

Tł̄chq All-Season Road EA1617-01

**Public Hearings
Wednesday, November 15, 2017**

Tł̄chq Ndek'àowo



Tł̄chq Government

Background

- Community-led priority to develop and build a road to Whatì
- New approach to territorial infrastructure – partnership
- Roads Working Group and Committee
- Elder guidance and participation throughout



*October 2017 elder site visit;
Photo taken by Russell Neudorf*

Work with Community



Elders identified routes

Community meetings started 2007 onwards to select route

Tłıchǫ and Community Government of Whatì, with the Department of Infrastructure, run community meetings consistently, such as Inter Agency Meetings annually since 2013

TASR Meeting Record



| Date | Engagement |
|----------------|---|
| Feb 5, 2008 | Tłıchǫ Winter Road Realignment Community Meeting (Whatì) |
| April 8, 2008 | Tłıchǫ Winter Road Realignment Community Meeting (Behchokò) |
| April 15, 2008 | Tłıchǫ Winter Road Realignment Community Meeting (Gamètì) |
| May 12, 2008 | Tłıchǫ Winter Road Realignment Community Meeting (Wekweètì) |
| June 10, 2008 | Tłıchǫ Winter Road Realignment Community Meeting (Yellowknife) |
| Aug 23, 2012 | Whatì Community Government Meeting (Whatì) |
| June 12, 2013 | Whatì Inter-agency Committee Meeting |
| Sep 4, 2013 | Whatì Road Community Consultation Meeting (Whatì) |
| June 24, 2015 | Whatì Road Community Consultation Meeting; Inter Agency Committee Meeting (Whatì) |
| Jan 18, 2016 | Wekweètì Community Meeting |
| Jan 18, 2016 | Gamètì Community Meeting |
| Jan 19, 2016 | Whatì Community Meeting |
| Jan 20, 2016 | Behchokò Community Meeting |
| May 4, 2016 | Whatì Inter-agency Community Meeting |
| May 18, 2017 | Whatì Inter-agency Community Meeting |
| Ongoing | Chief Executive Council Meetings |

Ongoing work with GNWT



Discussions on the Project Agreement and project builder selection process

- Fulfill key requirements for employment targets
- Contracting opportunities for Tłıchǰ businesses
- Training programs developed in partnership with local and regional training organizations

Key Areas of Focus



1. Fish, Caribou and Wildlife
2. Traditional Use, Culture and Heritage Resources
3. Economic Well-Being
4. Stable and Healthy Communities

Fish, Caribou and Wildlife



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Tłıchq Government and Community Government of Whatì Commitments



Community Safety

1. Strengthen community security
2. Provide on-the-land treatment for substance abusers
3. Explore the possibility of revisiting the prohibition ban

Economic Development

4. Increase economic development opportunities for Tłıchq citizens and Tłıchq businesses

Community Preparedness

5. Continue to implement the Community Emergency Management Plan, including regular training and exercises for staff, Council, and various community members
6. Continue to participate in Inter-agency Committee meetings
7. Provide clear and ongoing communication with citizens in the region

8. Establishing a Local Housing Organization (LHO) to address housing concerns
9. Develop locally agreed-upon goals and plans for Community Well-Being

Governance

10. Investigate the need for regulations and policies to manage the construction of cabins and design of hunting, trapping, and fishing in the area
11. Develop mineral policy for Tłıchq Lands

TCSA

12. Will provide more information for local health nurses on a range of health issues

Municipal Collaboration

13. Annual coordination between the Councils of Whatì and Behchokò

Goal: Maintaining the health and habitat of fish, caribou, and wildlife



Existing Monitoring Programs:

- Boots on the Ground Caribou Monitoring
- Marian Watershed Monitoring Program
- Tłıchǫ Aquatic Ecosystems Monitoring Program

New Commitments:

- TK-based monitoring during road construction and operations for łıe (fish), tǫdzı (woodland caribou) and hozì ekwò (barren-ground caribou)
- Joint monitoring strategy being developed between Tłıchǫ Government and DFO
- Wildlife Management and Monitoring Program to consider other traditional knowledge studies and programs

