

NATIVE FISHING ASSOCIATION

BC YOUNG ABORIGINAL FISHERS CONFERENCE

Radisson Hotel Vancouver Airport

8181 Cambie Road, Richmond, BC V6X 3X9

January 26-28, 2016

CONFERENCE GOALS:

To provide participants an opportunity to:

- Meet and discuss with fellow peers ways in which to diversify and strengthen fishing skills and experiences.
- Identify challenges and concerns regarding the industry and discuss interests, reflections, and opportunities.
- Work together to build partnerships and/or economies of scale.

AGENDA

EVENING RECEPTION- Tuesday, January 26 2016

- **6:00-8:00 pm – Reception and NFA Welcome Dinner**
- **Keynote Speaker: Matthew Kirchner (Ratcliff and Company, LLP)**
- **Catered Dinner**

DAY ONE – Wednesday, January 27 2016

(Facilitator: Saul Milne)

8:30 am

Participant Registration & Continental Breakfast

9:00 am

Welcome and Opening Remarks

- Musqueam First Nation

Introductions and Overview

- NFA and NBBC Introductions
- Interviews with Young Aboriginal Fishers: summary of key issues/themes

10:15 am	Health Break
10:30 am	Interactive Session- Panel (selected interviewees) and Open-floor Discussion: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Key Themes: Participation in multiple fisheries, capital investment challenges, building economies of scale, networking tools, better market awareness</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ What has been your experience of these challenges?
12:00 pm	Lunch (Catered) <i>Sponsored by CIBC Wood Gundy</i>
1:00 pm	Open-floor Discussion (or Rotating Breakout Groups): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Identifying Opportunities:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The realities of fishers participating in multiple fisheries ○ Collaboration and building economies of scale with peers ○ Addressing rising lease costs and access issues ○ Better communication and knowledge sharing among peers
2:45 pm	Health Break
3:00 pm	Presenting Feedback from Breakout Groups
4:00 pm*	Closure

*Dinner Allowance provided

DAY TWO – Thursday, January 28 2016	
8:30 am	Participant Arrival / Registration / Continental Breakfast
9:00 am	Identifying Priorities and Action Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of key opportunities identified on Day 1 • Identifying an approach that will actually work for fishermen! • Peer nominate project leads
10:15 am	Health Break
10:30 am	Next Steps on the Priority Action Plans

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What will happen between now and next year's conference?
12:00 pm	Lunch (Catered)
1:00 pm	Identifying Milestones and Reporting Out <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the Milestones and how do we report out
1:45 pm	NFA Conclusion and Safe travels home!

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