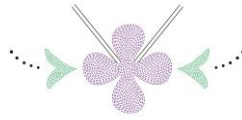




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**Smithers, BC Community Hearing Schedule - Truth Gathering Process**

**Tuesday, September 26, 2017 to Thursday, September 28, 2017**  
**Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall, 3955 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Smithers BC**

**FINAL AGENDA**

<b>Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup></b>			
<b>2:00 pm (Approximately)</b>	Chief Commissioner and Commissioners Participate in "Tears 4 Justice" Walk into Smithers		Open to public
<b>2:00 pm onward</b>	Welcome of Walkers by Hereditary Chiefs Lighting of the Sacred Fire Water Ceremony Brushing off Ceremony for Families  Community Feast		Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Open to public
<b>Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup></b>			
<b>8:00 am</b>	Opening Ceremony	Sacred Fire*	Open to public
<b>9:00 am</b>	Opening Remarks from Commissioners	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>9:15 am</b>	Community Hearings		
<b>10:45 am</b>	<i>Break</i>		
<b>11:00 am</b>	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>12:30 pm</b>	<i>Lunch</i>		
<b>1:30 pm</b>	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>3:00 pm</b>	<i>Break</i>		
<b>3:15 pm</b>	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>4:45 pm</b>	Announcement of next day's schedule Closing Prayer	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup></b>			
<b>8:00 am</b>	Opening Ceremony	Sacred Fire*	Open to public
<b>9:00 am</b>	Opening Remarks from Commissioners	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>9:15 am</b>	Community Hearings		
<b>10:45 am</b>	<i>Break</i>		
<b>11:00 am</b>	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>12:30 pm</b>	<i>Lunch</i>		

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1:30 pm	Artistic Expression Students from Kitsumkalum First Nation Sing the ballad "The Highway"	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
3:00 pm	<i>Break</i>		
3:15 pm	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
4:45 pm	Announcement of next day's schedule Closing Prayer	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
<b>Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup></b>			
8:00 am	Opening Ceremony	Sacred Fire*	Open to public
9:00 am	Opening Remarks from Commissioners	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
9:15 am	Community Hearings		
10:45 am	<i>Break</i>		
11:00 am	Press Conference	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
12:00 pm	<i>Lunch</i>		
1:30 pm	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
3:00 pm	<i>Break</i>		
3:15 pm	Community Hearings	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
4:45 pm	Closing Prayer	Dze L K'ant Friendship Centre Hall	Open to public
5:00 pm	Closing Ceremony	Sacred Fire*	Open to public

<b>Resources:</b>	
<b>Registration/Information</b>	Please make your way to the Registration/Information table upon arrival at 8:30 am to check in. National Inquiry staff will be able to direct you to the correct area from there. Should you need assistance or require National Inquiry staff at any time, please go to the Registration/Information table to connect with our team.
<b>Health Supports</b>	If you are in need of health or emotional support, please seek out a member of the Health Support team wearing <b>Purple</b> shirts.
<b>Elder Support</b>	If you require Elder support, please check in with a National Inquiry team at the Registration/Information table or in the Elders room beside the hearing room.
<b>Travel/Accommodations</b>	Please speak with a member of the National Inquiry team at the Registration/Information table should you have any issues with your travel or accommodations.
<b>Statement Taking</b>	Please note that statement takers will be available for those individuals who would like to submit a statement to the National Inquiry but have not previously registered to do so at the hearing in Smithers. Please go to the Registration/Information table to speak to a member of our team about making a statement.

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