

Update on the JBACE's Workshop:

Acquisition and Dissemination of Environmental and Social Knowledge on the Eeyou Istchee James Bay Territory

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JBACE's Objectives

- 1. Establish a coordinated environmental and social knowledge acquisition program.
- 2. Collaborate with research centres, and the Territory's regional and local bodies to establish the program.
- ⇒ Strengthen the acquisition, dissemination and communication of knowledge on northern regions (namely, northern Québec).

Workshop held on March 19th and 20th 2014 in Mistissini

- University researchers(U. of Laval, McGill, McMaster, UQAT);
- Research centres (Center for Northern Studies, OURANOS);
- Cree Local Environment Administrators;
- Cree Board of Health and Social Services of James Bay;
- Cree-Québec Forestry Board;
- Cree Mineral Exploration Board;
- Cree Research and Development Institute;
- Cree Trappers' Association;
- Cree Hunters and Trappers Income Security Board;

- FauneENord;
- Cree Nation Government;
- Administration régionale Baie James;
- MDDEFP and MRN representatives;
- > Hydro-Québec;
- ➤ Kativik Environmental Advisory Committee;
- Table jamésienne de concertation minière;
- Secrétariat au développement nordique;
- Representatives from Section 22 JBNQA review bodies.



Key Discussion Points

- A. Constraints to acquisition and dissemination of knowledge relating to the Territory (including local or traditional knowledge);
- B. Transparency, confidentiality and facilitating access to information;
- C. Enhancing the 'uptake' of local or traditional knowledge;
- D. Capacities of communities and of local and regional bodies to the said use information.
- ⇒ Definition of concerted knowledge acquisition and dissemination program (existing examples, institutional form, creation of a database).

Key Results from the Workshop

1. Develop a knowledge web

- > Interactive network and database of information;
- > Interfaces and information tailored for various stakeholders.

2. Develop a systematized portal for planning research

- ➤ Collaboration on research questions (co-production);
- Coordination of information exchange (transparency and confidentiality).

Next Steps

- ⇒ Currently working on the minutes of the workshop;
- ⇒ Analyse results and conclusions;
- ⇒ Follow-up with research centers and regional and local bodies.



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