

restrictions on seismic cut lines and cash bonus bidding. These discussions with Canada have not progressed.

On February 16, 2009, the Grand Chief received a letter from INAC which threatens to terminate the IRDA, along with the annual royalty payouts to the DFN, if there is no agreement by September 2009 to allow a new cycle of petroleum exploration.

If agreement cannot be reached with Canada on terms and conditions for new exploration licenses the DFN may consider moving on their own to initiate a competitive bidding process to determine appropriate terms and conditions for new exploration.

In April, 2009 the Leadership passed a resolution calling for a renewed effort by both the DFN and Canada to find agreement on terms and conditions for a new petroleum exploration cycle. DFN representatives then held a meeting with INAC officials in September, 2009.

At that meeting we confirmed that:

- the DFN remain committed to the objective of having a new petroleum exploration rights issuance cycle as soon as possible;
- as set out in the IRDA, in order to meet this objective it is necessary for INAC and the DFN to jointly develop terms and conditions for the right issuance; and
- DFN remain committed to working in good faith to find common ground on terms and conditions.

We also asked INAC to provide us with a written response to DFN concerns regarding:

- exploration parcel sizes;
- air and water emission standards; and
- restrictions on seismic cut lines.

Following the September, 2009 meeting the Grand Chief wrote to Minister Strahl confirming that the DFN are prepared to hold discussions on terms and conditions for new exploration.

INAC responded in April, 2010 by again asking the DFN to indicate support for a new exploration cycle *before* holding consultations on the terms and conditions for new exploration. The Grand Chief has responded to that letter by writing again to state the DFN position that consultations on terms and conditions must occur *first*, before the DFN will decide whether to support specific new exploration licenses.

ADK

In July 2008, Canada, the Acho Dene Koe First Nation and the GNWT signed a framework agreement to enter into comprehensive land claim negotiations outside of the Dehcho Process.

The DFN Chief Negotiator wrote to Canada's Chief Negotiator on February 23, 2009, outlining the DFN position on the removal of ADK from agreements negotiated through the Dehcho Process, including the Framework Agreement, IMA and IRDA. Canada responded on April 21, 2009 by indicating that they see no need to negotiate ADK's removal from the Dehcho Process and related agreements.

The DFN continue to say that the existing agreements should be amended to remove ADK. SKDB and NBDB are working together to negotiate a boundary agreement with ADK. Peter Redvers has been retained to assist them in their negotiations. The negotiations are proceeding very slowly because ADK initially refused to negotiate with the two communities jointly, and because ADK has had difficulty keeping a chief negotiator.



AAROM Report

By George Low, AAROM Coordinator

Introduction

The Dehcho First Nations (DFN) has completed the administration of a one year *Collaborative Management* (CM) program under the Aboriginal Aquatic Resource and Oceans Management (AAROM) program via a funding agreement with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans.

This is the final report for the DFN AAROM for the period April 1, 2009 to March 31, 2010 and reflects cumulative activities for the fiscal year. This has been a successful first year of delivering a community based CM program. Most of the communities were visited at least twice by the AAROM coordinator in an effort to build a working relationship with the First Nation leadership, personnel and community members.

The Dehcho AAROM Coordinator is working closely with the DFO Western Arctic Area offices to build our AAROM program and harmonize the AAROM and Aboriginal Fishery Strategy (AFS) programs. The Dehcho AAROM has taken responsibility for the administration of two out of the three Great Slave Lake AFS projects in the Dehcho region as well as administering the NWT AFS Coordinator position and a post secondary summer student position.

The DFN has also received funding for 50 K for capital and O&M equipment through AFS. Presently only three of our ten participating First Nation organizations are funded through the AFS program. We have submitted a proposal for AFS funding of community fishery projects for all of the Dehcho communities.

The DFN AAROM has applied for an additional 70 K of AAROM funding on behalf of the Katlodeeche First Nation (KFN) and the Fort Providence Resource Management Board for Great Slave Lake projects.

This fiscal year, the Dehcho AAROM program was finally able to emerge from the *Capacity Building* phase and we will be applying for multi-year funding beginning next fiscal year.

RESULTS TO DATE

Program Administration

The Dehcho AAROM, under the Dehcho First Nations (DFN), has an effective administration in place. The Dehcho AAROM Coordinator/Biologist has been travelling to the communities on a regular basis to meet the leadership and staff to develop a working relationship to further the AAROM program. Good progress has been made in this regard considering the distances to the various communities and the busy schedules of the leadership and managers.

I. Institutional Capacity

1. Integrating AAROM with the Member Community Structure:

<u>Planned</u>	<u>Result</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Input at Leadership meetings – 1 planned <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Dehcho Annual General Assembly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 2 meetings to date - Addressed the assembly on AAROM status

- o Fall leadership meeting - Resolutions passed in support of developing a 5-year plan.
- o Various meetings with Community Leadership - Two Council meetings
- Several informal meeting
- General Member Community Interaction;
 - o *18 FN community working meetings planned - 24 accomplished*
- Support Community Resource Mgmt. Boards (RMB's);
 - o *4 Resource Mgmt. Board (RMB) meetings - 4 accomplished*
 - o *Program support of RMB's (4 planned) - 2 programs funded to date*
 - o *Developing collaborative partnerships - several in progress*
- o The meetings with the Dehcho Leadership which includes Chiefs and Elders have been very positive. The leadership passed resolutions in support of the Dehcho AAROM program at the fall leadership meeting in Fort Providence.
- o The Dehcho Coordinator/Biologist has travelled extensively to meet with the community leadership and support staff as well as keeping in contact by phone and e-mail.
- o Coordinator travelled ~ 7 000 km by road for twenty-four community visits as well as travelling by air charter twice to meet with Samba K'e FN and to train the two fishery monitors.
- o The AAROM Coordinator has had several discussions with the DFN Executive Director on the direction of the AAROM program. There is a consensus that;
 - the AAROM program should work in concert with the DFN, Lands and Resources sections and especially with the three Resource Management Boards/Committees in the communities of Fort Providence, Fort Simpson, and Katlodeeche.
 - establishing partnerships is very important to our AAROM program.
 - education, training and employment in the communities are necessary for the advancement of our AAROM program even in the *Collaborative Management* phase.
 - It is important to involve Youth in the AAROM program and encourage education and a respect for the land.
 - There is a need for individual member First Nations to develop AAROM work plans in order to prioritize activities.
- o We are working towards integrating the AAROM program with the community resource management board/committee structure where applicable. To date the Coordinator has met with the Fort Providence Resource Mgmt. Board (FPRMB), and several times with the Liidlii Kue Committee and the coordinator of the Katlodeeche HTA to discuss cooperative efforts.
- o In the spirit of cooperation the Dehcho AAROM program has so far provided funding to the FPRMB (office equipment and to write proposals for further partnership funding) and the KFN Committee (materials for an AAROM research cabin at Buffalo Lake). An 18 foot Lund was purchased for Liidlii Kue; all communities active in the AAROM program now have work boats.

2. Accessing Skilled Personnel;

DFN has contracted the project Coordinator/Biologist to run the AAROM program and provide biological advice.

II. Skills Development

1. Research Activities to establish ecosystem-based management efforts.

<u>Planned</u>	<u>Result</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Establish <i>seed</i> projects in the communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Establish 5 monitoring projects</i> ○ By March 31st, the field components have been completed for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ka'a`gee Tu First Nation: fishery monitoring program on Kakisa River. ▪ Jean Marie River: aquatic resource monitoring on the Mackenzie River. ▪ Jean Marie River: winter fishing project and monitor training. ▪ Nahanni Butte: aquatic resource monitoring on the Liard River. ▪ Pehdzeh Ki: fishery and aquatic monitoring on the Mackenzie River. ○ AAROM will continue to improve community based monitoring programs by increasing on the job training and seeking partnering assistance and funding from other government departments. 	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>-5 projects completed</i></p>

There is a need to involve community organizations in “*research projects related to aquatic resources and their supporting habitats*”. The First Nation and Métis Nation organizations have provided extensive lists of concerns and issues regarding fish and fish habitat in their areas. The Dehcho AAROM has providing limited funding to each community to act as seed money to begin expanding the collection of community based traditional knowledge and scientific data useful in the future management of aquatic resources. These projects will also contribute to increasing skills and knowledge in the community. In future years, we will be partnering with other government departments, NGO’s and colleges to increase our R&M abilities and provide information for informed decision making.

2. Organizing and providing training to build capacity in the communities;

<u>Planned</u>	<u>Result</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Organize one Boat Certification and Safety course (AAROM provided travel and expense costs) (Partnered with DFN, NBDB and Aurora College)</i> • <i>On the job training (monitoring projects)</i> • <i>Organized one Environmental monitoring course Through Aurora College (Partnered with ASEP, GNWT-ITI, Aurora College) AAROM provided ~ 10% of course costs</i> • <i>DFO – AAROM/AFS Workshop in Yellowknife (Enhancing Community Based Aquatic Monitoring)</i> 	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>-14 persons certified; 1 course delivery by Aurora College</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>-5 community workers</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>-Six week course in Samba K'e in February/March</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>-8 students certified</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>-21 delegates from Dehcho attended.</i></p>

III. Stewardship and Collaborative Management:

1. Administering collaborative projects in the Dehcho;

<u>Planned</u>	<u>Result</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Form collaborative partnerships with DFO, AFS; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Hire and administer 1 AFS Coordinator for the NWT</i> ○ <i>Hire and admin. 1 post –sec. summer student</i> ○ <i>Administer 2 collaborative projects in the Dehcho</i> 	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>-Completed</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>-Completed</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>-2 completed</i></p>

The Dehcho AAROM has partnered with the DFO. AFS program this fiscal year by:

- Hiring and administering the NWT AFS Coordinator and a summer student through an AFS G&C agreement. These staff will work on AFS projects both in the Dehcho and Akaitcho areas, fostering cooperation between the two NWT AAROM programs.
- Administering 2 major AFS projects in the Dehcho also through an AFS G&C agreement. (Sambaa K'e and Fort Providence Research Mgmt. Board)
- Administering and managing these partnered projects will enhance the ability of the Dehcho AAROM to develop into a Collaborative Mgmt. (CM) entity.
- *No double accounting of AFS and AAROM funding is involved.* The funding is provided through a separate AFS G&C agreement with DFO. The DFN administers the program directly or through service contracts negotiated with the individual FN's involved.
- DFO provided 70 K of AAROM funding late in the fiscal year for Great Slave Lake (GSL) initiatives by the FPRMC and the KFN; two communities which have traditionally used GSL resources. The Fort Providence Board used the funding to establish two fishing and fish study cabins in Deep Bay, the western end of Great Slave Lake. The KFN has been working cooperatively with DFO on the GSL inconnu stock assessment program for several years. They used their money to assist with the building of a cabin at Yates River, a tributary of Buffalo Lake where GSL inconnu spawn. They have bought a boat and snowmobile for use in the study. This cabin and equipment will support *Stock Identification Genetics* studies of the GSL buffalo Lake spawning stocks.