Traditional Use, Culture and Heritage Resources



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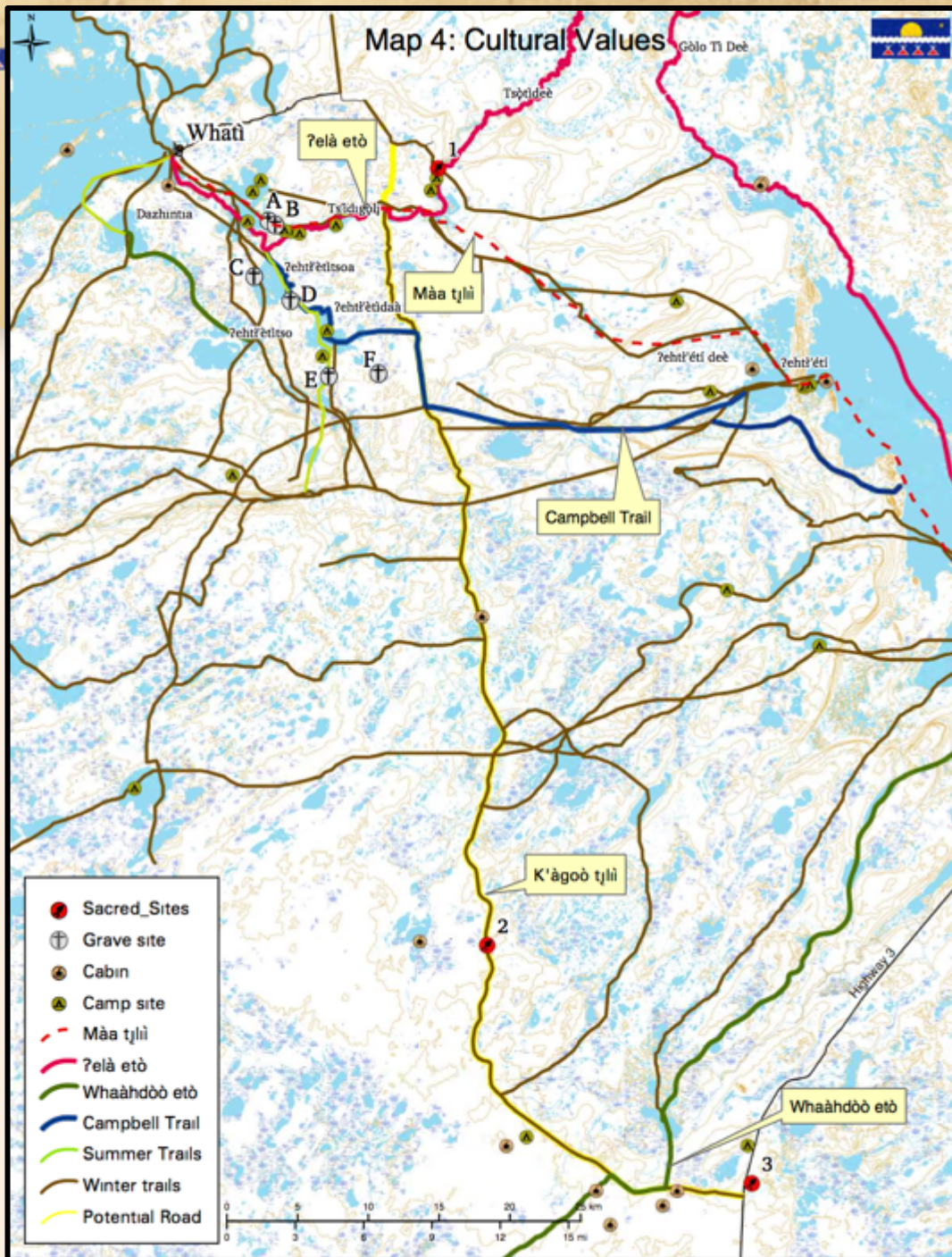
Goal: Protect the land and strengthen Tłıchǫ language, culture and way of life



Many trails along the TASR area, and several cultural sites – these sites will be protected

We will verify, on the ground with community members, the locations of sites before construction

Tłıchǫ Government is making investments in, and is committed to the protection of, Tłıchǫ language, culture and way of life



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Cultural values map taken from K'āgōò t̄l̄i Deē: Traditional Knowledge Study for the proposed All-Season Road to Whāti (PR# 28), page 27

Goal: Strengthen community well-being and prepare the community for the road through programming and inter-agency coordination



Social and community programming

MOU with Tłıchǫ Government, TCSA, Community Government of Whatì and RCMP

13 commitments that deal with:

- Community Safety
- Economic Development
- Community Preparedness
- Governance



*Signing of the MOU;
Photo courtesy of Laura Duncan*

Committed to Working Groups, after EA



Tłıcho Government welcomes the new corridor working group

- During construction and first three years of operation

Inter Agency Committee (2013-2017), with annual meeting date set for May 2, 2018

Economic Well-Being



*HEO Training 2016; Photo taken by
Leanne Moosenose*

Goal: Strengthen community economic development through programs and resources



Positive impacts expected by way of economic development opportunities

Investment in training programs to prepare Tłichq workforce

Commitment to improve women's safety in the workplace and in the community

Collaboration with MACA on Emergency Response

Stable and Healthy Communities



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Closing Comments

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