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October  
**7-10 2024**

Saulteau First Nations  
Cultural & Recreation Centre

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# PROGRAM

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**Welcome to the**

# **HEALING THE LAND CONFERENCE**

Tanisi and Welcome to Treaty 8 Territory and the home of Saulteau First Nations. We are proud to share our brand new Cultural and Recreation Centre with all of you and we look forward to great dialogue and networking.

The conference offers an opportunity to explore successful partnerships, collaborative restoration and protection efforts, and emerging technologies that honour Indigenous knowledge systems shaping the future of restoration.

We are excited to welcome Indigenous leaders and community members, federal, provincial, and local government representatives, restoration practitioners, industry representatives and academics to dive into the conference themes of innovation, collaboration, preparing for the future, and healing the land together.



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# Vision

We, the Saulteau First Nations, are a spirited and diverse community.

We are a strong Self-Governed Nation, one that is healthy, culturally vibrant, and ready for tomorrow. Our cultural teachings and traditions guide us and keep us rooted as we move forward into the future.

As stewards of the land, we ensure that the best sustainable practices are followed, now and in the future.

For as long as the “sun shines, the grass grows and the rivers flow”, we remain proud and humbly determined.

# Mission

In pursuit of our vision, Saulteau First Nations will be the Best Governed Nation.



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# PRE-CONFERENCE | Monday, Oct 7, 2024

## Time & Location

## Activity

## Session Description

12:00pm-1:00pm  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Entrance Lobby

Pre-Conference

Check-In Opens

1:00pm-4:00pm  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym and  
Elders Lounge

Pre-Conference  
Courses

1:00pm-2:00pm: Tipi-Talks (Cultural Stories)  
Speakers: Della Owens

2:30pm-4:00pm: Ethnobotany (Maskihkiya Introduction)  
Speakers: Carmen Richter, Jessica Eastman

1:00pm-4:00pm  
SFN Band Hall  
- Gym and Kitchen

Pre-Conference  
Course

Seasonal Plant Harvesting & Seed Cleaning Techniques  
Speakers: Danae Cameron, Nevaeh Montgomery & Mary Anne McClarty

1:00pm-4:00pm  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Training Room

Pre-Conference  
Courses

1:00pm-2:00pm: Indigenous Rights and Traditions  
Speaker: Art Napoleon

2:30pm-4:00pm: Cultural Safety Training  
Speaker: Stewart Cameron

2:00pm-2:30pm

SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Main Lounge and  
Foyer

Afternoon  
Nutrition Break  
& Networking

Recharge with healthy snacks and refreshments

5:30pm-8:00pm

Cottonwood Hall,  
Chetwynd District  
Recreation Centre

Social Kick-Off

Kick-off the conference in style with a joyful social gathering!

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# AGENDA

# DAY ONE | Tuesday, October 8, 2024

## Time & Location

## Activity

## Session Description

**7:30am-9:00am**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Entrance Lobby  
Reception

**Day One**  
Conference  
Proceedings

**Check-in Opens**

**8:00am-8:45am**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Main Lounge  
and Foyer

**Light Breakfast  
& Networking**

**Kick-start your day with a light breakfast and take  
time to meet fellow attendees**

**9:00am-9:10am**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

**Conference  
Opening:  
Welcome**

**Saulteau First Nations - Moberly Lake Youth Drumming Group**

**9:10am-9:20am**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

**Conference  
Opening:  
Welcome**

**Saulteau First Nations - Chief and Council Welcome**  
Speaker: Chief Rudy Paquette

**9:20am-9:25am**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

**Conference  
Opening:  
Welcome**

**Saulteau First Nations - Treaty Rights & Environmental Protection**  
Speakers: Naomi Owens-Beeek and Teena Demeulemeester

**9:25am-9:30am**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

**Conference  
Opening:  
Welcome**

**Saulteau First Nations - Master of Ceremonies Introduction**  
Speaker: Krista Lindstrom

**9:30am-10:00m**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

**Keynote  
Address**

**Cloy-e-lis, Dr. Judith Sayers, Nuuchah-nulth Nations**  
Speaker: Judith Sayers/Cloy-e-lis



# DAY ONE | Tuesday, October 8, 2024

## Time & Location

## Activity

## Session Description

10:00am-10:20am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	Reflection on Restoration: from Local to Global Speaker: Jennifer Psyllakis
10:20am-10:50am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Main Lounge and Foyer	Morning Nutrition & Networking Break	Recharge with healthy snacks and refreshments
10:50am-11:30am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Panel	Raising the Bar Speakers: Naomi Owens-Beeck, Katherine Wolfenden, Lindsay Luke Kayla Read, Alexandra Fleming, Mae Whyte
11:30am-11:40am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Morning Wrap-Up	Recap of the morning presentations and panel discussion
11:40am-12:00pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Performance	Ghostkeeper Drumming Group
12:00pm-1:30pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Lunch	Mid-Day break to enjoy great food while exchanging ideas with conference attendees
12:00pm-1:30pm SFN Band Hall - Gym	Tradeshow & Networking Break	Showcasing innovative projects, services and solutions contributing to healing the land



