Territories

Nunavut



British Columbia



Alberta



Saskatche



Manitoba



Ontario



Quebec



Newfoundland & Labrador



Nova Scotia

New Brunswick

ARALA: 19 Members OALA: 42 Members **BCALM:** 27 Members PLAN: 25 Members **FNLMAQ&L**: 15 Members SALT: 8 Members Manitoba Uske: 24 Members **TALSAA:** 13 Members

NALMA Mandate, Missions, & Values

As stewards of the land, we are committed to empowering Land Managers to the highest standards of ethics and professionalism. We are responsible for the sustainable management of our ancestral lands for future generations.

To raise professional standards in Land Management, NALMA's mandate focuses on three areas.

- 1. **Technical Support:** NALMA is able to provide technical expertise in the area of land management to First Nation Land Managers, as well as First Nation organizations and government agencies
- 2. Networking and Communication: NALMA will provide a channel for successfully networking through open lines of communication, knowledge sharing, and the establishment of partnerships and strategic alliances across Canada.
- **3. Professional Development:** NALMA will provide training and capacity building opportunities for First Nation Land Managers.









































ATLANTIC REGION ABORIGINAL LANDS ASSOCIATION

Chair: Albert Marshall, Eskasoni, NS

Vice-Chair: Stewart Etheridge, Miawpukek Mi'Kamawey Mawi'omi, NF

Secretary: Rachel Pictou, Acadia First Nation, NS

Treasurer: Jenene Wooldridge, Abegweit First Nation, PE

Thank you to Louis Joe Bernard, Waycobah First Nation, NS for serving as ARALA Chair from January 2015 to December 2016! Thank you to Rose Julian, Pagtnkek Mi'Kmaw Nation, NS for serving as ARALA Vice-Chair from January 2013 to December 2016

Date: June 28-30, 2016 Location: Moncton, NB

Presentations and Training:

- INAC Atlantic Region Update, Programming; and an Introduction to First Nations
 Commercial and Industrial Development Act (FNCIDA): Judy Crossman, Lands, Environment and Natural Resources Officer, Lands, Environment and Natural Resources, INAC – Atlantic Region
- Introduction to the First Nation Elections Act:
 John Paul, Executive Director, Atlantic Policy
 Congress of First Nations Secretariat
- Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) Introduction to two new projects: Aerial
 Photography Project; and History of Indian
 Lands in Atlantic Canada Project: Ron L.J.
 Robichaud, CLS, Senior Surveyor; Ted
 MacKinnon, GIS Technologist; Andre Duguay;
 Research Technician, Atlantic Regional Office,
 Surveyor General Branch, NRCan
- Property Assessment Law; Property Taxation
 Law Development The Elsipogtog Experience:
 D.J. Joseph, Elsipogtog Nation Administrator;
 Mary Jane Milliea-Sieben, Elsipogtog First
 Nation, NB
- First Nations Finance Authority (FNFA) An Introduction: Frank Busch, Director of Information and Marketing, FNFA



- Membertou First Nation Land Use and Planning Initiative; Membertou First Nation Governance: Cheryl Knockwood, Governance Coordinator, Membertou First Nation, NS
- First Nations Community Governance 1: Simon Brascoupé, AFOA Canada
- First Nations Community Governance II: Simon Brascoupé, AFOA Canada

Date: January 11-12, 2017 **Location**: Halifax, NS

Presentations and Training:

- Introduction to RLEMP Transformation Project:
 Lyndon Simmons, Indian and Northern Affairs
 Canada Headquarters
- INAC Atlantic Region Update and Programming: Larry Pardy, Manager, Lands, Environment and Natural Resources, INAC – Atlantic Region
- ARALA Land Use Planning Training Project (Sponsored by LEDS Program, INAC – Atlantic Region): Krista MacDonald, Lands, Environment and Natural Resources Officer, INAC – Atlantic Region, Julia Taylor, ARALA Coordinator, NALMA
- Review 2016-2017 ARALA Work Plan; and ARALA Business and Administration
- Develop 2017-2018 ARALA Work Plan

ARALA Land Use Training Project:

Sponsored by: LEDS Program, INAC – Atlantic Region **Instructor:** Introductory to Land Use Planning Seminar - Carlos Salinas and Barry Hunter, Watertight Solutions Ltd.

Four Separate LUP Training Sessions:

- 1. March 13, 14, 2017 Moncton, NB
- 2. March 16, 17, 2017 St. Mary's First Nation, NB
- 3. March 20, 21, 2017 Membertou First Nation, NS
- 4. March 23, 24, 2017 Halifax, NS

Land Use Planning Topics Covered:

- Overview of Planning Principles and Land Use Planning Processes/Approaches 1 & 2
- Pre-planning Considerations
- Land Use Planning Steps and Considerations
 1 & 2
- Land Use Plan Implementation
- Land Use Plan Monitoring and Evaluation
- Land Use Planning Brainstorming Session
- A Success Story: A First Nation Experience –
 Land Use Plan Development Beverly Ann
 Smith, Consultant, Brokenhead Ojibway Nation,
 Manitoba

Total number of participants: 62 (39 First Nations; 13 INAC Staff; 10 Resource persons)



BRITISH COLUMBIA ABORIGINAL LAND MANAGERS

MANAGHA AND MANAGHA

Chair: Latrica Babin, Shuswap Band

Vice-Chair: Yvonne Weinert, Osoyoos Indian Band Treasurer: Angela Fountain, Shackan First Nation

Secretary: Vacant Director: Vacant

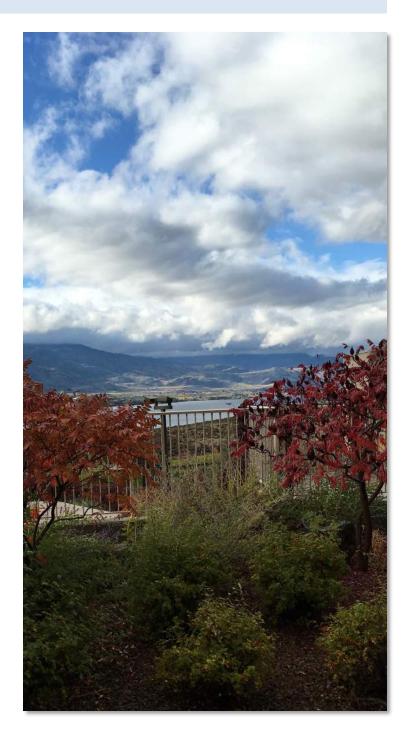
Dates: October 19-21, 2017 **Location:** Osoyoos Indian Band, BC

Presentations and Training:

- Networking Session
- Community Updates
- Wills and Estates Lois Paul & Dawna Tong, INAC-BC Region
- Additions to Reserves and Reserve Creation
 Policy Update Katherine Blair & Brad Evers,
 INAC-BC Region
- Land Regimes & Land Code Development -Debra Campbell, NALMA
- Water Sustainability Act Gilles Wendling, GW Solutions
- Sacred Sites and Charter Rights: A Next Step Towards the Protection of Aboriginal Lands -John Burns, Allan Donovan and Company
- Aboriginal Tourism Brenda Baptiste, Aboriginal Tourism Association of BC
- Referrals Systems James Pepper, Penticton Indian Band
- Committee Business
- 5 Year Plan Review

Total Number of Participants: 21

(12 First Nations, 9 Presenters & Resource)



Additions to Reserve/Reserve Creation Training Sessions & BCALM Meeting

Sponsored by: INAC-BC Region

Dates: March 1-3, 2017 **Location:** Kelowna, BC

Total Number of Participants: 32

(28 First Nations, 4 Presenters, & Resource

Dates: March 21-22, 2017 **Location:** Nanaimo, BC

Total Number of Participants: 21

(17 First Nations, 4 Presenters & Resource)

Presentations and Training:

Brad Evers, INAC-BC Region and Toni Beninger

- How we got here:
 - o 2001 ATR Policy
 - o 2016 ATR/RC Policy
- Details of the ATR Policy Categories
- ATR/RC Proposal Criteria
- Description of the ATR/RC Process
- Discussing and Creating the Reserve Creation
 Proposal and Application Form
- Individual Meetings with specific questions from First Nations

Kelowna Session Only:

- Community Updates
- BCALM Work Plan Review
- Networking Activity
- RLEMP Pre-Engagement Presentation Lyndon Simmons, INAC-HQ



FIRST NATION LANDS MANAGERS ASSOCIATION FOR QUEBEC & LABRADOR



Chair: Amanda Simon, Mohawks of Kanesatake
Vice-Chair: Nick Ottawa, Kitigan Zibi Anishnabeg
Treasurer/Secretary: Martin Stacey, Mohawks of Kahnawake

Thank you to Gino Clement, Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government for serving as FNLMAQL Director from March 2002 to March 2007, and FNLMAQL Chair from March 2007 to March 2017!