2. Community Outreach, Stewardship and Awareness Activities; youth and elder involvement:

<u>Planned</u>	<u>Result</u>
• <i>R&M training for community members</i>	<i>-Initial collaborative training discussions with 3 agencies</i>
• <i>Arrange training opportunities</i>	<i>-2 Aurora College courses completed</i>
• <i>Aboriginal Traditional knowledge initiatives</i>	<i>-Coordinator- policy familiarization</i>
• <i>One regional youth and elder ecology camp</i>	<i>-Successful regional camp</i>
• <i>Youth initiatives</i>	
o <i>Rivers and Oceans Day</i>	<i>-325 students thru traditional demo</i>
o <i>Climate Change Youth Forum</i>	<i>-Co-sponsored two youth*(with Pembina Institute)</i>
o <i>Nahehcho/Youth gathering</i>	<i>-Sci & ATK demos ~24 youth/elders</i>
o <i>Two Jean Marie River winter camp</i>	<i>-All Louis Norwegian School students attended</i>

**Kari Hergott went on to attend the Climate Change conference in Copenhagen as a part of the youth contingent from the NWT!*

3. Dehcho Watershed Ecosystem Advisory Committee (DWEAC) Business

- Meetings and interactions of the Dehcho Watershed Ecosystem Advisory Committee;
 - o DWEAC meetings was held at the Dene Cultural Institute on the Katlodeeche Reserve;
 - October 2009
 - All but one member attended to represent their organization.
 - The October meeting included 3 technical support staff from the FN RMB's

- March 2010.
 - Only four members were able to attend due to the busy time of year. (not enough members for a quorum – workshop only)
 - Two technical support staff from LKFN and JMRFN also attended.
 - In addition to regular business, time was spent discussing the development of a 5-year AAROM plan.
 - Time was also spend discussing community applications for INAC Cumulative Impact Monitoring Program (CIMP) funding
- Meeting summaries are available on www.dehcho.org; Tap on the AAROM page.

4. Workshops:

- CIER:
 - Margaret Ireland of Jean Marie River and George Low attended the Climate Change Adaptation workshop hosted by the Centre for Indigenous Environmental Resources (CIER). (Partnership funded by CIER & INAC)
 - As a result the DFN may be pursuing “Climate Change” funding thru an INAC program to address climate change issues in the north.
- Ecology North:
 - George Low attended and presented at the “Greening of the NWT Economy” workshop in Yellowknife. (Partnership funded by the Walter & Duncan Gordon Foundation)

5. Communications, Logos:

- The AAROM program now has a web page on the Dehcho First Nations website www.dehcho.org
- Communication links developed with the FN’s.
- Logos have been delayed due to workload.
- Newsletters delayed due to lack of time

Liaison with DFO Area Office:

DFO, Fisheries Management staff in the Western Arctic Area have been contacted on a regular basis so that both parties are aware of program plans and accomplishments. The Dettah workshop was very useful in bringing potential partners together. We strive to work closely with the Department as we continue to build our AAROM and AFS programs.

Funding: DFO funding of the AAROM program was \$ 470 000.00 for fiscal year 2009-2010

Partnered funding:

- The DFO AFS program provided 179 K for fisheries related projects in the Dehcho in 2009/10.
- The DFN - ASEP program provided 49 K for *Environmental Monitor* training in the Dehcho.
- The GNWT – ITI provided 52 K for *Environmental Monitor* training in the Dehcho.
- The Pembina Institute provided expenses (other than airfare which was provided by AAROM) for youth to attend a Youth Climate Change Forum in Inuvik. One of the youth went on to attend the Youth delegation at the Copenhagen Climate Change symposium.

- INAC and CIER provided funding for the attendance of a community member from Jean Marie River and the AAROM Coordinator at a Climate Change Adaptation Workshop in Winnipeg.
- *The Walter and Duncan Gordon Foundation* provided funding for the AAROM Coordinator to speak at an Ecology North “Greening of the NWT Economy” workshop in Yellowknife.



AHRDA Report

By Gloria Buboire, AHRDA Coordinator

Since 1999, Dehcho First Nations has administered the AHRDA program and services with funding available to all First Nations, Inuit and Métis people residing in the Dehcho Region.

All applicants must have a career plan in place and seek primary funding from other sources such as NWT Student Financial Assistance and INAC UCEP. Education, Culture and Employment will provide services such as career counseling and assistance when completing the NWT SFA documents. AHRDA is considered a secondary source of funding, failure to apply for primary source funding does not automatically make you eligible for AHRDA funding.

DFN allocates approximately 60% of AHRDA funds to 11 member organizations who have the primary authority and responsibility over education and training. Each community is accountable for all AHRDA funds expended on employment assistance services and client programming.

In order to meet training priorities, communities are encouraged to partner with other agencies to design, develop and delivery programs for their community as well as cost share with other regional committees.

Two of the larger communities have dedicated staff to provide employment assistance services, administer the programs, coordinate the training needs and meet the accountability factor.

Community Run Programs

CRF Labor Market Total Budget \$492,055

Funding is distributed to the 11 Aboriginal community organizations on a quarterly basis. The primary authority and responsibility over education and training rests at the community level.

- **Employment Assistance Services (EAS) \$146,543**

Communities utilized CRF EAS to help offset the costs associated with administering the AHRDA program on a local level.

- **CRF Client Program \$345,512 serving 144 clients (Work plan estimate 115 clients)**

Budgets identify the maximum allowable for providing assistance to individuals returning to school, post-secondary education, tuition cost for courses related to on-the-job training, wage subsidies, job creation partnerships, skills development and self-employment initiatives. In order to meet training priorities, communities are encouraged to partner with other agencies to design, develop and deliver programs for their community as well as cost share with other regional communities.

Adult Basic Education—\$70,549 serving 31 clients

Skills Development / Trades Access—\$89,974 serving 29 clients

Work Readiness / Safety Training—\$29,375 serving 22 clients

Management Studies / Office Administration—\$12,110 serving 2 clients

Post Secondary Students—\$97,338 serving 23 clients

Driver Training Class 7, 5, 3 & 1—\$46,166 serving 36 clients

EI Benefits & Support Total Budget \$264,774

Funding is distributed to the 11 Aboriginal community organizations on a quarterly basis. The primary authority and responsibility over education and training rests at the community level.

- **Employment Assistance Services (EAS) \$120,763**
Communities utilized CRF EAS to help offset the costs associated with administering the AHRDA program on a local level.
- **CRF Client Program \$144,011 serving 78 clients (Work plan estimate 75 clients)**
Budgets identify the maximum allowable for providing assistance to individuals returning to school, post-secondary education, tuition cost for courses related to on-the-job training, wage subsidies, job creation partnerships, skills development and self-employment initiatives. In order to meet training priorities, communities are encouraged to partner with other agencies to design, develop and deliver programs for their community as well as cost share with other regional communities.
Adult Basic Education—\$18,555 serving 17 clients
Skills Development / Trades Access—\$65,150 serving 31 clients
Work Readiness / Safety Training—\$8,654 serving 7 clients
Management Studies / Office Administration—\$1,065 serving 1 client
Post Secondary Students—\$34,015 serving 9 clients
Driver Training Class 7, 5, 3 & 1—\$16,572 serving 13

CRF Youth Total Budget \$50,798

Funding is distributed to the 11 AHRDA holders in the second quarter of the year. Each community utilizes the funding in its own unique way by enabling youth to find or obtain summer employment and on-the-job experience.

- **Employment Assistance Services (EAS) \$6,874**
Communities utilized EAS to help offset the costs associated with administering the AHRDA program on a local level.
- **CRF Youth Client Program \$43,924 serving 44 youth (Work plan estimate 20 clients)**
Budgets identify the maximum allowable for providing assistance to youth returning to school in the fall through the following programs:
 - Student Summer Employment Program employs youth to attain work experience and develop workplace skills: \$18,174 serving 20 youth
 - Community Service Program assist youth in creating employment while obtaining work experience on a part-time basis: \$2,521 serving 9 youth
 - Labor Market Information Program provides funding for youth awareness workshops on the land where youth are made aware of the importance of education, careers in the First Nation and how the path of wellness will help with their career: \$11,579 serving 10 youth
 - Internship Program provides work experience through on-the-job training in an administration office environment: \$6,179 serving 2 youth
 - Other Programs – communities provided post-secondary assistance and skills development: \$5,471 serving 3 youth

REGIONAL PROGRAMS

CRF Urban Initiatives Total Budget \$24,279 serving 10 clients

Dehcho First Nations coordinated the utilization of \$24,249 by providing two communities with Urban funding in place of their EI Benefits & Support allocation. Fort Simpson Métis provided 6 clients with assistance in their post-secondary studies. Jean Marie River First Nations provide 4 clients with assistance with work readiness and safety training.

EI Urban Initiatives Total Budget \$13,255 serving 3 clients

Dehcho First Nations coordinated the utilization of \$13,255 by providing: 1 client enrolled in the Indigenous Wellness & Addiction tuition, books and travel; 1 client enrolled in the Entrepreneurial Business Applications Diploma program with tuition; and 1 client enrolled in the Simply Accounting Program with tuition, books and computer lab fees.

EI Persons with Disabilities Total Budget \$13,518 serving 1 client

All potential applicants must be EI eligible or EI reach-back. Each year there are a number of potential clients who apply for this type of funding, however, they are not eligible for program funding as they are neither EI eligible nor an EI reach-back.

One community accessed the available funding for one EI eligible client who is upgrading their education and will be pursuing their post-secondary education.

CRF Childcare Total Budget \$341,703 – Deferred \$24,197

Funding is available for the creation of licensed daycare seats, assistance with building purchases, renovation of daycare buildings to meet child care regulation standards, purchase of equipment and supplies that are required for the establishment and upkeep of licensed daycare centers, daycare staff training and development to run the programs and to meet the safety standards that are required to maintain a licensed childcare centre as well as provide wages for daycare employees.

Funding is based on the number of licensed day care seats operated by an Aboriginal community organization. A total of \$290,600 was provided to three DFN Aboriginal community organizations operating 70 licensed daycare seats. In addition, the childcare program provided \$26,906 for Early Childhood Development training, workshops and conferences.

Historically, two daycare organizations request additional childcare funding. Neither daycare required additional funding this year which resulted in the deferral of \$24,197.

