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**CAFN SETTLEMENT LAND RESOURCE POLICY
CITIZEN QUESTIONNAIRE
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OPTIONAL

Your name: _____

Phone Number/ email: _____

Those willing to fill this questionnaire out and submit to CAFN before January 15th, 2016, will be entered into a draw to win a \$500.00 Air North Gift Certificate. We will continue to take in recommendations and comments through this form beyond this date.

The CAFN Government is undertaking the development of policies and legislation for the protection and management of forest and mineral resources on CAFN Settlement Land. CAFN has law making authority for the management of its Settlement Land in accordance with the CAFN Final Agreement and CAFN Self-Government Agreement. This questionnaire is part of process led by the CAFN Lands and Resources Department to gain a better understanding of CAFN citizens' interests for these policies and laws. There will continue to be consultation and engagement with CAFN citizens as the work progresses.

This questionnaire is divided into two sections. The first section is focused on the Category A Settlement Land Minerals Act development, and the second section is focused on forest policies for both Category A and B Settlement Land. Before completing this questionnaire, we recommend you review the presentations and information provided on the CAFN Lands and Resources website, available at: <http://cafn.ca/government/departments/land-resources/>

Please review the presentation and associated notes if more information is needed before answering the questions.

SECTION 2: SETTLEMENT LAND FORESTRY POLICY

Climate change

1. Should forest management be carried out in a way that allows for adapting to climate change? If you answered yes, how would you suggest this is done? _____

2. Should forests be managed based on their role in emitting / absorbing greenhouse gases (e.g., CO₂)? _____

Comments/ Notes:

Forest protection:

1. Protecting the forest from damage due to forest fires, bark beetles and blowdown are important considerations for forest management. In the context of the interest to manage forest for future generations, do you have ideas that may help CAFN government protect the forest from these types of damage? _____

2. Currently the Yukon government is responsible for fighting fires and dealing with beetles on Settlement Land. Should CAFN work towards taking these responsibilities over? _____

Comments/ Notes: _____

Timber supply:

1. The supply of timber for personal and commercial operations is an important part of managing forests for present and future generations. CAFN has been working with Yukon Government on forest plans that take into consideration a wide range of issues from the environment, social and cultural interests and the economy. What are the most important issues that need to be addressed in terms of making rules for planning on Settlement Land? _____

2. CAFN has been working with Yukon Government to develop an inventory of timber resources within CAFN traditional territory. This inventory will be studied to determine how much wood can be harvested each year and be sustainable over time. Yukon Government has authority to determine an allowable cut level on non-Settlement Land in the traditional territory. How do you think CAFN should determine an allowable cut level for our Settlement Land? Who should make the final decision? Who should be involved? What needs to be considered? _____

Comments/ Notes _____

Authorization to use forest resources:

1. For timber resources should the cutting of trees be prohibited unless there is a permit issued? If so, should individuals be required to get one or should it apply only to commercial operators? _____

2. If permits are being made available to commercial operators, should they be for long term or short term opportunities or both? _____

3. For timber harvesting should there be consultation? If so, who should be consulted? _____

4. Should people who cut trees be required to pay a fee for the right to harvest trees? _____

Comments/ Notes: _____

Rules:

1. When timber is being cut should there be rules that control how the harvesting operations are done? How should CAFN make sure the rules are complied with and enforced? _____

2. Should there be laws developed that require reforestation to be completed after an area is logged? _____

Comments/ Notes: _____
