## NWT ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITIES Yellowknife, N.W.T.

NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS For the year ended March 31, 2023

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## MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR REPORTING

The accompanying non-consolidated financial statements have been prepared by management, which is responsible for the reliability, integrity and objectivity of the information provided. They have been prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. Where necessary, the statements include amounts that are based on informed judgments and estimates by management, giving appropriate consideration to reasonable limits of materiality.

In discharging its responsibility for the integrity and fairness of the non-consolidated financial statements and for the accounting systems from which they are derived, management maintains the necessary system of internal controls designed to provide assurance that transactions are authorized, assets are safeguarded, and proper records are maintained. These controls include quality standards in hiring and training employees, written policies and procedures manuals, and accountability for performance within appropriate and well-defined areas of responsibility. The Board's management recognizes its responsibility for conducting the Board's affairs in accordance with the requirements of applicable laws and sound business principles, and for maintaining appropriate standards of conduct.

Avery Cooper & Co. Ltd. Chartered Professional Accountants provide an independent, objective audit to express an opinion on the non-consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards.

Sara Brown, P.Eng. Chief Executive Officer NWT Association of Communities

September 25, 2023

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#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT**

To the members of NWT Association of Communities

#### Opinion

We have audited the Non-Consolidated financial statements of NWT Association of Communities (the "Association"), which comprise the Non-Consolidated Statement of Financial Position as at March 31, 2023, and the Non-Consolidated Statements of Operations, Changes in Net Assets, and Cash Flows for the years then ended, and notes to the Non-Consolidated financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying Non-Consolidated financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the Non-Consolidated financial position of the Association as at March 31, 2023, and the Non-Consolidated results of its operations and its Non-Consolidated cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audits in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audits of the Non-Consolidated financial statements in Canada, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained in our audits is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Non-Consolidated financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of Non-Consolidated financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the Non-Consolidated financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Non-Consolidated Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Non-Consolidated financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these Non-Consolidated financial statements. As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

#### **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT, continued**

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the Non-Consolidated financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the Non-Consolidated financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the Non-Consolidated financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the Non-Consolidated financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

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Avery Cooper & Co. Ltd. Chartered Professional Accountants Yellowknife, NT

September 25, 2023

### NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

March 31, 2023

#### ASSETS

	2023	2022
CURRENT Cash Term deposit (note 3) Accounts receivable (note 4) Prepaid expenses and deposits	\$ 959,610 142,345 152,291 21,788	\$ 961,472 135,883 384,475 13,469
Government remittances receivable (note 7)	11,128	5,284
	1,287,162	1,500,583
INVESTMENTS (note 5)	165,970	179,411
TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS (note 6)	9,437	9,000
	<u>\$ 1,462,569</u>	<u>\$ 1,688,994</u>
LIABILITIES		
CURRENT		
Wages and benefits payable Trade payables and accruals Contributions repayable	\$ 95,050 78,861	\$ 72,268 128,240 6,150
Deferred revenue (note 8)	251,938	282,495
	425,849	489,153
EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS (note 9)	79,592	71,706
	505,441	560,859
RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS (note 10)		
NET ASSETS		
RESERVES (NOTE 16) per page 3	200,000	200,000
ACCUMULATED SURPLUS per page 3	747,691	919,135
INVESTED IN CAPITAL ASSETS per page 3	9,437	9,000
	957,128	1,128,135
	\$ 1,462,569	\$ 1,688,994

Approved:

Director

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## NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS

	2023 Budget note 12	_	2023 Actual		2022 Actual
REVENUES					
Contributions for special projects	\$ 1,085,000	\$	906,561	\$	996,164
Admin recoveries	566,400	Ψ	567,883	ψ	572,114
GNWT core funding	230,000		230,000		230,000
Annual General Meetings	125,000		117,061		230,000
Membership fees	113,550		117,001		- 112,555
Supportive membership	15,000		15,000		112,555
Investment income	10,000		10,395		6,056
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	2,144,950		1,961,487		1,931,889
EXPENSES					
Annual General Meeting	100,000		128,302		400
Communications	9,000		7,595		7,327
Computer	15,000		11,739		21,172
Honoraria	15,000		16,060		13,200
Insurance	1,200		326		1,048
Interest and bank charges	2,300		1,948		2,286
Memberships	2,500		2,485		1,908
Office and administration	7,500		8,584		4,321
Office photocopy	3,000		3,077		1,297
Office publications	1,500		3,032		499
Professional fees	34,000		37,231		26,550
Rent	56,000		50,415		53,701
Salaries and benefits	1,035,000		1,089,063		903,831
Special projects	820,000		719,369		801,977
Travel - Board members	22,000		25,332		3,148
Travel - CEO	16,000		16,093		828
Travel - Staff			3,751		-
	2,140,000	_	2,124,402		1,843,493
EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER					
EXPENSES FROM OPERATIONS	4,950		(162,915)		88,396
<b>OTHER INCOME (EXPENSES)</b>					
Amortization of tangible capital assets	(4,500)		(4,827)		(3,288)
Gain on sale of investments	-		4,427		14,522
Bad debts	-		(9,418)		(3,999)
Change in market value of investments	-		1,726		4,153
	(4,500)		(8,092)		11,388
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EXCESS (DEFICIENCY) OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	<u>\$ 450</u>	\$	(171,007)	\$	99,784

## NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	 Reserves (note 16)	Ac	ccumulated Surplus	-	nvested in tal Assets	 Total 2023	 Total 2022
BALANCE, opening	\$ 200,000	\$	919,135	\$	9,000	\$ 1,128,135	\$ 1,028,351
(Deficiency) excess of revenues over expenses per page 2	-		(171,007)		-	(171,007)	99,784
Amortization of tangible capital assets	-		4,827		(4,827)	-	-
Purchase of tangible capital assets	 		(5,264)		5,264	 _	 
BALANCE, closing	\$ 200,000	\$	747,691	\$	9,437	\$ 957,128	\$ 1,128,135