Dates: August 23-24, 2016 **Location:** Ottawa, ON

Presentations and Training:

- NALMA & FNLMAQL Update Gino Clement, FNLMAQL Chair
- Matrimonial Real Property Chris Angeconeb, COEMRP
 - What is FHRMIRA
 - Why Legislation
 - Provisional Federal Rules
 - Authority of First Nations to Enact MRP Law
 - Coming into Force
- Climate Change and Adaptation Dr. David Pearson, Laurentian University
- Community Updates
- Committee Business

Total Number of Participants: 13

(10 First Nations, 3 Presenters & Resource)

Land Use Planning Toolkit Training & FNLMAQL

Meeting:

Dates: March 28-31, 2017 **Location:** Wendake, QC

Presentations and Training

- Land Use Planning Toolkit Training Dr. Daniel Millette, LABRC
 - Introduction to Land Use Planning
 - o Environmental Management
 - Surveys
 - LUP Pre-Planning
 - LUP Development
 - LUP Implementation
 - Monitoring and Evaluation
- RLEMP Pre-Engagement Presentation Lyndon Simmons, INAC-HQ
- Community Updates
- FNLMAQL Executive Elections

Total Number of Participants: 39

(19 First Nations, 16 INAC, 4 Presenters)



SASKATCHEWAN ABORIGINAL LAND TECHNICIANS

Chair: Harold Daniels, Mistawasis First Nation

Vice-Chair: Theodore Merasty, Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation

Treasurer: Carmen Little, Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation
Secretary: Corina Rider, Carry the Kettle First Nation

Meeting:

Dates: November 30-December 2, 2016 & January 17, 2017

Location: Saskatoon, SK

 SALT met with INAC-SK Region to discuss new Land Use Planning Initiative and RLEMP Transformation Process.

SALT Conference:

Dates: January 17-19, 2017 **Location:** Saskatoon, SK

Presentations and Training:

- RLEMP Program Transformation Overview: Lyndon Simmons, INAC-HQ
- Additions to Reserves Workshop:
 - Overview of ATR Policy: Brett LeBlond, INAC-SK
 - Provincial Role in ATRs: Norm Simaluk, Eric Warren & Jeff Hovdebo, Saskatchewan Government
 - ATR Environmental Considerations: Terra Reynoldson, INAC-SK
- Land Tenure Lands 101: Jody Busch, Department of Justice
- First Nation Tax Commission: Trenton Paul, FNTC
- Information Services Corp Overview: Rod Tuchscherer, ISC
- Third Party Interests: Jody Busch, Department of Justice
- Land Use Planning: Darren Svedahl, INAC-SK
- **Urban vs. Rural Reserve Creation**: *Michelle Kania, Government Relations*
- Urban Systems: Tonii Lerat, Urban Systems
- Mineral Tenure Process: Dan Kumpf, Indian Oil and Gas Canada
- Community Updates

Total Number of First Nation Participants: 33







MANITOBA USKE

Chair:Gord Bluesky, Brokenhead Ojibway NationVice-Chair:Herman Green, Buffalo Point First NationTreasurer:Maurice Myran, Long Plain First NationSecretary:Calvin Campeau, Sapotaweyak Cree Nation

Date: September 21-22, 2016 **Location**: Thompson, MB

Presentations and Training:

- Treaty Land Entitlement Committee of Manitoba Inc. (TLEC) Update: Jamie Leary, Project Manager, TLEC
- Lake Winnipeg Indigenous Cooperative
 Presentation: Gord Bluesky, Land Manager,
 Brokenhead Ojibway Nation, MB
- Preparing Land Manager's office for use of Remote Sensing Devices as a resource: James Shannacappo, Aboriginal Liaison, Drone Pilot & GIS Technician, Richmond Surveys, Brandon, MB
- FHRMIRA Understanding How the Provisional Federal Rules Apply on Your Reserve: Kathy McCue, Adminstration and Communications Coordinator, COFMRP
- Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation Traditional Lands; and Creating an Urban Reserve: Ed Vystrcil, Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation, MB

Date: January 24-25, 2017 **Location:** Headingley, MB

Presentations and Training:

- Treaty Land Entitlement Committee of Manitoba Inc. (TLEC) Update: Chris Henderson, Executive Director. TLEC
- Introduction to RLEMP Transformation Project: Lyndon Simmons, INAC-HQ
- Reserve Lands: Designations, Leases, Permits, and Easements: Patti Dyck, INAC-MB
- Indian Lands Registry System (ILRS) Changes: Inna Granovsky, INAC – MB, Stella Pruse, INAC-MB
- Tools available for RLEMP reporting requirements and RLEMP Reporting: Rhonda James, INAC-MB Region
- INAC Land Use Planning Initiative: Sherri Carriere, INAC-MB
- Nisichawayasihk Cree Nation was presented with a Congratulatory plaque from Manitoba Uske for the completion of their Additions to Reserve at Mystery Lake property in Thompson, MB.





Date: March 30-31, 2017 **Location:** Thompson, MB **Sponsored by:** LEDSP, INAC

Manitoba Uske welcomed their newest member, Misipawistik Cree Nation.

Presentations:

National Aboriginal Lands Managers
 Association (NALMA): Introduction and
 Update: Leona Irons, Executive Director, NALMA

 Treaty Land Entitlement Committee of Manitoba Inc. (TLEC) Update: Jamie Leary, Project Manager, TLEC

• Manitoba Uske: LEDSP Proposal: Manitoba Uske Membership





ONTARIO ABORIGINAL LANDS ASSOCIATION



Chair: Wanda McGonigle, Hiawatha First Nation

Vice-Chair: Vacant

Treasurer: Cynthia Behm, Sheguiandah First Nation **Secretary:** Janice Burning, Six Nations of the Grand River

Thank you to James Roach, Batchewana First Nation who served as OALA Vice-Chair from June 2016 to January 2017!

Dates: June 14-15, 2017 Location: Rama, Ontario

Presentations and Training:

Community Updates

 NALMA Update: Wanda McGonigle, OALA Chair

- Committee Business & Elections
- OALA Bylaw Review
- Climate Change What can we do now? Dr. David Pearson, Laurentian University

Total Number of Participants: 21

(19 First Nations, 2 Presenters & Resource)



Talking About the Land: Building Capacity in

Ontario's North Conference

Sponsored by: INAC-ON Region

Dates: December 5-7, 2016 **Location:** Thunder Bay, Ontario

Presentations and Training:

- What is Land Management and Why is it Important?: Debra Campbell, NALMA
- Group Discussion Questions (throughout event):
 - What does the land mean to you in your community?
 - What are the 3 most important aspects of your community? How do they relate to the land?
 - o How do you plan?
 - What obstacles and challenges do you/your community face?
 - What would your desired relationship to the land look like?
 - What tools/resources are in place to help you manage the land for your community?
 - O What are your needs?
 - O What supports do you need?
- **Key Components of a Land Use Plan:** *James Roach, NALMA*
- First Nation Success Story Brunswick House
 First Nation: Kevin Tangie & David Flood ,
 Brunswick House First Nation, ON
- The Preservation of Oral History: Terry Debassige, M'Chigeeng First Nation, ON
- Archival Mapping: Sarah Hurford & Matthieu Sabourin, Library and Archives Canada

- Linking Traditional Knowledge and Environmental Planning and Practice in Ontario: Deborah McGregor, University of Toronto
- Matrimonial Real Property on Reserves: Chris Angeconeb, COEMRP
- Land Based Healing Project George: Charlie Cheechoo, Moose Cree First Nation, ON
- RLEMP Program Transformation Overview: Lyndon Simmons, INAC-HQ
- Overview of Supporting Organizations: Wanda McGonigle, OALA Chair

Grand Prize Winner of iPad and 1 Year Free OALA Membership: Sandy Bruyere, Couchiching First Nation

Total Number of Participants: 87 (69 First Nations/Tribal Council Representation, 11 Presenters, 7 Resource)

Land Use Planning Follow Up Session & OALA Meeting:

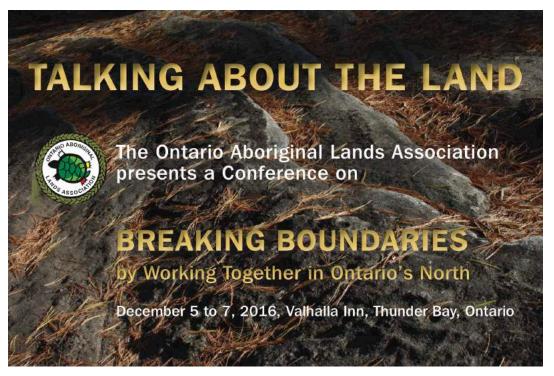
Dates: March 7-9, 2017 **Location:** Toronto, Ontario

Presentations and Training:

- Overview of Talking About the Land Breaking Boundaries in Ontario's North: Wanda McGonigle, OALA Chair
- Welcome to new members, and guests
- Keeping the Land Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug: John Cutfeet
- RLEMP Pre-Engagement: Lyndon Simmons, INAC-HQ
- Source Water Protection: Stephanie Allen, Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation
- The Preservation of Oral History: Documenting the Stories that Shape our Community: Alan Corbiere, M'Chiqeeng First Nation
- Project George: Charlie Cheechoo, Moose Cree First Nation
- How to Set Up a Lands Office: Debra Campbell, NALMA
- Managing Estates on Reserve: Kim LePage & Lynn Murray, INAC
- Comprehensive Community Planning: Melanie Harding, Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund
- OALA Business

Total Number of Participants: 38

(29 First Nations, 9 Presenters & Resource)



TREATY AND ABORIGINAL LAND STEWARDS ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA

Chair: Lars Duck Chief, Siksika Nation

Vice-Chair:Elvis Thomas, Woodland Cree First NationTreasurer:Len Quinney, Frog Lake First NationSecretary/Treasurer:Elizabeth Arcand, Alexander First Nation

Date: July 26-28, 2016 Location: Calgary, AB

Training and Presentations:

- NALMA Update: Board of Director Report and 2016-2017 Specialized Training Initiatives: Lars Duck Chief, Chair, TALSAA
- INAC Update: Organizational Review, 2016-2017 Programming and Identification of Lands Managers Training Needs/Gaps: Jennifer Greengrass, Lands Project Officer, Community Opportunities, INAC – AB
- Lands and Economic Development Advisory Committee (LEDAC) Update: Suzanne Life, LEDAC Chair
- FNFA 101: First Nations Finance Authority (FNFA): Frank Busch, Director of Information and Marketing, FNFA
- FHRMIRA Understanding How the Provisional Federal Rules Apply on Your Reserve: Kathy McCue, Administration and Communications Coordinator, COEMRP
- Emergency Response Training: Lands
 Managers Role: Ken Dion, Director of
 Emergency Management, Kehewin Cree Nation
- First Nation Flooded Lands: The Siksika Nation Experience and the First Nation Lands
 Department Role: Tom Littlechild, Fire Chief, Siksika Nation, AB



- Overview: Remote Sensing Technology and its Applications: Mark Hatcher, Tim Harding, P. Eng, ALS, CLS, Manager, Alberta Region, NRCan VP Operations Edmonton, Challenger Geomatics Ltd.
- Indian Oil and Gas Canada (IOGC): An overview of IOGC; Roles and Responsibilities of IOGC;
 First Nation Lands Managers Role: Senior Management Staff, IOGC
- Cultural Event: Head-Smashed-In Buffalo Jump, World Heritage Site Drum and Dance performance and Guided Tour

Date: February 28-March 1, 2017

Location: Edmonton, AB

Training and Presentations:

• LEDAC Update: Doris Liebrecht, INAC – AB

Burial Sites and Cemetery Policies,
 Government of Alberta: Debra Wager,

Government of Alberta

• **Pre-Engagement on RLEMP:** Lyndon Simmons, INAC – HQ

 Standard Lands (RLEMP) General Assessment input Community Opportunities – Lands Project Assessment Sheet & RLEMP Delegated Authority Compliance Framework Checklist: Daniel Silbernagel, INAC – AB

Alberta Links to Learning: "Gathering for Success"

Date: October 11-13, 2016 Location: Enoch, AB

NALMA and TALSAA supported conference by participating in:

- Support Organizations Panel and Q&A National Aboriginal Lands Management Association (NALMA): Julia Taylor, Project Manager, NALMA
- Treaty and Aboriginal Lands Stewards
 Association of Alberta (TALSAA): Lars Duck
 Chief, TALSAA Chair and NALMA Director

Congratulations to Elvis Thomas, Lands Manager, Woodland Cree First Nation; and Vice-Chair, TALSAA as Recipient of the Alberta Links to Learning - "Lands Management Recognition Award – 2016"

TALSAA participated in other 2016-2017 events and Initiatives:

- NALMA National Gathering
- LEDAC Alberta Links to Learning
- Technical Services Advisory Group Conference
- NALMA Specialized Training



PLANNING AND LAND ADMINISTRATORS OF NUNAVUT

Chair: Vacant

Vice-Chair: Blandina Kakkianiun, Hamlet of Kugaaruk
Secretary/ Treasurer: Leata Qaunaq, Hamlet of Arctic Ba

Qikiqtani Region Representative: Vacant Kitikmeot Region: Vacant Kivalliq Region: Vacant

Special Training:

Online Environmental Project Management Essential Training

One Lands and Planning Administer has received his certificate for On-Line Project Management Planning Essentials training course. This training is available to PLAN members and is ongoing.

Land Referendum:

Land Referendum May 9, 2016 Result: Nunavut decided not to allow the sale of municipal lands. The system will stay the same. Municipal lands can only be leased, not bought and sold.

College of Agriculture and Bio-resources and National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association National Conference, Saskatoon, SK

Date: May 31 - June 2, 2016

Venue: Saskatoon, SK

PLAN's Arctic Bay member was sponsored to attend the National Conference in Saskatoon.

Community Planning and Lands Annual General Meeting

Date: September 20-22, 2016 **Location:** Frobisher Inn, Iqaluit, NU

On September 20, 2016 NALMA and PLAN attended an engagement hosted by the Government of Nunavut and INAC – Nunavut Region in attendance. Introduction to the National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association (NALMA) and Planning and Land Administrators of Nunavut (PLAN) Regional Lands Association were provided.

Equipment Distribution:

- Magnetic Locators were distributed to six (6)
 Hamlets who were in need of one
- Adobe Acrobat Pro Software was distributed to twelve (12) Hamlets
- Measuring Tape Wheels were distributed to sixteen (16) Hamlets



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT UNIT

Working effectively in lands management requires a broad knowledge base and skill set. NALMA's PLMCP and specialized training is designed to support First Nations in building their capacity in the profession of lands management. Our specialized training toolkits provide knowledge, tools and information as laws and legislation change and new issues and technology emerge in the field of land management.

Introduction of the new Professional Development Unit Staff:



Carly Armstrong, Director of Education and Training

Carly joined NALMA in January 2017 and brings with her extensive experience working in the environment sector and in Indigenous education. Nearing the completion of her doctorate in Indigenous Studies, she has experience in adult education, including curriculum development at the post-secondary level and developing professional development training. Carly will draw on her expertise to support and build NALMA's educational programs.



Debra Campbell, Master Instructor

Debra has worked with NALMA as the Master Instructor for the Professional Lands Management Certification Program, since 2009. She is a member of the Musqueam Indian Band, a Coast Salish Community located in Vancouver, BC. Debra received her post-secondary education in Business Administration, earned certification as a Facilitator of Adult Learning, and as a Professional Aboriginal Economic Developer (PAED) from Cando, as well as a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Administration and Governance. Debra has been working in First Nation land management and economic development for 35+ years.



Buffy Hill, Executive Support

Buffy has worked with NALMA since 2014, initially as Executive Support and now as the Education and Training Administrator. She is a member of the Mohawks of the Bay of Quinte located in Southern Ontario. Buffy received her Social Service Worker diploma as well as a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Public Administration and Governance, and has been working in the field of First Nations education in an administrative capacity for 18+ years.

Overview of the Unit

This fiscal year, NALMA focused on building their Professional Development Unit (PDU). This effort has included hiring a new Director of Education and Training, Carly Armstrong, to lead the unit and support the delivery of our Professional Lands Management Certification Program (PLMCP) and NALMA's specialized training. As the director, Carly works alongside NALMA's Master Instructor Debra Campbell and Executive Support, Buffy Hill to achieve the goals and objectives of the PDU. Together, the PDU supports the on-going training and networking needs of NALMA members and other professionals working in the field of land management.

PROFESSIONAL LANDS MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

In order to implement the Reserve Land and Environment Management Program (RLEMP), NALMA in collaboration with INAC and subject matter experts developed the Professional Lands Management Certification Program (PLMCP). NALMA's PLMCP is used across Canada to signify that a Land Manager meets specific criteria, keeps current in the field, and adheres to a professional Code of Ethics. It represents both an achievement and a responsibility for the individual Land Manager.



Level One: Post Secondary Training

The Kanawayihetaytan Askiy (KA) Program, formerly the Indigenous Peoples Resource Management Program, is a uniquely designed certificate program that is focused on providing a broad range of topic areas specific to the management of lands and resources.

The KA Program examines basic environmental, legal and economic aspects of land and resource management in Aboriginal communities. The KA Program also provides students with the opportunity to increase skill levels in communications, computers, time management, leadership, research, and project management.

For more information about the Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Program, please visit: agbio.usask.ca/Programs/certificates/Kanawayihetaytan%20Askiy%20Program.php



Level Two: Technical Training

The technical training, delivered by NALMA, deals with specific roles and responsibilities of a First Nation Land Manager operating under the Indian Act (RLEMP).

Students learn the basic concepts and knowledge that govern land management activities, assisting them in their role as a Land Manager. Technical training provides the student with skills such as: interpreting policies and procedures, recognizing appropriate authorities, understanding legal rules enabling or constraining land management decisions.

Upon successful completion of both levels, NALMA issues a certificate that signifies the completion of a nationally recognized program, and indicates expertise and accomplishment.

For additional information about NALMA's Professional Lands Management Certification Program, please visit nalma.ca/professional-development

2017-2018 PLMCP Course Schedule:

Module 101: August 21-25, 2017, Ottawa, ON Module 201: September 25-29, 2017, Calgary, AB

Module 301: October 30-November 3, 2017, Toronto, ON Module 401A: December 4-8, 2017, Westbank First Nation, BC

Module 401B: Online Delivery

Module 501: February 12-16, 2018, Vancouver, BC

A Land Manager successfully completing *Level One: Post-Secondary Training* and *Level Two: Technical Training* are eligible to receive a Professional Lands Management Certification from NALMA.

LEVEL TWO: TECHNICAL TRAINING - CLASS OF 2016/2017

The 2016/2017 fiscal year began with 26 students in level two of the Professional Lands Management Certification Program (PLMCP). Students were comprised of new entry and some were returning from previous years to complete their certification as a practitioner in First Nation Land Management.

