

Western Mining Action Network - 2018 Biennial Conference

Uniting for Healthy Lands, Waters and Future Generations

Hosted by WMAN & the Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation (SSN)

Kamloops BC | 27-29 September 2018 | **Final Schedule**

Thursday September 27 (Optional Mine Tour & Indigenous SSN Event)								
6:30 - 7:30 AM	Breakfast at hotels							
7:00 - 9:30 AM	Registration available for WMAN Conference at Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St)							
7:45 - 8:00 AM	Departure from both Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way) to go to Highland Valley Copper Mine tour							
11:30 - 11:45 AM	Departure from both Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way) to go to SSN community center (Pow Wow Ground or Moccasin Square Gardens, 357 Chief Alex Thomas Way)							
12:00 - 1:15 PM	Lunch at SSN community center (At Pow Wow Ground or Moccasin Square Gardens, 357 Chief Alex Thomas Way)							
1:15 - 4:15 PM	SSN event (Welcoming remarks, Cultural tours, SSN Museum, Residential School history, and exchanges in SSN's community members & knowledge keepers)							
4:15 - 5:15 PM	For non-Indigenous delegates: shuttles depart from SSN community facilities to go to back to hotels for diner (Ramada Hotel & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel). For Indigenous Delegates: Free Time at SSN community facilities.							
5:15 - 8:00 PM	Indigenous Delegates Dinner at SSN community center (Moccasin Square Gardens, 357 Chief Alex Thomas Way) Other WMAN Delegates Dinner at Ramada Hotel at 6:00pm (555 West Columbia St) Registration available at Ramada							
5:15 - 8:00 PM	Registration available for WMAN Conference at Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St)							
6:00 - 7:00 PM	Dinner at Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St)							
8:00 - 9:00 PM	For Indigenous Delegates: Last shuttles depart from SSN community center to both Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way)							
Friday September 28 (WMAN 2018 Conference at Thompson Rivers University)								
6:30 - 7:30 AM	Breakfast at hotels							
7:30 - 8:15 AM	Shuttles from Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way) to TRU Conference site							
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Registration at TRU (outside of Grand Hall Room, second floor of the Campus Activity Centre)							
8:45 - 10:15 AM	Plenary: Opening remarks by Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation & the Western Mining Action Network (Grand Hall Room, 2nd floor of Campus Activity Center) - Opening by Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation Elder Russell Casimir & Welcoming Remarks by Jeanette Jules , T'kemlupsSSN Councillor - Welcoming remarks by Ugo Lapointe & Carla Rae Marshall , WMAN Co-Chairs - Brief History of the Western Mining Action Network: Paul Robinson , WMAN Steering Committee member - Goals, Objectives & Program of the WMAN 2018 Conference: Jill Yordy , WMAN Steering Committee member & Sayokla Williams , WMAN Indigenous Caucus Coordinator - Introduction of WMAN 2018 Participants - Facilitator: Ugo Lapointe , MiningWatch Canada & WMAN Co-Chair							
10:15 - 10:30	Break (Morning snack available)							
	Track 1: Technical/Legal/Policy (Alpine Room - 1st floor)	Track 2: Skillsbuilding/Toolkit (The Terrace - 2nd floor)	Track 3: Topical Issues (Mountain Room - 3rd floor)	Track 4: Environmental Assessments (Grand Hall - 2nd floor)				
	Preventing Water Pollution Within and Across Borders	Mining Economics & Environment 101	Placer Mining Impacts	Trends in Environmental Assessments in the US / Canada				
10:30 - 12:00	Panelists: - Kendra Zamzow , Environmental chemist and Alaska representative for the Center for Science in Public Participation - Ugo Lapointe , MiningWatch Canada - Ann Maest , Chief Scientist, E-Tech International & Science; aqueous geochemist, Buka Environmental - Jill Weitz , Director Salmon Beyond Borders, Auk Kwáan and Taku Kwáan traditional lands (Alaska) - Erin K Sexton , Senior Scientist, Flathead Lake Biological Station, University of Montana	Panelists: - Thomas Michael Power , Research Professor and Professor Emeritus, Economics Department University of Montana - Joan Kuyek , Mining analyst, writer, researcher and educator, founding Canada Program Coordinator of MiningWatch Canada, author of Community Organizing: A Holistic Approach (2011) Moderator: - Paul Robinson , Research Director, Southwest Research and Information Center, New Mexico	Panelists: - Tara Lamothe-Ammerlaan , Project manager, Fair Mining Collaborative, WMAN steering Committee Member (BC) - Nick Graham , Environmental Scientist (hydrology & hydrogeology), Sierra Fund US	Panelists: - Anna Johnston , Staff Lawyer, West Coast Environmental Law (BC), Co-chair of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Caucus of the Canadian Environmental Network - Alli Melton , Public Lands Staff Attorney, Center for Biological Diversity (Colorado/Minnesota) Moderator: - Jamie Kneen , Communication Director, MiningWatch Canada				