## NON-CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	2023	2022
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES (note 19) Cash received from:		
GNWT contributions	\$ 1,024,220	\$ 699,095
Fees, recoveries, and other	729,673	798,810
Government of Canada contributions	371,423	366,646
Investment income	7,931	6,980
	2,133,247	1,871,531
Cash paid for:		
Materials and services	1,083,932	895,629
Salaries and benefits	1,057,320	905,020
	2,141,252	1,800,649
	(8,005)	70,882
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Increase in term deposit	(6,463)	(4,076)
Proceeds from sale of investments	17,870	-
Purchase of investments	-	(6,979)
Purchase of tangible capital assets	(5,264)	(3,982)
	6,143	(15,037)
(DECREASE) INCREASE IN CASH	(1,862)	55,845
CASH, opening	961,472	905,627
CASH, closing	\$ 959,610	<u>\$ 961,472</u>

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS March 31, 2023

#### **1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS**

NWT Association of Communities (the "Association" or "NWTAC") is a not-for-profit organization incorporated on November 21, 1973 under the *Societies Act* of the Northwest Territories. NWTAC provides administrative and support services to its membership, Northern Communities Insurance Program (NCIP), and Northern Communities Insurance Exchange (NORCIX). The Association is exempt from income taxes under paragraph 149(1)(l) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada).

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

These Non-Consolidated financial statements are prepared in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations. The significant accounting policies are detailed as follows:

#### (a) **Basis of presentation**

The Association has elected to report each controlled entity by providing the disclosure as set out in Note 10. Accordingly, these non-consolidated financial statements present the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of NWTAC and exclude the accounts of NCIP and NORCIX. The financial position, results of operations and cash flows of NCIP and NORCIX are presented in a separate set of financial statements that do not include the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Association.

#### (b) Cash equivalents

The Association considers all investments with maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition, and bank loans with no fixed terms of repayment to be cash equivalents.

#### (c) Financial instruments

The Association initially measures its financial assets and liabilities at fair value, except for certain non-arm's length transactions. The Association subsequently measures all its financial assets and financial liabilities at amortized cost, except for investments in equity instruments that are quoted in an active market, which are measured at fair value. Changes in fair value are recognized in net income.

#### (d) Tangible capital assets

Tangible capital assets are recorded at cost. The Association provides for amortization using the straight-line method at rates designed to amortize the cost of the tangible capital assets over their estimated useful lives. One half of the year's amortization is recorded in the year of acquisition. No amortization is recorded in the year of disposal. The annual amortization rates are as follows:

Computer equipment	3 years
Office equipment	5 years

Amortization of leasehold improvements is recorded over the remaining term of the lease plus the first renewal option.

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS March 31, 2023

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued

#### (d) Tangible capital assets, continued

Contributed capital assets are recorded at fair value at the date of contribution. When fair value cannot be reasonably determined, the contributed capital asset is recorded at nominal value.

#### (e) Employee future benefits

Under the terms and conditions of employment, the Association's long-term employees may earn post-employment severance benefits based on years of service which can be carried forward. The benefits are paid upon resignation or retirement of an employee. The expected cost of providing such benefits accrue when employees render service, provided that payment of the benefits is probable and the amount can be reasonably estimated.

#### (f) Pension plan

Defined contribution plan accounting is applied to a multi-employer plan, whereby contributions are expensed when due as the Association has insufficient information to apply defined benefit plan accounting.

#### (g) Revenue recognition

The Association follows the deferral method of accounting for contributions. Externally restricted contributions received or receivable related to expenses of future years are deferred and recognized as revenue in the same year or years in which the related expenses are incurred.

Restricted contributions for the purchase of capital assets that will be amortized are deferred and recognized as revenue on the same basis as the amortization expense related to the acquired capital assets.

Restricted contributions for expenses of the current year are recognized as revenue in the current year.

Unrestricted contributions are recognized as revenue in the current year when received or receivable if the amount to be received can be reasonably estimated and ultimate collection is reasonably assured.

Membership fees are recognized as revenue when received or receivable.

#### (h) Government assistance

Government and other grants related to tangible capital assets are accounted for as deferred government assistance and amortized on the same basis as the related tangible capital assets. Operating grants are accounted for as revenue when earned.

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS March 31, 2023

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, continued

#### (i) Contributed materials and services

The Association recognizes contributions of materials and services, but only when a fair value can be reasonably estimated and when the materials and services are used in the normal course of the Association's operations and would otherwise have been purchased.

#### (j) Allocation of expenses

The Association engages in administrative and support services. The costs of special projects include the costs of personnel, premises and other expenses that are directly related to providing the special projects. NWTAC also incurs a number of general support expenses that are common to the administration of the Association and each of its special projects. Accordingly, such expenses are allocated among special projects consistently each year based on time, space, per capita basis, or proportionately on the same percentage as the direct costs of the project.

General support, including communications, computer, insurance, office and administration, office photocopy, office publications, and postage and courier expenses, are allocated to special projects on a per capita basis. Rent expense is allocated based on square footage. Salaries and benefits expense is allocated based on actual time.

#### (k) Measurement uncertainty

The preparation of these non-consolidated financial statements in conformity with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations requires management to make certain judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of accounting policies and the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the non-consolidated financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Significant estimates are used in determining the useful lives of depreciable assets, employee future benefits, and allocating common administrative and general support expenses to special projects.

## NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

#### **3. TERM DEPOSIT**

The Association invests in redeemable guaranteed investment certificates (GICs) with the Bank of Montreal, with annual interest rates of 3.55% and 5.05%, an aggregate cost of \$139,000 (2022 - \$135,000), a fair value of \$142,345 (2022 - \$135,883) including accrued interest, maturing May 31, 2023 and Feburary 14, 2024.

