



First Nations Regional Workshops Land Based Spill Preparedness and Response in BC

BC First Nations Fisheries Council & Ministry of Environment

1. Monday, May 2, 2016 – 8:30am-3:00pm – Fort St. John, BC (Pomeroy Hotel)
2. Wed., May 4, 2016 – 8:30am-3:00pm – Kamloops, BC (Coast Kamloops Hotel & Conference Centre)
3. Friday, May 6, 2016 – 8:30am-3:00pm – Prince Rupert, BC (Crest Hotel)
4. Monday, May 9, 2016 – 8:30am-3:00pm – Prince George, BC (Coast Inn of the North)
5. Wednesday, May 11, 2016 – 8:30am-3:00pm – Nanaimo, BC (Vancouver Island Conference Centre)
6. Friday, May 13, 2016 – 8:30am-3:00pm – Richmond, BC (River Rock Casino Hotel)

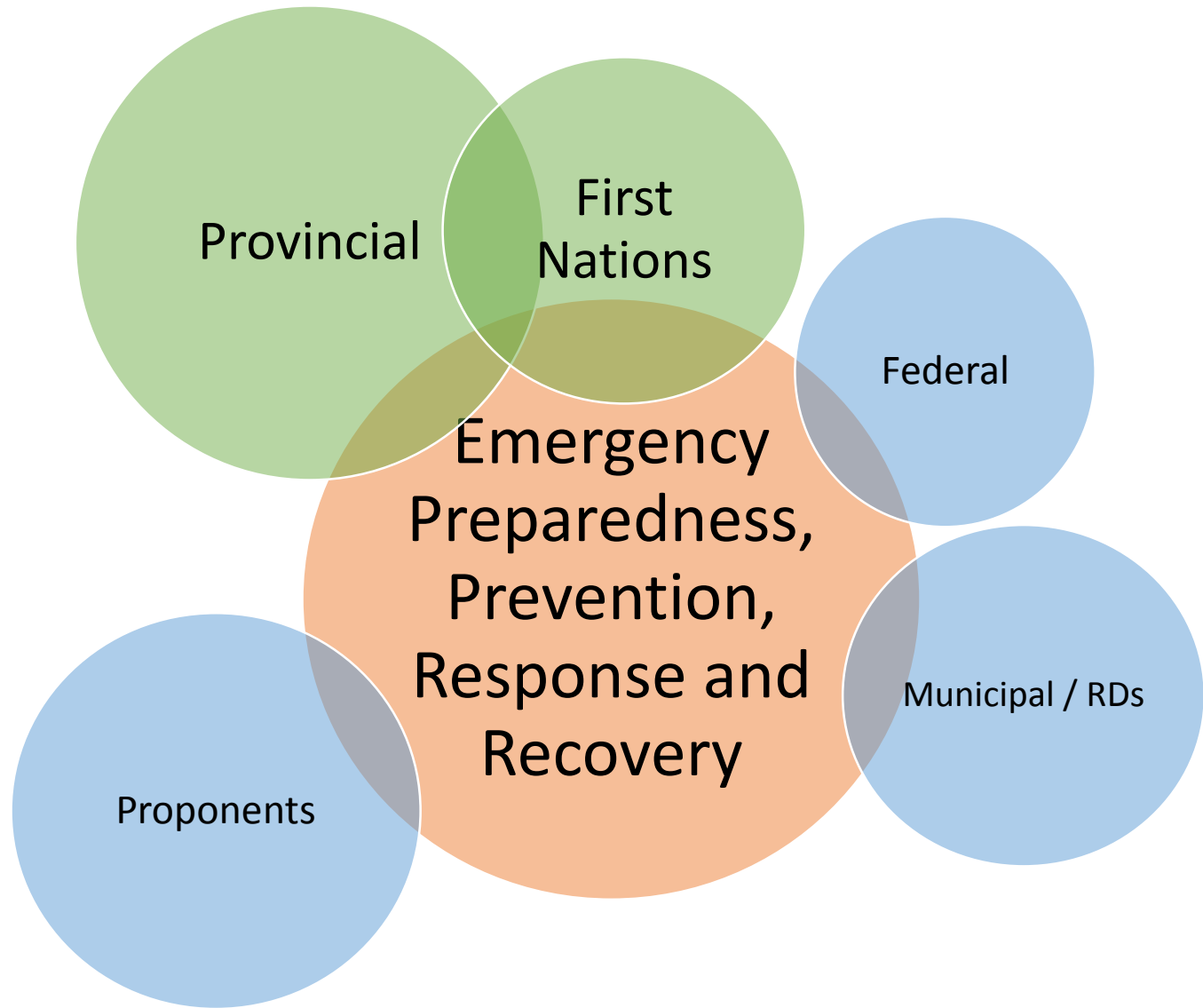
Backgrounder

- In 2012 – BC outlined 5 conditions for it to support any heavy oil pipeline project, including land based spill preparedness and response
- Aug. 2014 Mt Polley disaster...improved relationships were required
- In 2014 the BC FN Leadership Council and the Ministry of Environment (MOE) signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the purpose of establishing a constructive working relationship
- After the Mt Polley disaster, improved relationships were required
- On June 15 2015 MOE announced it intends to create a world class spill response regime to address a wide range of potential land and marine-based spills
- MOE is seeking to meaningfully engage FNs in all elements of the design, planning, development and implementation of a new BC spill response regime

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- On behalf of the Leadership Council, and in partnership with the FNEMC, FN Forestry Council, the FNFC will lead in organizing regional workshops with MOE to engage First Nations
- Workshops are being conducted in:
 - Fort St John - Kamloops
 - Prince Rupert - Nanaimo
 - Prince George - Vancouver
- FNFC has hired neutral facilitation to assist with these workshops
- Deliverables will include a Summary Report from the workshops outlining key concerns and comments from First Nations, including recommendations

Piece of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Puzzle



OBJECTIVES of Regional Workshops

- a) Inform First Nations of BC's spill response regime
- b) Understand initial concerns, interests and involvement from First Nations
- c) Understand initial vision of First Nations interests in spill response management

8:30 – 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast and Coffee provided
9:00 – 9:30 AM	Opening Prayer. Opening Comments (FNFC/MOE). Ground Rules and Round Table Introductions
9:30 – 10:30 AM	Introductory presentation (MOE) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Background – Spill Response in BC- Legislative Amendment (Bill 21)- Principles for improving spill response- Engagement Process
10:30 – 10:45 AM	BREAK
10:45 – 12:00	Round Table Discussion: First Nations vision, expectations, concerns and opportunities for involvement in spill response in BC
12:00 – 1:00 PM	Lunch Provided
1:00 – 2:15 PM	Presentation and Break-out Discussions: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Advisory Committees2. Preparedness and Response Organizations (PROs)3. Area and Geographic Response Plans4. Funding and First Nations Capabilities
2:15 – 2:30 PM	Break
2:30 – 3:00 PM	Re-cap, Next Steps and Closing Remarks

MOE Presentation (Morning Session)

MOE Presentation (Afternoon Session)