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# DAY ONE | Tuesday, October 8, 2024

## Time & Location

## Activity

## Session Description

**1:30pm-1:50pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

Presentation

**Recovering Mountain Caribou, Healing the Land & Rekindling Cultural Connections**  
Speakers: Candace Batycki, Clayton Lamb

**1:50pm-2:10pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

Presentation

**Lichen Collections and Restoration - Working with Community and Nature to Sustain Caribou Populations**  
Speakers: Darwyn Coxson & Carmen Richter

**2:10pm-2:30pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

Presentation

**Collaborative Planning for Caribou Restoration Implementation**  
Speaker: Scott Schilds

**2:30pm-3:00pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Main Lounge & Foyer

Afternoon Nutrition  
& Networking Break

**Recharge with healthy snacks and refreshments**

**3:00pm-3:40pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

Fireside Chat

**Innovations Through Native Plant Restoration (Twin Sisters Nursery)**  
Speakers: Naomi Owens-Beeck, Juritha Owens, Diane Desjarlais, Roger Harris, Alycia Aird

**3:40pm-3:45pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

Afternoon  
Wrap-Up

Speaker: Krista Lindstrom

**3:45pm-4:00pm**  
SFN Cultural & Recreation  
Centre - Gym

Keynote Address,  
Closing

**Cloy-e-lis, Dr. Judith Sayers, Nuu-cha-h-nulth Nations**  
Speaker: Judith Sayers/Cloy-e-lis





# DAY ONE | Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Time & Location	Activity	Session Description
4:00pm-5:00pm SFN Band Hall - Gym	Tradeshow & Networking Break	Showcasing innovative projects, services and solutions contributing to healing the land
4:00pm-5:30pm SFN Band Hall - Entrance	Artisan Market	Celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the community
5:30pm-6:00pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Pre-Gala Performance	Saulteau First Nations Cultural Dancers
6:00pm-8:00pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Gala Dinner	Awards Ceremony & Performance Performer: Art Napoleon



## VIEW SPEAKER BIOS & SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

Visit our website at [healingthelandconference.ca](http://healingthelandconference.ca) or click on the QR code to read more about our speakers and sessions.



# AGENDA

# DAY TWO | Wednesday, October 9, 2024

## Time & Location

## Activity

## Session Description

7:30am-9:00am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Entrance Lobby Reception	Day Two Conference Proceedings	Check-in Opens <i>(Only required if not checked-in on Day One)</i>
8:00am-8:45am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Main Lounge & Foyer	Light Breakfast & Networking	Kick-start your day with a light breakfast and take time to meet fellow attendees
9:00am-9:10am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Day Two Conference Opening Welcome Performance	Saulteau First Nations - Moberly Lake Ladies Drumming Group and Tiny Tot Dancers
9:10am-9:20am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Day Two Conference Opening Welcome	District of Chetwynd Welcome Speaker: Mayor Allan Courtoireille
9:20am-9:30am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Day Two Conference Opening Address	Accomplishments and Preparing for the Future Speaker: Andrea Kennedy
9:30am-10:10am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Panel	Shaping the Future of the Restoration Economy Speakers: Mayor Allan Courtoireille; Deana Machin, Blake Spencer, Lisa Risvold
10:10am-10:30am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	The Future of Resource Development - Government with Government to Address Cumulative Effects Speakers: Gary Reay, Ryan McKay



# DAY TWO | Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Time & Location	Activity	Session Description
10:30am-11:00am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Main Lounge & Foyer	Morning Nutrition & Networking Break	Recharge with healthy snacks and refreshments
11:00am-11:20am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	Landscape Level Planning to Support Ecological-Based Ground Practices Speaker: Rod Kronlachner
11:20am-11:40am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	Watershed Planning and Restoration in Treaty 8 Territory Speaker: Greg Rickbeil
11:40am-11:50am SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Morning Wrap-Up	Speaker: Kirsta Lindstrom
11:50am-12:00pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Recognition and Thank You to Sponsors	Speaker: Teena Demeulemeester
12:00pm-1:30pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Lunch	Mid-Day break to enjoy great food while exchanging ideas with conference attendees
12:00pm-1:30pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Tradeshow & Networking Break	Showcasing innovative projects, services and solutions contributing to healing the land



