



# Northern Ontario First Nations Environment Conference

Focus on Skills and Training

## CONFERENCE HANDBOOK

October 1st to 3rd 2013

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# WELCOME!

Boozhoo! And welcome to the 3rd Annual Northern Ontario First Nations Environment Conference (NOFNEC) 2013: Focus on Skills and Training. This year's conference will feature comprehensive training sessions delving into three key areas: Environmental Assessments, Mineral Development and Fuel Handling and Storage Practices. Shibogama Technical Services, Independent First Nations Alliance, Matawa First Nations Management and Windigo First Nations Council have worked hard to bring you this year's event in an effort to provide our communities with skills and training in the environmental field.

Delegates will train and work towards a completion certification in their chosen Stream.

The Environmental Assessment stream will provide delegates with a better understanding of Environmental Assessments (EAs) and how they apply to our First Nations. The focus of the Mineral Development stream will be to raise awareness of how to become meaningfully involved in the mineral development industry while focusing on environmental issues and impacts and how delegates can relate their training to the exploration project in their regions. Lastly, two and a half days will be spent learning about daily safety & handling practices and new fuel regulations for on-reserve tank systems.

On the third day, we will showcase First Nation projects that are currently going through environmental processes. Speaking with these First Nation representatives will give you valuable insight into how other Communities are dealing with Environmental Assessments.

As a delegate at this year's conference you are involved in the preservation of traditional lands and the environmental issues facing the First Nations Communities of Northern Ontario. We hope that the information and networking opportunities that this conference presents will be brought back to your community and create a positive change that will lead to a sustainable future.

We look forward to having you at the 3rd Annual Northern Ontario First Nations Environment Conference and we encourage you to take the time to meet and share your thoughts with us as we Focus on Skills and Training.

Enjoy!  
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# SESSIONS



## ATTENTION DELEGATES:

Please visit [www.nofnec.ca](http://www.nofnec.ca) after the conference to view or download any of the presentations featured at the Northern Ontario First Nations Environment Conference.

Below is a listing of each of the teams presenting at this year's Northern Ontario First Nations Environment Conference. Included is a short synopsis of each stream, biographies of the team members and descriptions of all of the workshops.

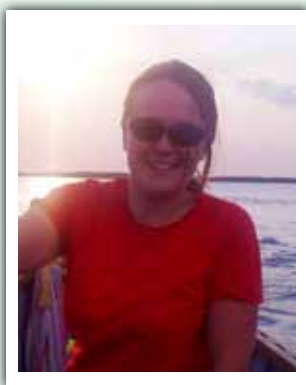
## OPENING CEREMONIES & GROUP PRESENTATIONS

TUESDAY - 8:30 TO 10:00 - SUNSET SUITES.

## FUEL HANDLING AND STORAGE PRACTICES

Two and a half days will be spent learning about daily safety & handling practices and new fuel regulations for on-reserve tank systems.

### THE TEAM



**LINDSEY JUPP,  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
TECHNOLOGIST,  
MATAWA FIRST NATIONS  
MANAGEMENT**

I was born and raised 'down east' where you have to dial a phone number by starting with an area code. After I moved to Thunder Bay and graduated in 2009 I was hired at Matawa as an Environmental Technologist. When I'd call people in town they knew right away I wasn't from here because I always gave my local number with the area code first. It's been a big learning curve, and I'm still learning everyday. I give thanks every day for being with

Matawa and being able to travel on the road and by air. It's always a great time visiting with people, listening to stories and having good laughs - all this while working! I do my best to hear your questions and concerns and this event is an attempt to answer some of them - I can only hope we meet your expectations this year. Wishing you safe travels while you're here & when you return home to your families. Please call me at work if you have questions 346-3678, or if you're outside the region don't forget the 807!