CRF Capacity Building Total Budget \$22,474

The majority of program funding was utilized on the AHRDA regional meeting for site rental, community staff travel, accommodations and per diems. A lesser portion of program funding was provided for education of DFN AHRDA/Finance staff as well as local community staff responsible for the delivery of the AHRDA program.

CRF Administration Total Budget \$138,008

Two thirds of the administration budget was utilized by staffing of the AHRDA office. One third of the administration budget was utilized by rent, utilities, financial services/audit fees, equipment/office supplies and advertising.

DFN provides administration and advisory services to the communities by holding regional AHRDA meetings, developing policies that will continue to meet the many diverse scenarios the communities are facing when delivering programs for the clients. The AHRDA application and AHRDA policy are reviewed and updated on an annual basis. These amendments to the application and policy are based on best practices, decisions made by the communities as well as recommendations from the Auditor.

EI Administration Total Budget \$51,450

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QUARTERLY REPORTING

Communities are responsible for the financial management and quarterly reporting of funds expended under the program. An activity report and separate detailed financials for each program are required within 10 days of the end of each fiscal quarter. Although some communities are slow in submitting the required reports which results in regional reporting delays, the communities are fulfilling the requirements of the accountability factors by submitting client data, financial reports and activity reports.

DFN is confident that the communities are delivering programs to meet the special needs of its Aboriginal clients. The auditor deemed the programming was consistent with the Annual Work Plan and the Capacity Building Plan. Expenses were consistent with the Annual Expenditure Plan and the Monthly Forecast of Cash Flow documents rationalized quarterly funding advances.

STATISTICAL REPORTING – CONTACT IV DATABASE

Communities are responsible for collecting and reporting human resources statistical data required for compliance with the AHRDA program. DFN enters data into Contact IV from the AHRDA client enquiry form, AHRDA application form, service contracts and follow-up documents copied to DFN. Client data is uploaded to the Data Gateway on a quarterly basis. Service Canada extracts statistical information and provides results to DFN on an annual basis.

This fiscal year, the DFN AHRDA office entered 405 clients into Contact IV and successfully uploaded to the Data Gateway.

Last fiscal year, the auditor recommended that communities base their quarterly reports on their work plans, reporting results and variances on an ongoing basis. Through work plan reporting, communities indicate the success of training initiatives and whether clients returned or became employed as a result of the training initiative. Also, DFN will be better able to determine the results or impact of the program interventions in terms of the Accountability Criteria and Targets determined in the AHRDA agreement. In addition to the program expenditure method of reporting required by Service Canada, the work plan reporting method was also implemented. Without use of an adequate database system, work plan reporting is very time consuming.

SUMMARY

The creation of quarterly community reporting templates based on individual community work plans have shown that targets were either met or exceeded. In turn, DFN will be in a better position to accurately report on the success of training initiatives throughout the region.

Implementation of the work plan based reporting will ensure DFN AHRDA will be in a better position to manage and administer the AHRDA Successor Strategy. The AHRDA program will be coming to an end on September 30, 2010.

Izen Consulting has been contracted to develop the five year Aboriginal Skills & Employment Strategy (ASETS) Strategic Business Plan. The ASETS program will be replacing the AHRDA program on October 1, 2010.



Aboriginal Skills Employment & Training Strategy (ASETS) Report

By Gloria Buboire, AHRDA Coordinator

The Government of Canada's Aboriginal Skills Employment and Training Strategy (ASETS) provides targeted employment and training funds for Aboriginal people. The Dehcho First Nations will deliver the ASETS in the Dehcho region, beginning in October 2010 for the five-year term. The ASETS replaces the Aboriginal Human Resources Development Agreement (AHRDA), currently delivered by Dehcho First Nations.

As part of the transition from AHRDA to ASETS, Dehcho First Nations is developing a five-year strategic business plan that outlines the organizational and program challenges and opportunities to deliver effective employment and training programs and services to the First Nations, Métis and Inuit people in the Dehcho region.

The Strategic Business Plan identifies and incorporates the three pillars presented by the Government of Canada to mandate each of the ASETS, but in a manner directed by the Dehcho First Nations in the interests and job opportunities in the region.

Three pillars of ASETS are:

1. Demand Driven - the programs and services should be tied to the actual job opportunities available in the area to meet the needs of both employers and people.
2. Partnerships - the programs and services should utilize partnerships to gather more financial resources and expertise with the First Nations, Métis communities, training providers, employers, and other government agencies.
3. Accountability – the programs and services should have clear targets and success should be identified to provide clear and timely feedback to the government funders, partners, and the community.

The Strategic Business Plan is being developed under the direction of the AHRDA/ASETS Coordinator, with the input of Dehcho First Nations and the communities. As with all ASETS across Canada, there is a move away from sub-agreements to community service agreements to increase accountability and reporting, and to provide a standard level of service to clients.

Key elements of the new ASETS agreement currently under development include:

- Points of Service – to identify where the ASETS services can be accessed in person, by telephone and through the internet.
- Service Standards – to identify the types of programs and services available at each location.
- Labor Market Information – to identify employment and industry opportunities in the region, and to identify skills and training in demand
- Gap Analysis – challenges and opportunities to improve the service delivery structure and to improve programs and services to clients
- Communications and Marketing – to improve the communications between ASETS and the communities, and to reach all potential First Nations, Métis and Inuit clients

The Strategic Business Plan is currently under development, and is expected to be completed by the end of July, with the new ASETS agreement in place by October 1, 2010, with no disruption in services to clients.

For more information contact: Gloria Buboire toll free at 1-866-995-3748 or through email at gloria_buboire@dehcho.org.



Scholarship Announcement

By Gloria Buboire, AHRDA Coordinator

Dehcho First Nations \$87,000 Scholarship Program

Dehcho First Nations Leadership supports the development of our memberships' education and training by providing scholarships for college students, university students, apprentices and trades people.

The **Phoebe Nahanni Memorial** Scholarship provides a \$12,000 multi-year scholarship to one Dehcho Dene descendent pursuing their doctorate, masters or undergraduate degree in the Sciences.

Thirty-five \$2,000 annual scholarships are available for DFN members pursuing their one year certificate, two year diploma or four year undergraduate degree in the following programs:

Mary Cazon Memorial Scholarship—Environmental Protection or Land Use Planning

Mitch Landry Memorial Scholarship—Environmental, Conservation or Land Use Planning

Albertine Rodh Memorial Scholarship—Native Studies, Aboriginal Leadership or Political Science

General Studies Scholarship

Teacher Education Scholarship

Nursing Scholarship

Business Scholarship

Engineering Scholarship

Indigenous Arts Scholarship

Social Work Scholarship

Five \$1,000 annual scholarships are available to DFN members pursuing their 12-16 week educational training programs. Apprentices are encouraged to apply.

For information on scholarships applications,
contact Dehcho First Nations Aboriginal Training Office
toll free 1-866-995-3748 or 695-2610
or visit the Dehcho First Nations website at Dehcho.org
click on Education and Training for your scholarship application

Scholarship packages must be received by July 31st annually

The Scholarship Committee will review packages in early August.

Scholarship announcements will follow the review process.

Note: To respect privacy, discussion will be with scholarship applicant only

Dehcho First Nations would like to acknowledge and thank the DFN Scholarship Committee for their three-year commitment to students of the Dehcho.

Thank you to:
Family of the Late Elder Fred Norwegian
Elder Barb Sloat
Delegate Ethel Lamothe
Member at Large Gladys Norwegian
Member at Large Margaret Thom
Member at Large Betty Hardisty

We are pleased to announce that Gladys Norwegian and Margaret Thom have requested to continue to be part of the 2010-2013 DFN Scholarship Committee.

We are still looking for four committee members with an education related background. If you would like to be part of the committee, please submit an expression of interest to Dehcho First Nations by July 16th, 2010.





Aboriginal Skills & Training Strategic Investment Fund (ASTSIF)

By Shirley Gargan, Career Development Coordinator

COMMUNITY TRADE SKILLS & TRAINING PROGRAM “Building Capacity”

OBJECTIVE OF PROJECT

To provide under-employed Aboriginal clients with training in the field of construction as well as valuable work experience with the support of community organizations, businesses and industries so the clients can work towards certification in a trade of their choice.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

This project is intended to work with 24 Aboriginal clients from the community of Fort Providence who are seeking to improve their Literacy Skills, gain skills training and work experience and who wish to begin or maintain a career in the construction industry. This is a 16 month project for 24 clients. The clients are local, in the age range of 17 to 40.

PROJECT PARTNERS

- Aurora College Learning Centre will provide a Red Seal Carpenter who will work as project manager, classroom and site instructor.
- Deh Gah Elementary & Secondary School provided computer laboratory, classroom space for their formal training component of the project.
- Deh Gah Gotie Dene Council managed the project through the Local Training Authority.
- Dehcho Divisional Board of Education supported the project on an as-needed-basis.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- READY TO WORK NORTH: 19 completed with Certificate
- First Aid Safety/CPR: 18 completed with Certificate
- Firearms was not success: 8 completed with Certificate
- Drivers Education: 4 received Learners Class 7/Class 5
- Go Safe/Work Smart: 19 completed with Certificate
- Group Instruction: Trades Math, English, Science

SUCCESS STORIES

Overall Excellent Performance, the project completed for year-end with 24 clients with 3 clients who were offered and accepted employment. All the students completed their resume and cover letters for work placement this summer. The major organizational achievement through this project was taking our youth off the streets. The youth response was overwhelming for this project as they were eager to get back in the education system. We will continue to work with our youth and offer strong encouragement from Leaders and Counselors on how important their education is and that they are our Future Leaders!

Mahsi Cho,
Shirley Gargan



Language and Literacy Report

By Danita Allaire, Executive Secretary

Language Program

Dehcho First Nations received Language funding from Education, Cultural and Employment, GNWT. Dehcho First Nations administration held the contribution agreement and distributed funds to the ten member organizations. The community allocations are determined by formula (population percentage) per community of the 1996 census.

For fiscal year 2009-2010, Dehcho First Nations received \$224,500.00 for the Dehcho region. Allocations of the funding are as follows:

Community Projects:

Acho Dene Koe	\$24,715.50
Deh Gah Got'ie Dene Council	\$40,206.22
Jean Marie River First Nation	\$9,224.75
Ka'a'gee Tue First Nation	\$23,307.25
Katlodeeche First Nation	\$7,112.38
Liidlii Kue First Nation	\$44,431.00
Nahanni Butte Dene Band	\$9,224.75
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation	\$17,674.25
Sambaa K'e Dene Band	\$8,520.62
West Point First Nation	\$6,408.25

Administration Costs:

Coordinator's Salary & Benefits	\$28,500.00
Office Expenses	\$5,175.00

TOTAL \$224,500.00

The purpose for this funding was to assist in the preservation and revitalization of the South Slavey language in the Dehcho region through various programs and activities.