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# DAY TWO

# Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Time & Location	Activity	Session Description
1:00pm-3:30pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Training Room	Poster Board Session	Explore exciting projects and research contributing to healing the land
1:30pm-1:50pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	Native Plant Propagation and Seed Delivery Speaker: Dr. Jean-Marie Sobze
1:50pm-2:10pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	First 30x30 Canada Program - Funding Long-Term Visions for Lands and Waters Speakers: Isabel Simons & Robin Barr
2:10pm-2:30pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Presentation	Bringing It Back Down to Earth Speaker: Mike Toffan
2:30pm-3:00pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Main Lounge & Foyer	Afternoon Nutrition & Networking Break	Recharge with healthy snacks and refreshments
3:00pm-3:10pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Lightning Presentation	Lands and Water Resources Educational Program Speaker: Casey Coline
3:10pm-3:20pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Lightning Presentation	Habitat Conservation Trust Foundation Funding Opportunities Speaker: Lisa Wielinga
3:20pm-3:30pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Lightning Presentation	Fish and Wildlife Compensation Program Funding Opportunities Speaker: Chelsea Regina



# DAY TWO | Wednesday, October 9, 2024

Time & Location	Activity	Session Description
3:30pm-3:40pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Conference Closing	Wrap-Up and Recognition Speakers: Teena Demeulemeester, Naomi Owens-Beek & Kirsta Lindstrom
3:40pm-4:00pm SFN Cultural & Recreation Centre - Gym	Conference Closing & Performance	Saulteau First Nations, Closing with Doig River Drummers
4:00pm-5:00pm SFN Band Hall - Entrance	Tradeshaw & Networking Break	Showcasing innovative projects, services and solutions contributing to healing the land
4:00pm-5:30pm SFN Band Hall - Entrance	Artisan Market	Celebrate the rich cultural heritage of the community

# POST-CONFERENCE | Thursday, October 10, 2024

Time & Location	Activity	Session Description
9:00am-1:00pm Location Varied - Del Rio	Post-Conference Tour	Del Rio Eco-Cultural Reclamation Tour
9:00am-1:00pm Location Varied - Willow Creek	Post-Conference Tour	Willow Creek Mine Eco-Cultural Reclamation Tour
9:00am-11:00pm Location Varied - Twin Sisters Nursery	Post-Conference Tour	Twin Sisters Native Plant Nursery

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# Working with the Future in Mind

Planning our projects in collaboration with our Indigenous partners is essential to leaving a legacy of stewardship for future generations.

# PERFORMERS

Tuesday, October 8, 2024  
9:00am-9:15am

Welcome - Moberly Lake  
Drumming Group

Tuesday, October 8, 2024  
11:40am-12:00pm

Cultural Show - Ghostkeeper  
Drumming Group  
*(Led by Ken Cameron)*

Tuesday, October 8, 2024  
5:30pm-6:00pm

Cultural Show - Pre-Gala Dinner  
- SFN Dancers

Tuesday, October 8, 2024  
7:30pm-7:40pm

Cultural Show - Art Napoleon

Wednesday, October 9, 2024  
9:00am-9:10am

Welcome - Moberly Lake  
Drumming Ladies & Tiny Tots

Wednesday, October 9, 2024  
3:40pm-4:00pm

Closing - Doig River Drummers



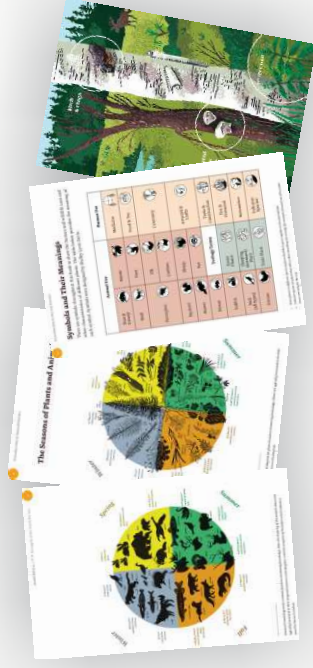
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## ETHNOBOTANY BOOK

A collection of community knowledge gathered from interviews and Cree language classes, featuring seasonal rounds, photographs, and illustrations. Maskihkiya serves as a gift to the community, fostering cultural transmission within our nation and among families.







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#### **Integrated Investment**

Leading and supporting a coordinated collaborative approach to investments on publicly managed lands across branches, regions, programs and partners.

#### **Wildfire Land-Based Recovery**

Leading post-wildfire response including: rehabilitation of suppression activities, post-wildfire natural hazard risk analysis and ecological recovery actions.

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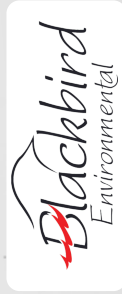
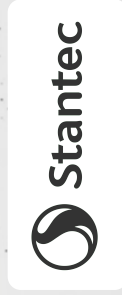
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