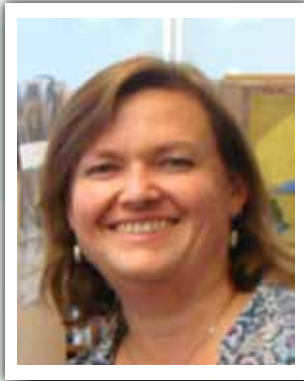


**DOUG STUART, CRTP FUEL  
TRAINER, ONTARIO FIRST  
NATIONS TECHNICAL  
SERVICES CORPORATION**

Doug joined OFNTSC in 2004 after a 25 year career at the Ministry of Natural Resources, with the last five years as their Fire Services Equipment Officer with his primary responsibilities in the Aviation bulk fuel section. Doug holds his PMH and PM3 Petroleum Mechanic Licenses and is recognized in good standing with the Technical Standards and Safety Authority of Ontario (TSSA). Doug is responsible for all Bulk Fuel Handlers training for OFNTSC and has made a significant impact on the Circuit Rider Training Program especially in the remote communities. Doug also does site inspections for all First Nation Communities Fuel Storage systems and reports all his findings back to OFNTSC and Tribal Councils. Doug has put on numerous Fuel system Management training sessions and has been involved in assisting communities with all their fuel storage issues. Doug is also certified as a WHIMIS Trainer. He is fully knowledgeable on the Liquid Fuel Handling Code as well as all Federal Environmental Regulations pertaining to the storage and use of Liquid Fuels. Doug works out of the Thunder Bay office and can be contacted at (807)937-4897 or cell at (807)221-8894 or by email at [dstuart@ofntsc.org](mailto:dstuart@ofntsc.org).

**JASON COOK, GREEN FOR LIFE ENVIRONMENTAL**





**LISA MCCLEMENS,  
ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER,  
ENVIRONMENT CANADA**

Lisa McClemens is an Environmental Officer with the Compliance Promotion Unit of Environment Canada – Ontario Region. She has been with Environment Canada for 16 years. She is currently the Ontario Region

contact for the Storage Tank Systems Regulations, the Federal Halocarbon Regulations, the PCB regulations and the Export and Import of Hazardous Waste, Hazardous Recyclable Materials Regulations and Wastewater Systems Effluent Regulations.



**TREVOR COBB, WINTER  
ROAD - CAMP FOREMAN,  
NUNA LOGISTICS**

Trevor has been an active employee with Nuna Logistics Limited for the past eight years. Trevor started his career with Nuna Winter Road Limited in 2005, as an ice profiler. His keen ability allowed him to

transition through various employment opportunities to his current position as a camp foreman (2008). Trevor possesses a detailed understanding of the principles of ice construction and maintenance. This knowledge has allowed him employment opportunities over a wide variety of projects throughout the Canadian North. Trevor has been employed in ice road construction, construction of ice landing strips for Hercules aircraft, on-site contaminated water purification project at Milne Inlet, and the construction and operation of a heavy haul road at the Ekati Diamond Mine. Although Trevor's primary role and responsibilities are for the efficient day to day operations of the Lockhart Lake camp, he continues to expand his understanding of horizontal construction practices and principles through employment opportunities and educational training venues.

**ALAN HOWIE, OPERATION MANAGER, MORGAN FUELS**

Alan is the Operation Manager with Morgan Fuels, overseeing all areas of the operational aspects of the fuel, service and trucking components for Morgan Fuels, Morgan Transfer and Ohteban. Alan brought 16 years of Senior Municipal management experience to Morgan Fuels, joining their team six years ago. Over this time Morgan Fuels has expanded to include a geographic foot print including Pickle Lake and the far north, south to Sioux Lookout/ Savant Lake and westward through Dryden, Vermilion Bay, Kenora, Winnipeg, with delivery points north to The Pas and Flin Flon as well as into Saskatchewan. Al holds training including but not limited to Site Operator and Pump Mechanic courses as well as Root Cause Analysis, strategic planning, provincial regulations as well as numerous management related training. A firm believer the Toronto Maple Leafs will once again win the Stanley Cup, Alan looks forward to an opportunity to discuss issues that arise in the field for individuals involved in the fuel handling business.

**MARK DERKSEN, MORGAN FUELS**

Mark Derksen brings with him 12 years of intense work in the petroleum business. Mark has held roles with Morgan Fuels including customer service delivery agent, winter roads driver, dispatch and continues to work in assisting ongoing training of Morgan Fuels staff. A well rounded professional with knowledge in various equipment from trucks, pumps, truck computers, legislation and inventory. Mark's hands-on work knowledge will be handed to participants in the program through discussions and site tours.