12:00 - 1:45 PM	Lunch at TRU (Grand Hall) All Indigenous Delegates invited to Indigenous Caucus Lunch (Terrace Room): Learn more about WMAN Indigenous Caucus, discuss issues and how to stay connected forward, nominate Indigenous Caucus Members to WMAN Steering Committee							
1:45 - 3:15 PM	Plenary: Winds of Change: Indigenous Leadership & Strategies For Healthy Lands, Waters & Future Generations (Grand Hall Room, 2nd floor of Campus Activity Center) Panelists: - Robert Simon , Litigation Coordinator, Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation (British Columbia) - "The SSN Review Panel of KGHM's Ajax Open Pit Mine Project: A Successful Indigenous-Led Assessment Leading to the Protection of Pipsell Cultural Site" - Tina Van Zile , Environmental Director and former Vice-Chair of Mole Lake Sokaogon Chippewa Community (Wisconsin) - "Unlikely Alliances: Efforts, Challenges & Successes in Protecting our Lands From Mining and other Developments" - Ana Simeon , Fundraising Campaigns Director, RAVEN (Respecting Aboriginal Values & Environmental Needs) - "Launching SSN's Title Rights Campaign" Moderator: - Carla Rae Marshall , Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Member (South Dakota), Black Hills Clean Water Alliance, WMAN Co-Chair							
3:15 - 3:30 PM	Break (Afternoon snack available)							
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	Health in Chronic Disasters of Mines: Lab & Community-Based Research	Resource Media & Communication Strategies	Mining Roads, Transport & Energy Corridors Impacts	Indigenous-led Environmental Impact Assessments				
3:30 - 5:00 PM	Panelists: - Sue Moodie , DRPH, toxicologist, Council for Public Health in Mining Communities (Yukon) - Johnny Lewis , PhD, Director Community Environmental Health Program, Center for Native Environmental Health Equity Research & UNM METALS, University of New Mexico	Panelists: - Liz Banse , Vice-president, Resource Media (Seattle) - Kai Nagata , Communications director, Dogwood (BC)	Panelists: - Candyece Paul , English River First Nation (Saskatchewan), Committee for Future Generations, WMAN Steering Committee Member - John Gaedeke , Brooks Range Council Chairman (Alaska) - Lewis Rifkind , Mining analyst, Yukon Conservation Society Moderator: - Jill Yordy , PhD Student in Public Affairs University of Colorado, WMAN Steering Committee member, Brooks Range Council member	Panelists: - Ginger Gibson , Director Firelight Group, coauthor Impact Assessment in the Arctic: Emerging Practices of Indigenous-Led Review (2018) - Alistair MacDonald , Firelight Group, Environmental Assessment Support, formally working for Mackenzie Valley Review Board (NWT) - Robert Simon , Litigation Coordinator, Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation (for discussion periode)				
5:00 - 6:00 PM	Break & free time (shuttles going back-and-forth to hotel and TRU, or you can walk, or hang around TRU – preferred option)							
6:00 - 7:00 PM	Dinner at TRU (Grand Hall)							
7:00 - 9:00 PM	Plenary (optional): Short films & informal discussions starting at around 7:00pm (Grand Hall) "Uprivers (2018)" (28:00) - Directed by Matthew Jackson; about Mt Polley disaster & Alaska-BC transboundary mines; Nuskmata (Jacinda) Mack , Stand for Water campaign & First Nation Women Advocating Responsible Mining (FNWARM) "Feather from Fish Lake" (7:30) - Produced by Tšilhqot'in National Government (TNG), about Fish Lake & (New) Prosperity Mine; Loretta Williams , TNG Negotiations and Communications Advisor, also Chair of First Nation Women Advocatin Responsible Mining (FNWARM) "Stand for Teztan Biny" (2:30) - Produced by Tšilhqot'in National Government (TNG); Loretta Williams , TNG Negotiations and Communications Advisor, also Chair of First Nation Women Advocatin Responsible Mining (FNWARM) available to answer questions "Irreparable Harm" (23:00) - Directed by Colin "Arisman and Connor Gallage"; Tis Peterman , Administrator for the Southeast Indigenous Transboundary Commission, will be available to answer questions "Brooks Range Council PSA" (05:15) - Directed by Paving Tundra; John Gaedeke (Brooks Range Council, chairman) will be available to answer questions "Protecting Our Homeland (2017)" (03:56) - Directed by Ashton Janvier who, with Candyece Paul , will be available to answer questions, about uranium mining issues in Northern Saskatchewan "Media Resistances (2018)" (08:41) - Directed by Ashton Janvier who, with Candyece Paul , will be available to answer questions, about uranium mining issues in Northern Saskatchewan "Greetings from Lindsay Newland Bowker ," (8:00min) Principal Compiler & Analyst, World Mine Tailings Failures, compiler@WorldMineTailingsFailures.org							
9:00 - 9:45 PM	Last shuttles going back to Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way)							
Saturday September 29 (WMAN 2018 Conference at Thompson Rivers University)								