To summarize a couple of the activities done by the member communities:

Katlodeeche First Nation has been delivering the Language Program in the Child Care Centre, Aboriginal Head Start program, Chief Sunrise Education Centre, Katlodeeche Recreation program and Adult Education program, providing cultural programming with the assistance of Elders. They are also promoting family involvement in traditional gatherings and workshops, and putting announcements on the local band radio promoting the importance of the language.

Liidlii Kue First Nation has been delivering South Slavey Immersion classes at the Kid's Corner Day Care, hosted an Elder meeting and setting up of the Dene Zhatie Radio.

Literacy Program

The community allocations are determined on a “first come, first serve” basis.

For fiscal year 2009-2010, Dehcho First Nations received \$30,000.00 for the Dehcho region. Allocations of the funding are as follows:

Community Projects:	
Acho Dene Koe	\$4,560.00
Deh Gah Got’ie Dene Council	\$7,800.00
Liidlii Kue First Nations	\$6,560.00
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation	\$4,500.00
Sambaa K’e Dene Band	\$6,000.00
Administration Costs:	
Telephone, fax, supplies, etc.	\$580.00
TOTAL	\$30,000.00

Additional funding was offered to all the regions on a “first come, first serve” basis. The Dehcho region was granted additional funding for three member communities. Allocations are as follows:

Community Projects:	
Deh Gah Got’ie Dene Council	\$7,098.00
Liidlii Kue First Nations	\$9,800.00
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation	\$13,500.00

The purpose for this funding was to assist in promoting, enhancing and revitalizing the South Slavey language in the Dehcho region.

To summarize a couple of the activities done by the member communities:

Deh Gah Got’ie Dene Council has been interviewing Elders and knowledgeable people about the Dene laws, history and traditional stories . The recordings are then transcribed and preserve to protect our Dene Language and Culture. They are also promoting the Zhati Kue Topical Dictionary in the community and developing resource material for the youth and community members.

Sambaa K’e Dene Band has been working on final completion of printing the community book called “Sambaa K’e Then and Now, Second Edition”.

For more information on the Language or Literacy Program, please contact the Dehcho First Nations at 1-866-995-3748 or by email at dcfn@dehcho.org.



Youth/Elder Gathering Report

By Lee Thom, Coordinator

Project name: Guiding our Path, One Way.

Introduction

The Government of the Northwest Territories, as represented by the Department of Education, Culture and Employment provided Funding to the Dehcho First Nations to host the annual Nahecho (Elder) Youth Gathering, June 18-21, 2010 at Katlodeeche First Nation (Hay River Reserve, NT). This funding provided the opportunity for 19 youth and 11 elders from ten Dehcho communities to share and learn traditional skills and knowledge.

The participants met other youth from the Dehcho communities and the elders got reacquainted with old friends. The gathering brought memories of the elders growing up on the land helping their families with daily activities and chores. The youth heard from the elders about they grew up on the land. The importance of being able to speak our language and practices our culture is for the youth to learn so they can pass on this knowledge when there are elders. The gathering increased the knowledge of both the youth and elders.

Evaluation

A questionnaire was distributed to the Youth and Elder participants, staff and facilitators. The questions that were asked were.

1. What did you like about the gathering?
2. What you didn't like?
3. What would you like to see done differently?
4. What message should the leadership know?

All of the participants enjoyed going to the Alexander Falls for the nature walk. For some, it was their first time seeing other traditional areas of the Dehcho territory. Most agreed that going out on the land to teach the youth is important to maintaining our culture, language and traditions. Hosting this event in different places of the Dehcho is beneficial to all participants to see the beautiful region we live in. The facilitators were eager to teach the youth and enjoyed watching them learn.

The elders enjoyed preparing fish for drying and cooking with the youth at Sandy Creek. This was the most memorable part of the gathering where the youth and elders interacted and reconnected. There wasn't much the participants didn't like except the bugs and would participate in future gathering. Some of the youth could have paid more attention and offered more feedback.

What could have been done differently is to choose an area to set camp where everyone is working together teaching and learning the language and culture of our Dene people.

A translator was needed when the elders spoke in Slavey. The youth didn't comment much about their experience at the end of the day. The most concern was the youth not being able to communicate in South Slavey. The message that the leadership should know is that more of these gathering are needed with financial support in maintaining our traditional values, skill sand knowledge. It is important that the youth be given every opportunity to learn from the elders to pass on skills, knowledge and traditions.

The number of participants:

A total of 19 youth and 11 elders have participated in the Nahecho Youth Gathering. The representative of each community signed a waiver giving permission to Dehcho First Nations for the following: to; for;

Photographs and Publishing

Release DFN and affiliates from any liability

DFN not responsible for lost or damages property

Enforce all rules, policies and regulations while participating in the Nahecho Youth Gathering in the host community of Hay River Reserve.

The participant signed and agreed to;

Participate in the Nahecho Youth Gathering

Confirm have read the protocol handbook and assume all risk of injury.

Acknowledge the gathering is alcohol and drug free and commitment to uphold, respect and uphold the policy.

The communities were represented by;

Liidlil Kue First Nation	Elder:	Peter Corneille
	Youth:	Alisha Simms
	Youth:	Tonya Betsaka
Deh Gah Gotie Dene Council	Elder:	Margaret Rose Elleze
	Youth:	Leanne Minoza
	Youth:	Philip Gargan
Katlodeeche First Nation	Elder:	Pat Martel
	Youth:	Hawkins Tambour
	Youth:	James Sabourin
Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation	Elder:	Sarah Chicot
	Elder:	Gabe Chicot
	Youth:	Cheyenne Chicot
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation:	Elder:	Albert Moses
	Youth:	Jensen Clillie
	Youth:	Craig Cli
JMR First Nations:	Elder:	William Sake
	Youth:	Ariel Sanguéz
	Youth:	Myra Sanguéz
Sambaa K'e Dene Band	Elder:	Tom Kotchea
	Youth:	Cody Punch
	Youth:	Sharon Kotchea
Bedagae Shuhagotine	Elder:	David Etchinelle
	Youth:	Karen Horesay
	Youth:	Shawn Etchinelle
Nahanni Butte Dene Band	Elder:	Leon Konisenta
	Youth:	Melvin Vital
	Youth:	Kiyanna Betsaka
Fort Providence Métis Local	Youth:	Brandon Thom
	Youth:	Adrian Farcy
Fort Simpson Métis Local:	Elder:	Barb Sloat

Communities Involved

A total of ten communities and two Metis Locals organizations participated in the gathering. The communities that participated were:

Liidlii Kue First Nation	Fort Simpson, NT
Deh Gah Gotie Dene Council	Fort Providence, BT
Katlodeeche First Nation	Hay River Reserve, NT
Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation	Kakisa Lake, NT
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation	Wrigley, NT
JMR First Nation	Jean Marie River, NT
Sambaa K'e Dene Band	Trout Lake, NT
Bedagae Shuhagotine	Tulita, NT
Nahanni Butte Dene Band	Nahanni Butte, NT
Metis Local #57	Fort Providence, NT
Metis Nation #52	Fort Simpson, NT

Project Highlights

The project highlights was the trip to the Alexander Falls located on the Mackenzie Highway 1 towards the Alberta border. Upon arrival to the falls, a fire feeding ceremony was presented by Chief Roy Fabian. The importance of the ceremony was explained and each participant offered tobacco to give thanks for what the creator has provided for them. The registration packages included a small pouch of tobacco for this purpose.

A nature walk facilitated by Doug Lamalice. The participants walked from Alexandra fall to Louise Falls. During this walk there were story boards that explained the story of the falls and how our ancestors travelled through the area to reach traditional hunting grounds. The story boards explained traditional values, roles and responsibilities of how the Dene People thrived on the land using their traditional skills and knowledge. The essence of knowing our culture and language was the importance of the nature walk. Some elders decided not to walk due to physical endurance, the hot weather and bugs. The youth asked many questions and for some it was their first time at the falls.

Another highlight involved going to Sandy Creek, a traditional area for the Katlodeeche Dene. While at Sandy Creek, a water feeding ceremony was also presented by Chief Fabian. Each participant got a branch with leaves and tied a small amount of tobacco wrapped in paper towel and set it in the water. The ceremony is performed for safe travels for the delegates and visitors.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans did a scientific fish presentation. Mike and George Low provided fish for the presentation. Mike explained the different characteristics and difference of fish in the Great Slave Lake. Due to the wind conditions, a fish net wasn't set, but fish was available for preparing dry fish and cooking on the fire.

Other activity highlights include preparing dry meat facilitated by Margret Rose Elleze. Sam Elleze and Philip Fabian guided the boys to gather sticks for bows and arrows. They also instructed how to set a traditional snare. The girls started a sewing project with Elaine Lamalice for Fathers day. The boys choose to make a tobacco pouch cover with canvas. There were several examples of sewing projects to choose from.

There were several draws for various prizes that were donated by various businesses of the Deh Cho and the NWT.

What Worked?

The gathering's activities went really well. The youth had a lot of respect for the elders by listening to their stories, advice and knowledge. When the youth paid attention, they really enjoyed the activities and got to know each other.

The instruction of the traditional activities was not difficult and was second nature to the facilitators. The youth observed the elders, and had the opportunity to try the different activities. The closing comments around the fire allowed for some of the elders to share their knowledge and wisdom.

What Didn't Work

The elders have some physical restraints and the youth have a lot of energy. It was difficult to mix the two without the youth getting restless by staying still or have the elders keep up with the youth. The youth are fast learners and are easily bored.

Some youth needed direction and encouragement to get more involved. The age differences among the youth made it difficult for all the youth to relate to one another. The participants should have been prepared to camp. A packing list of things to help them be more prepared should have been provided to bring a fillet knife for dry fish making and a scissor for the sewing projects.

The youth lost interest after closing comments and wanted to do other things after supper. This was allowed for free time and for the elders to relax at their camp. Not everybody arrived on time to register. So we had some not registered the next day having to deal with this and trying to stay on task was difficult. It was kind of scattered because of the location of our activities and having to wait for all participants before beginning.

How would you make better next time?

We should have got the youth and elders more involved helping each other with tasks. We could have had the elders guiding the youth without much physical activity. The youth could have done more of the camp set up, to learn how to set up a T-P, getting wood and knowing what kind to get, setting up tents for the traditional activities, etc, instead of having our meals cooked, which wasn't all that great either. Hot dogs and hamburgers were served for lunch on both days due to the travel to Alexander falls and Sandy Creek.

