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AUGUST 2026

They Sranän • Dog Salmon Month

Upcoming Council Meetings

Citizens can attend in-person or via Zoom.
Please go to trondek.ca or our FB page for the Zoom Links.

Wednesday, August 5:
TH Council Meeting @ 5:30pm in Council Chambers, Room 201A

Tuesday, August 25:
Community Session: Yukon First Nation Education Directorate and First Nation School Board Presentation @ Äłät Nëhëjël from 2:00 - 9:00 pm.

Wednesday, August 26:
TH Council Meeting @ 5:30pm in Council Chambers, Room 201A

Elders and Youth Council will resume in September.

For council meeting enquiries and to ask about virtual attendance via Zoom please email council.support@trondek.ca

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HÄN K'È TR'ËHIHÈ! LET'S TALK HÄN!

HÄN COURSE OFFERINGS - FALL 2026

WITH HÄN INSTRUCTOR MANDI-MAY BOND AND ASSISTANT TEACHER DENISE BELL

REGISTRATIONS DUE AT 5:00PM AUGUST 21

TO REGISTER ONLINE

HÄN LEVEL 1	September 8 - December 17 Tuesdays and Thursdays - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm
HÄN LEVEL 2	September 9 - December 16 Mondays and Wednesdays - 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

EXTENDED COURSES a non-credit option for slower paced learning

HÄN 1 EXTENDED	September 14 - April 19 Mondays - 5:30 - 7:30pm
HÄN 2 EXTENDED	September 9 - April 21 Wednesdays - 5:30 - 7:30 pm

ALL COURSES OFFERED ONLINE VIA ZOOM AND MOODLE

For more information please contact the Hän Language Administrator
lydia.soulliere@trondek.ca

Dänojà' Zho is open!

NEW LOCATION: BYN Co. Building, Across from the Visitor Information Centre

DÄNOJÀ ZHO cultural centre

Hours: Monday to Friday
10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Come by and see our summer exhibition *Boreal Wilding*. Coffee and tea is available. We would love to see you!

Clinton Creek Mine Remediation Site Tour

Learn more about the upcoming remediation work at the abandoned mine site.

Wednesday, August 19, 2026

8:45 am - 5:00 pm

Meet at Äłät Nëhëjël (TH Hall)

Registration is required by 12:00 pm on Friday, August 14. Space is limited.

Registration priority given to TH Citizens.

Travel to and from the mine site, and lunch are provided.

For more information or to register, please contact:
Bill.Kendrick@trondek.ca
(867) 993-4762

A sign-up sheet will also be available at the Hähkè Steve Taylor Building Front Desk.

This past month, the TH crew worked hard to maintain and prepare Moosehide for this years Moosehide Gathering. This included building ramps to improve access to cabins for Elders.

Housing Needs Assessment Survey

From the Housing & Infrastructure Department

Housing and Infrastructure has launched a Housing Needs Assessment to better understand current and future housing needs in the community.

Polar Coordinates, a management consulting firm based in Whitehorse, has provided an online survey to gather insights from Citizens of all ages. Your experiences and ideas will help shape the next 5–10 years of housing planning, including what types of homes are needed, what supports matter most, and how TH can strengthen housing for future generations.

Please take the time to complete our survey and share your thoughts to help guide this important work.

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU! FILL OUT THE SURVEY HERE

A new Hän addition to Dawson!

New road signs were placed outside of Tr'inkè Zho in early July. The Hän phrases on the signs are a reminder to drive with caution in the area.

Tr'inkè-'in hëdoghor	Khà' ts'ą̈' nä'tą̀ hłëk
Kids are playing	You drive around slowly

These translations were made thanks to Hän Language Administrator Lydia Soulliere as well as language teachers and knowledge keepers Jem Titus, Shyanne Beatty, Paul Butterworth, Laurie VanBibber, Teresa Procee, Mandi-May Bond, Georgette McLeod and Elder Martha Kates.

The request for the signs came from the City of Dawson Public Works Department.

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Ready 2 Work is in full swing:

The Ready 2 Work program is back in action with activities and field trips geared towards skill building and employment preparedness. Over the past month, the program has featured a plant walk with Fran Morberg-Green, and a tour of the Knutson mine site.

Mähsį' to Fran and the Knutsons for sharing your knowledge and time with us!