**CHRIS ROHR, PROJECT  
ENGINEER, COMMUNITY  
INFRASTRUCTURE  
DIRECTORATE  
ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND  
NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT  
CANADA**

Chris Rohr, P.Eng. has been employed as a Project Engineer within the Community Infrastructure

Directorate (CID) of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) Ontario Region since 2008. Areas of expertise include remote Diesel Generating



Station (DGS) upgrades, fuel tank upgrades, and other remote First Nation capital infrastructure projects. Chris has been the lead AANDC Ontario Region Technical Services representative for all fuel tank related upgrades undertaken since the introduction of the Storage Tank Systems for Petroleum Products and Allied Petroleum Products Regulations in 2008. Previous work experience includes design of fuel storage and transfer systems with an engineering consulting firm as well as capital projects at a petrochemical facility.



#### **STEPHANIE ALLEN, ONTARIO FIRST NATIONS TECHNICAL SERVICES CORPORATION**

Stephanie Allen is an Environmental Scientist with Ontario First Nations Technical Services Corporation (OFNTSC). A graduate of Trent University's Environmental and Resource Science program,

she has 16 years of experience working for First Nations, government, and not-for-profit organizations in the fields of environment and community development. Her areas of expertise include freshwater ecology, environmental assessment, environmental and community planning, and contaminants. At OFNTSC Stephanie works out of the Toronto office and takes the lead on solid waste, water quality and source protection, and community sustainability planning. Another ongoing area of work is spills response and contaminated site remediation. Stephanie is Mohawk from Six Nations of the Grand River and has two children, Sequoyah and Maanii, who are members of the Sagamok Anishnawbek.



#### **TIM TATTRIE, NUNA LOGISTICS**

Tim has been employed with Nuna Logistics Limited for the past three years within the project management structure of the Winter Road. Prior to this employment, Tim had over 28 years of experience in the Canadian Military as an Engineering

Officer and Combat Engineer. His experience includes overseeing heavy construction projects including roads, culverts and bridges as well as camp construction and heavy equipment maintenance. As Project Manager for the Tibbitt to Contwoyto Winter Road, Tim is responsible for efficient planning, coordination and construction of the annual 400-600 km ice road. Tim is a member of the New Brunswick Society of Certified Technicians and Technologist.

### ***The Workshops***

#### **FUEL HANDLING CASE STUDIES**

**TUESDAY 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES BREAKFAST ROOM**

We'll present examples and work as a group to identify all the steps of safe fuel handling On-Reserve. This will give us a chance to hear from each other and compare stories.

#### **SITE OPERATION & TOURS/SITE OPERATION CHALLENGES**

**TUESDAY 1:00 PM - 3:45 PM**

#### **MORGAN FUELS FT (BUS AT SUNSET SUITES LOBBY)**

An operations tour will be scheduled at a local fuel supplier site where daily fuel handling & management practices will be demonstrated. The tour will be followed up with discussions about challenges in operating a fuel system/bulk farm.



**WASTE OIL MANAGEMENT****TUESDAY 3:45 PM - 4:30 PM****MORGAN FUELS FT**

What do you do with your waste oil? Learn ways to collect, store, and dispose of your community waste oil safely and economically for the benefit of everyone.

**FUEL HANDLING - RECORD KEEPING****WEDNESDAY 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM****MORGAN FUELS FT (BUS AT SUNSET SUITES LOBBY)**

Environment Canada is starting to send out their Field Officers to do inspections on tank systems. As part of the new regulations, record keeping is an absolute must; with no records the tank owner faces a big fine and/or can be charged. Here's an opportunity to learn how to fill out the forms. We'll also send you home with materials to help you keep organized in case you get a surprise visit from an Inspector!

**WINTER ROAD FUEL HANDLING & PRODUCT TRANSFER AREAS****WEDNESDAY 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM****MORGAN FUELS FT**

Learn from those experienced in the field on how to safely and easily transfer fuel while operating on the winter road. There will also be lessons about other hazardous fluids related to working with heavy equipment.

PTAs, as they're called, are now required under the new regulations so that fuel spills do not happen – or are contained if they do happen, during delivery transfers. Get some ideas on what PTA would be best for your tank or tank system and how much it may cost.

**FUEL HANDLING - ENVIRONMENT CANADA FIRSTS DATABASE****WEDNESDAY 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM****SLAAMB COMPUTER LAB (BUS AT SUNSET SUITES LOBBY)**

In order to receive fuel On-Reserve every tank (or tank system, bigger than 2500L) needs an Environment Canada registration number; no fuel supplier is allowed to sell you fuel without this number. Here you will learn how to:

- fill out a paper registration form (and the technical terms);
- access the online system for all your community tank info & numbers;

- how/when to add/delete/change information;
- and who to contact if you need help.