We could have made camp in an area with no distractions. There would have been a lot more to do than follow an agenda. A lot of time was also spent driving to the different locations, but was enjoyed by all upon arrival.

With more financial support a translator and sound equipment is needed for more effective communication between the youth and elders. This would help the youth to listen to our elders.

Financial report with receipts

Budget:

Travel \$ 2000.00

Including the cost of bringing all the participants to the gathering, additional travel cost incurred going to Alexander Falls and Sandy Creek.

Miscellaneous Expense \$ 1000.00

Advertising expense and communications cost, printing and other office supplies.

Facilitator fee \$ 3000.00

The following people were hired as facilitators, each was paid \$ 300/day for two days.

Sam Elleze	Traditional tools
Philip Fabien	Traditional snaring
Fred Tambour	Net setting – Was done prior to the gathering.
Elaine Lamalice	Sewing
Margaret Elleze	Dry Meat making
Joe Tambour	Traditional drumming/hand games

Material and Supplies \$ 1000.00

Canvas, stroud, needles and embroidery were purchased for the sewing projects from Acho Dene Craft Store. Snare wire and twine was purchased for the bows and arrow making and traditional snare setting. Other expenses include supplies for a basic survival kit for all participants. Each received in a bag donated by Education, Culture and Employment, items like fishing line and hook, matches, candle, tea, sugar, granola bar water, etc. Other donated items were included.

Final Report

The Elders and youth would like to see future gatherings in different locations out on the land. The success of this event was made possible from private and public donations. Any successful program cannot run on donations and charity. The youth need to be more involved in the planning of this event and what to do next. Teaching them the skills to be able to go out on the land on their own and maintain their newly developed traditional skills was the objective of the gathering. Without support from private and public sponsors, these gatherings would not be possible. The Dehcho First Nations would like to thank everyone who participated in making this event an enjoyable and memorable.



Financial Audit Report

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Members
DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
DEHCHO Region, Northwest Territories

I have examined the Balance Sheet of the DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS as at March 31, 2010, the Statements of Revenue and Expenditure, and Surplus for the year then ended. These financial statements have been prepared on a non-consolidated basis for government funding reporting purposes, with the unanimous consent of Council, in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles using differential reporting options available to non-publicly accountable enterprises, as described in Note 2 to the financial statements. These financial statements are the responsibility of the First Nations' management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

Except as explained in the following paragraphs, I conducted my audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Canada. Those standards require that I plan and perform an audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation.

The First Nation has investments in entities beneficially owned for the Members of the First Nation as set out in Notes 2 and 4, carried at the lower of cost and net realizable value. Financial statements for the entities are available to the First Nation, and are monitored separately, hence these financial statements are not prepared on a consolidated or equity basis.

As indicated in Note 4 to the financial statements, the Settlement Agreement Trust Fund of the Dehcho First Nations is administered by Trustees, and is audited by another accountant periodically. Our audit scope was limited as we were instructed not to audit the Trust. Accordingly, we were not able to determine whether any adjustments might be necessary to revenues, expenditures, assets, liabilities, excess of revenue (expenditures) and surplus or reserves.

In my opinion, except for the effects of adjustments, if any, which might have been determined to be necessary had I been able to audit the Trust as described in the preceding paragraph, these financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the First Nation as at March 31, 2010, and the results of its operations for the year then ended in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Canada.

May 25, 2010
Yellowknife, N.W.T


CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS

BALANCE SHEET

MARCH 31, 2010

ASSETS

	2010	2009
CURRENT		
Cash		
Accounts receivable (Note 3)	\$1,164,158	\$2,348,641
Prepaid expenses	1,539,185	1,499,605
	14,300	11,500
	<u>2,717,643</u>	<u>3,859,746</u>
CAPITAL ASSETS (Notes 2d)	1	1
TRUST FUND ASSETS (Note 4)	<u>15,356,410</u>	<u>13,376,936</u>
	<u>\$18,074,054</u>	<u>\$17,236,683</u>


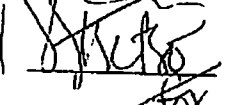
LIABILITIES

CURRENT		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	\$1,318,173	\$1,450,805
Deferred Revenue (Note 5)	368,545	1,304,936
	<u>1,686,718</u>	<u>2,755,741</u>

MEMBERS' EQUITY

TRUST FUND RESERVE (Note 4)	15,356,410	13,376,936
SURPLUS	<u>1,030,925</u>	<u>1,104,006</u>
	<u>16,387,335</u>	<u>14,480,942</u>
	<u>\$18,074,054</u>	<u>\$17,236,683</u>

APPROVED:


 Grand Chief

 Executive Director
 for

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
STATEMENT OF SURPLUS AND RESERVES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2010

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
GENERAL OPERATING SURPLUS:		
Balance, Opening	\$ 1,104,004	\$ 810,908
<u>Excess revenue(expenditures) for the year</u>	<u>1,906,395</u>	<u>(1,558,278)</u>
	3,010,339	(747,370)
<u>Transfer from (to) Reserve</u>	<u>(1,979,473)</u>	<u>1,851,376</u>
<u>Balance, Closing</u>	<u>\$ 1,030,925</u>	<u>\$ 1,104,008</u>

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>
TRUST FUND RESERVE:		
Balance, Opening	\$13,376,936	\$15,128,062
<u>Transfer from (to) Operating Surplus</u>	<u>1,979,473</u>	<u>(1,851,376)</u>
<u>Balance, Closing</u>	<u>\$15,356,410</u>	<u>\$13,376,936</u>

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2010

REVENUE	2010	2009
		(Note 7)
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	\$ 4,271,516	\$ 4,249,328
Human Resources Development Canada	1,632,342	1,412,314
Government of the NWT	438,085	416,744
Aboriginal Futures	-	25,000
Dept. of Fisheries and Oceans Canada	649,001	236,752
Imperial Oil	-	250,000
MGPIF – Industry Canada	-	350,000
Other revenue	193,934	145,905
Travel and expense recoveries	331,620	68,712
Transfer from (to) deferred revenue	808,465	(946,430)
	<u>8,324,693</u>	<u>6,208,325</u>
EXPENDITURES		
Transfers to First Nations (Note 6)	2,000,400	1,856,491
Major AHRDA costs (Note 7 & Schedule 5)	163,326	137,047
Wages, benefits and other staff costs	1,161,304	1,160,726
Service contracts & subcontractors	2,893,067	1,120,070
Travel	811,926	879,649
Cash grants	291,216	278,170
Legal & other professional fees	365,936	391,377
Dehcho Economic Corporation	10,000	202,045
Office supplies	152,037	68,712
Office expenses	55,294	46,128
Bad debts	(592)	7,071
Sound and translation	73,778	85,000
Miscellaneous (GST recovery)	8,927	(166,239)
Rent	30,133	40,188
Equipment purchases	88,693	120,368
Telephone	40,745	50,910
Advertising & promotion	32,106	64,058
Donations	4,740	29,392
Childcare	2,525	2,075
Utilities	26,697	30,197
Scholarships	64,500	35,000
Repairs and maintenance	22,850	24,345
Admin Fees	(2,367)	212
Pheobe Nahanni Scholarship	10,000	6,000
Program funds returned	90,798	(507,902)
	<u>8,398,040</u>	<u>5,961,090</u>
OPERATING SURPLUS BEFORE EXTRAORDINARY ITEM	<u>(77,076)</u>	<u>247,235</u>
EXTRAORDINARY ITEM		
Trust income (loss) (net)	1,979,474	(1,805,513)
	<u>1,979,474</u>	<u>(1,805,513)</u>
EXCESS REVENUE (EXPENDITURES)	<u>\$ 1,906,395</u>	<u>\$ (1,558,278)</u>

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2010

NOTE 1 NATURE OF ORGANIZATION

Dehcho First Nations ("DFN") is the government of aboriginal peoples in the traditional Dehcho territory of the Northwest Territories. The membership consists of 12 member community governments (10 First Nations and 2 Metis Locals). Dehcho First Nations is registered as a not-for-profit corporation under the Corporations Act of Canada. The First Nations Office administers the affairs of the Dehcho First Nations on behalf of its Members. At present, the First Nations Office is economically dependent on the Government of Canada.

NOTE 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

a) **General**

For purposes of its financial reporting, by virtue of the fact that the First Nations is a government, it applies the accounting principals for local governments as set out in the CICA Public Sector Accounting Handbook (PSA Handbook). It should be noted that recently there has been much discussion and research on the appropriate accounting policies for First Nations, and these principals are evolving.

b) **Non-Consolidated Financial Statements**

The First Nation has investments in the following entities beneficially owned for the Members of the First Nation, carried at the lower of cost or estimated net realizable value:

	<u>Beneficial Ownership</u>
Settlement Agreement Trust Fund	100%
Dehcho Economic Corporation	100%
Dehcho Futures Society	100%

Financial statements for the entities are available to the First Nation hence these financial statements are not prepared on a consolidated or equity basis. These non-consolidated financial statements are prepared primarily for government funding reporting purposes, and are not in accordance with Canadian generally accepted accounting principles, as they are non-consolidated. These financial statements are not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified users or for any other purpose.

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2010

NOTE 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont.)

c) **Measurement Uncertainty**
 The preparation of financial statements in accordance with stated accounting policies requires the First Nations to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amount of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenditures reported in the financial statements. By their nature, these estimates are subject to measurement uncertainty. The effect on the financial statements of changes to such estimates and assumptions in future periods could be significant, although, at the time of preparation of these statements, the First Nations believes the estimates and assumptions to be reasonable. Some of the more significant management estimates based on past experience relate to allowance for doubtful accounts, the accounting for capital assets, investments and deferred revenue valuation.

d) **Inventory**
 Inventory of materials and general supplies is considered a cost of operations and is not recorded on the balance sheet.

e) **Capital Assets**
 Capital Assets are recorded as expenditures in the year of acquisition and shown on the balance sheet at a nominal amount. Insured values at March 31, 2010 are as follows:

Office building	\$ 765,600
Office contents	<u>224,400</u>
	<u>\$ 990,000</u>

f) **Funding Agency Contract Surplus (Deficit)**
 According to contracts or contribution agreements with funding agencies, primarily DIAND and Human Resources Development Canada, any contract surplus is to be recovered by the funding agency and any contract deficit is to be retained by the Dehcho First Nations. Financial statements of the First Nations have not been reviewed by the funding agencies when these statements were prepared. Accordingly, any adjustments as a result of the review will be accounted for in the new year.

g) **Delivery Agency Contract Surplus (Deficit)**
 According to contracts or contribution agreements with program delivery agencies, primarily First Nations located in the Dehcho communities, any contract surplus is to be recovered by the Dehcho First Nations and any contract deficit is to be retained by the respective First Nation. Financial statements of the various delivery agents have not been reviewed by the Dehcho First Nations when these statements were prepared. Accordingly, any adjustments as a result of the review will similarly be accounted for in the new year.