#### 4. ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE

		2023		2022
Contributions for special projects:				
GNWT - HSS - Community Healthy Living	\$	-	\$	37,500
GNWT - HSS - The Dope Experience		-		220,207
GNWT - HSS - Community Vaccine Promotion Fund		11,314		22,522
GNWT - ENR- Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund		-		2,000
GNWT - ENR- Plain Language Document		-		3,200
GNWT - ENR- Community Land Use Planning		43,175		-
GNWT - MACA - Mayor and chiefs Boot Camp 2022-2023		35,000		-
		89,489		285,429
Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada				
(CIRNAC)		-		56,185
Annual General Meeting		3,500		7,700
Membership fees		3,556		18,354
Interest income		3,345		882
Admin recoveries & Other		66,819		20,925
		166,709		389,475
Less: Allowance for doubtful accounts		14,418		5,000
	<u>\$</u>	152,291	<u>\$</u>	384,475

#### 5. INVESTMENTS

Investments consist of common and preferred shares managed by the Bank of Montreal with an aggregate cost of \$133,737 (2022 - \$124,170) and market value of \$165,970 (2022 - \$179,411). Net investment income for the period is as follows:

### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

#### 5. INVESTMENTS, continued

	 2023	 2022
Realized investment income: Interest from term deposit Dividends from investments in shares Gain on sale of investments	\$ 4,067 6,328 4,427	\$ 1,259 4,797 14,522
Unrealized investment income:	14,822	20,578
Change in market value of investments	 1,725	 4,153
Net investment income	\$ 16,547	\$ 24,731

### 6. TANGIBLE CAPITAL ASSETS

			2023	 2022
	 Cost	 ccumulated nortization	 Net	 Net
Computer equipment Leasehold improvements Office equipment	\$ 21,431 132,523 23,149	\$ 14,606 132,523 20,537	\$ 6,825 - 2,612	\$ 4,646 - 4,354
	\$ 177,103	\$ 167,666	\$ 9,437	\$ 9,000

### 7. GOVERNMENT REMITTANCES RECEIVABLE

	 2023	 2022
GST payable/receivable Payroll remittances payable	\$ 11,197 (69)	\$ 4,278 1,006
	\$ 11,128	\$ 5,284

#### 8. **DEFERRED REVENUE**

As detailed in Schedule 1, deferred revenue represents membership fees received in advance, and externally restricted money received related to future special project expenses to be recognized as revenue in the year in which the related expenses are incurred. Changes in deferred revenue during the period are summarized as follows:

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

#### 8. DEFERRED REVENUE, continued

	 2023	_	2022
Opening balance Cash funding received Contributions repayable Contributions receivable Adjustments Revenue recognized	\$ 282,495 1,202,368 (39,960) 65,060 - (1,258,025)	\$	212,855 1,567,902 (6,150) 287,929 (19,687) (1,760,354)
	\$ <u>251,938</u> 2023	\$	<u>282,495</u> 2022
Deferred revenue at March 31, 2023 consists of the following:			
Membership fees received in advance Annual general meeting revenue received in advance Contributions for special projects received in advance	\$ 4,658 - 247,280	\$	44,789 31,500 206,206
	\$ 251,938	\$	282,495

The Association has various contribution agreements with the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT), Departments of Environment and Natural Resources (ENR), Municipal and and Community Affairs (MACA), and Health and Social Services (HSS), to fund special projects. Agreements stipulate that any money advanced to NWTAC and not expended prior to the termination or expiry of the contract shall be refunded to the GNWT.

Salaries and benefits expenses allocated to special projects during the year is \$189,906 (2022 - \$211,384), representing the administration component of project costs. Such allocations are based on the provisions of the respective contribution agreements as a percentage of project costs. Total aggregate salaries and benefits expense of the Association during the year is \$1,089,063 (2022 - \$903,831).

Unexpended Video Based Learning Pilot Project funding of \$nil (2022 - \$6,150) repayable at yearend.

#### 9. EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS

Employees are entitled to severance pay if, among other things, an employee has 10 or more years of continuous employment, at the weekly rate of pay to a maximum of 13 weeks.

Changes during the period to employee future benefits are as follows:

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS March 31, 2023

#### 9. EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS, continued

	 2023	 2022
EMPLOYEE FUTURE BENEFITS, opening Severance benefits earned by employees during the year Severance benefits paid to employees during the year	\$ 71,706 7,886 -	\$ 78,020 16,326 (22,640)
	\$ 79,592	\$ 71,706
	 2023	 2022
DUE FROM RELATED PARTY, opening Severance benefits earned by employees during the period Severance benefits paid to employees during the year	\$ -	\$ 19,687 2,953 (22,640)
DUE FROM RELATED PARTY, closing	\$ _	\$ -

Net employee future benefits obligation is \$75,592 (2022 - \$71,706).

Except otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the obligation will not be settled within the coming year. Accordingly, the obligation is presented as a non-current liability on the non-consolidated statement of financial position.

The Association intends to recover NCIP's portion and settle the obligation simultaneously.

#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Parties related by direct control through a common Board of Directors include:

(a) Northern Communities Insurance Program (NCIP), a program offered to members of the NWTAC, which insures property, liability, automobile and other risks that communities in the NWT are required to insure. NCIP is subject to the same tax treatment as the NWTAC, and

(b) Northern Communities Insurance Exchange (NORCIX), an unincorporated formal Insurance Reciprocal Exchange licensed in the NWT, is governed by the NWT Insurance Act to administer insurance on behalf of NCIP subscribers. The Exchange is exempt from income taxes under paragraph 149.1(1)(d.3) of the *Income Tax Act* (Canada). The Exchange is economically dependent on the premiums paid into the Exchange by the subscribing communities of the Insurance Reciprocal Exchange.

The transactions, consisting of fees charged by the Association to provide various administrative services to related parties, are in the normal course of operations and are recorded at fair value. Such services include the cost for providing staff, offices, communications, and other office expenses. Except as otherwise noted, amounts due to or from related parties are unsecured, non-interest bearing, and due on demand, with no specified terms of repayment. Reimbursable expenses paid on behalf of related parties are excluded from revenues and expenses.

Transactions

## NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS, continued

	_	2023	 2022
Revenues			
Admin recoveries - NCIP	\$	476,400	\$ 484,780
Admin recoveries - NORCIX		91,453	87,334
AGM Sponsorship - NCIP		9,580	 
	\$	577,433	\$ 572,114

#### 11. CONTROLLED ENTITIES

Summary financial information at March 31, 2023 and for the year then ended from the most recent audited financial statements of NCIP and NORCIX are as follows:

	NCIP	NORCIX
Total assets Total liabilities	\$ 2,437,472 (36,762)	\$ 20,147,565 (3,270,111)
Net assets	<u>\$ 2,400,710</u>	<u>\$ 16,877,454</u>
Revenues	\$ 4,760,707	\$ 1,900,868 (2,621,252)
Expenses	(4,340,588)	(2,621,353)
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 420,119	<u>\$ (720,485)</u>
Net cash from operating activities	\$ (111,519)	\$ 1,008,614
Net cash used for investing activities	(9,557)	(1,048,396)
Decrease in cash	<u>(121,076)</u>	\$ (39,782)

At March 31, 2023 the net assets of NORCIX of \$16,877,454 (2022 - \$17,597,939) includes \$4,910,407 (2022 - \$5,880,177) in internally restricted net assets for its Loss Prevention Incentive Programs. Net assets of NCIP of \$2,400,710 (2022 - \$1,980,591) includes \$488,346 (2022 - \$243,716) in internally restricted net assets for its Loss Prevention Reserve.

## NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

#### **12. BUDGET AMOUNTS**

The 2023 budget included in the non-consolidated statement of operations on page 2 was approved by the Board of Directors on March 16, 2022, is unaudited, and is presented for information purposes only.

#### **13. COMMITMENTS**

The Association has entered into operating leases including for the premises expiring January 1, 2026 and office equipment expiring February 25, 2027. Future minimum lease payments for operating leases are as follows:

2024	\$ 18,560
2025	18,560
2026	15,725
2027	
	<u>\$ 54,265</u>

The operating lease for office space carries an option to extend the term for a further period of three years.

#### 14. **PENSION PLAN**

Eligible employees of the Association are members of the Northern Employee Benefits Services (NEBS) Pension Plan (the Plan), a contributory defined benefit plan. The Plan is administered by NEBS as part of benefits program providing insurance, health care and pension benefits for employees of member employers in the North. NEBS is a member owned, not-for-profit corporation of which the Association is a member.

The Plan is governed by the Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan Act (in force October 1, 2015) (the Act) and a Plan Text document maintained by the administrator of the Plan. Both the Act and the Plan Text document provide that participating employers are liable for their share of any funding shortfalls in the Plan as determined on a going concern basis, and on Plan windup. The Act and the Plan Text document provide that any going concern shortfalls, should they arise, are to be paid down over no more than 15 years and that contribution rates may be increased if necessary to do so.

Pursuant to the Act, the Plan is exempt from compliance with the Pension Benefits Standards Act, 1985 (PBSA) and is not required to be funded on a solvency basis.

As at January 1, 2022, the NEBS Pension Plan has a preliminary going concern surplus of \$81,300,000 (2021 - \$65,900,000) and a funded ratio of 127.0% (2021 - 124.0%). The Plan serves 3,789 employee members and 117 participating employers.

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

#### 14. PENSION PLAN, continued

Participating employers in the Plan, including the Association are required to make contributions to the plan of 8% (2022 - 8%) of pensionable earnings, and to remit employee contributions of 8% (2022 - 8%). These contributions cover current service costs and a provision for adverse deviation.

Sufficient information is not available to use defined benefit plan accounting. As such, defined contribution plan accounting is used. During the period, employee contributions to the Plan is \$69,698 (2022 - \$47,762), and employer contributions to the Plan is \$69,698 (2022 - \$47,762).

As at January 1, 2022, the Northern Employee Benefits Services Pension Plan is in a preliminary solvency deficiency position of \$124,834,834 (2021 - \$165,435,900). While the Association does not intend to terminate its participation in the Plan for the foreseeable future, the Association would be obligated, per the NEBS Act, for its share of the solvency deficiency upon withdrawal. The Association's obligation, as Plan Sponsor, would be calculated based on actuarial estimates for all active, deferred and retired employees.

#### **15. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS**

The Association's financial instruments consist of cash, term deposits, accounts receivable, investments, trade payables and accruals, contributions repayable, and wages and benefits payable. Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the Association is not exposed to significant interest rate, market, currency, credit, liquidity or cash flow risks arising from these financial instruments and that the fair value of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values, unless otherwise noted.

Transactions in financial instruments may result in an entity assuming or transferring to another party one or more of the financial risks described below. The required disclosures provide information that assists users of non-consolidated financial statements in assessing the extent of risk related to financial instruments.

The Association has credit cards limits totaling \$50,000 available from US Bank Canada, a division of U.S. Bank National Association.

#### Market risk

Market risk is the risk that the value of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market prices, whether the factors are specific to the instrument or all instruments traded in the market.

#### NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS March 31, 2023

#### 16. **RESERVES**

The NWTAC internally restricted \$200,000 (2022 - \$200,000) of the unrestricted accumulated surplus for the following reserves:

(i) a general reserve for \$50,000 (2022 - \$50,000) for future special projects at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

(ii) an operating reserve for \$150,000 (2022 - \$150,000) to stabilize the Association's finances by providing a cushion against unexpected events, losses of income, and large unbudgeted expenses.

No transfers made from or to the reserves in the current year.

#### **17. CONTRACTUAL RIGHTS**

The Association entered into the following multi-year contribution agreements with departments of the GNWT and the Government of Canada so the Association may continue to provide future services in the communities:

<u>Department</u>	Project / Term
GNWT - MACA	MACA Core Funding 2024-2026
Canada - CIRNAC	Climate Change Preparedness in the North (CCPN)
Canada- CIRNAC	Northern REACHE

Future maximum contributions remaining under these agreements are as follows:

2024	\$ 621,000
2025	627,100
2026	 396,100

#### **18. COMPARATIVE FIGURES**

Certain comparative amounts have been reclassified to conform to the current year's financial statement presentation.

1,644,200

## NOTES TO THE NON-CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

March 31, 2023

## 19. SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

The reconciliation during the period of the excess of revenues over expenses to cash flows used for operating activities is as follows:

	 2023	 2022
Excess of revenues over expenses per page 2 Items not requiring cash:	\$ (171,007)	\$ 99,784
Amortization of tangible capital assets	4,827	3,288
Change in market value of investments	(1,727)	(4,153)
Gain on sale of investments	(4,427)	(14,522)
Accrued interest income	-	(882)
Bad debts	 (9,418)	 (3,999)
	 (181,752)	 79,516
Net change in non-cash operating working capital accounts:		
Decrease (increase) in accounts receivable	232,200	(134,016)
(Increase) decrease in prepaid expenses and deposits	(8,319)	19,348
Increase wages and benefits payable	31,674	3,846
(Decrease) increase in trade payables and accruals	(45,101)	26,398
(Decrease) increase in contributions repayable	(6,150)	6,150
(Decrease) increase in deferred revenue	 (30,557)	 69,639
	 173,747	 (8,635)
Cash flows used for operating activities per page 4	\$ (8,005)	\$ 70,881

### SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED REVENUE

Projects	Opening balance	Cash funding received	r	Funding eceivable	Re	payments	Total funding available	Revenue recognized	Closing balance
ADMINISTRATIVE SOURCES									
Members									
Membership fees received in advance	\$ 44,789	\$ 70,901	\$	3,556	\$	-	\$ 119,246	\$ 114,587	4,658
Annual general meeting	31,500	82,061		3,500		-	117,061	117,061	-
Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM)      Climate Change Conference 2022      CONTRIBUTIONS	-	186,808		11,690		-	198,498	164,383	34,115
Government of Canada									
Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)									
Energy Pathfinders Project		46,200		-		-	46,200	46,200	-
INAC Municipal Building Foundation Evalutions 2020-2024	161,445	1,000		-		-	162,445	70,772	91,673
2022 Climate Change and Asset Management Conference	-	20,000		-		-	20,000	12,978	7,022
CIRNAC REACH	-	57,000		-		-	57,000	29,252	27,748
Climate Change Preparedness in the North	39,960	231,000		-		(39,960)	231,000	231,000	 
Total INAC	201,406	355,200		_		(39,960)	516,646	390,202	126,443
Total Government of Canada	201,406	355,200		_		(39,960)	516,646	390,202	126,443

### SCHEDULE OF DEFERRED REVENUE

	Opening	Cash funding	Funding		Total funding	Revenue	Closing
Projects	balance	received	receivable	Repayments	available	recognized	balance
Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT)							
GNWT - Department of Health and Social Services							
Anti-Poverty Roundtable	-	220,213	-	-	220,213	192,081	28,132
Community Vaccine Fund	-	8,009	11,314	-	19,323	19,323	-
Total HSS	-	228,222	11,314	-	239,536	211,404	28,132
GNWT - Department of Municipal and Community Affairs							
Core Support	-	230,000	-	-	230,000	230,000	-
Mayors Camp and Annual Conference	-	-	35,000	-	35,000	10,177	24,823
Total MACA	-	230,000	35,000	-	265,000	240,177	24,823
GNWT - Department of Environment and Natural Resources							
Community Land Use Planning	-	49,176	-	-	49,176	15,409	33,767
Plain Language Summary	4,800	-	-	-	4,800	4,800	_
Total ENR	4,800	49,176	-	-	53,976	20,209	33,767
Total GNWT	4,800	507,397	46,314	-	558,511	471,790	86,721
Total contributions	206,206	1,049,406	58,004	(39,960)	1,273,655	1,026,375	247,280
Total recoveries and contributions	\$ 282,495	\$ 1,202,368	\$ 65,060	\$ (39,960)	\$ 1,509,962	\$ 1,258,023	\$ 251,938

## SCHEDULE OF CLIMATE CHANGE PREPAREDNESS IN THE NORTH PROGRAM For the year ended March 31, 2023

	 2023 Budget	 2023 Actual
REVENUES		
Government of Canada: Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)	\$ 231,000	\$ 231,000
EXPENSES		
Salaries and wages	160,000	177,850
Travel, accommodation and meals	20,000	3,570
Training/workshops	27,000	25,580
Communications	2,000	2,000
Office supplies and equipment	1,000	1,000
Administration costs (10%)	 21,000	 21,000
	 231,000	 231,000
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ _	 -
AMOUNT DEFERRED FROM CIRNAC		
CIRNAC Project Cash Receipts	\$ 231,000	\$ 231,000
CIRNAC Project Funding Expended	 (231,000)	 (231,000)
Opening Deferred	-	
Amount Deferred	\$ -	\$ -

### SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL BUILDING FOUNDATION EVALUATIONS PROGRAM For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual
REVENUES		
Government of Canada:		
Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and		
Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)	\$ 1,000	\$ 70,772
EXPENSES		
Professional fees	-	2,000
Communications	-	3,500
Salaries and wages	4,150	3,137
Administration costs	13,863	13,863
Consulting fees	88,272	48,272
	106,285	70,772
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ (105,285)	
AMOUNT DEFERRED FROM CIRNAC		
CIRNAC Project Cash Receipts	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000
CIRNAC Project Funding Expended	(1,000)	(70,772)
Opening Deferred		161,445
Amount Deferred	\$ -	\$ 91,673

#### SCHEDULE OF CLEAN ENERGY PATHFINDERS PROGRAM For the year ended March 31, 2023

	2023 Budget	2023 Actual
REVENUES		
Government of Canada:		
Department of Crown-Indigenous Relations and		
Northern Affairs Canada (CIRNAC)	\$ 46,200	\$ 46,200
EXPENSES		
Salaries and wages	35,000	35,000
Communications	1,000	1,000
Office supplies	4,000	4,000
Audit costs	2,000	2,000
Administration fees	4,200	4,200
	46,200	46,200
EXCESS OF REVENUES OVER EXPENSES	\$ -	
AMOUNT DEFERRED FROM CIRNAC		
CIRNAC Project Cash Receipts	\$ 46,200	\$ 46,200
CIRNAC Project Funding Expended	(46,200)	(46,200)
Opening Deferred		-
Amount Deferred	\$ -	\$ -



# **Board Report**

Date:	February 29, 2024
Prepared By:	Yvonne Fleming
Regarding:	Financial Statement Notes for 2022-2023

As part of the presenting the NWTAC 2022-2023 we would like to clarify a few things that have resulted in the estimated budget to the actual bottom-line figure for year ended 2023. If you look at the overall picture of the budget to actual, most of the numbers are very close. However, I would like to highlight just a few things and we can have further discussion of this on January 16, 2024.

• Under Revenue, the biggest difference is contributions to special projects. We had estimated that we would receive funding for another special project but unfortunately the funder did not come through in the 2022-2023 year but

has in the 2023-2024 year. Our AGM revenue was slightly down from budget to actual.

