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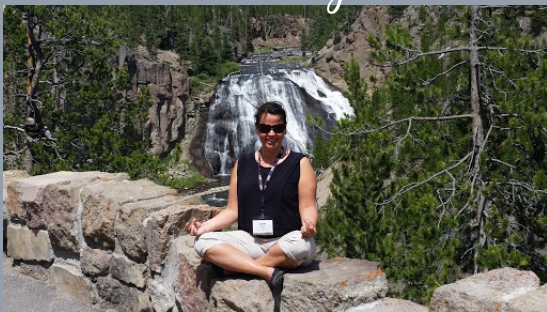
## SENIOR ASSOCIATE LETTER

What a pleasure it was to travel to Eagle Lake First Nation this past month to experience firsthand the challenges and opportunities of working in Northern Ontario. With Governance and Economic Development at the core of the training we provide, our sessions with Chief & Council were both informative and inspiring. They are a strong team with a solid vision.

These past few months at Strategies North have been a great experience. This team is inspired, fun and always ready to tackle a new project. Stay tuned for updates on the BC Clean Energy Project, CRTC funding and of course new team members as we focus on you, the client.

And finally, with the new fiscal year, we'll be reaching out to re-confirm your priorities. New funding pots are posting almost daily. If you have a project in mind, don't hesitate to call us. We're here to help.

*Lynn Hutton*



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## WELCOME DUSTIN!



Dustin Alvarez is a recent graduate from the University of Victoria, with a degree in Geography and a key focus on understanding how minorities experience the city differently. Growing up on the west coast has instilled a passion for the amazing environment we are surrounded by. His interests include wandering Vancouver Island's amazing scenery whether it be the forests or the ocean.

## KEY DATES

### May 15: Community Energy Leadership Deadline

Fraser Basin Council's CEL Program supports investments in energy efficiency.

### May 16: NRT Direct Support

NRT's Direct Support is due.

### May 31: FN Clean Energy Business Fund Deadline

The Government of BC's First Nations Clean Energy Business Fund supports indigenous participation in clean energy.

## BC CLEAN ENERGY

**The First Nations Clean Energy Business Fund (FNCEBF)** was established in 2010 to provide funding for increased Indigenous community participation in the clean energy sector. The Fund aims to promote participation in the clean energy sector through three funding categories:

**1. Capacity Funding** for development of Community Energy Plans, financial analysis of potential projects, feasibility or pre-feasibility studies, permitting processes, or various business plans related to energy.

**2. Equity Grants** to implement energy efficiency projects related to heating technologies and/or installation of small-scale solar or other energy technologies that will provide load displacement in the community.

**3. Revenue Sharing** with applicants based on provincial resource rents that result from clean energy projects.

**Details:** The Fund is limited to a maximum of \$50,000 per eligible applicant.

Proposed projects must be located in BC.

**Eligibility:** All First Nation bands or governing bodies are eligible to apply.

**Application Deadline:** The deadline for the upcoming intake period is **May 31, 2019**.

## INDIGENOUS HOMES INNOVATION

**The Indigenous Homes Innovation Initiative** aims to find and support First Nation, Inuit and Métis Nation innovators who have housing ideas for rural or remote Indigenous communities. The Initiative will support ideas in Indigenous communities that fall into one of these areas:

1. Traditional building styles and techniques
2. Using the home for empowerment, capacity building and support for local businesses
3. Support for vulnerable populations
4. Culturally-inspired urban places
5. Safety, security, and accessibility
6. Energy independence and efficiency

Projects must also be **innovative** by introducing new ideas, designs or building techniques for effective, sustainable or culturally inspired living spaces for Indigenous peoples. It must be led by a First Nations, Inuit, or Métis Nation applicant: on or off reserve; in a rural, urban or remote area, or in any region of the country.

Funding will be given in two periods:

**Accelerator Period:** Up to 24 applicants will receive up to \$350,000 worth of funding and support services.

**Project Implementation Period:** 15 to 24 projects will receive up to \$2 million per project for construction.

**Application Deadline:** August 1, 2019

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Spark Women's Leadership Conference

We can't wait to Shift Up & Fuel our Purpose at Spark Women's Leadership Conference 2019! Spark provides professional development opportunities for women in Northeastern BC. We are proud to be a sponsor of such a great event!

### Welcome Back to our Associate Allaura Lovell!

We are excited to have our associate Allaura Lovell back with the Strategies North team full-time over the summer months! Although Allaura has been with the team for a year, you will be seeing a lot more of her over the next few months!

# EAGLE LAKE FIRST NATION

## Our May client profile is Eagle Lake First Nation!

Our first Ontario client, **Eagle Lake First Nation** is located in the heart of Northwestern Ontario, on the shores of Eagle Lake. Eagle Lake First Nation is translated from Migisi Sahgaigan, which is the Ojibway name of the community. Eagle Lake First Nation is part of the Grand Council Treaty #3, and is a member nation of the Bimose Tribal Council. The Nation is working hard to protect their land and follow traditional laws. Strategies North and Eagle Lake First Nation have been working on a number of exciting projects, including multiple green energy initiatives and preservation of the Farabout Peninsula, a sacred wilderness area in the middle of Eagle Lake, which is home to mature forests, bogs, beaver dams, rocky lake shore, and extensive shoreline wetlands.



# ARCHIVES

Strategies North was happy to be in attendance at Building Reconciliation Through the Archive, and event at UVIC dedicated to the past, present and future of Indigenous documentary heritage. The role of the archive is to deepen our understanding of the past in order to determine where we need to go. Archivists are exposed to a multitude of records and are therefore gatekeepers of knowledge.

As a country there has been an awakening as to the importance of archives. Active forces must now be taken to animate the knowledge and ensure that archives are not passive dust collectors that assists in the guarantee of non recurrence.

An archive is a massive collection of voices and stories waiting to be heard. All of the records collected are alive, can speak and must not sit collecting dust. We have an opportunity and a responsibility to access, develop and pay respect to these living, breathing collections of humanity.

**“Listen twice as hard and speak half as much.”**