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7:30 - 8:15 AM	Shuttles from Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way) to TRU Conference site							
8:00 - 8:45 AM	Registration at TRU (outside of Grand Hall Room, second floor of the Campus Activity Centre)							
8:45 - 10:20 AM	Plenary: From Perpetual Pollution to Mine Waste Spills to Abandoned Mines: How To Prevent Future Disasters? (Grand Hall) Opening by Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation Elder Garlene Dodson Panelists: - Earl L. Hatley , Cherokee/Wendate Grand Riverkeeper, LEAD Agency (Oklahoma) - "Tar Creek Lead-Zinc Superfund Site: Dealing with Multigenerational Water Impacts" - Jacinda Mack , Xat'sull Nation (BC), First Nations Advocating Responsible Mining (FNWARM), Stand for Water Campaign (S4W) - "Mount Polley Mine Waste Disaster, Four Years After: A Community Perspective" - Bruno Milanez , Senior lecturer at Juiz de Fora Federal University (Minas Gerais state, Brazil) and Coordinator at Politics, Economy, Mining, Environment and Society Research Group (PoEMAS) - "Fundão Mine Dam Collapse (Brazil): The Rio Doce Disaster" - Judith Marshall , Associate of the Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (York University, Toronto), formerly at Global Affairs at United Steelworkers Moderator: Paul Robinson , Southwest Research & Information Center (New Mexico)							
10:20 - 10:35 AM	Break (Morning snack available)							
10:35 - 12:00 PM	Regional WMAN Caucus meetings for all attendees Connect with other WMAN participants from your region; discuss issues & next steps to keep connected forward; elect your regional delegates to WMAN Steering Committee for 2018-2020 (including alternates). <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">Canada national & regional (Grand Hall)</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">US Alaska & Northwest (The Terrace - 2nd floor)</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">US Southwest, Southcentral & Southeast (The Den - 2nd floor)</td> <td style="width: 25%; text-align: center;">US Great Lakes & Great Plains (Alpine room - 1st floor)</td> </tr> </table>				Canada national & regional (Grand Hall)	US Alaska & Northwest (The Terrace - 2nd floor)	US Southwest, Southcentral & Southeast (The Den - 2nd floor)	US Great Lakes & Great Plains (Alpine room - 1st floor)
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12:00 - 1:30 PM	Lunch at TRU (Grand Hall) Last Chance to Finalize Election of New WMAN Steering Committee Members: National, Regional, Indigenous, Legal/Technical, Uranium, Youth							
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	Perpetual Treatment & Care of Mine Sites (Working Group)	Getting Started & Organizing 101	Uranium Mining No More & In-Situ Mining Impacts	Community-Based Human Rights & Gender Impact Assessment				
1:30 - 3:00 PM	Facilitator: - John Hadder , Great Basin Resource Watch (Nevada) - How to frame the issue? What definitions to use? - Breakout sessions to (a) share concrete cases & experiences and (b) policy precedents & discussions. - Identify future work & goals of working group	Facilitators: - Jill Yordy , PhD student in Public Affairs at University of Colorado, Brooks Range Council member, WMAN Steering Committee member - Kai Nagata , Communications director, Dogwood (BC)	Facilitators: - Candyece Paul , English River First Nation (Saskatchewan), Committee for Future Generations, WMAN Steering Committee Member - Leona Morgan , Dine No Nuke, WMAN Steering Committee member - Paul Robinson , Southwest Research & Information Center (New Mexico)	Panelists (self-moderated): - Ian Thompson , Policy Specialist, Extractive Industries, Oxfam - Catherine Coumans , Research & Asia-Pacific Coordinator, MiningWatch Canada - Verna Power , Lake Babine First Nation (BC), First Nations Women Advocating Responsible Mining - Ginger Gibson , Director Firelight Group, coauthor of Indigenous Communities & Industrial Camps (2017)				
3:00-3:20 PM	Break and transition to BC Centre, where afternoon snacks are available							
3:20 - 4:30 PM	Plenary (BC Centre Room) Share Your Inspirational & Success Stories, Actions & Strategies Leading to Positive Change (contact Ugo Lapointe, MiningWatch Canada, for suggested stories)							
4:30 - 5:00 PM	Plenary (BC Centre Room) Introducing WMAN's New Steering Committee Members & Closing Remarks							
5:00 - 6:30 PM	Break - Bid on Silent Auction Items							
5:30 - 6:30 PM	New Steering Committee Meeting (Summit Room)							
6:30 - 9:00 PM	Social Banquet Dinner with Silent Auction (Grand Hall) - You've Got Musical or other Talents ? Show Us !							
9:00 - 9:45 PM	Last shuttles going back to Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way)							
Sunday, September 30th, 2018 (Optional Mount Polley Mine Tour/Conference Participants Depart)								
7:30 AM	Departures from Ramada Hotel (555 West Columbia St) & Wingate by Wyndham Hotel (1180 Rogers Way) for Williams Lake & the Mount Polley Site Tour (participants for this tour must be pre-registered and confirmed)							