**EMERGENCY PLANNING****WEDNESDAY 2:45 PM - 4:30 PM****SLAAMB COMPUTER LAB**

New government regulations require every fuel system to have an emergency plan. This workshop will help you make your own emergency plan so you know what needs to be included, where it should be stored, and how to follow in case of an emergency.

**AIR DELIVERY FUEL SAFETY****THURSDAY 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM****SUNSET SUITES**

With air traffic increasing at our airports we need to be sure airlines, fuel suppliers, industry and other users take responsibility for safe handling of fuel. We'll walk through who is responsible for what, and how to be sure policies/regulations/standards are followed so people and the environment are protected.

**FUEL HANDLING AND STORAGE PRACTICES: HOT TOPICS****THURSDAY 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM****SUNSET SUITES BREAKFAST ROOM**

If you decided to do one of the other streams but were interested in learning about fuel handling, this is your chance to get a summary from the training.

**MINERAL DEVELOPMENT**

The Mineral development training stream will provide participants with an Environmental certificate in Mineral Exploration and Development. The focus of the stream will be to raise awareness of how to become meaningfully involved in the mineral development industry while focusing on environmental issues and impacts and how delegates can relate their training to the exploration projects in their regions.

Participants' will increase their understanding and awareness of the exploration sequence and the new mining act regulations, as well as building an awareness of how to address the potential environmental impacts to this type of resource development.

NOFNEC has chosen to provide this stream of training



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Monday		Tuesday - Oct 1st			
6:00am - 9:00am		Registration Continental Breakfast			
8:30am - 10:00am		Opening Ceremonies Group Presentations <i>Sunset Suites</i>			Fuel Handling - Record Keeping <i>Morgan Fuels FT (bus at Sunset Suite Lobby)</i>
10:00am - 10:15am		Break			
10:15am - 12:00pm		Fuel Handling Case Studies <i>Sunset Suites Breakfast Room</i>	Mining 101: Exploration Sequence <i>Sunset Inn</i>	Introduction to Environmental Assessments <i>Sunset Suites</i>	Winter Road Fuel Handling & PTA <i>Morgan Fuels FT</i>
12:00pm - 1:00pm		Lunch <i>(Dick &amp; Nellies)</i>			
1:00pm - 1:45pm		Site Operation & Tours <i>Morgan Fuels FT (bus at Sunset Suites Lobby)</i>	New Mining Act Changes <i>Sunset Inn</i>	Introduction to Environmental Assessments <i>Sunset Suites</i>	Fuel Handling - EC FIRSTS Database <i>SLAAMB Computer Lab (bus at Sunset Suite Lobby)</i>
1:45pm - 2:30pm					
2:30pm - 2:45pm		Break			
2:45pm - 3:45pm		Site Operation Challenges <i>Morgan Fuels FT</i>	Provincial EA Process <i>Sunset Suites</i>		Emergency Planni <i>SLAAMB Classroom #1</i>
3:45pm - 4:30pm		Waste Oil Management <i>Morgan Fuels FT</i>			
5:00pm - 8:00pm	Registration <i>Sunset Suites Lobby</i>				



