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The United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) being discussed at the Assembly. UNDRIP is included in the Draft Agreement in the Principles section agreed to by both Parties.

ASSEMBLY OVERVIEW

The Fraser Salmon Management Council held a special Assembly on January 17, 2018 in Richmond BC. The Assembly was attended in person by 31 Member Delegates, with some carrying Proxies (total of 19) from other Member Delegates who were unable to attend. In total, 50 of our 71 Member Bands (70%) were represented at this Assembly.

REVIEW OF THE DRAFT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

The purpose of the Assembly was to present, review, and discuss the Draft Management Agreement that the FSMC has

been negotiating since November 2016. While our Negotiating Team had hoped to put a finalized Draft forward for review/approval by Member Delegates, some important issues are still un-resolved. Nevertheless, it was felt that it was important to familiarize our Member Delegates with the work done to date. Our Lead Negotiator, Brenda Gaertner, took the assembled Delegates through the Draft Agreement in some detail, and answered questions and comments as she went.



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Brenda noted that while the majority of the terms of the Agreement had been accepted by both Negotiation Teams, there were still **four outstanding issues that need to be resolved:**

- **Ability of the FSMC to populate Pacific Salmon Commission panels with mandated First Nations representatives.**
- **Engagement with Tier 3 fishery management planning processes.**
- **The FSC Priority Principles as proposed in the Draft Agreement.**
- **Transition plan/schedule.**

These issues will be the subjects of the next negotiating session, scheduled for later in February.

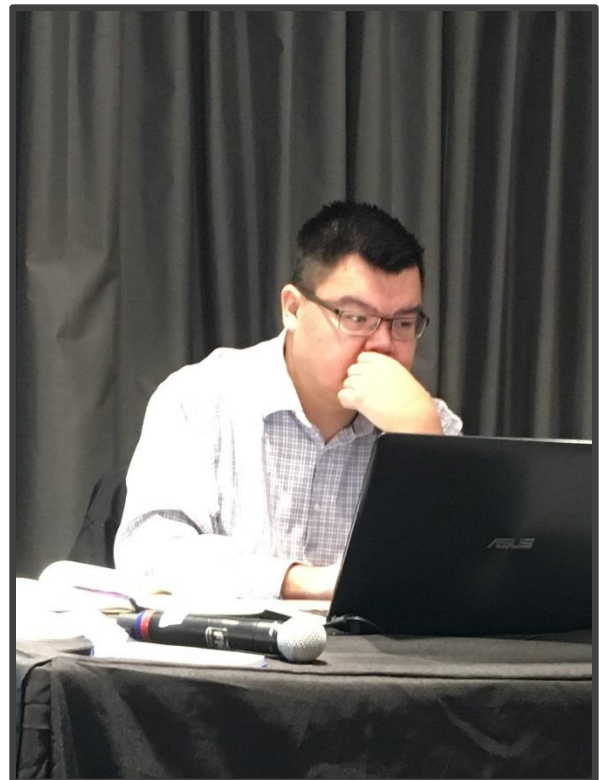
NEXT STEPS

All Member Delegates have been provided with a copy of the Draft Management Agreement, and have been requested to provide any additional comments to their Main Table members, or directly to their support staff (Allison James, Neil Todd) by February 9, 2018.

The Assembly closed with attendees expressing strong approval for the work done to date by the Main Table and its Negotiating Team.



Brenda Gaertner, Lead Negotiator for the FSMC -DFO Negotiations.



Darren Haskell, FSMC President reviewing the draft management agreement.



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Map of the 71 FSMC Member Nations





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