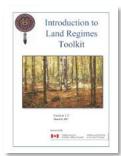
- Theodore Albert, Chippewas of the Thames First Nation
- 2. Arnold Baptiste, Simpow First Nation
- **3. Jacqueline Benedict,** Mohawk Council of Akwesasne
- 4. Lance Cloud, Waywayseecappo First Nation
- 5. Stewart Etheridge, Miawpukek First Nation
- 6. Naomi Field, Mitaanjigamiing First Nation
- **7. Kansie Fox,** Blood Tribe
- **8. Doreen Frencheater Daychief,** Sunchild First Nation
- 9. Rena Gregoire, Adams Lake Indian Band
- 10. Monica Jacobs, Squamish Nation
- 11. Sherry-Ann Louis, Okanagan Indian Band
- 12. Nathan McCorrister, Peguis First Nation

- 13. Mary Jane Milliea-Sieben, Elsipogtog First Nation
- 14. William Morris, Tsartlip First Nation
- 15. Belinda Nelson, Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation
- 16. Glenda Paul, Penticton Indian Band
- 17. Danielle Poitras, Pasqua First Nation
- 18. Nicole Rempel, K'omoks First Nation
- 19. Jack Rickard, Moose Cree First Nation
- 20. Victor Rumbolt, O'Chiese First Nation
- 21. Erica Soney, Walpole Island First Nation
- 22. Brent Spence, Peguis First Nation
- 23. Carol Spence, Peguis First Nation
- **24. Debbie Thomas,** Aboriginal Law Group
- **25. Carrie Waindubence,** Sheguindah First Nation
- 26. Clo Ann Wells, Blood Tribe



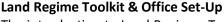
SPECIALIZED TRAINING

Each year, NALMA develops and delivers specialized training to meet the needs identified by our members and other First Nations working in lands management. This fiscal, NALMA's PDU delivered twelve (12) specialized training toolkits across the country and developed a new toolkit in Estates Management, which will be delivered in the upcoming fiscal year. A number of new toolkits, including the Additions to Reserve & Reserve Creation Toolkit and the Environmental Management Toolkit were delivered as pilots and will be delivered again next fiscal.



Land Management Training

NALMA delivered three capacity building workshops for First Nation Land Management (FNLM) First Nations. The workshop delivery was intended to present participants with the essential differences between an Indian Act First Nation and an FNLM First Nation. The workshops identified the expectations of the Land Manager and the essential processes to ensure reliable decision-making.



The introduction to Land Regimes Toolkit was developed as a practical aid for First Nations' use in the task of adopting a land regime that better suites their needs. Culture, tradition, type of regime, experience, available resources and the wishes of the community are all factors that must be considered to help determine the direction the First Nation chooses for managing its land and affairs.

Environmental Management Toolkit Training

This training provided participants with a general overview of Environmental Management on Reserve Lands. Participants gained an understanding of how to develop an Environmental Management plan for the community.

Commercial Leasing Toolkit Training

The "Commercial Leasing" Pilot workshop was designed to introduce participants to the newly developed "Guide to Commercial Leasing" and the "Commercial Lease Precedent" document. It is intended to be a resource and tool for those that manage commercial leasing on reserve lands. The workshop provided a basic background on land management, commercial leasing and the designation process for the purpose of leasing reserve lands. It contains very basic information to assist the participants to better understand the newly developed guide and precedent document, and the influences effecting policy and procedures

Land Use Plan (LUP) Toolkit Training

The training provided participants with a general overview of LUP, with a primary focus on best practices in developing a Land Use Plan for their community.

Additions to Reserve/Reserve Creation (ATR/RC) Toolkit

The primary focus of this training was to provide participants with a clear understanding of the ATR/RC process and the First Nation's role in developing their ATR/RC proposal. Participants learned about the new ATR/RC policy.

Matrimonial Real Property (MRP) Toolkit

For a full list of MRP Toolkit training sessions, and additional information about the Centre of Excellence for Matrimonial Real Property, please refer to pages 30-36 of this annual report.









Toolkit Training	Dates and Location	Toolkit Training	Dates and Location
	November 15-18, 2016		January 24-26, 2017
	Halifax, NS		Richmond, BC February
Land Regimes & Office	Total Participants: 9	Land Use Planning	Total Participants: 8
Set-Up	January 17-20, 2017	Land Ose Flamming	January 7-9, 2017
	Calgary, AB		Toronto, ON
	Total Participants: 15		Total Participants: 17
	Module 401A/B		January 17-19, 2017
	October 25-28, 2016		Ottawa, ON
	Edmonton, AB	Additions to Reserves /	
		Reserve Creation	
	Total Participants: 13		Total Participants: 19
	Module 501		March 7-9, 2017
	November 29-December 2, 2016		Richmond, BC
Land Management	Total Participants: 9		Total Participants: 9
Training	Module 401B French	Commercial Leasing	February 14-16, 2017
Hailing	February 20-24, 2017		Edmonton, AB
	Quebec City, QC		
			Total Participants: 11
	Total Participants: 4		
	Module 501 (French)		
	March 13-17, 2017		
	Quebec City, QC		
	Total Participants: 4		
	November 15-17, 2016		
Environment	Toronto, ON		
Management	T. 15		
	Total Participants: 16		



Participants at the Environment Management Toolkit Training Session in Toronto, ON

LAND USE PLANNING AND SURVEY UNIT

The NALMA Land Use Planning (LUP) Unit was launched in 2017 to address the need for LUP support. This unit will initiate outreach activities, provide direct technical training, support services and capacity building opportunities to assist First Nations in the development of Land Use Planning. The LUP Unit will work with First Nations across Canada to identify specific goals and desired outcomes, and assist with LUP implementation.

Introduction of Land Use Planning Unit Staff:



James Roach, Land Use Planning Coordinator, MCIP, RPP

James recently joined NALMA, in March 2017 as the Land Use Planning Coordinator. Prior to working with NALMA, he was responsible for the day-to-day operations of Land Management and Community Planning for Batchewana First Nation. In addition, he sat as vice-chair for the Ontario Aboriginal Lands Association (OALA).

James is a member of Batchewana First Nation which is adjacent to Sault Ste. Marie, ON. He holds a Degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Ryerson University, a Diploma in Urban Planning and G.I.S. from Mohawk College and a Certificate in Indigenous Peoples Resource Management from the University of Saskatchewan. James' areas of expertise include developing strategic partnerships, community planning and engagement, economic and sustainable development, renewable energy and lands management.



Becky Wolfe, Land Use Planning Administrative Support

Becky joined NALMA in March 2017 as the Lands Use Planning Administrative Support. She came to NALMA from a social service agency in Ottawa where she was Manager of Finance, Administration and Communications. Becky also worked for many years in Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada's (INAC) Brantford Business Centre in various roles including membership, lands, finance and administration.

Becky has years of experience in administration, managing project budgeting, website maintenance, event planning, overseeing yearly audits and providing executive support. Becky has the honour of being mom to three grown sons and has returned to her home community of Curve Lake First Nation after living and working in Ottawa for over 20 years.



Graeme Sandy, Survey Program Manager

Graeme Sandy has been with NALMA for three years as the Survey Program Manager. He is from the Cayuga Nation at the Six Nations of the Grand River territory and has been involved with Land Surveying for many years. He finds the field quite interesting as it encompasses a wide variety of roles and skills to complete a project. He has experience in many aspects of the process from survey instruments to managing a survey office.

Graeme finds the surveying profession to be very exciting and especially enjoys meeting people from different regions of Canada.

Overview of Land Use Planning Unit:

The NALMA Land Use Planning (LUP) Unit was launched in 2017 to address the need for LUP support. This unit conducts outreach activities, provides direct technical training, support services and capacity building opportunities to assist First Nations in the development of Land Use Planning.

In addition, the LUP Unit collaborates with the NALMA Survey Unit to administer contracts for survey projects identified from the land use planning process.

The objective of the Survey Program included the following OPECT

One of the key objectives of the National

In order to better support the survey requirements of First Nations, Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) has redefined part of their survey program as a Grants and Contributions program. This program would be incrementally moved from under the Department's operational umbrella, to a well-defined and official program managed by a First Nation organization.

To facilitate the transition NALMA worked closely with INAC-Headquarters (HQ), as well as INAC and Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) respective Regions.

Survey Program Objectives:

"We were very satisfied with the

- 1. Delivery of INAC survey program, specifically for non-First Nation Land Management (FNLM) First Nations;
- 2. Survey program to be delivered through an outsourcing of technical expertise arrangement to facilitate immediate transition and support readiness;
- 3. Contractual management of survey program funding to support First Nations priorities, such as:
 - 1. Set Asides Section 18(2)
 - 2. Land Designations Section 53
 - 3. First Nation Allotments Section 20
 - 4. Permits Section 28(2)

- 5. Re-survey of Exterior Boundaries
- 6. Additions to Reserve
- 7. Land Use Mapping for Band Land Purposes
- 8. Other surveys to support land administration as recommended by INAC
- 4. Prepare and send out communications outlining and promoting survey program delivery to INAC, NRCAN, and eligible First Nations.









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SURVEY

PROJECT

For more information about the Survey and LUP unit please visit the NALMA website at nalma.ca/surveys-and-land-use-planning

In the 2016-2017 fiscal year, NALMA successfully completed 29 survey requests in the Atlantic Region, Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and British Columbia.