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
MARCH 31, 2010

NOTE 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (cont.)

h) Financial Instruments

The First Nations' financial instruments consist of cash, accounts receivable, accounts payable and accrued liabilities, and deferred revenues. It is management's opinion that the First Nations is not exposed to significant interest, or credit risks arising from these instruments. Unless otherwise noted, the fair value of these financial instruments approximate their carrying value.

i) Revenue and Expenditure Recognition

The Nation follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions received. Restricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred or committed to. Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue when received if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and collection is reasonably assured. Expenditures are recognized in the year in which legal title transfers or services have been rendered, or commitments have been made to match related funding.

NOTE 3 ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

	2010	2009
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada	\$ 503,066	\$ 534,209
Aboriginal Futures	-	10,325
Human Resources Development Canada	406,593	428,528
Dept. Of Fisheries & Oceans	210,134	103,626
Canadian Boreal Initiative	-	3,306
Settlement Agreement Trust Fund	37,610	41,089
Mackenzie Gas Project	-	350,000
Goods & Services Tax	83,736	42,748
Imperial Oil	25,000	25,000
Other	316,306	46,572
Less Allowance for Doubtful Accounts	(43,260)	(85,798)
	\$1,539,185	\$1,499,605

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MARCH 31, 2010

NOTE 4 SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT TRUST FUND

During 2006/07, Dehcho First Nations completed an agreement with the Government of Canada related to the participation of DFN in the environmental and regulatory review of the Mackenzie Gas Project. Pursuant to the Agreement, \$10,000,000 was paid into the DFN Master Trust August 21, 2006, and a further \$5,000,000 paid into the Trust June 1, 2009. CIBC Trust Corporation of Canada acts as the Corporate Trustee for the Trust, and ensures funds are received, invested, disbursed and audited as authorized under the Trust Agreement. The requirement to provide audited financial statements for 2010 has been waived by the Investment Management Board which is responsible for developing and approving investment strategies, projects and accountability.

Dehcho First Nations recorded the proceeds of the settlement, and investment income earned net of expenditures, in its revenues according to the Report of the Trustees for the period ended March 31, 2010. These amounts are unaudited. Trust assets are shown separately on the balance sheet, and a corresponding amount has been transferred to the Trust Fund Reserve.

NOTE 5 DEFERRED REVENUE

Deferred revenue is comprised of amounts received but not yet earned as follows:

	2010	2009
Band Employee Benefits	\$ 38,521	\$ 37,305
IRDA Resource Royalties	216,780	1,072,222
Access & Benefits Negotiations	-	14,526
ADK Negotiations	-	36,079
Aboriginal Capacity	-	2,508
Mackenzie Gas	-	80,662
Economic Plan	-	25,000
Total DIAND	255,301	1,278,170
HRDC	113,244	-
Protected Area Strategy/PKFN	-	17,089
CBI – Watershed	-	9,676
	\$368,545	\$1,304,936

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NOTE 6 RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

In addition to the entities outlined in Note 2(b), Dehcho First Nations is related in terms of common membership to all Local First Nations and Metis Locals and enters into transactions with these entities in the normal course of operations at normal trade terms. The following transactions were recorded with related parties:

REVENUES	2010	2009
Settlement Agreement Trust Fund Recoveries	\$ 40,237	\$ 50,443
EXPENDITURES		
Acho Dene Council	\$ 116,902	\$ 168,305
DEHCHO Economic Corporation	10,000	202,045
Deh Gah Gotie Dene Council	540,009	306,186
Fort Providence Metis Local	-	40,000
Fort Simpson Metis Local	19,011	56,556
Jean Marie River First Nation	162,772	94,484
Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation	61,701	61,557
Katlodeeche First Nation	255,789	283,894
Lildlii Kue First Nation	499,342	494,541
Nahanni Butte Dene Band	92,584	148,005
Pehdzeh Ki First Nation	121,253	85,733
Sambaa K'e Band Council	94,640	116,491
Settlement Agreement Trust Fund	-	9,580
West Point First Nation	36,397	739
	\$2,010,400	\$2,058,536

NOTE 7 STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

A statement of cash flows has not been prepared as, in the opinion of management, it would not provide additional meaningful information.

DECHHO FIRST NATIONS
SCHEDULE OF CONSOLIDATED REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

SCHEDULE 1

	COA	DAWDJ1	DAWDJ2	ARUDA	GLUUF	DMK	Total
	(Schedule 2)	(Schedule 3)	(Schedule 4)	(Schedule 5)	(Schedule 6)	(Schedule 7)	
REVENUES:							
4020 DIAND	\$815,220	\$2,293,271	\$1,214,727	\$0	\$0	\$3,760	\$4,271,518
4030 GHWIT	-4,070	0	0	0	442,534	0	438,464
4440 HIOC	0	0	2,471	1,412,314	0	0	1,822,312
4450 Other	60,341	0	10,000	1,000	0	0	12,045
4600 Dept of Fisheries & Oceans	0	0	0	0	649,001	0	649,001
4070 Aboriginal Affairs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4080 OFH/Master Trust	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4100 Derivatives	1,079,474	0	0	0	0	0	1,079,474
4110 Wage Recoveries	0	0	0	0	20,240	0	20,240
4120 Travel Recharges	28,183	0	0	0	0	0	28,183
4130 Repurchase	27,669	13,118	774	0	0	0	28,191
4150 Rental Income	142,319	2,600	0	20,113	620	0	144,811
4200 Sales	22,435	0	0	0	0	0	22,435
4220 Program Internal Transfers	0,563	0	0	0	0	0	0,563
4250 Employee Contributions	17,317	14,841	0	7,282	0	0	39,440
4440 Deferral Revenue Transfers	22,784	16,600	855,442	-24,187	10,888	-71,058	808,485
4450 Admin Fees	12,720	0	0	0	0	0	12,720
4400 Program Funds Returned	-184,785	4,740	3,489	6,722	0	0	-180,184
Total revenues	<u>3,039,837</u>	<u>2,285,133</u>	<u>2,046,913</u>	<u>1,422,715</u>	<u>474,981</u>	<u>884,845</u>	<u>7,884,607</u>
EXPENDITURES:							
5018 General Administration Transfer	483,700	307,354	49,648	141,285	0	0	1,174,419
5020 CIP Employment Labour Market	6,833	291,034	30,334	0	0	0	9,400
5021 CIP Shared Union Labour Market	16,540	16,011	0	0	0	0	32,551
5022 CIP Food Nations Child Care	5,891	3,891	0	0	0	0	9,782
5023 CIP Food Programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5024 CIP Persons with Disabilities	-592	0	0	0	0	0	-592
5025 CIP Capacity	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5026 ELP Program Administration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5031 ELP Program Materials and Support	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5034 ELP Support Program	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5034 ELP Support with Disposables	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5410 Waiver & Benefits	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5450 Canada Waiver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5410 Accounting & Legal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5415 Advertising & Promotion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5416 Equipment Rental	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5420 Bad Debt	-592	0	0	0	0	0	-592
5425 Cash Grants	70,775	140,718	10,038	0	0	0	220,531
5430 GST Unrecovered (Recovery)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5434 Professional Services	80,640	16,037	0	12,052	0	0	98,729
5435 % Contribution	546,432	546,432	1,843,486	0	0	0	2,891,818
5436 Sound & Translation	9,204	60,654	0	0	0	0	69,858
6440 Courier & Postage	0,622	637	0	0	0	0	1,259
6441 Capital Expenditures	21,999	0	0	0	0	0	21,999
6445 Insurance	18,669	0	0	0	0	0	18,669
6450 Internal & Ban Charges	5,113	5	0	248	0	0	5,366
6493 Licence, Reg. & Membership	2,035	0	1,100	0	0	0	3,135
6700 Agriculture	48,880	20,545	1,518	0	0	0	70,943
6705 Equipment Purchases	0	37,764	10,511	0	0	0	48,275
6706 Equipment Lease Fees	3,031	0	0	0	0	0	3,031
6710 Fuel/Travel Supplies	3,685	0	0	0	0	0	3,685
6716 Property Taxes	8,400	0	0	0	0	0	8,400
6740 Miscellaneous	4,740	0	0	0	0	0	4,740
6741 Depreciation	6,661	0	0	0	0	0	6,661
6766 Repair & Maintenance	4,740	14,666	525	0	1,500	0	21,531
6770 Vehicle Payment	22,464	240	0	0	0	0	22,704
6771 Scholarship	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6780 Telephone	74,600	0	0	0	0	0	74,600
6783 Travel - AB	28,692	4,280	331	0	0	0	33,203
6788 Travel - Accommodation	61,443	181,274	8,688	0	5,882	0	254,287
6789 Travel - Meals	48,749	117,318	1,182	0	7,838	0	176,067
6788 Travel - Fuel/DM	32,712	68,183	6,275	0	11,325	0	110,435
6788 Charitable	43,021	99,387	3,064	0	16,708	0	160,179
6700 Pension	844	1,181	0	0	0	0	1,625
6781 Health	17,132	0	0	0	0	0	17,132
6782 Wildl & Game	7,351	0	0	0	0	0	7,351
6784 Admin Fee	2,014	0	0	0	0	0	2,014
6800 Lease in Total Fund	-284,449	200,310	0	19,326	0	0	-2,307
6805 Repurchases Returned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6810 Res. Reply Service Contracts	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6900 Transition between programs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6900 Economic Development	10,000	0	0	0	0	0	10,000
6942 Waste Recharge	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6910 Waste Recharge/Recovery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6971 Land Use First Nation	95,716	4,500	330,335	0	0	0	429,551
6972 Gen. Cash Cont. Devo Council	79,407	15,059	183,714	68,791	0	24,598	459,512
6973 Kaledonehe First Nation	10,000	0	183,714	68,104	0	0	459,242
6974 Pechoniv First Nation	10,000	0	204,800	23,207	0	0	540,009
6976 Kappoo TV First Nation	3,457	6,407	63,818	33,807	0	0	117,881
6976 Kappoo TV First Nation	25,990	82,999	0	0	0	0	255,749
6977 Neahon First Nation	28,814	0	0	7,112	0	0	81,701
6978 Neahon First Nation	0	0	0	0	0	0	28,699
6980 First Nation Local	0	0	0	0	0	0	102,712
6981 Sarnaka First Nation	0	0	0	0	0	0	92,684
6982 Wau First Nation	0	0	0	0	0	0	18,011
6983 Kame Doro Koo	2,227	0	62,894	14,581	0	0	84,040
6984 First Nation	0	0	0	0	0	0	36,387
Total expenditures	<u>1,123,205</u>	<u>7,285,767</u>	<u>1,008,856</u>	<u>1,422,248</u>	<u>474,791</u>	<u>885,382</u>	<u>6,138,312</u>
EXCESS REVENUES (DEFICITS/SHORTAGES)	<u>\$1,007,232</u>	<u>499</u>	<u>\$4</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$150</u>	<u>\$54</u>	<u>\$1,009,195</u>

