

Western Mining Action Network - 2018 Biennial Conference

Uniting for Healthy Lands, Waters and Future Generations

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

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

| Thursday September 27 (Optional Mine Tour & Indigenous SSN Event) | | | | |
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| 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 Musueum, 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 | | | |
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| 6:00 - 7:00 PM | Dinenr 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'emplupsemc te Secwepemc Nation & the Western Mining Action Network (Grand Hall Room, 2nd floor of Campus Activity Center) | | | |
| 8:45 - 10:15 AM | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening by Stk'emplupsemc te Secwepemc Nation Elder Russell Casimir & Welcoming Remarks by Jeanette Jules, T'kemplupSSN 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 - <i>Introduction of WMAN 2018 Participants - Facilitator: Ugo Lapointe, MiningWatch Canada & WMAN Co-Chair</i> | | | |
| 10:15 - 10:30 | Break (Morning snack available) | | | |
| 10:30 - 12:00 | 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 |
| | <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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 | <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Paul Robinson, Research Director, Southwest Research and Information Center, New Mexico | <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tara Lamothe-Ammerlaan, Project manager, Fair Mining Collaborative, WMAN steering Committee Member (BC) - Nick Graham, Environmental Scientist (hydrology & hydrogeology), Sierra Fund US | <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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) <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Jamie Kneen, Communication Director, MiningWatch Canada |

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| 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, <i>Litigation Coordinator, Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation (British Columbia)</i> - " <i>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</i> " - Tina Van Zile, <i>Environmental Director and former Vice-Chair off Mole Lake Sokaogon Chippewa Community (Wisconsin)</i> - " <i>Unlikely Alliances: Efforts, Challenges & Successes in Protecting our Lands From Mining and other Developments</i> " - Ana Simeon, <i>Fundraising Campaigns Director, RAVEN (Respecting Aboriginal Values & Environmental Needs)</i> - " <i>Launching SSN's Title Rights Campaign</i> " Moderator: - Carla Rae Marshall, <i>Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Member (South Dakota), Black Hills Clean Water Alliance, WMAN Co-Chair</i> | | | |
| 3:15 - 3:30 PM | Break (Afternoon snack available) | | | |
| 3:30 - 5:00 PM | Track 1: Technical/Legal/Policy (Alpine Room) | Track 2: Skillsbuilding/Toolkit (The Terrace - 2nd floor) | Track 3: Topical Issues (Mountain Room) | Track 4: Environmental & Social Assessments (Grand Hall) |
| | 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 |
| | Panelists: - Sue Moodie, <i>DrPH, toxicologist, Council for Public Health in Mining Communities (Yukon)</i> - Johnnye Lewis, <i>PhD, Director Community Environmental Health Program, Center for Native Environmental Health Equity Research & UNM METALS, University of New Mexico</i> | Panelists: - Liz Banse, <i>Vice-president, Resource Media (Seattle)</i> - Kai Nagata, <i>Communications director, Dogwood (BC)</i> | Panelists: - Candyce Paul, <i>English River First Nation (Saskatchewan), Committee for Future Generations, WMAN Steering Committee Member.</i> - John Gaedeke, <i>Brooks Range Council Chairman (Alaska).</i> - Lewis Rifkind, <i>Mining analyst, Yukon Conservation Society</i> Moderator: - Jill Yordy, <i>PhD Student in Public Affairs University of Colorado, WMAN Steering Committee member, Brooks Range Council member</i> | Panelists : - Ginger Gibson, <i>Director Firelight Group, coauthor Impact Assessment in the Arctic: Emerging Practices of Indigenous-Led Review (2018)</i> - Alistair MacDonald, <i>Firelight Group, Environmental Assessment Support, formally working for Mackenzie Valley Review Board (NWT).</i> - Robert Simon, <i>Litigation Coordinator, Stk'emlupsemc Te Secwepemc Nation (for discussion periode)</i> |
| 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 Candyce 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 Candyce 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) | | | | |
| 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 - 10:20 AM | Plenary: From Perpetual Pollution to Mine Waste Spills to Abandoned Mines: How To Prevent Future Disasters? (Grand Hall) <i>Opening by Stk'emlupsemc te Secwepemc Nation Elder Garlene Dodson</i> Panelists: - Earl L. Hatley, <i>Cherokee/Wendate Grand Riverkeeper, LEAD Agency (Oklahoma)</i> - " <i>Tar Creek Lead-Zinc Superfund Site: Dealing with Multigenerational Water Impacts</i> " - Jacinda Mack, <i>Xat'sull Nation (BC), First Nations Advocating Responsible Mining (FNWARM), Stand for Water Campaign (S4W)</i> - " <i>Mount Polley Mine Waste Disaster. Four Years After: A Community Perspective</i> " - Bruno Milanez, <i>Senior lecturer at Juiz de Fora Federal University (Minas Gerais state, Brazil) and Coordinator at Politics, Economy, Mining, Environment and Society Research Group (PoEMAS)</i> - " <i>Fundão Mine Dam Collapse (Brazil): The Rio Doce Disaster</i> " - Judith Marshall, <i>Associate of the Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean (York University, Toronto), formerly at Global Affairs at United Steelworkers</i> Moderator: Paul Robinson , <i>Southwest Research & Information Center (New Mexico)</i> | | | |
| 10:20 - 10:35 AM | Break (Morning snack available) | | | |

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| 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). | | | |
| | 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) |
| 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 | | | |
| 1:30 - 3:00 PM | Track 1: Technical/Legal/Policy (Alpine Room - 1st floor) | Track 2: Skillsbuilding/Toolkit (The Terrace - 2nd floor) | Track 3: Topical Issues (The Den - 2nd floor) | Track 4: Environmental & Social Assessments (Grand Hall) |
| | 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 |
| | 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: - Candyce 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) | | | |