# CONFERENCE AGENDA

Wednesday - Oct 2nd

Thursday - Oct 3rd

Friday

Continental Breakfast

Continental Breakfast

**Plans & Permitting Process**  
SLAAMB  
Computer Lab & Classroom #1  
(bus at Sunset Suites Lobby)

**CEAA 2012**  
Sunset Suites

**Air Delivery Fuel Safety**  
Sunset Suites

**Claim/Land Issues**  
Sunset Inn

**Open House Showcasing EA Projects**  
Sunset Suites Lobby

**Break**

**Break**

**CLAIMaps/MAAP**  
SLAAMB  
Computer Lab & Classroom #1

**CEAA 2012**  
Sunset Suites

**Fuel Stream: Hot Topics**  
Sunset Suites  
Breakfast Room

**Mining Stream: Hot Topics**  
Sunset Inn

**EA Stream: Hot Topics**  
Sunset Suites

**Lunch**  
(Dick & Nellies)

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Travel Day

**Environmental Compliance**  
Sunset Inn

**AANDC EA Process: On-Reserve Projects**  
Sunset Suites

**Fuel, Mining and EAs: How These Relate to Environmental & Source Water Protection**  
Sunset Suites

**Break**

**Break**

**Environmental Compliance**  
Sunset Inn

**AANDC EA Process: On-Reserve Projects**  
Sunset Suites

**Group Facilitated Discussion & Wrap Up**  
Closing Comments & Passport to Prizes  
Sunset Suites

in hopes of building more grass roots participation in community information sessions and consultations at their community level, along with a better understanding of how, when and where leadership and community members can get involved. NOFNEC also hopes to prepare more confident and qualified community members in applying for local positions in this field.

Training and information in the stream will be delivered in part by First Nations peers, Government, Industry and Technical Tribal Council advisory staff.

## The Team



**NATALIE POPOVIC, MINERAL DEVELOPMENT ADVISOR, LANDS & RESOURCES, WINDIGO FIRST NATIONS COUNCIL**

Natalie has over 10 years of experience working with the Windigo Affiliate Communities on various levels of environmental project implementation, management and advisory. From managing and implementing small scale projects, to reviewing and advising on large scale regional and major capital community projects such as contaminated sites and fuel system upgrades. Natalie also participates on the Musselwhite environmental working group and is also the Windigo First Nations Council board member for the Nitawin Housing Development Corporation in Sioux Lookout.

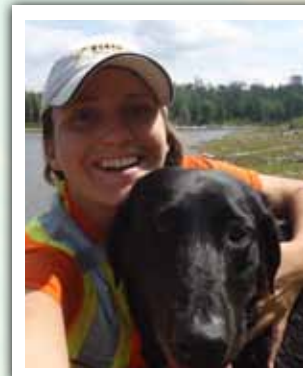
In her most recent role as Mineral Development Advisor, Natalie's role is to bring training and capacity to the Windigo First Nations Council communities on the changes to the mining act, the mineral exploration and development sequence as well as how the communities can better become informed and involved in the consultation and negotiations of mineral projects from early exploration projects through to advance exploration and development, with a key focus on understanding the potential environmental impacts at each stage of the process.



**CHRIS BATH, MINISTRY OF NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT AND MINES**

Chris Bath is a Mineral Exploration and Development Consultant with the Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines. He graduated from Lakehead University with a B.A. (2004), a Bachelor of

Education (2005) and a Master of Education (2012). He brings education, training and technical and technological skills as well as a wealth of knowledge regarding the Ontario Mining Act, especially the regulations and processes around Exploration Plans and Permits. Much of his work focuses on the use, support and administration of resources to support the Mining Act, including issuance of Exploration Permits, consultation on closure planning and the mining sequence and development of web-based tools for Plans and Permits. He has over 30 years' combined experience in technical training and support, education and public service. Over the past 20 years, he has served as a volunteer on numerous boards, councils, committees and community groups in Northwestern Ontario. He lives in Thunder Bay.



**CAILEY ANDERSON, MINISTRY OF NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT AND MINES**

A biology and environmental science graduate from Trent University I have spent the first ten years of my career working various positions for both government and industry sectors. Starting out in Red Lake as a

Resource Technician with the MNR I have since been trickling through Northwestern Ontario communities filling various contracts in the natural resource field. In 2010 I switched gears from forestry to mining when I joined the Hammond Reef Gold project as the Environmental Coordinator. In the 17 months that I spent working on the project I watched it grow from 20 to 120 employees and 4 diamond drill rigs to 20. It was during this time that I realized I had a passion for public outreach and an



interest in learning more about environmental protection in the mining and exploration sector. In 2011 when I was offered a position as an Exploration Inspector with the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines it seemed like a natural fit. I packed up my life in Atikokan and once again trickled down to Thunder Bay. From 9am to 5pm I make my living by monitoring exploration sites for environmental and regulatory compliance. In my spare time I can be found canoeing, fishing and going on adventures with my dogs Sunny and JD.

#### **MIKE GRANT, MINISTRY OF NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT AND MINES**

### ***The Workshops***

#### **MINING 101: EXPLORATION SEQUENCE**

**TUESDAY 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM**

##### **SUNSET INN**

Will include information ranging from prospecting to site closure and monitoring and will incorporate when, where and how to address environmental concerns.