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 SCHEDULE OF CORE REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

SCHEDULE 2

	Code (Gov./J)	General Fund	Band Employee Benefits (FTR)	Executive Committee EAO	Economic Plan	Grand Total	Governance Strategic Plan	Regulations Strategic Plan	DFN Matter Total	Addback	TOTAL
REVENUES:											
4020 DIAND											8815,608
4021 DIAND - Other Revenue	\$780,724										-4,870
4030 GMMT											0
4040 HRDC											0
4050 Other		43,041									0
4059 Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans											0
4070 Aboriginal Programs											0
4080 DFN Matter Trust											0
4100 Donations											0
4110 Wyoje Recoveries	28,193										1,978,474
4120 Travel Recoveries											0
4130 Recoveries	54,857										28,103
4150 Rental Income	7,500										27,659
4200 Sales											142,579
4220 Program Internal Transfers											22,525
4240 Employee Contributions											9,653
4250 Deferred Revenue Transfers											0
4440 Interest Revenue											17,317
4180 Admin Fees											23,784
4190 Program Funds Returned											12,729
TOTAL Revenues	\$927,743	-\$5,720	68,788	51,185	0	-\$20,000	\$455	0	1,979,474	0	3,030,537
EXPENDITURES:											
5410 Wages & Benefits	413,330										463,700
5450 Capital Wages	8,285										8,285
5610 Accounting & Legal	10,402										10,402
5615 Advertising & Promotions	15,075										16,660
5616 Equipment Rental											0
5620 Dad Danks											0
5625 Cash Grants											592
5630 CST Unrecovered (Recovery)	27,690										70,705
5634 Professional Services											0
5635 Subcontractor											0
5638 Sound & Translation	68,834										68,640
5640 Courier & Postage	8,874										8,294
5681 Capital Expenditures	8,063										9,622
5685 Insurance	24,899										24,999
5690 Interest & Bank Charges	18,868										18,868
5695 Licenses, Fights & Membershi	5,113										5,113
5700 Materials	2,035										2,035
5705 Equipment Purchases	36,779										48,880
5708 Equipment User Fee											0
5710 Judicial Supplies	22,884										22,884
5720 Precious Metals	3,031										3,031
5740 Miscellaneous	3,695										3,695
5741 Donations	8,400										8,400
5760 Rent	3,800										4,740
5765 Repair & Maintenance	8,361										8,661
5770 Vehicle Payment	20,184										22,464
5771 Surcharges											0
5780 Telephone & Internet	74,590										74,590
5785 Travel - Air	25,550										28,892
5786 Travel - Accommodation	9,065										61,483
5787 Travel - Airfare	17,005										46,749
5788 Travel - Per Diem	4,434										32,712
5789 Chateau	11,477										43,621
5790 Power	394										814
5791 Heating Fuel	15,623										17,132
5792 Water & Sewer	394										1,651
5794 Admin Fees	7,551										7,551
5800 Loss in Trust Fund	2,014										2,014
5805 Revenues Returned	-288,228										-284,448
5809 Transfers Between Programs											0
5860 Economic Development	280,880										0
5970 Wage Replenishment/Recoveries											-227,000
5971 Uchi Kuo First Nation											10,000
5972 Osh Qah Gahq Dana Council											0
5973 Kallodeche First Nation											96,716
5974 Paskitzi Ki First Nation											79,487
5976 Kappoo Tu First Nation											10,000
5977 Jikr First Nation											8,248
5978 National Balaq Dana Council	25,999										2,457
5979 Ft Simpson First Nation											25,999
5980 Ft. Providence First Nation											26,614
5981 Sarsosa Ki First Nation											0
5982 Viesi First Nation											0
5983 Acha Dene Koo											0
5984 Ft. Liard First Nation											2,227
Total expenditures	\$911,528	151,554	51,185	5,732	0	3,242	0	0	0	-31	1,123,208
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	\$10,217	-\$82,868	40	-\$5,732	0	\$105	0	0	0	31	\$1,907,328

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 SCHEDULE OF DIAND CONTRIBUTION REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES
 FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

SCHEDULE E 3

REVENUES:	Gathering Strength Act (Cont'g)	Capacity Development Training (Cont'g)	Negotiations Proceedings (Cont'g)	Deh Cho Process Claims (Cont'g)	Joint Panel Review (Cont'g)	PK Co Management (Cont'g)	Regional Inter-Governmental (Cont'g)	Self Government (Cont'g)	Access & Benefits Negotiations (Cont'g)	ADK Boundary Negotiations (Cont'g)	TOTAL
4020 DIAND											
4021 DIAND - Other Revenues	\$500,600	\$20,000	\$197,640	\$191,043	\$28,000	\$44,000	\$50,000	\$690,040		\$50,000	\$2,235,231
4030 GNWT											0
4040 NRDC											0
4050 Other											0
4060 Dept of Fisheries & Oceans											0
4070 Aboriginal Futures											0
4100 Donations											0
4110 Wage Recoveries											0
4120 Travel Recoveries			7,230	5,669							0
4130 Recoveries											0
4150 Rental Income							2,630				13,118
4200 Sales											2,030
4220 Program Internal Transfers											0
4240 Employee Contributions	4,231		8,644								0
4250 Deferred Revenue Transfers							1,667				14,841
4440 Interest Revenue									14,526		14,526
4480 Adm In Fees											0
4490 Program Funds Returned	4,746										0
Total Revenues	509,477	20,000	713,713	196,832	28,000	44,000	60,000	596,637	14,526	60,000	2,265,103
EXPENDITURES:											
5410 Wages & Benefits	148,817		97,426	17,908		13,002	11,330	108,264			397,354
5450 Casual Wages	1,334			120						200	1,654
5010 Accounting & Legal	35,017		155,270								201,511
5015 Advertising, Promotions & Rene	341		1,600	2,061				101,194			6,801
5010 Equipment Rental							1,189				0
5020 Bad Debts											0
5025 Cash Grants	44,788		29,848	3,950	1,350		20,325	31,248		3,400	140,718
5030 GST Unrecovered											0
5034 Professional Services			18,037								0
5035 Subcontractors	95,071	9,800	134,209	98,531	34,921	12,246					18,837
5030 Sound & Translation	20,684		12,989		8,628		1,768	123,300	9,000	28,705	548,432
5040 Courier & Postage	588							20,486			60,684
5061 Capital Expenditures								50			837
5065 Insurance											0
5090 Interest & Bank Charges											0
5095 Licenses, Regs & Membership		7,640	347	5							5
5700 Materials	6,055		8,983	37,758							8,303
5705 Equipment Purchases								6,359			20,545
5708 Equipment User Fee								0			37,758
5710 Janitorial Supplies											0
5720 Property Taxes											0
5740 Miscellaneous											0
5760 Rent	2,899		5,083	200	1,468						0
5765 Repair & Maintenance								4,987			14,650
5770 Vehicle Payment								240			240
5771 Scholarships											0
5780 Telephone & Internet				3,750							0
5785 Travel - Air	7,918	653	78,990	25,318	2,282	6,946		339		102	4,280
5780 Travel - Accommodation	17,724		42,132	10,631		150		33,041	3,665	1,074	181,224
5787 Travel - Meals	15,120	669	10,703	11,151	1,128	1,783	1,611	33,041	393	1,488	117,318
5788 Travel - Per Diem	23,435	2,081	18,554	4,179	6,649	5,350		18,965	1,612	3,869	65,493
5789 Childcare	394	500	144					32,346	35	8,550	99,387
5790 Power								144			1,181
5791 Heating Fuel											0
5792 Water & Sewer											0
5794 Admin Fees	50,050	2,601	48,835	18,221	11,210	4,400	7,800	69,004		4,550	200,370
5800 Loss in Trust Fund											0
5805 Revenues Returned											0
5810 Res. Royalty Service Contracts											0
5950 Transfers between programs											0
6000 Economic Development											0
5062 Arts Research											0
5970 Wage Replacement/Recoveries											0
5971 Umi Kue First Nation	4,500										0
5972 Deh Cho Gobe Dene Council	5,000				10,950						4,500
5973 Katlocheoche First Nation											16,950
5974 Peidreth 10 First Nation	3,000	1,665									0
5975 Naagoo Tu First Nation						242					5,107
5976 JMR First Nation	26,999		16,600								0
5977 Nishane Butte Dene Council								18,500			02,999
5978 Ft Simpson Metis Local											0
5980 Ft Providence Metis											0
5981 Sambaa K'e First Nation											0
5982 West Point First Nation											0
5983 Ache Dene Metis											0
5984 Ft Liard Metis Nation											0
Total Expenditures	509,477	20,000	713,713	196,832	28,000	44,000	60,000	596,637	14,526	60,000	2,265,103
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	-\$0	\$0	\$0	-\$37	-\$0	\$0	-\$0	-\$517	-\$89	-\$0	-\$153

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SCHEDULE 4

SCHEDULE OF DIAND CONTRIBUTION REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES (cont.)