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Heritage

Łuk Cho Änay!
TH First Fish Camp
July 10 - 15, 2026

The Heritage Department received permission from Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Council to set a net for twelve (12) hours to catch salmon in support of teachings at TH First Fish Camp, held July 10–15, 2026. Three salmon were caught and used to share teachings with the youth. The camp supports Tr'ëhudè (Living in a Good Way) and is hosted for youth, TH families, Citizens, guests, and community members. It has also traditionally been open to members of the public who wish to learn about salmon and Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in culture.

Context for Yukon River Salmon

TH First Fish Camp is usually held in mid-July to coincide with the Yukon River Chinook salmon migration through Dawson. In 2013, Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in passed a General Assembly Resolution supporting the voluntary withdrawal of subsistence harvest of Chinook salmon by TH Citizens. Each year, the Heritage Department requests permission to set a net for cultural salmon teachings and adapts camp activities according to current salmon conditions. The camp was co-hosted by the TH Heritage Department, Education Department, Natural Resources Department, and K'änächa Department. It was supported with funding from the Yukon River Panel Alaska/Yukon through the Pacific Salmon Commission, as well as Future Generations funding. The Heritage Department also purchased spring and coho salmon for smoking, canning, and making broth.

Camp Goals and Teachings

TH First Fish Camp is vital for educating youth about Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Dënezhu practices and the relationship with Łuk cho. At the camp, youth learned about harvesting and processing fish, salmon biology, salmon life cycles, and the conservation and stewardship of Yukon River salmon. Youth learned about subsistence salmon fishing on the Yukon River, including how and where to set nets, how to mend nets, the history of fishing practices, and how fish wheels operate. Fish wheel teachings were provided as a demonstration only and were not used to catch fish.

Participants also learned how to prepare salmon for processing, including cutting fish into strips and smoking and drying fish. These activities were grounded in Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in culture and values, including teachings about respecting salmon, harvesting only what is needed, and sharing the harvest with community members.

Additional teachings included boat safety, bear safety, salmon spawning and rearing habitats, salmon conservation, salmon habitat, natural resource management, stock restoration, and current global issues affecting salmon stocks. The camp promoted safe, ethical, and respectful fishing practices for youth, citizens, guests, and community members.

Participation and Community Involvement

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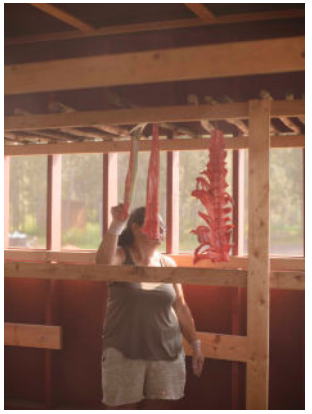