#### **NEW MINING ACT CHANGES**

**TUESDAY 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM**

##### **SUNSET INN**

How Aboriginal Communities can participate, including a focus on Aboriginal engagement and environmental awareness. As well as compliance and monitoring and how it is regulated at each stage.

#### **PLANS & PERMITTING PROCESS**

**WEDNESDAY 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM**

**SLAAMB COMPUTER LAB & CLASSROOM #1**

**(BUS AT SUNSET SUITES LOBBY)**

Will detail the New MNDM Plans and Permitting process including what level of First Nation participation is expected and how to address environmental concerns with mitigation measures.

#### **CLAIMAPS/MAAP**

**WEDNESDAY 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM**

**SLAAMB COMPUTER LAB & CLASSROOM #1**

An introduction to using CLAIMaps (online system), and Mining act awareness certification for prospectors and claim holders.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

**WEDNESDAY 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM & 2:45 PM - 4:30 PM**

##### **SUNSET INN**

This session will be a current overview of the government regulatory and compliance process for exploration site activity. The role of the MNDM compliance dept. in inspection and monitoring of sites, including preliminary exploration work sites. A case study/scenario situation will be used for delegates to have the chance to understand the compliance inspection process and the potential FN role in monitoring exploration activity. There will also be some discussion on identifying potential impacts, mitigations and assurances and who plays each of these roles.

#### **CLAIM/LAND ISSUES**

**THURSDAY 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM**

##### **SUNSET INN**

An open format facilitated discussion on some of the jurisdictional land issues that arise during exploration projects and shared use of crown land. A chance for conference delegates and government regulators to share their challenges and successes on shared land use claims. This discussion will provide a good lead into the hot topics to follow.

#### **MINERAL DEVELOPMENT: HOT TOPICS**

**THURSDAY 10:15 AM - 12:00 PM**

##### **SUNSET INN**

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## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

This stream will provide delegates with a better understanding of Environmental Assessments (EAs) and how they apply to our First Nations.

### The Team



#### **MARY BEA KENNY, M.Sc.F. EP, ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISOR, INDEPENDENT FIRST NATIONS ALLIANCE TECHNICAL SERVICES**

Mary Bea Hinmon Kenny, M.Sc.F. EP, is the Environmental Advisor for Independent First Nations Alliance Tribal Council. Mary Bea has worked for IFNA

for 7.5 years in many types of environmental projects from small scale agricultural projects to contaminated sites remediation. She also provides various required environmental reporting services for the IFNA member First Nations. Mary Bea is an ethnobotanist by academic and traditional training and has worked with the Elders of Lac Seul First Nation in documenting their plant knowledge. She has worked with plants all her life and was taught by her mother and many Elders over the years. Check out her site on LinkedIn.



#### **KIMBERLY JORGENSON, PROJECTS & ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OFFICER, FOUR RIVERS, MATAWA FIRST NATIONS MANAGEMENT**

Kim has nine years of experience in the environmental sector and

has worked with Matawa First Nations Management for over two years. Kim has a broad educational and employment background surrounding the natural sciences. She is knowledgeable in the fields of biology, environmental legislation and geographic information systems, and has extensive experience administering environmental site assessments. Kim is skilled in conducting field research in aquatic environments, and is



experienced in the collection, analysis and interpretation of scientific data and in writing scientific and technical reports. Kim has a Bachelor of Environmental Science degree from the University of Manitoba and recently completed her Master of Science degree in Biology at Lakehead University, her research having focused on the potential for northern wild rice to improve water quality in nutrient-rich wetlands.



#### **KERRI HURLEY, SENIOR ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER, ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT CANADA**

Ms. Kerri Hurley is the Sr. Environment Officer with Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC), Ontario Region. She is

the regional lead for AANDC's Contaminated Sites Management Program and co-lead for the Fuel Storage Tank Management Program. She provides advice and guidance to AANDC Environment Officers in assessing the environmental impacts of projects, and participated in the development of the AANDC CEAA 2012 process. Kerri has been working in the AANDC Environment Unit for 10 years.