Region/First Nation	Project Type	km of boundary surveyed
Atlantic		
Esgenoopetitj 14	Exterior Boundary	2.5
Indian Island	Exterior Boundary	4.5
Lennox Island	Exterior Boundary	14.0
Woodstock Indian Reserve	Subdivision of Band Land	3.0
Quebec		6.4
Village des Hurons	Exterior Boundary	2.5
Ontario		
Batchewana	Designations	20.0
Beausoleil	Boundary Encroachment	0.48
Delaware Nation-Moravian	Set Aside	6.5
Garden River-3 Projects	Subdivision for Economic Development Set Asides	7.81
Chippewas of Rama	Correction to Regularize Internal Boundaries	4.9
Saugeen	Exterior Boundary	14.0
Manitoba		
Peguis 1D & E	Exterior Boundary	3.7
Saskatchewan		
Big River	Set Aside	1.8
Mossomin-3 Projects	Exterior Boundary	9.6
Piapot	Exterior Boundary	12.2
British Columbia		
Adams Lake	Exterior Boundary	7.2
Akisqnuk	Designation	2.85
Okanagan	Cardex	N/A
Shackan (2 parcels)	Designations/Boundary Survey	6.3
Squamish	Exterior Boundary Investigation	N/A
Kamloops (2 projects)	Sec 31 Band Land	5.2
Yekooche	Sec 31 Band Land	0.32

Association of Canada Lands Surveyors Aboriginal Liaison Committee (ACLS-ALC)

The Aboriginal Liaison Committee was formed to support community and economic development on First Nation Reserves by promoting the orderly development of a strong and reliable Property Rights Infrastructure (PRI) on First Nation Lands.

NALMA has held a seat on this committee since 2010, and continues to partner with ACLS on projects related to improving survey issues on First Nation Lands.

Meetings are held via teleconference and NALMA has a voice in promoting surveying on First Nations lands across the country.

CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR MATRIMONIAL REAL PROPERTY (COEMRP)

The activities of the COEMRP commenced operations on November 20, 2013. The Centre operates within the framework of NALMA and is supported by an Advisory Committee. 2016-2017 completes the fourth year of our five-year mandate.

Advisory Committee

The 2016-2017 Advisory Committee members are:



To Be DeterminedNative Women's Association of Canada

Helen Semaganis, B.A. LL.BManaging Partner, Semaganis
Worme

Michel Deschênes Analyst, Programs and Policies, First Nations of Québec and Labrador Health and Social Services Commission



Ellen (Mel) Maracle
Office Manager, National
Association of Friendship Centres

Sheila SwassonPresident, National Aboriginal Circle
Against Family Violence

Louis Joe Bernard NALMA Board Representative

The Advisory Committee met twice in 2016-2017; the first meeting was held via conference call on September 20, 2016. The committee held their second meeting in Gatineau, Quebec on January 10 and 11, 2017 to discuss and receive updates on the activities of COEMRP. Advisory Committee members provided guidance on issues and questions raised by COEMRP staff. The Committee was provided with the Centre's 2017-2018 work plan and budget. Discussions were had surrounding the designation of Judges and Emergency Protection Orders under the *Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act* (FHRMIRA), issues related to the implementation of FHRMIRA in Quebec, and strategies moving forward. The Advisory Committee members also provided guidance on issues and priorities for research, discussion or follow-up. Partnership updates were provided from RCMP, National Aboriginal Circle Against Family Violence, Native Women's Association of Canada, First Nations of Quebec and Labrador Health and Social Services Commission, Public Safety Canada, and the INAC Implementation Team.



Implementation Evaluation

The Evaluation, Performance Measurement and Review Branch (EPMRB) of Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) began a horizontal implementation evaluation of the awareness raising, training and capacity building activities associated with the *Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act* (the Act). The purpose of the evaluation is to provide an evidence-based assessment of the awareness raising, training and capacity building activities to support the implementation and enforcement of the Act. As part of the evaluation, NALMA and the Centre of Excellence for Matrimonial Real Property were interviewed with respect to the Centre's role in assisting individuals, families, and First Nation governments in their implementation activities.

COEMRP Resources

In 2016-2017 COEMRP produced three additional projects. These included:

- 1. **Model Law #3 First Nation Family Real Property Law:** COEMRP produced three versions of Model Law #3 reflecting provisions more in line with the Civil Code of Quebec. These template laws are intended to assist communities in the development of their own MRP Laws.
- 2. First Nations Law-Making & Implementation Experience when enacting Matrimonial Real Property Laws under the Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act: Catherine Fagan of Arbutus Law Group LLP, completed a two-stage research report focusing on the law-making experience of the current First Nations who have enacted MRP Laws under FHRMIRA. The report includes lessons learned and best practices, as well as the implementation requirements of community specific MRP laws. The COEMRP wishes to extend our thanks to those First Nations who gave their time to share their experience and valuable insight in preparation of this report.
- 3. My Family Home On-Reserve: What Happens When My Relationship Ends?

 COEMRP conducted a national mail out delivering "My Family Home on Reserve" information cards to individual households located on First Nation reserves. The information card contains a short explanation of the rights and remedies available to on-reserve residents as well as contact information on where to obtain additional information in the event of a relationship breakdown. This information was circulated to 508 First Nations where the legislation applies.

The COEMRP has additional resources available on the website www.coemrp.ca



2016-2017 Fiscal Year Matrimonial Real Property Toolkit Training

The MRP Toolkit is an integrated set of printed materials, worksheets, flowcharts, templates, checklists and training modules for use by First Nations. The Toolkit includes an explanation on the evolution of the legislation, a visual guide that provides a summary of the *Act*, model law-making and ratification processes, information on alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, two types of model template laws, as well as administrative considerations necessary to ensure fair and considered management and security of personal information.

The Toolkit was developed for use by First Nation technicians charged with the responsibility of managing the MRP file. Regional Toolkit training sessions provide opportunity for a thorough discussion and understanding of the information. The training



sessions also provide opportunity to network with other technicians. Upon completion of the training, participants possess a variety of tools and information to guide the development of their MRP law as well as a thorough understanding of the roles, rights and responsibilities of the First Nation under the provisional federal rules

2016-2017 MRP Toolkit Training

The Centre proposed three MRP Toolkit Training workshops focusing on outreach to Northern communities. In response to requests from First Nations, three additional training sessions were added. The 2016-2017 sessions reached a total of 96 participants, including representatives from First Nations, Tribal Councils, First Nation Organizations, Lawyers, Provincial Justice representatives, and INAC. A total of 60 First Nations received training. Lawyer and Mediator, Marie-Eve Bordeleau, was contracted to deliver the French MRP Toolkit Training session in Wendake, QC.

COEMRP MRP Toolkit Training Sessions were held in:

Thunder Bay, ON (September 13-15, 2016): 6 participants representing 3 First Nations

Edmonton, AB (October 4-6, 2016): 18 participants representing 14 First Nations

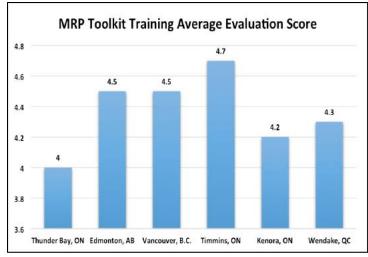
Vancouver, BC (February 14-16, 2017): 20 participants representing 12 First Nations

Timmins, ON (January 31-February 2, 2017): 16 participants representing 10 First Nations

Kenora, ON (January 31-February 2, 2017): 21 participants representing 11 First Nations and 1 Tribal Council

Wendake, QC (French Session) (March 14-16, 2017): 15 participants representing 10 First Nations





Evaluation Questionnaires for MRP Toolkit Training

At the end of each MRP Toolkit Training session, participants complete an evaluation questionnaire to assist COEMRP in determining whether or not the training was achieving its goal. Participants rate the training from 1-5 with 5 being excellent. The chart on page 31 illustrates an average evaluation score of each session.

The majority of participants (81%) at MRP Toolkit Training sessions were made up of First Nation technicians (land, housing, and other administrators), while First Nation leadership (Chief and Councillors) made up 12% of participants and 4% represented other First Nation Organizations, Lawyers, Provincial Justice and INAC.



2016-2017 MRP Community-Based Presentations

Given the complexity of the legislation, the COEMRP determined that additional support was required on a nation-bynation basis. The Centre presented 89 community-based MRP information sessions including meetings with leadership and technicians as well as presentations to residents on the rights and protections available to them. This was in direct response to verbal requests and comments on evaluation forms indicating the need for information to be presented directly to leadership and residents on a community-by-community basis.

