

Summary of Commitments

United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

The NWT Council of Leaders agree to sign the “*Memorandum of Understanding for a Collaborative Approach to Implement the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in the NWT*” to support the ongoing work of the working group as soon as they have reviewed and have comfort within each government.

GNWT Legislative Initiatives

The NWT Council of Leaders direct officials to develop a memorandum of understanding to identify social, economic and cultural GNWT legislative initiatives for collaborative development with Indigenous governments.

The GNWT commits to provide more detailed information on the proposed Phase 1 changes to the *Education Act*.

The NWT Council of Leaders commit to developing a memorandum of understanding to define how GNWT and Indigenous governments will collaboratively develop Phase 2 of the *Education Act* modernization.

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Climate Change

The NWT Council of Leaders commit to collectively lobby the federal government on the carbon tax and its ongoing impacts on the Northwest Territories. [via a letter that will be drafted and circulated in the near future]

The NWT Council of Leaders agreed to look for opportunities to collectively bring climate change issues to the Government of Canada and to advocate for appropriate funding.

The NWT Council of Leaders commit to enhance linkages between Indigenous leadership and the NWT Climate Change Council and to share information to inform climate change priorities and confirm attendance at the upcoming COP27 in Egypt in November 2022.

NWT Economy

The NWT Council of Leaders commit to use the information gathered last year on economic drivers and shared priorities across the NWT to identify new economic opportunities for the NWT.

The NWT Council of Leaders direct officials to develop a statement of shared priorities and strategic framework for the NWT economy

Arctic and Northern Policy Framework

The NWT Council of Leaders commit to collaborate on areas of shared interest to align priorities for coordinated engagement as the Arctic and Northern Policy Framework is implemented.