

Grand Chief Edward John – Special Advisor to MCFD

Project Status Report – Sept 9, 2016

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

Add comments to explain “red” or “yellow” condition

Ministry of Children and Family Development

Dashboard	Status	Comments
Scope		No issues to report
Schedule		Draft report delayed.
Budget		No issues
Resources		No issues
Risk		

Deliverables:	Target Date	Status	Comments
MCFD Service Delivery Area Leadership to engage with local FN Leadership			
1. Structures in place to ensure all local MCFD leadership know and create relationships with FN leadership within their areas 2. More meaningful notice to communities when a child has a CCO (Not just a fax) 3. Direct Ministry engagement with communities to support planning for children in care.	TBD	On Track	- Existing level of engagement in SDAs needs to be determined so areas of focus can be identified - EDS met with GC on October 29 to begin discussions - Ensure CFCSA regulations on designated representatives is up-to-date
Grand Chief engagement with communities on CCOs			
1. 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 care	-	Complete	- Letter sent to all Chiefs and Nations on October 20 - Follow up personal letter from GC will be sent out - List of CCOs has been prepared for sharing with communities - Follow up with communities that have not responded to previous letters - Arranging meetings with interested communities
Grand Chief develops a report with advice and recommendations to the Minister			
1. Engagement activities and results will inform recommendations and advice 2. Support team positioned to support the drafting of the report as needed	July 29, 2016	delayed	Writer has been working on the report, but it remains an outstanding deliverable.

Grand Chief Engagement Tracking

Activities Completed or Planned			
Date	Meeting	Purpose	Comments
October 29	Partnership Meeting	To share role and hear input from DAA leadership	
October 29	EDS meeting	To share role and discuss engagement process	
November 2	Judge Crabtree	Discuss issues with Judiciary, role of courts and time delays for Child Protection	
November 4/5	National Summit Adoption Council of Canada Nov	GC to present role as special advisor and national best practices on permanency	Ottawa – H. Chu to also attend
November 9	Sts'ailes	Showcase of best practice	Minister to attend
November 9	Fraser Child family Services	To share role and discuss engagement process	Gwen Point and Samantha Langton
November 13	Kwumet Lelum child and family services - Bill Yochim – Exec Dir.	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	
November 16	Min. Bennet	Update on role and discussions on prevention funding for BC	Phone meeting
November 16,17,18	Joint Gathering Conference	GC to present role as special advisor and engagement with IANDC regarding prevention funding	H Chu – provided panel presentation on best practice (Sts'ailes and seabird Island)
November 20	NDP Critic – Doug Donaldson	Role as special advisor, update on process	
November 20	Wet'suwet'en Wellness working group	Engagement on CCO's and role as Special advisor	Smithers – Nations present – Moricetown, Hagwilget, Wet'suweten
November 24	Nuu- chah-nulth Tribal Council	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	In Parksville – Nations present – Hesquiaht, Ahousaht, Tla-o-quaht, Ucluelet, Toquaht, Tseshaht, Hupacasath, Uchucklesaht, Ditidaht, Mowachaht/Muchalaht, Nuchatlaht, Ehattesaht, Huu-ay-aht
November 25	Designated Directors and ADMS	Allison Bond and Cory Heavener	
December 14	Urban Native Youth Association - Vancouver	Engagement on role and services offered to Urban Aboriginal Youth through UNYA.	Vancouver
December 14	BCGEU	Meeting to discuss "Closing the Circle" report	Vancouver
December 16	Gwa'sala Nakwaxda'xw; Kwakiutl; and Quatsino First Nation's Community Engagement	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Port Hardy