Community-based information sessions were presented in:

Ontario (27): Wausauksing, Wikwemikong, Wahta Mohawks, Sheguiadah, Sagamok, Nigigoonsiminikaaning, Rainy River, Naicatchewenin, Couchiching, Mitaanjigaming, Oneida, Moravian of the Thames, Munsee-Delaware, Saugeen, Nawash, Batchewana, Garden River, Tyendinaga, M'Chigeeng, Sheshegwaning, Aamjiwnaang, Hiawatha, Fort William, Curve Lake, Whitefish Bay, Northwest Angle 37, Northwest Angle 33

Manitoba (8): Peguis, Buffalo Point, Fisher River, Rolling River, Dakota Plains, Sagkeeng, Brokenhead, Lake St. Martin

Saskatchewan (11): Sakimay (2), Ochapowace, Starblanket, Carry The Kettle, Sweetgrass, Saulteaux, Moosomin, Mosquito Grizzly Bear's Head Lean Man, Poundmaker, Little Pine, Cote

Alberta (8): Sucker Creek, Driftpile (2), Sturgeon Lake, Blood, Piikani, Wesley, Chiniki, Bearspaw

British Columbia (35): Soowahlie, Kwantlen, Sts'ailes, Shackan, Upper Nicola, Lower Nicola, Coldwater, Penticton (2), Skeetchestn, Metlakatla, Skidegate, Old Massett (2), Lil'wat, Bridge River, N'Quatqua, Lillooet, Squamish (2), Musqueam (2), Hagwilget Village, Moricetown, Glen Vowel, Gitanmaax, Gitsegukla, Gitwangak, Gitanyow, Gwa'sala-Nakwaxda-xw, Namgis, Quatsino, Kwakuitl, Boothroyd, Lytton, Boston Bar, Oregon Jack Creek, Skuppah, Spuzzum

COEMRP contracted with Marie-Eve Bordeleau to conduct community-based MRP information sessions in the Quebec region including: Essipit, Kitigan-Zibi, Timiskaming, Listuguj, Kahnesatake, Ekuanishit-Mingan, Wendake, and Pikogan.

McDonald White LLP was contracted to conduct community-based MRP information sessions in the Atlantic region including: Elsipogotog, Indian Island, Buctouche, Madawaska Maliseet, Woodstock, and Tobique.

Additional Presentations

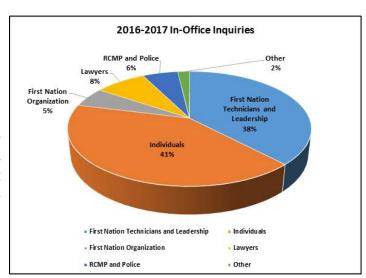
In addition, COEMRP provided information sessions to: UCCM Police at M'Chigeeng, INAC Regina and Prince Albert (Regional Staff), Sto'lo Financial Officers (Chilliwack), Alberta Links to Learning, British Columbia Links to Learning, Professional Land Management Certification Program, Osgoode Hall Law School, Committee for the Advancement of Aboriginal Women, Law Society of Upper Canada, Saskatchewan Links to Learning, the Lincoln County Law Association, Treaty and Aboriginal Lands Stewards Association (TALSAA), First Nation Land Managers Association of Quebec and Labrador (FNLMAQL), Manitoba Uske Regional Land Association, the National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association - 10th National Conference, and the Ontario Aboriginal Lands Association-Nishnawbe Aski Development Fund.

The Centre also staffed information kiosks at the Assembly of First Nations (AFN) Annual General Assembly (Niagara Falls) and the AFN Housing and Infrastructure Conference (Winnipeg).

Individual Inquiries and Requests

In addition to supporting First Nation leadership and technicians, COEMRP also provides information to individuals wishing to understand the rights and protections available to them.

In 2016-2017, the Centre responded to requests for information from First Nation technicians, leaders, members and residents including 162 in-office enquiries (representing 61 First Nation Technicians and Leadership, 66 individuals, 1 constituency office, 9 Aboriginal Organizations, 2 child and family services agencies, 13 Lawyers, and 9 Police Officers).



2016-2017 National Mail Out: "My Family Home On-Reserve: What Happens When My Relationship Ends?"

The COEMRP conducted a direct mail campaign to individual households located on First Nation reserves. An information card entitled "My Family Home on Reserve" was circulated to 363 First Nation reserve post offices for distribution into individual mailboxes. 145 additional communities did not have post offices on reserve. Information for those communities was mailed to Band Offices for distribution at strategic locations e.g. band office, health centre, social services etc.

Website

COEMRP maintains a website in both English and French. Both COEMRP.ca and CDEBIM.ca underwent a total redesign to streamline access to resources. Website analytics indicate that CDEBIM.ca saw an average of 86.3% new visitors and 13.7% returning visitors during this reporting period compared to last year's 79.2% new visitors. This represents 6,485 page views (3,108 page views last year) from 3,252 users (1,337 users last year). COEMRP.ca saw an average of 65% new visitors and 35% returning visitors. This compares to 73.2% new visitors from last year. This represents 18,747 page views from 4,908 users. This is a total of 8,160 users and 25,232 views for the 2016-2017 fiscal year. COEMRP also maintains Twitter and Facebook accounts.

Challenges

First Nation Community Priorities

Despite targeted training for Northern First Nations, competing priorities continue to impact the degree to which the issue of MRP is addressed. Responding to challenges relating to housing, health and social, infrastructure, education and employment strains the capacity of many First Nation governments. The additional task of developing an implementation strategy regarding MRP may not yet be a priority.

Customary Allotments and the ILRS

Where a First Nation issues Certificates of Possession under Section 20 of the *Indian Act*, these allotments are recognized as lawful possession and registered in the ILRS. However, there are many First Nations who do not issue *Indian Act* allotments. Instead, a right to occupy reserve land is granted to an individual by a resolution of a First Nation council, or pursuant to some form of written or unwritten band custom. The *Indian Act* does not recognize these allotments as lawful possession and continues to view those properties as land held in common by the First Nation. Under *FHRMIRA*, a First Nation or a court could recognize that a matrimonial interest or right exists on a property that has been allotted by custom. Clarification is required to determine how these interests or rights would be treated by INAC.

Access to Justice Issues

Access to justice is an issue that continues to face First Nations individuals when they try to obtain a remedy under the Family Homes on Reserves and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act. Provincial Court personnel, family court duty counsel, and in some cases, Judges remain unfamiliar with the legislation. This lack of familiarity presents a challenge to individuals attempting to access remedies under the legislation.

Policing

There continues to be a need for training police agencies and officers servicing First Nations communities, on the provisions of *FHRMIRA*. The delay in the delivery and the voluntary nature of the on-line training continues to be a concern.

Police must clearly understand their role in carrying out the enforcement aspects of *FHRMIRA*. The recent release of the First Nations Chiefs of Police Association training curriculum should mitigate this challenge by providing more frontline officers with the knowledge necessary to carry out their enforcement responsibilities.

Emergency Protection Orders

There are now three provinces (New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and PEI) that have designated judges pursuant to *FHRMIRA*. The designation of judges means that Emergency Protection Orders are available to victims of violence living on reserve. The designation of judges under *FHRMIRA* provides the authority necessary to remove an individual from their home and grant exclusive occupation to the victim for a period of 90 days.

For the other parts of the country, while existing provincial emergency protection laws may provide a certain measure of protection, without the designation of a judge under *FHRMIRA*, the ability to order exclusive occupation **in an emergency** does not exist. The decision by some Provinces not to designate Judges for the purposes of Emergency Protection Orders continues to prevent a victim of family violence from accessing immediate and urgent exclusive occupation of their family home. Without that certainty, victims are often forced to seek the services of a shelter. A national shortage of First Nation shelters further limits options available to victims of family violence.

Ratification Threshold

During the four years of conducting MRP Toolkit Training sessions across Canada, the first concern raised by many First Nation community technicians is the requirement to reach a minimum participation threshold (25% of eligible voters) in order to enact a community law. This threshold requires First Nations communities to commit funds that could be used to support other priorities within the community. There is also concern that this threshold is not required to be reached by any other level of government (municipal, provincial or federal) when enacting legislation.

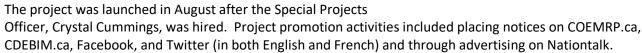
MRP Special Pilot Project

The Family Homes on Reserve and Matrimonial Interests or Rights Act provides a mechanism for First Nation's communities to enact their own community-specific matrimonial real property laws. If a First Nation does not have a communityspecific law, the Act provides provisional federal rules that apply until a community enacts their own matrimonial real property law.

Since the introduction of the Act, the lack of direct funding to First Nations for law development has been subject to a significant amount of criticism.

During the 2016-2017 fiscal year, federal funds were identified to complete a pilot project to fund lawmaking activities in the following categories:

- Legal Fees, Development of Laws or Consultation with the Community
- **Ratification Vote**
- Increase Availability and Awareness of Community-Specific Laws



When further funds were identified, the following additional category was offered:

Increasing Community Members Awareness of the FHRMIRA as it relates to their community and Discussions on the option to enact a community-specific law

What did we accomplish?

The Centre received inquiries and provided clarification and support to 80 First Nations in relation to proposal development.

26 projects were approved including:



1 Category 2 - Ratification

3 Category 3 - Awareness of First Nation Law

Quebec 1 Category 1 – Law Development

An additional Category 1 was approved, however, the First Nation did not proceed.