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

	IRDA Oil & Gas Project (Cont.)	IRDA Resource Royalties (FTP) (Cont.)	CIMP/ CEAN (Cont.)	MGRF (Cont.)	Youth Summer Employment (Cont.)	Dehcho Finance Commitments (Cont.)	Tribal Council Review (Cont.)	KTFN Protected Area Work Group (Cont.)	Protected Area Strategy (Cont.)	TOTAL
REVENUES:										
4020 DIAND	\$160,000	\$1,000,000	\$4,664	\$28,161	\$15,511	\$11,800	\$768	\$2,000	\$1,823	\$1,214,727
4021 DIAND - Other Revenues										0
4030 GNWT										0
4040 HRDC										0
4050 Other					2,471					2,471
4060 Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans		10,000								10,000
4070 Aboriginal Futures										0
4100 Donations										0
4110 Wage Recoveries										0
4120 Travel Recoveries			774							0
4130 Recoveries										774
4150 Rental Income										0
4200 Sales										0
4220 Program Internal Transfers										0
4240 Employee Contributions										0
4260 Deferred Revenue Transfers		655,442								0
4440 Interest Revenue										855,442
4480 Admin Fees										0
4490 Program Funds Returned		8,984	-3,465							0
Total revenues	150,000	1,074,426	1,953	28,161	17,002	11,800	768	-2,000	1,823	2,088,913
EXPENDITURES:										
5410 Wages & Benefits	31,685				17,961					49,646
5450 Casual Wages										0
5610 Accounting & Legal	30,334									30,334
5615 Advertising & Promotions										0
5616 Equipment Rental										0
5620 Bad Debts										0
5625 Cash Grants	225			9,813						0
5630 GST Unrecovered										10,038
5634 Professional Services										0
5635 Subcontractors	69,113	1,074,426		9,950					1,000	1,943,488
5638 Sound & Translation										0
5640 Courier & Postage										0
5661 Capital Expenditures										0
5665 Insurance										0
5690 Interest & Bank Charges										0
6695 Licences, Regist & Member	1,100									0
6700 Materials	1,618									1,100
5705 Equipment Purchases										1,518
5706 Equipment User Fee						10,511				10,511
5710 Janitorial Supplies										0
5720 Property Taxes										0
5740 Miscellaneous										0
5760 Rent	526									0
5785 Repair & Maintenance										525
5770 Vehicle Payment										0
5771 Scholarships										0
5780 Telephone & Internet				331						0
5785 Travel - Air	8,874		1,013	460						331
5788 Travel - Accommodation	706		150	176					342	8,688
5787 Travel - Mileage	2,092		361	3,341			182			1,192
5788 Travel - Per Diem	831		430	2,274			403		28	8,225
5789 Childcare							103		227	3,864
5790 Power										0
5791 Heating Fuel										0
5792 Water & Sewer										0
6794 Admin Fees	16,000									0
5800 Loss in Trust Fund				2,616		1,289	100		193	19,398
5805 Revenues Returned										0
5810 Res. Royalty Service Contracts										0
5950 Transfers between programs										0
5960 Economic Development										0
6970 Wage Replacements/Recoveries										0
6971 Uxá Kue First Nation										0
6972 Deh Gah Gede Dene Council										0
6973 Katabecheche First Nation										0
6974 Pehdzeh Ki First Nation										0
6976 Kaagaa Tu First Nation										0
6976 JNR First Nation										0
6977 Nahamal Butte Dene Council										0
6979 Ft Simpson Metis Local										0
6980 Ft Providence Metis										0
6981 Sambaa Ke First Nation										0
6982 West Point First Nation										0
6983 Acho Dene Koe										0
6984 Ft Liard Metis Nation										0
Total expenditures	160,000	1,074,420	1,854	28,161	17,061	11,000	708	0	1,790	2,088,859
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)	\$0	\$0	-\$0	-\$0	\$21	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$33	\$54

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SCHEDULE 6

SCHEDULE OF GMWT REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

	Aboriginal Intergov Monies	Annual Assembly	Environmental Monitor Training	Language CA 200910	Language Library	Spring Leadership Internal	Wiksi Wishabe	Winter Leadership Internal	Youth Ecology Group	Elders & Youth	TOTAL
REVENUES:											
4020 DIASD											\$0
4021 DIASD - Other Revenues											0
4030 GMWT	66,000	10,000	55,000	224,500	60,398	6,000	5,184	5,000	872	10,000	442,054
4040 HRDC											0
4050 Other											0
4060 Dept. of Fisheries & Oceans											0
4070 Aboriginal Futures											0
4100 Donations		2,800									0
4110 Wage Recoveries										17,440	20,240
4120 Travel Recoveries											0
4130 Recoveries											0
4150 Rental Income		820									820
4200 Sales											0
4220 Program Internal Transfers											0
4240 Employee Contributions											0
4250 Deferred Revenue Transfers											0
4440 Interest Revenue									10,868		10,868
4480 Admin Fees											0
4490 Program Funds Returned											0
Total revenues	66,000	13,620	55,000	224,500	60,398	6,000	5,184	5,000	11,740	27,440	474,881
EXPENDITURES:											
5410 Wages & Benefits	3,850	1,444		34,417						1,444	41,154
5450 Casual Wages											0
5610 Accounting & Legal											0
5615 Advertising & Promotions		487		25							0
5618 Equipment Rental											512
5620 Bad Debts											0
5815 Cash Grants											0
5830 Cash Short/Over	37,775	1,600									0
5834 Professional Services							2,200			14,970	58,745
5835 Subcontractors	1,930	4,200	43,600	1,600							0
5838 Sound & Translation									10,868		62,417
5640 Courier & Postage											0
5881 Capital Expenditures										47	47
5685 Insurance											0
5890 Interest & Bank Charges											0
5695 Licenses, Regs & Membership											0
5700 Materials		248									0
5705 Equipment Purchases										1,663	1,911
5710 Janitorial Supplies											0
5720 Property Taxes											0
5740 Miscellaneous											0
5760 Rent						60					60
5765 Repair & Maintenance						1,500					1,500
5770 Vehicle Payment											0
5771 Scholarships											0
5780 Telephone											0
5785 Travel - Air	2,868	652		3,800	680						4,180
5788 Travel - Accommodation	724	616		234						1,520	5,082
5787 Travel - Meals	3,604	912						5,000		1,300	7,839
5788 Travel - Per Diem	5,540	3,252				1,508	1,017		872	3,413	11,325
5789 Chippewa						2,924	907			3,083	15,708
5700 Power											0
5701 Heating Fuel											0
5792 Water & Sewer											0
5794 Admin Fees	0,000		11,394								0
5800 Loss in Trust Fund											22,218
5805 Revenues Returned											0
5950 Transfers between programs											0
5930 Economic Development											0
5971 Leth Kwo First Nation											0
5972 Deh Gah Gooq Dene Council				44,431	10,360						60,791
5973 Katodeechee First Nation				40,208	14,898						55,104
5974 Pehtoon Ki First Nation				23,307							23,307
5975 Naagee Tu First Nation				17,874	18,000						35,874
5978 JLR First Nation				7,112							7,112
5977 Nahanni Bulo Dene Council				9,225							9,225
5979 Ft Simpson Mtsa Local				9,225							9,225
5980 Ft Providence Mtsa											0
5981 Samosa Ke First Nation											0
5982 West Point First Nation				8,521	8,000						14,521
5983 Aho Dene Koo											0
5984 Ft Llard Mtsa Local				24,718	4,560						29,278
Total expenditures	65,990	13,920	55,000	224,500	60,398	6,092	5,040	5,000	11,740	27,440	474,731
EXCESS REVENUES (EXPENDITURES)											
	\$4	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$88	\$138	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$150

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AUDITOR'S DERIVATIVE REPORT

To Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
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I have audited the financial statements of the DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS as at March 31, 2010, and for the year then ended, and reported on May 30, 2010.

A Schedule of Executive costs, other remuneration and travel and a Schedule of Federal Government Funding is required to be presented to Indian and Northern Affairs Canada pursuant to the funding agreement between Indian and Northern Affairs Canada and the DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS. The schedules have been compiled by the management of the DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS from their records. For the purposes of understanding our involvement with these schedules, please note that:

- I have audited and separately reported on the financial statements;
- my audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole;
- the attached schedules are presented for the purpose of forming an opinion for the Department of Indian Affairs and does not form part of the financial statements; and
- the schedules have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied to the audit of the financial statements taken as a whole.

During the course of the aforementioned audit, we encountered no discrepancies on these schedules. However, no procedures have been carried out on these schedules in addition to those necessary to form an opinion on the financial statements.

This report has been prepared in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards in Canada.



CHARTERED ACCOUNTANT

May 25, 2010
Yellowknife, N.W.T

SCHEDULE OF EXECUTIVE COSTS, OTHER REMUNERATION AND TRAVEL

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Approved Salary Range</u> \$	<u>Per Diems/Other Remuneration</u> \$	<u>Travel</u> \$
ELECTED OR APPOINTED OFFICIALS:				
Gerald Antoine	Grand Chief retired	85,000	496	747
Sam Gargan	Grand Chief	92,000	6,412	17,472
Berna Landry	Executive/Leadership		1,272	486
Joanne Deneron	Executive/Leadership		375	
Margaret Leishman	Executive/Leadership		4,708	1,011
Richard Lafferty	Executive/Leadership		2,726	1,148
Victor Constant	Executive/Leadership		2,362	300
Fred Tesou	Executive/Leadership		2,100	2,120
Ernest Cazon	Executive/Leadership		2,888	401
Isadore Simon	Executive/Leadership		2,340	893
Bertha Norwegian	Executive/Leadership		3,050	501
Keyna Norwegian	Executive/Leadership		600	
UNELECTED SENIOR OFFICIALS:				
Ria Letcher	Executive Director	83,500	3,191	7,393

Note - this is a special purpose statement required by the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development ("DIAND" or "INAC")

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SCHEDULE 9

SCHEDULE OF FEDERAL FUNDING

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2010

INAC

<u>Name</u>	<u>Federal Funding Received</u>	<u>Unexpended Funding Beginning</u>	<u>Adjustments</u>	<u>Total Funding Available</u>	<u>Funding Expended</u>	<u>Unexpended Funding End of Year</u>
Tribal Council (Band Support)	\$780,724	\$0	\$0	\$780,724	\$780,724	\$0
Economic Development	1,028,161	1,072,222	0	2,100,383	1,883,603	216,780
Other	2,462,631	180,948	0	2,643,579	2,605,058	38,521
	<u>\$4,271,516</u>	<u>\$1,253,170</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$5,524,686</u>	<u>\$5,269,385</u>	<u>\$255,301</u>

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Re: DEHCHO First Nation Funding Reconciliation

At the request of DEHCHO First Nation, I provide the following responses to the new mandatory requirement in the Year-end Reporting Handbook (#6.6) for a Funding Reconciliation. As reported in the audited financial statements:

1. INAC Revenues per Financial Statements	\$ 4,271,516
Reconciling Items – Settlement Agreement	-
INAC Revenues per Funding Confirmation	<u>\$ 4,271,516</u>
2. Amounts due from INAC - current year	\$ 433,066
Amounts due from INAC - prior year	<u>70,000</u>
Amounts due from INAC - TOTAL per Note 3	\$ 503,066
Amounts due to INAC	0

3. Detailed explanation of the discrepancies between the amounts stated in the agreement and the amounts in the financial statements -- None.

4. Reference of the correspondent page of the Financial Statements - Schedules 2, 3 & 4.

5. For Block Funded or Core Funded Services, details regarding transfers of INAC funding between Block Funded or Core Funded services -- None.

6. Other adjustments -- None.

Yours truly,
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