

Terms of Reference
Senior Liaison Committee

Mandate:

The mandate of the Senior Liaison Committee (SLC) is to provide co-ordinated, senior level, intergovernmental (territorial, First Nation) input, advice and support to Teslin Regional Planning Commission at key stages in the planning process as may be required to address issues in the preparation of the plan. This includes:

- Providing input and advice to the Commission regarding relevant government issues, policies, programs and initiatives for consideration in the preparation of the plan.
- Responding to any questions the Commission may have on policy matters.
- Providing overarching policy direction

The SLC will make best efforts to operate on a consensus basis regarding the advice it provides to the Commission.

In the event that any of the conditions contained within this TOR conflict with the Final Agreements of the Affected First Nations, those Agreements will prevail.

Composition:

SLC will be comprised of one senior representative from each of the Parties. Federal representatives with interest and mandates in the planning region will be invited to participate by SLC as deemed appropriate. Appointments to SLC will be made by the respective Minister, Chief or Director General, as appropriate. The Yukon Land Use Planning Council, adjacent FN's and other agencies may be invited to attend SLC meetings.

Operating Procedures:

SLC will call a meeting with the Commission as required to gain work plan updates and provide input and guidance during key phases of the planning process, including but not limited to:

- 1) development of the Commission's budget/work plan, 2) Planning Region Issues and Interests, 3) Resource Assessments and Reports, 4) Plan Scenarios and 5) the Draft Plan.
- Each member organization will be responsible for covering its own costs for participating on the SLC.

SLC members will be expected to represent the broad corporate interests of their respective governments. Members will also be expected to keep their respective governments adequately informed of the key issues and items discussed during SLC business.

To facilitate effective communications and informed discussion, representatives from the affected First Nations, the Council, the Commission, the Technical Working Group (TWG) and souther Yukon Regional Planning working Group (SYRPWG) may be invited by SLC to participate in and /or attend SLC meetings as appropriate.