Saskatchewan 4 Category 1 – Law Development

1 Category 4 – FHRMIRA Awareness

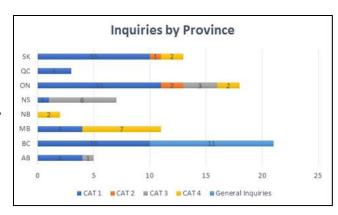
Nova Scotia 6 Category 3 - Awareness of First Nation Law

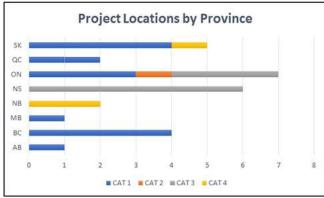
Alberta 1 Category 1 - Law Development



The First Nations identified challenges in completing their projects including:

- Lack of understanding/interest by members of how this issue affects individual families
- Other pressing issues in community taking priority or causing consultation burn-out
- Legal concepts can be difficult to grasp
- Outreach to off-reserve members





NATIONAL CONFERENCE - 10 YEAR CELEBRATION

In partnership with the College of Agriculture and Bioresources, NALMA hosted their 10th National Land Managers Conference at the University of Saskatchewan May 31-June 2, 2016, celebrating the 10th year of the Indigenous Peoples Resources Management Program, and NALMA's 10th National Conference.

Land Managers are the foundation of both organizations, and the platform on which sustainable growth and development is able to flourish in First Nation communities. While each community is unique in its location, culture, and development opportunities, we are all fortunate enough to share pride in how those elements are managed, and incorporated into our work.

This conference is a celebration of success, and perseverance towards sustainable growth.



Elder Leona Tootoosis



Dr. Mary Buhr



Gord Bluesky
NALMA Director West



Harold Daniels SALT Chair



PLENARY SESSIONS



Kikawinaw Askiy Marilyn Poitras, University of Saskatchewan



Tsilhqot'in Decision: Aboriginal Title, Treaty Rights, and Land Use Management Benjamin Ralston, University of Saskatchewan



First Nation Waste Management Initiative
Hannah Rogers, Director,
Environment Directorate, INAC



Traditional Land Use PlanningDr. David Natcher, University of Saskatchewan



Indigenous Land Rights Panel DiscussionJacob Pete, Joseph Quewezance, Sol Anderson



Applied Research and Training in Unmanned Aerial Vehicles at Saskatchewan Polytechnic Leila Benmerrouche, Saskatchewan Polytechnic



Treaty Federalism

James (Sakej) Youngblood Henderson,
University of Saskatchewan



Models of Self Government: Tsawwassen First Nation Kim Baird, Kim Baird Strategic Consulting

BREAKOUT SESSIONS



Designations Under the Indian Act: Helpful Hints Christopher Lafleur, University of Saskatchewan



First Nations and Taxation
Dalyn Bear, Whitecap Dakota First Nation



Economic Development on First NationsRobert Daniels, Mistawasis First Nation



Matrimonial Real Property Chris Angeconeb, COEMRP



Land Regimes TrainingDebra Campbell, NALMA



NALMA Survey Program Graeme Sandy, NALMA



Natural Resources Canada Akbarali Karsan, Natural Resources Canada



ACLS Presentaiotn on Drones for Surveying
Max Putnam & Carlo Mennett

GRADUATION GALA

PROFESSIONAL LANDS MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION PROGRAM



Graduation Ceremony: Professional Lands Management Certification Program Graduates

Certificates were presented by Susan Waters, Director General, Lands and Environmental Management Branch Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC), and NALMA Board of Directors

2014/2015 Graduates

Christene Belanger, Ochapowace First Nation
Jessica Chevrier, Timiskaming Band
Rainy Crane, Key First Nation
Ashley Doyle, Seyem Qwantlen
Vern Friday, Cote First Nation
Sharon Joe, Shackan Indian Band
Carmen Little, Ahtahkakoop Cree Nation #104
Clarence "Jason" McDonald, Sipekne'katik Band
John Moostoos, James Smith Cree Nation
William Spence, Peguis First Nation
Wade Sutherland, Peguis First Nation
Alexis Vanderheyden, Garden River First Nation





2015/2016 Graduates

Stephanie Barney, T'it'q'et Sara Big Plume, Tsuu T'ina Nation Norman Allard, Lower Kootenay Band Hector Beeds, Pelican Lake First Nation Horace Crane, Bunibonibee Cree Nation Clement Durocher, Canoe Lake First Nation Alfred Gamble, Beardy's and Okemasis First Nation Alison Irons-Cummings, Curve Lake First Nation Theodore Merasty, Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation Maurice Myran, Long Plain First Nation Jessica Pickett, Aamjiwnaang First Nation Jennifer Predie, Wasauksing First Nation Leonard Quinney, Frog Lake First Nation Sandra Reviakin, Kispiox Band Kendra Saddleback-Quinney, Frog Lake First Nation Harriet Thomas, Pelican Lake First Nation Yvonne Weinert, Osoyoos Indian Band

Overview of Partnership Agreement - MOU Signing between NALMA and University of Saskatchewan

Dr. Mary Buhr, Dean, Agriculture and Bioresources and Gord Bluesky, Chair, NALMA

Keynote Speaker: Career and Accomplishments

Dalyn Bear, IPRM Graduate, and Certified Land Manager, Director of Lands, Whitecap Dakota First Nation

Awards Ceremony



Gordon Bluesky Brokenhead Ojibway Nation Manitoba

A Land Manager who has excelled in lands management, and has contributed and influenced the field of land management beyond their community



Martin Stacey

Mohawk Council of Kahnawake

Quebec

A Land Manager who has excelled overall in land management within their community



Lars Duck Chief Siksika Nation Alberta

A Land Manager who has excelled overall in land management within their community



Ida McGillivary
Opaskwayak Cree Nation
Manitoba

A Land Manager who has given a lifetime contribution to land management of ten (10) years or more to her community



Jennifer Predie
Wasauksing First Nation
Ontario

CIBC Highest Academic Achievement Award
University of Saskatchewan



Victor Rumbolt O'Chiese First Nation Alberta

CIBC Highest Academic Achievement Award
University of Saskatchewan



Beardy's and Okemasis First Nation Saskatchewan

Strength and Perseverance
Saskatchewan Aboriginal Land Technicians

Outstanding Contribution to Past NALMA Board of Directors

• Denise Pelletier, Cowessess First Nation, Saskatchewan Aboriginal Land Technicians

Past NALMA Board Member Recipients not in attendance:

- Joe Sabattis, Kingsclear First Nation, Atlantic Region Aboriginal Lands Association
- Lance Yellow Face, Piikani Nation, Treaty and Aboriginal Land Stewards Association of Alberta
- Troy Beaulieu, Gjoa Haven, Planning and Land Administrators of Nunavut



Regional Lands Association Challenge



THE CHALLENGE

- A distance between 2 fixed points in the gardens outside the meeting hall is required to be determined by pacing only;
- There will be one team in the field at any one time;
- All participants on a team must pace between the points to determine the average distance;
- Each team will determine the average distance by pacing;
- Participants will be provided with 2 points with a known distance between them to calibrate their pace;
- A participant may calibrate his/her pace any number of times;
- A team may pace a distance any number of times;
- Teams will be allowed a maximum of 40 minutes to provide the average distance in writing;
- The team that determines the average distance closest to the true distance will be the winner!

THE RULES

- 1. Each Regional Lands Association (RLA) is required to register, at minimum a team of 5 participants;
- Each team will be named the same as the RLA it represents;
- 3. RLAs are welcome to recruit participants to complete a team of 5;
- 4. Each RLA must choose a Team Leader.

Thank you to Akbarali Karsan, NRCan for designing the first Regional Lands Association Challenge!



THE WINNERS: FIRST NATION LANDS MANAGERS ASSOCIATION FOR QUEBEC AND LABRADOR





Conference Prize Winners!

To show our appreciation for attendance and participation at our 10th National Conference, NALMA held 3 prize draws! Only Land Managers in attendance were able to participate in the draws, each of which were for equipment that could be used to enhance the work completed in their First Nation lands offices.

First Prize - Phantom 3 Advanced Drone

Deanna Ryder, Carry the Kettle First Nation, Saskatchewan



Second Prize - Garmin Montana 680 GPS Unit

Yvonne Weinert, Osoyoos Indian Band, British Columbia



Third Prize - Schonstedt GA-52Cx Magnetic Pin Locator

Edith Spence, Opaskwayak Cree Nation, Manitoba





COMMUNICATIONS

Website

NALMA's updated website is now mobile responsive, which means you can access all of our information from a phone or tablet!

NALMA's websites received 38,934 page views this fiscal year (www.nalma.ca and www.antga.ca) with many of the visitors looking specifically at our events calendar and specialized training opportunities.

PeerSite - Online Resource Library

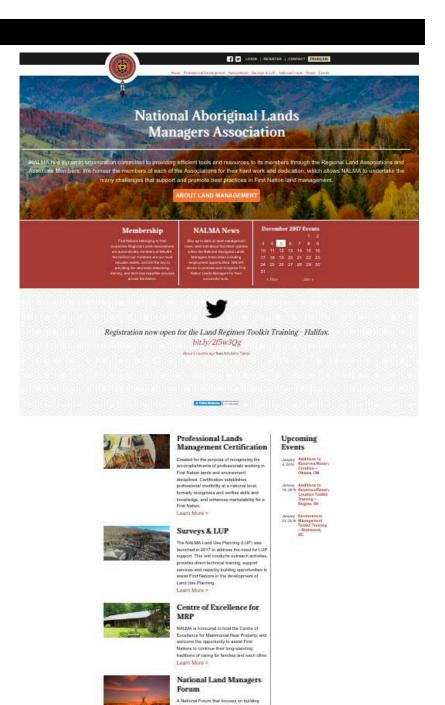
NALMA's online resource library, now hosted by PeerSite, is a secure login portal used to share documents, videos, and news to NALMA members.

