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Federal and Provincial Laws and Regulations

Executive Committee Composition

- ## 2. Governance

- Director of Government Relations Tina Petawabano provided an update on the homelessness concerns in Chibougamau. Grand Chief Paul John Murdoch, Chief Gaston Cooper and Former Chief Michael Petawabano met with the Chibougamau mayor on how people facing homelessness there can be supported through our future almshouses and current resources, programs and services.
- Concerning the Quebec election, CNG representatives met with the Parti Québécois on September 11 and will be meeting with the Quebec Liberal Party soon. Cree leadership reached out to Coalition Avenir Québec (CAQ), but has not received a response to date.

Executive Director Anthony Macleod provided a progress update on Cree Canada Relations



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Hydro-Québec Relations

Hydro-Québec CEO Claudine Bouchard met in Chisasibi with Elders and Heritage and Cultural Center representatives as part of ongoing community engagement. Fieldwork, analysis, and chapter writing for the Ayimiihituunaanuwich Study Program are complete, and ATT review is underway; a draft is expected in fall 2026, followed by public presentations in late fall. Environmental monitoring, climate assessment, mitigation, and reporting continue, with results and a pre-final report expected this fall. In 2026, additional ice cover, spring spawning, and archaeology studies will be completed and integrated into the sectoral assessment; in 2027-2028, Hydro-Québec will apply to amend the Quebec Administrator authorization, supported by the evaluation. Hydro-Québec is also launching Hydro and Friends 2.0 – Tipi Talks, a monthly Cree and Jamesian dialogue forum on JBCCS, Facebook, YouTube, and CreeTV, with the next episode on October 12, 2026.

- CDC CEO Clarke Shecapio provided a progress update on wind power development in Eeyou Istchee and the identification of no-go areas.

Capital works and Services (CWS) has been tasked with developing a Cree-managed land registry system targeted for 2027. Each community would manage its own registry, with access for local registrars and, upon request, notaries and banks. Community contacts are currently being requested, with consultation planned throughout development.

- Approve development of a regional consolidated land registry system.
- Approve proposed changes to Program 1.3A to improve access to mortgage financing.



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- Process
- Declaration of Interests



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Deputy Executive Director Melissa Saganash presented an update on the status of the discussion between the Justice Department and the Quebec Ministry of Justice.

- The first meeting with the Ministry of Justice was completed successfully. The scope of the mandate has been proposed and will be clarified at the next meeting to ensure everyone is aligned. There are 2 tables to discuss summary convictions and ticketing; and the negotiation of the Justice Agreement. The existing agreement is nearing expiry. A temporary two-year extension will be prepared while work begins on renewing the official agreement. An update on the continued discussions is expected in December.

- Following meetings with each Director General on September 9-10 and a final group meeting on September 15, communities are being given greater responsibility and involvement in local justice services. Under the new funding model, CNG will provide agreements to each Chief and Council, with annual funding allocated to Justice Committees for local projects, programs and member compensation, subject to quarterly reporting. The department will also provide ongoing support through funding, local staff assistance, member selection, training and partnerships.
- Nine agreements have been prepared and are awaiting approval before being shared with all nine communities. Presentations to Chief and Council will begin in Ouje-Bougoumou on October 1, with funding to be transferred once agreements are signed. Training and additional support for new committee members are also being planned.

Caribou

- Director Jonathan Sutherland provided an update on the Leaf River herd and the status of the Cree moratorium on caribou harvest. He also informed of initiatives to address caribou decline such as the First Caribou Knowledge Workshop to take place on November 2-5, 2026 in Whapmagoostui.



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Place Name Strategy

- ## CNYC Update

- ## 7. Other Matters

Review of Current and Past Directives

- ## 8. Next Meeting

November 30, December 2-3, 2026

Gatineau, Quebec