

Resource Royalties Economic Development Assistance Program 2017-2018



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The Dehcho First Nations (DFN) is now accepting applications for economic development funding assistance (under the Dehcho Interim Resource Development Agreement, [IRDA]). The Agreement signed in April 2003 provides that the Dehcho First Nations (DFN) will receive a share of federal royalties from resource development in the Mackenzie Valley prior to a final agreement.

The Dehcho First Nations would like to advise all future applicants that enhancements to the existing Dehcho IRDA program are underway and change is taking place in an effort to continue to improve program accountability and transparency. **The application deadline for the 2017/18 intake is January 31, 2018.**

Eligibility of Applicants:

The following individuals, businesses and organizations are eligible to apply for funding assistance:

- 1. An individual applicant must be a member of the Dehcho First Nations (DFN), a Dehcho First Nation organization or be in partnership with A Dehcho First Nation (DFN) or individual organization. Support documentation for this can be a simple letter from the Chief or other Dehcho officials indicating you are a member of the Dehcho First Nations (DFN).
- 2. A business application must be:
 - A business owned by a member of the Dehcho First Nations, or
 - A business partnership where 50% or more of the ownership is by a member(s) of the Dehcho First Nations (DFN).
 - The 50% or more of the shares of a business corporation are held by a member(s) of the Dehcho First Nations
- 3. A First Nation whose project is supporting or creating an economic development opportunity in the Dehcho region.

A **Business Plan** is required in order to access the 2017/18 Royalties Funding. Guidelines are set out in Appendix C of the Interim Resource Development Agreement (IRDA). Criteria instructions and forms are available on the Dehcho First Nations website: http://www.dehcho.org

Please forward your application to the Dehcho First Nations to the attention of:

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> Deadline for IRDA Funding Submissions: January 31, 2018 @ 5:00 pm.