For more information about our resources, or access to our website, please contact:

Melanie Jacobs-Douglas Resource Technical Support mjacobs@nalma.ca

Social Media

Social media continues to be priority for NALMA as it extends our reach beyond emails and website updates. We are able to notify members and other key stakeholders of pertinent information in the field of land management.





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AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS NATIONAL ABORIGINAL LANDS MANAGERS ASSOCIATION UNAUDITED FINANCIAL SCHEDULES MARCH 31, 2017

UNAUDITED FINANCIAL SCHEDULES

MARCH 31, 2017

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REVIEW ENGAGEMENT REPORT

To Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada

At the request of National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association, we have reviewed the schedules of revenue and expenditure for the year ended March 31, 2017 to meet the financial reporting requirements of National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association to Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada. Our review was made in accordance with Canadian generally accepted standards for review engagements and accordingly consisted primarily of enquiry, analytical procedures and discussion related to information supplied to us by the organization.

A review does not constitute an audit and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on these financial schedules.

Based on our review, nothing has come to our attention that causes us to believe that these financial schedules are not, in all material respects, in accordance with the funding agreement with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada.

These schedules have not been, and were not intended to be, prepared in accordance with Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations, are solely for the information and use of National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association and Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada for the stated purpose, and are not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified users or for any other purpose.

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Chartered Professional Accountants Licensed Public Accountants

Peterborough, Ontario July 12, 2017



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SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited)
OPERATIONAL PLMCP TRAINING
For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 1

	2017	2016
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	1,342,185	1,136,704
Expenditure		
Staff salaries	486,607	448.005
Staff travel	57,331	42,195
Administration	120,901	117,153
Board meetings	63,264	46,033
Professional development delivery	140,570	200,642
Regional capacity	335,000	282,676
National forum	89,350	10000 - Accessor
Land use planning	planning 49,162	
	1,342,185	1,136,704
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure	_	



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited)
THE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE FOR MATRIMONIAL REAL PROPERTY
For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 2

\$100k	2017	2016
	\$	
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	997,887	1,030,376
Expenditure		
Salaries and wages	308,073	302,436
Operating costs	95,249	79,916
Travel	107,725	66,600
Advisory committee	8,135	13,898
Research	50,285	71,620
Development and delivery	284,351	348,542
Financial reports and evaluation	10,105	13,400
Administration fee	133,964	133,964
	997,887	1,030,376
xcess of Revenue over Expenditure	1	



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited)
NALMA - SURVEY PROJECT
For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 3

	2017	2016
***		9
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	758,269	712,399
Expenditure		
Salaries and benefits	92,405	90,373
Travel	10,000	9,365
Survey advisor	29,380	19,097
Operational costs	3,815	0=
Survey project allocations	601,227	575,260
Administration fee	21,442	18,304
9	758,269	712,399
xcess of Revenue over Expenditure	1	9



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited)
NALMA - SPECIAL TRAINING PROJECTS
For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 4

	2017	2016
	\$	9
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	303,226	
Expenditure		
Land Regime Toolkit	62,325	92
Land management training - English	69,166	
Land management training - French	32,576	-
Environmental management pilot training and toolkit development	46,586	-
Student portal development and online training redevelopment	22,725	-
Hands-on practical training and technical support (Peguis FN)	3,158	
NALMA long term professional and institutional development study	15,000	-
Administration fee	51,690	\ <u>-</u>
·	303,226	
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure	_	_



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited)
COEMRP SPECIAL PILOT PROJECT PROPOSAL
For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 5

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	738,704	-
Expenditure		
Law development	312,460	<u>-</u>
Ratification vote	25,000	-
Awareness	188,603	-
Staff salaries	43,891	
Administration fee	168,750	-
	738,704	
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure	¥	-



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) ATR/RC & COMMERCIAL LEASING TRAINING For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 6

<u> </u>	2017	2016
90 to 40	\$	
evenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	161,436	-
xpenditure		
Drafting Commercial Lease Training Toolkit	11,431	
Deliver National Commercial Leasing Training		
Sponsorship travel	12,950	-
Deliver Pilot ATR/RC Toolkit Training	13,563	
Instructor fee and travel	6,441	
Finalization of the ATR/RC Toolkit	17,134	
Deliver Pilot ATR/RC Toolkit Training		
Sponsorship travel	37,720	
Deliver Pilot ATR/RC Toolkit Training	16,782	_
Instructor fee and travel	12,223	A 5
Associate instructor fee and travel	8,757	9
Administration fee	24,435	-
	161,436	
ccess of Revenue over Expenditure	-	
ceas of Revenue over expenditure	-	1,90



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) NALMA SUPPORT FOR FIRST NATION LAW MAKING PURSUANT TO FHRMIRA For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 7

	2017 \$	2016 \$
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	75,000	-
Expenditure		
Community engagement	75,000	
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure		



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) ESTATES MANAGEMENT TOOLKIT For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 8

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	34,063	-
Expenditure		
Consultant	27,346	
Travel	2,287	
Administration fee	4,430	
-	34,063	
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure		

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements



SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited)
NALMA LAND USE PLAN (LUP) 2016-2017
For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 9

	2017	2016
	\$	
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	82,441	85
Expenditure		
Staff salaries	2,833	
Staff travel	1,603	
Equipment	15,680	
Professional and technical fees	26,085	
First Nation travel	10,856	
Training material and shipping	97	
Venue	7,255	-
Administration fee	18,032	3
	82,441	-
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure	2.	-

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SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) ARALA LAND USE PLAN 2016-2017 PROJECT For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 10

	2017	2016
	\$	
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	127,709	
ARALA Contribution	11,276	
	138,985	
Expenditure		
Travel	51,138	_
Professional services	30,590	-
Guest speakers	4,564	2
Other	21,118	-
Administration fee	31,575	-
	138,985	-
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure	-	_

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SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) ATR/RC TRAINING FOR FIRST NATIONS IN BRITISH COLUMBIA For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 11

	2017	2016
	\$	
evenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	81,641	
BCALM Contribution	3,148	
<u> </u>	84,789	-
penditure		
Professional and technical fees	9,246	52
Travel	44,911	-
Training material and shipping	1,208	12
Venue	18,104	-
Administrative fee	11,320	-
	84,789	
cess of Revenue over Expenditure		

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SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) PRIOR YEAR UNEXPENDED FUNDS For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 12

	2015/16	2014/15
	spent in	spent in
	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	112,739	508,151
Expenditure		
Core	54,814	92,835
MRP	20,324	179,038
Survey program	37,601	236,278
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Excess of Revenue over Expenditure		_

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SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) OALA AGREEMENT For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

Excess of Revenue over Expenditure

SCHEDULE 13

214,475

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	214,475	25
Expenditure		
Planning and coordination	1,879	
Outreach and engagement	30,537	_
Conference facilitation	35,960	17
Travel and accommodation	130,657	9
Administration fee	15,442	

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SCHEDULES OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE (Unaudited) FNLMAQL AGREEMENT For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

SCHEDULE 14

	2017	2016
	\$	
Revenue		
Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada	40,078	17
Expenditure		
Professional and technical services	9,718	-
Meetings	5,556	102
Travel	19,804	-
Administration fee	5,000	
-	40,078	
Excess of Revenue over Expenditure		_

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements



NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL SCHEDULES (Unaudited) For the Year Ended March 31, 2017

1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association (the Association) is a national organization of First Nation Lands Managers actively networking towards the enhancement of professional development and technical expertise in the functions of First Nation Lands Management.

National Aboriginal Lands Managers Association was incorporated on December 21, 2000 as a non-profit, non-political organization and is governed by a board of eight (8) directors, each representing their respective Regional Lands Associations.

2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These schedules have been prepared in accordance with the funding agreement with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC). The basis of accounting used in these schedules differ from Canadian Accounting Standards for Not-for-Profit Organizations because tangible capital assets purchased in the year are recorded as expenditures rather than being capitalized and amortized over their estimated useful lives.

Significant aspects of the accounting policies used in these schedules are as follows:

(a) Recognition of Revenues and Expenditures

Revenues and expenditures are reported on the accrual basis of accounting. The accrual basis of accounting recognizes revenues in the period in which the transactions or events occurred that give rise to the revenue; expenditures are recognized in the period the goods or services are acquired and a legal liability is incurred or transfers are due. Funding received but not expensed is not recognized as revenue in the year received; however, may be spent in a subsequent year if an approval to defer has been approved by INAC.

Interprogram revenues and expenditures have not been eliminated from these schedules in order that the results of operation for each individual program is properly presented.

(b) Government Funding

Government funding is recognized in the financial statements as revenues in the period in which events giving rise to the transfers occur, providing the transfers are authorized, any eligibility criteria have been met, and reasonable estimates of the amounts can be made. Reimbursement for program costs is dependant ultimately upon their acceptance by the funding agency.

(c) Use of Estimates

The preparation of these schedules in conformity with the funding agreement with Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada requires management to make estimates and assumptions which could affect the reported amounts of revenue and expenditures and are based on the Association's best information and judgment. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

3. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

Certain comparative figures were restated, where required, to conform with the current year presentation.



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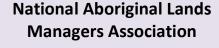
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