

Summary of Issues Raised by YLUPC at meeting with CYFN Grand Chief Peter Johnston CYFN Building, October 6, 2016

Introduction and Status of *Chapter 11 – Regional Planning Implementation*

YLUPC recommends 7 planning regions (see Map 1). History of Chapter 11 Land Use Planning: 2 early commissions (Vuntut, Teslin), then North Yukon Plan approved and being implemented, Peel Plan "done" but in court, Dawson on hold, Teslin and Kluane likely next, followed by NTC or Whitehorse. Money: \$7.4 million allocated, \$4.1 million left for Dawson, Whitehorse, Northern Tutchone, Teslin and Kluane (not likely enough).

Peel Court Case

The case deals primarily with the approval process for regional plans and the Parties responsibilities in a regional planning process based upon the agreements. Once the case is over, YLUPC will examine the judgement for its implications to producing and approving plans. Other issues associated with implementing *Chapter 11-Regional Planning* should be addressed while the court case is occurring so planning can start after the ruling in 2017.

Chapter 11: Land Claim Interpretation Issues

Future of Regional Planning Commissions

Was it the vision of the agreements to have the commissions exist for a 3-5 year period at some point after claim settlement and never exist again? If so, who is to conduct conformity checks, make representation to YESAA, monitor plan implementation, recommend amendments and lead plan review in a manner consistent with the agreements? (Figure 1)

Roles and Responsibility Issues

There are no procedures developed for: 1) YLUPC consulting with the Parties on a recommendation; 2) the Parties responding to a YLUPC recommendation and; 3) the Parties ratifying a recommendation from YLUPC and implementing their decision. (Figure 2).

The YLUPC is not identified in the agreements as the "Overseers" of the regional planning commissions. Was this the vision of the land claim agreements? (Figure 3)

Common Land Use Planning Process (CLUPP)

YLUPC is recommending changes to the planning process: 1) focus on taking "the weight of the world" off these citizen commission members via more support by YLUPC for administration, HR and planning. Parties can provide information and policy definition with more agreement built between Parties before and during process. Other UFA Boards also need to support the work of the commissions.

Next Steps for YLUPC

Meet with all settled Yukon First Nations and the Yukon Government;

Requested an "All Parties" regional planning committee be established involving senior staff to address the interpretation issues associated with Chapter 11;

Organize an "All Parties" Regional Land Use Planning Forum to address these issues;

Bring together the UFA Boards and Committees to strengthen their role in regional planning.

