



# PRINCE GEORGE TREATY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Terry Burgess, Director, Electoral Area 'G'  
Regional District of Fraser-Fort George  
Vice-Chair: Mike Moseley, Councillor, Village of McBride  
Assistant: Nancy Floris, Confidential Assistant  
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## INFORMATION REPORT

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### **February 25, 2009**

This report provides a summary of the February 20, 2009 PGTAC meeting for member local governments participating in the Prince George Treaty Advisory Committee.

#### **Elections and Appointments:**

PGTAC welcomed returning appointees Director Terry Burgess, Regional District of Fraser-Fort George and Mayor Stephanie Killam, District of Mackenzie, and a number of new appointees as follows:

Bill Arkinstall, Councillor, District of Houston  
Quinten Beach, Councillor, Village of Burns Lake  
Dave Birdi, Councillor, District of Fort St James  
Tom Greenaway, Director, Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako  
Mike Moseley, Councillor, Village of McBride  
Linda Mowat, Councillor, Village of Fraser Lake  
Debora Munoz, Councillor, City of Prince George  
Cynthia Piper, Councillor, Village of Valemount  
Jim Woodruff, Councillor, District of Vanderhoof

Director Terry Burgess of the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George was elected as the Chair of the PGTAC for 2009 and Councillor Mike Moseley of the Village of McBride was elected Vice-Chair.

#### **Treaty Negotiation Team Appointments:**

As provided by a Memorandum of Understanding between UBCM and the Province of BC, local government representatives are members and respected advisors on provincial negotiation teams throughout all stages of the treaty process.

In the PGTAC region, both the Yekooche First Nation near Fort St James and the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation near Prince George are at Stage 5 Final Agreement negotiations. PGTAC members received an update on negotiations with the Yekooche First Nation from provincial negotiators in a closed session.

Councillor Debora Munoz of the City of Prince George was appointed the PGTAC representative to the Lheidli T'enneh negotiations. Director Terry Burgess of the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George will be the alternate.

Director Tom Greenaway of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako was appointed the PGTAC representative to the Yekooche negotiations, with Councillor Dave Birdi of the District of Fort St James appointed as alternate.

### **Quick Fact, from PGTAC “Frequently Asked Questions”**

Since any granting of land or rights for treaties is bound to encroach on existing rights, what is the policy on third party compensation?

One of the major principles that guide the provincial government treaty negotiations at the treaty table is that the terms and conditions of leases and licenses should be respected and that fair compensation for unavoidable disruption of commercial interests should be ensured.

Note: Copies of the PGTAC Frequently Asked Questions are available by contacting Nancy Floris, Confidential Assistant (Human Resources) at [nfloris@rdffg.bc.ca](mailto:nfloris@rdffg.bc.ca) or 250.960.4414.

#### **Next meeting:**

The next meeting of PGTAC will be at the call of the Chair.