



ASSEMBLY OF TREATY CHIEFS 2025

Assembly of Treaty Chiefs – Spring Sitting

April 8 & 9, 2025

Westin Airport Hotel

Calgary, AB.

Host - Blackfoot Confederacy

Purpose:

The Assembly of Treaty Chiefs (AOTC) 2021 was convened to discuss reforms and enhance the working relationship among Treaty 6, 7, and 8 Nations in Alberta. Established in 2004, the AOTC provides a platform for Treaty Chiefs to deliberate on issues related to Inherent and Treaty Rights, lands, traditional territories, and the impacts of decisions made by the GoC and GoA governments.

The Chiefs signed the Unity Declaration, agreeing not to incorporate but to seek support from Confederacy of Treaty organizations for funding, coordination, and follow-up directives. The assembly in April 2025 will include ceremonial openings, leadership perspectives, updates on major issues, challenges in strategic plans, and discussions on reforms for equitable representation and communication."

AGENDA

Co-Chairs: Treaty No. 7: *Charles Weasel Head*

Treaty No. 6: *Ron Lameman*

Treaty No. 8: *Stan Isadore*

Welcome!

Day One: April 8, 2025

7:30 AM: Pipe Ceremony: Wilton Goodstriker - Áápii Niitsitapi

8:30 AM: Chiefs Grand Entry

9:00 AM Opening Prayer: Wilton Goodstriker - Áápii Niitsitapi

9:20 AM: Call to order: Chair

9:30 AM - Welcoming and Opening Remarks:

Treaty No. 7: Chief Ouray Crowfoot – Blackfoot Confederacy

Treaty No. 7: G4 Chief Aaron Young, Chiniki First Nations

Treaty No. 6: Grand Chief Greg Desjarlais

Treaty No. 8: Grand Chief Trevor Mercredi

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Order of Business

1. Review and Adoption of Agenda
2. Review and Adoption of Rules of Procedures
3. Review and Update on Resolutions from October Sitting – Kayli Avveduti

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM **Item One** – Reading of AoTC Reform Paper – Summer of 2023 Readdressed

11:00 AM **Item Two** - AoTC Reform
Presenter Chief Ouray Crowfoot – Blackfoot Confederacy Treaty 7
Open floor for discussion

12:00 PM Lunch Break

1:00 PM **Item Three:** Jay Border Treaty Alliance (JTBA- US)
Presenter JTBA High Table Representatives:
William Barquin (“Billy”) Attorney General for Kootenai Tribe of Idaho
Carol Mason, Interim CEO Blackfoot Confederacy
Samuel Crowfoot, Blackfoot Confederacy

1:30 PM **Item Four:** G7 World Leadership Summit Update
Presenter Christopher Robinson, Lorraine Pelletier, G7 Summit Management Office
G7 - Financial Summit Update
Presenter Carol Mason, Interim CEO Blackfoot Confederacy

1:45 PM **Item Five:** US Consulate – US Border Crossing Update
Presenter Consul General Representative, General United States Consulate
Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Northwest Territories

2:00 PM Break

2:15 PM **Item Six:** Child and Family Update
National Children’s Chiefs Commission
Presenter Chief Jacko, Treaty 6

2:45 PM **Item Seven:** Jordan’s Principle
Presenter Dean Janvier, Deloitte

3:30 PM **Item Eight:** Water & Related Infrastructure and Lands - CSC

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Presenter Norma Large – Treaty 6
Vaughn Paul – Treaty 6

4:30 PM End of Day

Day Two

7:30 AM: Pipe Ceremony: Elder Mike Beaver T6, Elder Cecil Crier T8

8:30 AM Opening Prayer: G4 Elder

9:00 AM: Call to order: Co-Chairs Recap

9:15 AM **Item Nine** - Treaty Medicine Chest – Dr. Leroy Little Bear

10:30 AM Break

10:45 AM **Item Ten** - Chief's Steering Committee on Health Governance
Presenter Blackfoot Confederacy - Charles Weasel Head

11:30 AM Jerome Yellow Dirt – T6, Presentation Report on Cancer

12:00 PM Lunch

1:00 PM **Item Eleven** - Transfer Agreement – Devolution Update
Presenter Norma Large

1:45 PM **Item Twelve** - AoTC – Treaty Protection Action Plan Update
Presenter TBA

2:30 PM Break

2:45 PM Chair/Co-Chairs Overview of the AoTC Action Plans and Proceedings, Next Steps

3:00 PM Grand Chiefs and Host Chief Closing Remarks

3:30 PM Exit Eagle Staff and Flags

Safe travels to your home fires