January 12	Stat'imc Council of Chiefs	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Lillooet– Nation's present, Xax'lip, Xwisten (Bridge River), Ts'kw'aylaxw (Pavillion), Titq'et, Tsalalh, Sekw'el'was (Cayoose Creek), and Lil'wat (Mt. Currie) in Lillooet
January 12	Nlaka'pamux Tribal Council	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Lytton– Nation's present, Boothroyd, Boston Bar, Skuppah, Lytton, Oregon Jack Creek, and Spuzzum in Lytton
January 13	Vancouver Aboriginal Child and Family Services Society (VACFSS)	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Vancouver
January 26	Early Years Aboriginal Recruitment	Update from MCFD staff	Provincial Office, Victoria
January 27	Okanagan Nation Alliance Children First Forum	Panel presentation on work and group discussions on permanency	Penticton – Nations present, Okanagan, Penticton, Upper Nicola, Osoyoos, service providers, community members, leadership
January 28	Early Years Pre-Conference	Opening remarks and panel participation by Priscilla	Hosted by UBC in Vancouver
Feb 1	West Bank FN	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Westbank
Feb 4 and 5	First Nations Summit meeting	Update on appointment and interim report presented. CCO lists provided Presentation from Cindy Blackstock on Human Rights Tribunal Decision	Musqueam Rec Center
Feb 9	Halalt, Lyackson, Stzuminas First Nations	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Chemainus
Feb 13	Provincial Youth Advisory Council	Engagement with youth and role as special advisor	Victoria, Provincial Office
Feb 16	First Nations Courts meeting	Presentation on First Nation Court focussing on Children and Families	Justice, MCFD New Westminster
Feb 17	Metis Nation of BC	Meeting with Minister responsible for Children and Families and Director of Children and Families	Musqueam Rec Center
Feb 17	Open Line Call with MCFD Director's, Managers, and TL's	Update on appointment	Conference call
Feb 17	Union of BC Indian Chiefs	Update on appointment and interim report presented. CCO Lists provided	Musqueam Rec Center
Feb 24	Nuxalk	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	FNS Office, Vancouver
Feb 24	Esket'mc	Engagement on CCO's and role as Special Advisor	Williams Lake
Feb 25	Tsilhqotin Nation Government	Engagement on CCo's and role as special advisor	Williams Lake, Nations present – Tl'etinqox, Tsi Deldel, Tl'esqox

Feb 25	Northern Shuswap Tribal Council	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Williams Lake, Nations present – Xastull, Canim Lake, Williams Lake, Canoe/Dog Creek, Knucwentwecw Society
Feb 29	BC Aboriginal Childcare Society (BCACCS)	Engagement, role as special advisor, work of the BCACCS	FNS, Vancouver
Feb 29	Legal Services Society (LSS)	Engagement, role as special advisor, work of LSS	FNS, Vancouver
Feb 29	BC Aboriginal Foster Parents Society (BCAFPS)	Engagement, role as special advisor, work of BCAFPS	FNS, Vancouver
March 7	Ktunaxa	Engagement on CCO's and role as Special Advisor	Cranbrook
March 8	Custom Adoption Forum	Hosted by Grand Chief – Elders and cultural experts invited to discuss traditional and custom adoptions	Musqueam Cultural Center
March 11	Gitxsan Child and Family Services	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	New Hazelton
March 11	Gitanmaax	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Hazelton
March 15	BC Assembly of First Nations AGM	Update on appointment and interim report presented. CCO Lists provided	Greenville
March 16	Nisga Child and Family Services (TBC)	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Greenville – Executive Director and staff from Nisga'a Child and Family Services
March 17	Tzeachten	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Chilliwack
March 18	Scw'exmx Child and Family Services	Engagement on CCO's and role as special advisor	Merritt – Nations present – Coldwater, Lower Nicola, Nooaitch, Shackan, Upper Nicola
March 21, 22	Gathering Our Voices Youth Conference	Opening remarks, discussion with former children in care, Children in Care Banquet	Hosted by BC Association of Friendship Centers, Victoria, BC
March 31	Custom Adoption Event	Hosted by Lelum Atul Smuneem	Duncan
April 1	Sewepemc Child and Family Services	Engagement and role as special advisor	Vancouver, Executive Director and Board Chair
June 1 and 15	MCFD Supervisor Conference	Speaking to reconciliation	Richmond
July 21	Northern Chief Meeting	Engagement and discussion of draft findings	Prince George
Sept 8/9	BC Cabinet and First Nations Leaders Gathering	discussion of recommendations	Vancouver

MCFD Lead Community Engagement

Activities Completed or Planned			
Date	Meeting	Purpose	Comments
November 4	Tl'azten	Direct community engagement on CCO's	Follow up on November 25th to continue dialogue
November 26	Ahousaht	Follow up from Nuu-chah-nulth Tribal Council	