- Under the Expenses, there are a few budget lines to highlight, the first is the Annual General Meeting. To say we have been trying to host our AGM in Hay River seems something out of a bad movie. In March 2022 we had to postpone our AGM until September 2022 due to COVID. Hay River again battled a flood and a fire therefore our June 2023 AGM has been postponed till February 2024. The cost of booking venues, the cost of food and the overall inflation rate since COVID has increased. We also saw an increase in the number of people who attended the AGM in Yellowknife, which again inflated all costs.
- Honoraria was slightly up, due to travel for advocacy days. Nothing too major.
- Office and administration went up as we hired two new employees in 2023. More people mean more supplies. This is recoverable in the contribution agreements for these positions.
- Office Publication doubled due to more advertisements, those advertisements included orange shirt day, Christmas greetings and other special messages.

- Professional Fees went up, again this is due to how many special projects we have and the amount of material they have to review. We have adjusted our amount this year.
- Salaries and Benefits again we hired two new people, one at the start of January 2023, we did not anticipate this when we did the 2022-2023 budget. These positions are covered by contributions agreements.
- Special Projects this year we did some of the things that were approved by the Board at the December 1, 2021, Board Meeting.
  - The Board to Ottawa in March of 2023 for advocacy days.
  - We hired Solstice Public Affairs to help with advocacy days.
  - We did a project on housing in the NWT.
  - In collaboration with the Conference Board of Canada we developed a document on Cost of doing nothing in the NWT. This was our Mental Health and Addiction project.
  - We spent \$20,000 to assist with the Grant application for the Wildfire Breaks. Given we were successful in securing \$20 Million, it turned out to be a good investment.

- In 2021 2022 we participated in CEWS and Rent Subsidy Program with the Federal Government, funding received because of COVID. The amount that the NWTAC initially received was \$267,509.00 we were audited and at the end of the day we had to pay back \$24,225.00, this came out of special projects.
- Construction of the annex two new offices, for the two new positions.

Overall, we did dig into our surplus, which in 2021 we decided to do and use our surplus for some projects we as an organization wanted to do.

## **NWT Association of Communities**

## 2024-2025 DRAFT Budget

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5	2022-2023 Budget	2022-2023 Actuals	2023-2024 Budget	2024-2025 Draft Budget
Revenue				
Government of the NWT Core Funding	230,000	230,000	230.000	230,000
Contributions for Special projects	1,085,000	906,561	1,067,000	1,093,776
Admin Recoveries	566,400	567,886	584,500	600,350
Membership Dues	113,550	114,587	114,500	114,500
AGM Revenues	125,000	117,061	125,000	120,000
Supportive Membership	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Interest Income	10,000	10,395	9,500	10,000
Total Revenue	\$2,144,950	\$ 1,961,487	\$2,145,500	\$ 2,183,626
Expenditures				
AGM Expenses	100,000	128,302	110,000	110,000
Communications	9,000	7,595	9,000	9,000
Computer Expenses	15,000	11,739	24,000	18,000
Honoraria	15,000	16,060	20,000	20,000
Insurance	1,200	326	600	450
Interest and Bank Charges	2,300	1,948	2,500	2,500
Membership Dues	2,500	2,485	2,500	2,500
Office and Administration	7,500	8,584	7,000	8,000
Office Photocopy	3,000	3,077	3,000	3,000
Office Publications	1,500	3,032	1,500	3,000
Postage and Courier			200	
Professional Fees	34,000	37,231	35,000	38,000
Rent	56,000	50,415	72,500	73,000
Salaries & Benefits Core	1,035,000	1,089,063	926,300	952,300
Salaries and Benefits Special Projects			440,800	469,000
Special Projects	820,000	719,369	446,200	427,634
Travel Board	22,000	25,332	22,000	22,000
Travel Chief Executive Officer	16,000	16,093	16,000	21,500
Travel Staff	-	3,751	3,000	-
Total Expenditures	2,140,000	2,124,402	2,142,100	2,179,884
Excess of Revenues over expenses	4,950	(162,915)	3,400	3,742
from operations		(0.440)		
Bad Debts		(9,418)		
Change in Market value of investments		1,726		
Gain on sale of investments	(4,500)	4,427 (4,827)	(3,300)	(3,300)
Amortization of tangible assets Loss of disposal on capital assets	(4,500)	(4,027)	(3,300)	(3,300)
Loss on sale of tangible assets				
Total other expenses	(4,500)	(8,092)	(3,300)	(3,300)
·	(4,000)	(0,002)	(0,000)	(0,000)
Excess (Deficiency) of revenues				
over expenses	\$ 450	\$ (171,007)	\$ 100	\$ 442

NWT Association of Communities			
2023-2024 Resolutions NEW			
2023-06	Call for Public Inquiry – Kakisa/Enterprise/Hay River (SS-052) Wildfire Response	Page 3	
2023-07	Changes to the Electoral Boundaries for the Northwest Territories	Page 6	
2023-08	New Electoral District	Page 7	



## NWTAC Resolutions are divided into the following categories:

### CATEGORY A Territorial Wide Municipal Issues

This category will contain resolutions on issues that are of a direct or indirect concern to all territorial Communities.

## CATEGORY B Issues which Pertain to Regional Concerns Only or Are Not Within Municipal Jurisdiction

This category will contain resolutions which are of a regional concern only or are not within municipal jurisdiction. No action is taken on Category B resolutions.

### CATEGORY C Matters Dealt with by the NWTAC in the Previous Three Years

This category will contain resolutions relating to specific matters, which have already been considered by the NWT Association of Communities within the previous three years.

## 2023-06 Call for Public Inquiry – Kakisa/Enterprise/Hay River (SS-052) Wildfire Response

**WHEREAS** the Northwest Territories experienced an extraordinary wildfire season during the summer of 2023 that impacted several communities and over 60% of its population. These impacts resulted in enormous physical, psychological and economical impacts to our residents and communities.

**AND WHEREAS** various agencies and governments involved in the 2023 wildfire season response are conducting after-action reviews - these reviews may provide a valuable platform for internally assessing the performance of each specific agency or government entity, they may fall short in comprehensively addressing inter-agency and inter-government operational, communication, and coordination issues highlighted by the complex, large-scale, and multi-jurisdictional nature of the 2023 wildfire season.