#### **COREY DEKKER SENIOR ADVISOR, ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AGENCY**

In this position Corey has responsibilities related to the entire Aboriginal consultation life cycle during federal environmental assessment, which includes

planning, conducting, and assessing the adequacy of the Crown's efforts to consult and accommodate Aboriginal communities. Prior to joining CEAA Corey worked for three years with Aboriginal Affairs and Northern



Development Canada in Ottawa. Corey is originally from Metro Vancouver and has degrees in politics and public policy from Simon Fraser University (BA) and the London School of Economics (MSc). Corey is a member of the Pine Creek First Nation in Manitoba.

## ***The Workshops***

### **INTRODUCTION TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS**

**TUESDAY 10:15 AM- 12:00 PM & 1:00 PM - 2:30PM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES**

Delegates will gain an understanding of the difference between Environmental Site Assessments and Environmental Assessments (Phase I, II, and III), and be provided with an overview of the Provincial and Federal EA requirements. Typical environmental concerns, mitigation measures and challenges in our communities will be discussed to get delegates thinking about potential environmental impacts to be considered during the EA process.

### **PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS**

**TUESDAY 2:45 PM - 4:30PM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES**

Delegates will gain a more in-depth understanding of the Provincial EA process with an opportunity for discussion with Provincial ministry representatives.

### **CANADIAN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT 2012**

**WEDNESDAY 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM & 10:15 AM- 12:00 PM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES**

In 2012, the new CEAA 2012 Regulations came into force. Delegates will be provided an overview on the changes to these regulations, specifically how the regulations apply for First Nation proponent projects and how the regulations incorporate Aboriginal Consultation for third party proponent projects.

### **AANDC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS: ON-RESERVE PROJECTS**

**WEDNESDAY 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM & 2:45 PM - 4:30 PM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES**

Workshop Objective:

- To provide an overview to First Nations and Tribal Councils on the recently amended Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012
- To understand how the CEAA 2012 environmental

review process is used to evaluate proposed projects in First Nation communities.

- To become familiar with the new AANDC Environmental forms and tools
- To provide an opportunity for networking and practical discussions on best practices and process requirements for First Nations projects.

Topics covered in this workshop:

- Introduction and Objectives
- Presentation – CEAA 2012 and the AANDC Environmental Management Approach
- Overview of Tools
- Case Study A: Fuel System Upgrade and Tank Decommissioning at Sunset Lake First Nation
- Case Study B: Windfarm at Otter Bay First Nation
- Case Study C: New Water Treatment Plant at Green Lake First Nation

### **OPEN HOUSE SHOWCASING ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROJECTS**

**THURSDAY 8:30 AM - 10:00 AM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES LOBBY**

In an open house format, delegates will have the chance to learn about ongoing Environmental Assessments for projects in our region. Delegates will be able to ask project proponents about the different EA steps and challenges, First Nation involvement and experiences, and also learn about the types of projects in the region undergoing EAs. Projects to be displayed include:

- Wataynikaneyap Power
- Environmental Assessment Act Coverage for Forest Management on the Cat-Slate Forest
- Windigo Technical Unit - Environmental Assessment Community Driven Winter Road Realignment/Construction
- Springpole Gold Access Corridor Project
- Constance Lake First Nation