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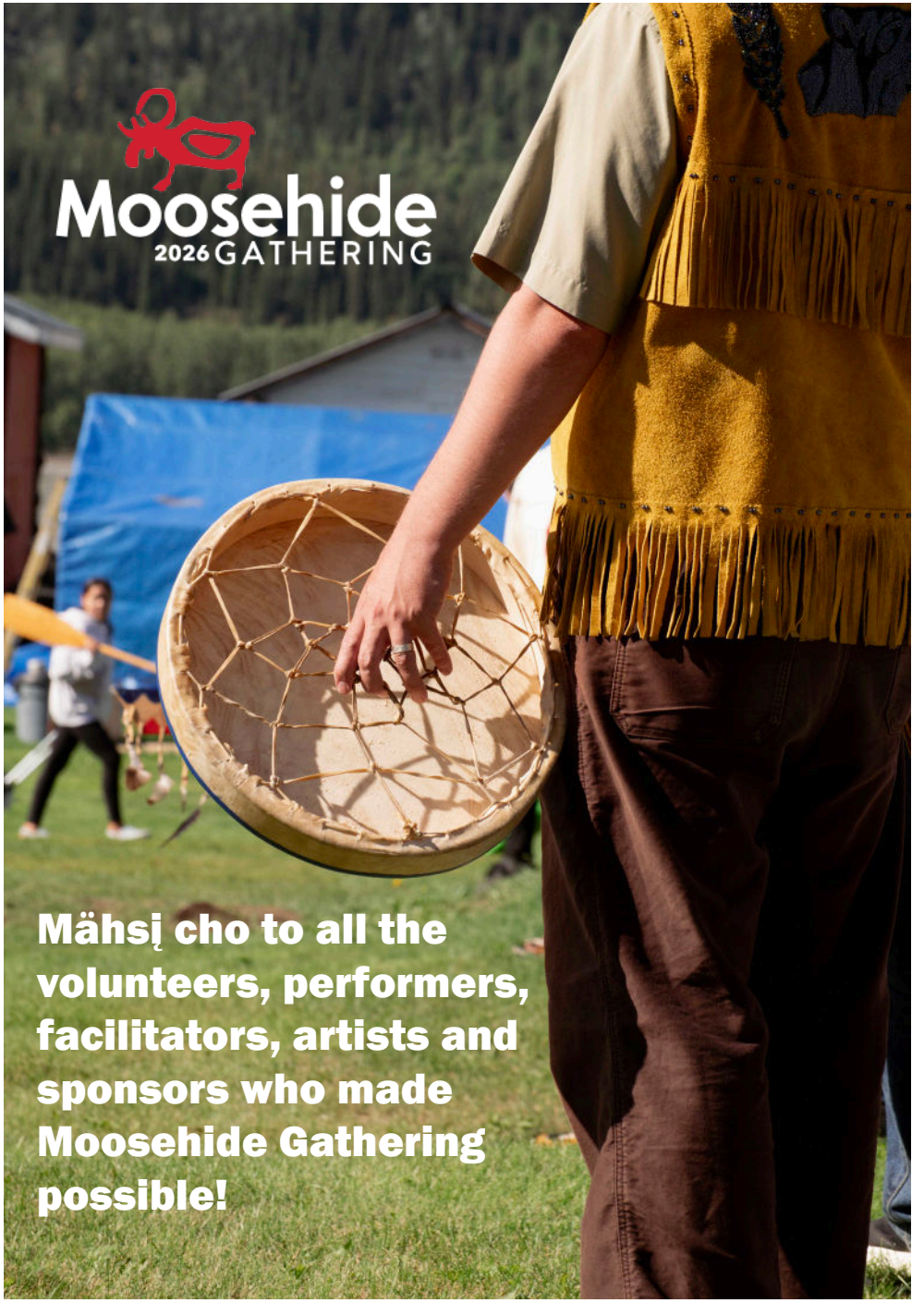


Implementation

Casino Mine Project Update

Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in hosted two Citizen Engagement Sessions about the Casino Mine project in July.

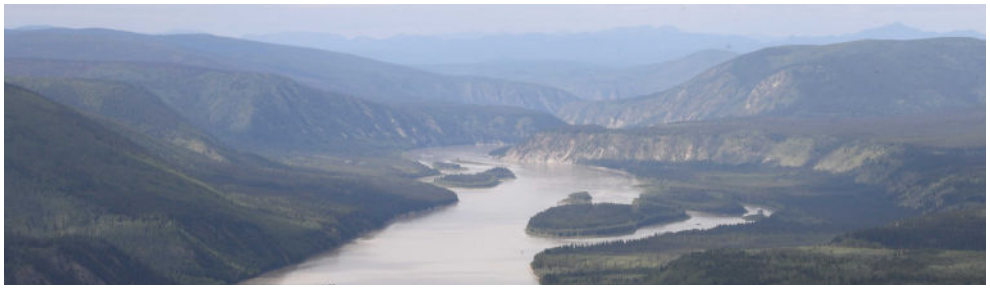
The first session was an opportunity for citizens to meet with Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in's consulting team and understand the project from their perspectives. The second meeting was an opportunity to meet with Casino Mining Corporation directly and hear from them about what they are proposing.

Both engagements resulted in excellent discussion and gave the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in technical team leading TH's participation in the environmental assessment good insight into how to ensure the process meaningfully captures Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in's concerns so that your rights and interests are protected if this project advances.

Mähsį' cho to those that were able to attend. We will continue engaging with Citizens on this project over the next many months.

If you have feedback on the recent meetings or would like information about how this project and the work that is being undertaken, **please contact Amélie Morin, Implementation Manager, at 867-993-4711 or CasinoMineProject@trondek.ca.**

The Settlement Land Use Act (an Act to Replace the Lands and Resources Act) moves Forward!



The Implementation and Natural Resources Departments are excited to share that the consultation draft of the new **Settlement Land Use Act (Ninànkäk hǫzǫ wëk'ätr'ènòcha Act)** was passed at the Spring 2026 General Assembly! The next step is citizen consultation, which will take place from **early September to late October 2026.** This will be important opportunity for Citizens to help shape the future of Settlement Land management and use.