**AND WHEREAS** in support of the numerous calls by Leaders and residents for a Public Inquiry into N.W.T. wildfire response, including a petition signed by over 500 persons, statement by the Hamlet of Enterprise and, the NWT Dene Nation (ex: CBC/North.ca – Oct 19/2023 - "*Leaders and residents calling for public inquiry into N.W.T. wildfire response*")

- "The Dene Nation released a statement on Oct. 12 [2023] calling for a full independent public inquiry into the management and response to the unprecedented wildfire season."
- *"Earlier this week, leaders in Enterprise, N.W.T., were asking how their community was almost completely wiped out. The community of about 100 people lost 80 per cent of its structures."*

**AND WHEREAS** at the Regular Meeting of Council 10-23 – November 21, 2023, a recommendation was brought forward for Council to discuss issuing a letter of support for a public inquiry into the 2023 wildfire response specifically in the Kakisa, Enterprise, Hay River area.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the Government of the NWT, the Premier and Executive Council with the support of all MLAs, support the calls for a public inquiry into the 2023 wildfire season response efforts with the aim of identifying any inter-agency and inter-government operational, communication, and coordination issues that may have been highlighted by the complex, large-scale, and multi-jurisdictional nature of this wildfire season, and,

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this process be carried out in the spirit of creating forwardlooking recommendations that can enhance wildfire prevention, preparedness, and response strategies through changes in legislation, policies, or practices to better ensure the protection of communities and natural ecosystems in the north.

Submitted by: Town of Fort Smith

Category: B

## 2023-24 NWTAC Annual General Meeting – Changes to NWTAC Reaffirmed Resolutions (Page 1/2)

#### 2023-24 NWTAC Annual General Meeting – Changes to NWTAC Reaffirmed Resolutions (Page 1/2)

- RA- 23-22-01: Expand the Rural and Remote Stream of the Reaching Home Program
  WHEREAS the National Housing Strategy has five streams of funding under the Reaching Home program
  designated for communities with populations above 25k; therefore, be it
  - RESOLVED That the Federal Government ensure that updates to the National Housing Strategy include measures to set aside meaningful funding for the provision of social and affordable housing in rural and remote communities inclusive of those with a population base under 25k.

#### • RA-23-20-07: O & M Funding Levels

WHEREAS there is still a wide gap between funding needs and funding levels; WHEREAS most, if not all, municipal governments have been struggling with less than adequate funding from the GNWT

- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NWT Association of Communities immediately petition the GNWT Dept of MACA to fully disclose its intentions to immediately increase O&M funding to all NWT municipal governments.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NWT Association of Communities immediately petition the GNWT Dept of MACA to enter into 3 to 5-year contribution agreements with municipalities / local governments.

#### • RA-23-20-09: Infrastructure Shortfall

- WHEREAS less than 10% of the budgeted infrastructure expenditure (capital estimates) would fund the identified Community Infrastructure funding shortfall for municipalities, thus allowing community governments to invest in maintaining local infrastructure necessary to sustain and support basic community living requirements, promote long-term sustainability of community infrastructure and, to provide critical local economic stimulus.
- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the 20<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly prioritize its 2024/25 and future years funding to eliminate the municipal Community Infrastructure shortfalls as identified by GNWT Department of Municipal and Community Affairs.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the GNWT Dept of MACA provide the members of the 20<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly with updated reporting that identifies the underfunding of critical infrastructure funding for municipalities.
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the NWT Association of Communities immediately petition the GNWT Dept of MACA to enter into 3 to 5 year contribution agreements with municipalities / local governments.
- DL-23-20-12: Reinstate the Public Boards of Aurora College & the NWT Power Corporation WHEREAS The Government of the NWT in all its services, organizations and corporations exist to serve the needs and directions of the residents of the NWT; and

WHEREAS engaged public boards of governance are an essential component of a healthy democracy and representative of a Government that is interested in listening, and acting in the best interests of its residents, by following the directions and feedback of its public;

• THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the NWTAC asks the Government of the NWT to immediately re-instate the public boards of The NT Power Corporation and Aurora College.

• DL-23-20-18: Reducing Alcohol-Related Harms and Costs in the NWT WHEREAS as identified in the GNWT's Mental Health and Addictions Strategic Framework, alcohol and drug use is very costly to our system. Between 2008/09 and 2010/11, on an annual average basis, 429 NWT patients were hospitalized 615 times with one or more alcohol or drug related issues, resulting in 3,250 bed days at an estimated cost of \$7.5 million to the territorial health system.

• BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Govt of the NWT implement its proposed Alcohol Strategy that includes an evidence-based gold standard best practices to address alcohol related harm in the NWT.

#### 2023-24 NWTAC Annual General Meeting – Changes to NWTAC Standing Resolutions (Page 1/1)

#### • DL-23-17-03: Fiscal Year Resolution

WHEREAS The NWT Cities Towns and Villages Act requires the fiscal year to be the calendar year; and WHEREAS the NWT Charter Communities Act and the Hamlets Act require a fiscal year ending March 31, except in the case of a Municipal Taxing Authority; and

WHEREAS all Communities rely on funding from other orders of government whose fiscal year ends on March 31; and

WHEREAS it may be in the better interest of each community in the NWT to select a fiscal year end which meets its need;

- THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That the NWTAC urges the GNWT to enact legislative changes that would give all municipalities the option of choosing a fiscal year that matches the calendar year or a fiscal year that ends on March 31; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED That this legislative change be identified as a priority for the 20<sup>th</sup> Legislative Assembly.

#### • DL-23-14-01: Fees for Households in the GTA

WHEREAS the Government of the Northwest Territories is responsible for the services and associated fees for households in the General Taxation Area;

AND WHEREAS the Government of the Northwest Territories is responsible for the assessment and determination of the mill rates for these households,

AND WHEREAS these households typically make use of municipal services such as landfill, water and sewer systems, emergency services, etcetera.

 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Govt of the NWT develop a policy whereby the mill rate levied to these households, in proximity to established communities, mirrors municipal mill rates; and the monies collected by the Dept of MACA be distributed to the nearest community that provides for municipal services.

#### 2023-07 Changes to the Electoral Boundaries for the Northwest Territories

WHEREAS the NWT comprises 33 communities, each with its unique needs and challenges;

**WHEREAS** Tuktoyaktuk faces distinct concerns related to the presence of a road, setting it apart from the other three communities Paulatuk, Sachs Harbour, and Ulukhaktok currently represented by the MLA for Nunakput;

**WHEREAS** the difference in concerns requires a more targeted and representative approach in addressing the diverse needs of our constituents.

