

Grand Chief Edward John – Special Advisor to MCFD

Project Status Report – November 30, 2015

Ministry of Children and Family Development

Dashboard	Status	Comments
Scope		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work continues with the GC to confirm the scope described within the contract
Schedule	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work continues to develop a schedule and processes to manage that schedule between, Grand Chief Ed John (GCEJ), Ministry of Children and Family Development (MCFD) and First Nations Summit (FNS)
Budget		<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Resources		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Support team in place – Admin provided by SDA
Risk		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scope issues and unresolved scheduling and resourcing equate to some risk for the project

Key: Red = Serious Concerns Yellow = Some Concerns but In Control Green = No Concerns

Deliverables:	Target Date	Status	Comments
MCFD Service Delivery Area Leadership to engage with local FN Leadership			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Structures in place to ensure all local MCFD leadership know and create relationships with FN leadership within their areas More meaningful notice to communities when a child has a CCO (Not just a fax) Direct Ministry engagement with communities to support planning for children in care. 	TBD	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Director of Services (EDS) met with GC on November 25, 2015 to begin discussions. EDS encouraged to establish relationships with First Nations' Chiefs and commence discussion regarding Aboriginal permanency Existing level of engagement in SDAs needs to be determined so areas of focus can be identified To improve communication – MCFD to work to ensure CFCSA regulations on designated representatives is up-to-date Engagement meetings with TI'azten and Ahousaht conducted by support team were positively received – meetings to plan for their children have taken place in the community
Grand Chief engagement with communities on CCOs			
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Meet with interested communities to discuss permanency planning and creating plans to support ongoing connection to their community and extended families for their children in 	ongoing	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter sent to all Chiefs and Nations on October 20 signed by GCEJ and Minister Cadieux Follow up personal letter from GCEJ will be sent out to First Nations

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care			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> List of Aboriginal CCOs has been prepared for sharing with communities Meetings have been coordinated and scheduled with interested First Nations communities and Delegated Agencies (DAAs)
Other			

Grand Chief Engagement Tracking

Activities Completed or Planned			
Date	Meeting	Purpose	Comments
October 29	Partnership Meeting	To provide an update on GCEJ role as a Special Advisor, specific focus on Aboriginal permanency and consultation on the role of DAAs in review of Aboriginal CCOs with First Nations	GCEJ will define the process of DAAs in review of Aboriginal CCOs via letter
October 29 and November 25	MCFD Executive Director of Services meeting	GCEJ presented his role as special advisor. The GC encouraged MCFD Service Delivery leadership to establish relationships with First Nations' Chiefs and commence discussion regarding Aboriginal permanency	EDS were provided the list of all Aboriginal children residing in their service delivery area. A second list was also provided of the First Nations/Bands' children in their community
November 2	Judge Crabtree	Discussed issues with Judiciary, role of courts and time delays for Child Protection	
November 4/5	National Summit Adoption Council of Canada Nov	GCEJ to present role as special advisor and national best practices on permanency	Ottawa – Minister Cadieux and Holden Chu also attended
November 9	Sts'ailes	Showcase of best practice - meeting with Sts'ailes First Nations for an overview of the MCFD partnership	Minister Cadieux and GCEJ attended
November 9	Fraser Child Family Services	To share role and discuss engagement process	Gwen Point, Board Chair and Samantha Langton, EDS attended
November 13	Kwumet Lelum child and Family Services - Bill Yochim – Exec Director	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	To update on the role of GCEJ and the focus on permanency
November 16	Federal Minister Carolyn Bennet	Update on role and discussions on prevention funding for BC	To update on the role of GCEJ and the focus on permanency GCEJ advocated for additional prevention dollars for First Nations communities for province of BC
November	Ministry of Indigenous Affairs and Northern	GCEJ presented on his role as Special Advisor and engagement with IANDC	Holden Chu – provided panel presentation on best practice

16,17,18	Development (IANDC) Joint Gathering Conference	regarding prevention funding	(Sts'ailes and Seabird Island)
November 20	NDP Critic – Doug Donaldson	To update on the role of GCEJ and the focus on permanency	
November 20	Wet'suwet'en Wellness working group	To update on the role of GCEJ and the focus on permanency and direct Engagement on CCO's	
November 24	Nuu Cha Nulth Tribal Council	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	In Parksville – with 14 nations To update on the role of GCEJ and the focus on permanency
<i>TDB</i>	<i>First Nations Health Authorities</i>	<i>To share role and hear input</i>	<i>Dates to be confirmed</i>

MCFD Lead Community Engagement
Specific planning for Aboriginal children with First Nations

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Date	Meeting	Purpose	Comments
November 4	TI'azten	Direct community engagement on CCO's	Follow up on December 3 to continue begin to develop a plan with MCFD regional staff, Nezul Bey Huyneh Child and Family Services, and TI'azten staff and community members
November 26	Ahousaht	Follow up from Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council meeting, direct community engagement on CCO's	Regularly scheduled meetings on CCO's will begin to take place with Usma Child and Family Services, and Ahousaht, with MCFD involvement for MCFD files.