

Progress Report – June 2018

Nuclear Waste Management Organization in Partnership with Union of NB Indians Inc.

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November 21-22, 2017 Board of Directors and Health Directors Meeting.

- An update was provided that a new agreement is being drawn up for the 2018 year based on a meeting with NWMO representative in October, in which he received our work plan and budget.

February 5-6, 2018 Board of Directors and Health Directors Meeting.

- Announced that an agreement has been signed for one year, introduced the budget and terms of the agreement.
- Plans to set up Steering committee meeting and a possible meeting with students at the Union of NB Indians Training Institute (UNBITI) for information sessions.
- Gave a presentation on the NWMO to date.
 - A brief history
 - What is a Deep Geological Repository
 - Site selection, focus in Ontario
- Asked for names for a tour of the Dry storage facilities offered by NWMO at the Darlington and Pickering nuclear generating stations

May 22-23, 2018 Board of Directors and Health Directors Meeting.

- Gave update on the NWMO Annual Report 2017 and Implementing Adaptive Phased Management 2018-2022, which was released in March 2018.
- Plans for Steering committee meetings may be pushed back to the fall as summer holidays are approaching. Also Students at year end with practicum's so fall may be ideal with their schedule as well
- Requested names for the Darlington and Pickering tours in Ontario, it was suggested that UNBI post on the website to look for names.
- Concerns rose about representation on the Elders council at NWMO. The Maliseet representation term expired in 2016 and was never replaced. Also the Mi'kmaq representative term was to expire in 2017.

Other Activities

- Continuous and ongoing updates to the UNBI website <http://unbi.org/nuclear-waste-management-organization>

Future Discussion

- Transporting spent nuclear fuel bundles from Pt. LePreau nuclear generating station to the Deep Underground Repository crossing First Nation Communities in New Brunswick.
- Awareness and Training First Nation youth in New Brunswick on various job opportunities constructing, maintaining and operation of a Deep Underground Repository.