

Partnering for

Prosperity

Yá thi Néné

Joint Implementation Committee



2017 Report

to community members of

Black Lake Denesuline
First Nation

Camsell Portage

Fond du Lac Denesuline
First Nation

Hatchet Lake Denesuline
First Nation

Stony Rapids

Uranium City

Wollaston Lake

Message from the Joint Implementation Committee

The Yá thi Néné Collaboration Agreement (CA) is an industry and regional partnership intended to promote and enhance the environmental, social, cultural and economic well-being of residents in the Athabasca Basin of northern Saskatchewan.

The CA was signed between Cameco, Orano (formerly AREVA), and the seven Athabasca Basin communities of Black Lake First Nation, Fond du Lac First Nation, Hatchet Lake First Nation, Stony Rapids, Wollaston Lake, Uranium City and Camsell Portage in mid-2016.

The Yá thi Néné Lands and Resources (YNLR) office supports the work of the CA on behalf of Athabasca communities. Guided by its board of directors, with representation from all communities, the YNLR serves as a key contact point between industry, government and residents in the Athabasca Basin communities.

Significant progress has been made in 2017. Aligned with values of the CA and the four pillars of engagement, examples include:

Workforce Development

- Promotion of education and workforce development opportunities for Athabasca residents, including the development of a new scholarship program;
- Employment of two summer students to support the Yá thi Néné Land and Resources office.

Business Development

- Coordination with Eligible Businesses including: West Wind Aviation Limited Partnership, Team Drilling Limited Partnership, as well as Provider of Choice Points Athabasca Contracting Limited Partnership.

Community Engagement and Environmental Stewardship

- Support AJES in addressing community engagement and community environmental capacity.

Community Investment

- Preserving the language, culture and traditional land use of the Denesuline First Nation communities through a biannual, on-the-land Science and Culture Camp.



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Business Development

In 2017, the Business Advisory Committee met twice, reviewing the ongoing progress toward achieving the business development objectives of the collaboration agreement.

The Eligible Businesses are:

- PACL
- Flyer Electric
- Athabasca Catering
- West Wind Aviation
- Athabasca Basin Security
- Points North Group of Companies
- Team Drilling
- Tru-North RV, Auto and Marine
- Arctic Beverages

From 2016 to 2020, the business development objective is for Cameco and Orano to spend \$250 million with the Eligible Businesses from the Athabasca Basin. By the end of 2017, spending reached approximately \$192 million - or 77% - of that goal.

2018 will be a challenging year for the uranium mining companies, but they remain committed to continue working collaboratively with Eligible Businesses in the Athabasca Basin.

During the year the BAC gained a new member, Mr. Ray Macdonald, to replace the outgoing Mr. Rick Robillard, who joined the uranium mining companies as the community liaison for Stony Rapids / Black Lake. Attendance was perfect for the year, by all BAC members.



Community Investment

With two annual payments (2016 and 2017) from Cameco and Orano flowing to the Athabasca Community Trust in 2017, several worthy projects received funding in the Athabasca Basin.

Here are some of the many projects that were approved for funding in 2017:

- Arena renovations (Black Lake)
- Playground (Fond du Lac)
- Christmas Festival (Hatchet Lake)
- Early literacy (Stony Rapids)
- Housing renovations (Hatchet Lake)
- Canoe Quest (Fond du Lac)
- Home efficiency renovations (Black Lake)
- Nutrition program (Stony Rapids)
- Culture camp (Hatchet Lake)
- Fire Hall (Fond du Lac)
- Playground (Black Lake)

Under the guidance of a Corporate Trustee (TD Wealth) and trustees (members of the Communities), there are permitted uses for community investment payments.

Our Progress

Workforce Development

The 2017 Athabasca Basin Employment Numbers as of November 30, 2017 include:

Joint Orano / Cameco Employees

Black Lake (Liaison)
1 Athabasca resident employee
Fond du Lac (Liaison)
1 Athabasca resident employee

Cameco Corporation:

Cigar Lake 32 Athabasca resident employees
+ 10 Athabasca urban employees
Key Lake 2 Athabasca urban employees
McArthur River 3 Athabasca resident employees
+ 4 Athabasca urban employees
Rabbit Lake 11 Athabasca resident employees
+ 8 Athabasca urban employees

Total Cameco Employees: 70 Athabasca Employees

- Orano Canada has met its obligation to hire an Environmental Trainee in the 2017.
- Cameco Corporation is still in the process of hiring in 2018.
- Orano Canada and Cameco have met their summer employment obligation for 2017. They hired 5 student positions each.
- Orano Canada has hired a Mine Site Elder for McClean Lake in 2017.
- Cameco Corporation is hiring a new Cigar Lake Elder in 2018.
- The JIC has recommended and reviewed the 2017 performance objectives for each Community Relations – Liaison.



Orano Canada:

McClean Lake 41 Athabasca Basin Employees
(24 have their pick up points outside the Athabasca Basin)

Total Orano Employees: 41 Athabasca Basin Employees

Environment and Engagement

The Athabasca Joint Engagement and Environmental Subcommittee (AJES) held four meetings in 2017.

Several members took part in a tour of the Beaverlodge decommissioned properties

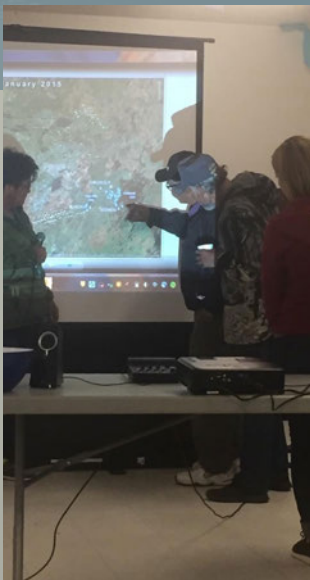
in Uranium City. In addition, a community meeting and supper was held in Hatchet Lake where individuals could speak directly to the AJES members about environmental concerns and Cameco and Orano operations.

Several topics were presented and discussed during the meetings. The McClean Lake licensing renewal, Saskatchewan

Woodland Caribou study results, site monitoring and regulatory overview were a few of the topics discussed throughout the year. Following a review of the Community Based Environmental Monitoring Program (CBEMP), which was the new name given to the Athabasca Working Group (AWG) monitoring program, the AJES accepted to alter the program over the next four years which will focus on the traditional food consumption in each of the communities.

The subcommittee continued to receive updates on the activities at Cigar Lake, Rabbit Lake and McClean Lake during the subcommittee meetings throughout the year and discussed the 2018 exploration activities for Cameco and Orano.

The committee members for 2017 were Diane McDonald (YTN), Georgie McDonald (Fond du Lac), Paul Denecheze (Hatchet Lake) Denise Bougie (Municipalities), Carolanne Inglis-McQuay (Orano), and Janna Switzer (Cameco).



2017 Financial Highlights

Community
investment

\$8.0* M

Workforce
development

\$12.9 M

Cameco and Orano Salaries

\$107.3 M

Business
development

\$86.4 M

*The trust was established in Q1 of 2017,
therefore two annual payments were
made in 2017.

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