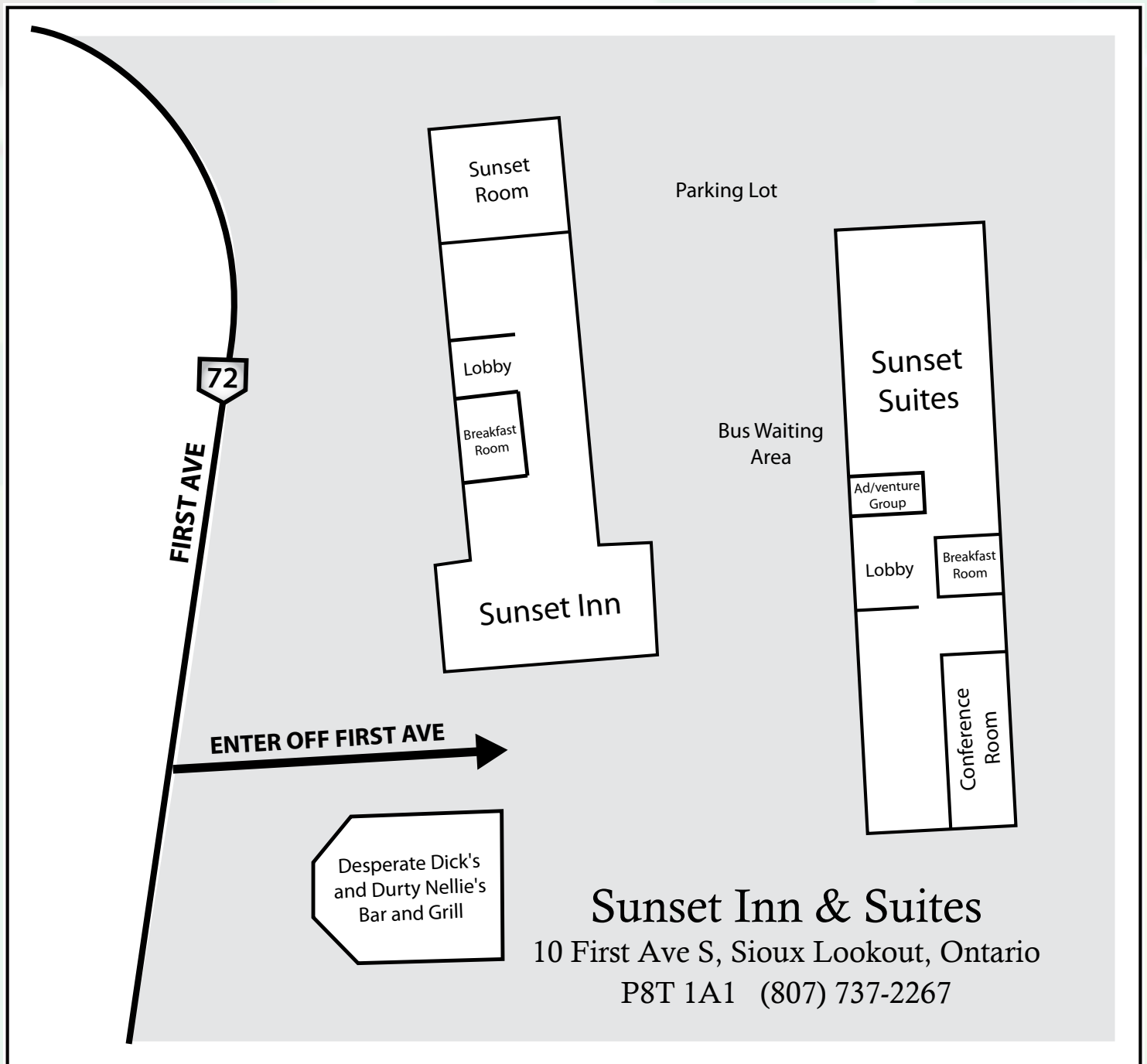
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**THURSDAY 10:15 AM- 12:00 PM**

#### **SUNSET SUITES**

If you decided to do one of the other streams but were interested in learning about environmental assessments, this is your chance to get a summary from the training.

# VENUE MAP





## PLANNING COMMITTEE

Mary Bea Kenny - Independent First Nations Alliance  
Lindsey Jupp - Matawa First Nations Management Inc.  
Natalie Popovic - Windigo First Nations Council  
Linda Kitchkeesick - Shibogama First Nations Council

## CONFERENCE SERVICES

Beginning with registration and throughout the conference the Conference Services Desk/Office will be accessible to all conference delegates to answer delegates' questions and assist in any way possible to make your conference experience enjoyable. The desk/office will be staffed throughout the programmed conference schedule and is located at the Sunset Inn in the Executive Board room beginning the afternoon of September 30th, 2013 through to the afternoon of October 3rd, 2013. It will be attended by the staff of The Ad/venture Group (TAG), who is the conference coordinator for this event. All queries, comments and questions should be directed to the centre and the TAG staff will be more than happy to assist you.

## PASSPORT TO PRIZES

We are happy to bring back our Passport to Prizes attendance draw. These prizes will be on display throughout the conference for delegates to view. In order to win, simply bring your Passport to all of the workshops and conference events you attend. Someone will be available at each event to punch your Passport as you move between workshops. At the end of the conference, simply fill out your name and contact information on the back of the card and deposit it into the Ballot Box. Be in the Sunset Inn Conference Room during the Closing Ceremonies on Thursday October 3rd where all of the Passport to Prizes draws will be made.

**SEE YOU THERE!**



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