Want to know what's in the consultation draft?
Jëje-in will be mailing a plain-language booklet to citizens next month that summarizes the proposed Settlement Land Use Act. The booklet will highlight key changes and provide space for you to share your comments and feedback. Watch for the booklet in your mailbox, and keep an eye on TH social media channels for additional information, engagement opportunities, and consultation events throughout the fall.

Do you currently hold an Expression of Interest in Settlement Land?
Citizens who currently hold an Expression of Interest for a Settlement Land grant will also receive a letter from the Department of Natural Resources requesting confirmation of their interest and any additional information required. This will help ensure records are up to date and support the processing of applications moving forward.

Questions or comments? Please contact
Alice McCulley at Natural.Resources.Director@Trondek.ca or
Katie Fraser at Katie.Fraser@Trondek.ca

Ni’ehłyat Nidähji

BERRY PICKING

Wednesday, August 12
Ride from Ätät Nëhëjël - 1:00 pm

Thursday, August 13
Ride from Ätät Nëhëjël - 5:30 pm

Questions? Call (867) 993-3975

Moosehide Family Fun Day

Saturday, August 22

1:00 - 3:30 pm

Boat rides start at 12:0 pm

Questions? Contact louise.drugan@trondek.ca

Whitehorse Programming

At the Whitehorse Office
101-1191 Front Street

Birch Bark Earring Workshop
Friday, August 7 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm

Beaded Headband Workshop
Saturday, August 8 from 12:00 - 2:00 pm

For more information, contact:
alicia.grant@trondek.ca, (867) 993-4524

Ni’ehłyat Nidähjì
(Our Families, Our Future)

PRE/POST-NATAL GRANT 2026

About the Grant

Pre/Post-natal Grant provides a reimbursement totaling $1000.00 for parents who are expecting or have children 0-5 years of age for purchasing the following:

Criteria to Apply:

- Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in Citizen
- Pregnancy and Age 0-5
- Living in the Yukon

Necessity of Life Items
- diapers
- formula
- wipes
- clothing/foot wear, ect.

Large purchases
- car seat, stroller
- crib/toddler beds
- change table
- high chairs, etc.

To apply please email:
alicia.grant@trondek.ca

NI’EHŁYAT NIDÄHJÌ’ PRESENTS THE

BASIC NEEDS CLOTHING GRANT 2026

FOR TH CITIZENS LIVING IN THE YUKON
AGE 0-9 YEARS - $625/YEAR
AGE 10-18 YEARS - $750/YEAR

THIS GRANT CAN BE USED FOR CLOTHING, WINTER/RAIN/HUNTING APPAREL, ETC.
AND WILL BE ISSUED THROUGH A REIMBURSEMENT PROCESS

Email tiffany.thomas@trondek.ca for an application form

Notices

NEWLY UPDATED
YOUTH RECREATION FUND
TR'ONDËK HWËCH'IN
HÄN NATION
Eligible families are now able to access additional funds through the Youth Recreation Fund administered by K'äjit-In Zho
Eligibility Requirements:
TH Citizen
Age 0-18 years
Living in the Yukon
$1,000/fiscal for 26/27 and 27/28
Access the fund:
view or download the form
For more information
Thomas Hodgkinson, K'äjìt-in Zho Manager
kajit-in.zho.manager@trondek.ca

Nëtąy ts'ä', honch'in
Trail to Where You Are
Whitehorse Outreach
Sunday, August 23
2:00 - 6:00 pm
By appointment at the Whitehorse Office
101-1191 Front St. Whitehorse
Monday, August 25
9:00 am - 5:00 pm
Drop in at FASSY
205 Black St. Whitehorse
Outreach workers with the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Government will be available for Citizens who are in need of support services
For more information or to book a time to meet:
Call or text Zoey at (867) 993-3697

JULY TO OCTOBER 2026

The Tr'ëhudè Crew

WE ARE STILL HIRING!

What does the Crew do?

- Mow Elders Lawns
- Small yard maintenance
- Event set-up/take-down
- Outreach Assistance
- Meals-on-Wheels Assistance
- Weekly dump-runs (usually on Thursdays)

Contact Charmaine Chrisitansen for dump-run forms at Social.Assistance@trondek.ca or (867) 993-3679

The Tr'ëhudè Crew will not:

- Handle unsafe Items
- Perform yard maintenance on properties with dog waste.
- Fulfill last minute requests
- Provide services if crew members are being disrespected

Please note there is limited availability for large backyards.

For more information or to book lawn care please contact the Team Mentor at **Daniel.Titus@trondek.ca**