**WHEREAS** the creation of an additional member of the Legislative Assembly for Paulatuk, Sachs Harbour, and Ulukhaktok will ensure fair and equitable representation.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** that Northwest Territories Association of Communities officially supports the creation of an additional member of the Legislative Assembly to represent these three communities, recognizing their unique challenges and opportunities.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that Northwest Territories Association of Communities will communicate this support to the relevant authorities and advocate for the necessary legislative changes.

Submitted by: Hamlet of Sachs Harbour

Category: B

**WHEREAS** The Hamlet of Tuktoyaktuk has significantly different concerns and priorities from the 3 off road smaller communities in the Nunakput Riding especially with the addition of a highway to Inuvik.

**WHEREAS** Population is a factor during elections as shown over time and it is the wish of all communities that fair and equivalent representation be maintained across the NWT.

**WHEREAS** The Nunakput Rising is situated in the most northern and remote area of the Northwest Territories and it can be very difficult for the MLA to make regular visits.

**AND WHEREAS** the three coastal communities of Paulatuk, Sachs Harbour and Ulukhaktok wish to have their own representative within the Legislative Assembly of the Northwest Territories.

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**: That the Government of the Northwest Territories be asked to consider splitting the Electoral District of Nunakput and add another MLA to best serve the needs of the communities of Paulatuk, Sachs Harbour and Ulukhaktok.

Submitted by: the Hamlet of Paulatuk

Category: B

### NWTAC Information Tradeshow Directory

The NWTAC welcomes trade show exhibitors to our 2024 Annual General Meeting.

Delegates are encouraged to visit these exhibitors during the nutrition breaks and lunches over the course of our AGM on Friday and Saturday.



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Arctic Energy Alliance Kevin Cull <u>info@aea.nt.ca</u> 1-877-755-5855 (toll-free) <u>www.aea.nt.ca</u> The Territorial Agrifood Association (TAA) is a nongovernmental, non-profit organization based in Hay River. It was formed in 2020 to represent members of the agri-food value chain across the territory and to advance the NWT agrifood sector as a whole. The TAA was born from the Territorial Farmers Association and the NWT Food Network to unite commercial food growers, processors, manufacturers, chefs, restaurants, individuals and communities in the agrifood sector in the NWT. We believe that strong relationships, partnerships, and projects are essential to combatting food insecurity, addressing food sovereignty and ensuring a thriving food sector.

The Arctic Energy Alliance is a non-profit organization that helps the NWT adopt efficient and renewable energy products and practices. For community governments, we offer free advice, building energy audits, project coordination, and rebates on building energy upgrades, renewable energy systems and more.



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#### **Climate Lab at University of Toronto**

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Physical & Environmental Sciences Department University of Toronto Scarborough <u>utsc.utoronto.ca/people/gough/</u> University of Toronto Climate Lab (CL@UT) conducts research on climate change impacts, vulnerability, and adaptation. We have conducted several research projects related to the impacts of climate change on the winter road networks in Northern Canada. We will continue to conduct high quality research for the North, and we are committed to collaborating with other universities, governments, public sector institutions, Indigenous organizations, and other professions. Our current project: WRTDIP – Winter Road and Trail Data Information Portal



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# Wah-ila-toos: Clean Energy in Indigenous, rural and remote communities

Mariah St-Pierre Northern REACHE Program - CIRNAC <u>mariah.st-pierre2@rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca</u> 873-353-9286 <u>https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environme</u> <u>nt/weather/climatechange/climate-</u> <u>plan/reduce-emissions/reducing-reliance-</u> <u>diesel.html</u> Wah-ila-toos is a single window access, led by NRCAN, CIRNAC and ISC, for Indigenous, rural and remote communities to obtain Government of Canada funding and resources for clean energy initiatives. Wah-ila-toos' mission is to provide funding for renewable energy and capacity-building projects and related energy efficiency measures in Indigenous, rural and remote communities across Canada. There is no deadline to apply and proposals are accepted on an ongoing basis.



#### GNWT – Infrastructure Energy Division, Greenhouse Gas Grant Program GHGGrant@gov.nt.ca

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https://hayriver.com/tourism-about-hayriver/attractions/ The Greenhouse Gas Grant program is an application-based grant designed to support greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions reduction projects and initiatives for local NWT governments, businesses, industry, building owners and non-profit organizations. Funding and resources for this program have been provided jointly by the GNWT in support of the GNWT 2030 Energy Strategy, and by the federal Department of Environment and Climate Change Canada under the Low Carbon Economy Leadership Fund in support of the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change. Projects may include such things as commercial biomass boilers & district heating, industry fuel switching, off-grid renewable electricity, etc.

Meet the GNWT-ECC's Climate Change Unit, to learn about work the Unit is doing to advance climate change action in the NWT. ECC staff will be on hand to share information and highlight how GNWT is responding to the changing climate through the implementation of the NWT Climate Change Strategic Framework and Action Plan. Learn about key climate initiatives, including the development of the first NWT-wide Climate Change Risks and Opportunities Assessment.

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Mackenzie County is a municipality located in the northwestern corner of the province of Alberta, with the corporate office located in Fort Vermilion, and sub-offices in High Level, La Crete, and Zama City. The County comprises 12 percent of Alberta's entire landmass; at just over 80,000 square kilometers and is connected to the Northwest Territories Border.



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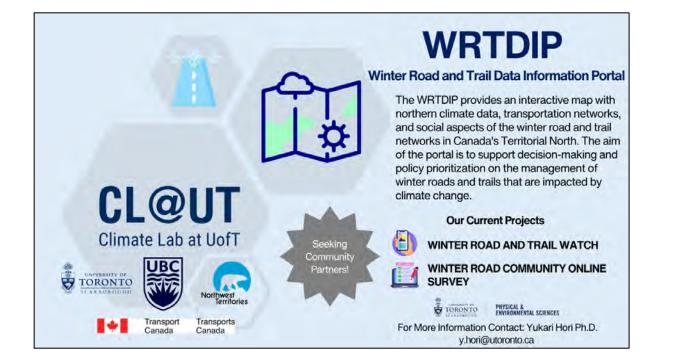
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