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Tłıchǫ Government Announces Khon Go Cho Complex

June 4, 2013 - The Community Government of Behchokǫ and the Tłıchǫ Government are very pleased to announce a joint effort to revitalize the Khon Go Cho Complex in Behchokǫ. This Complex will contribute to the long-term sustainability of the Behchokǫ community and benefit all Tłıchǫ citizens.

The Community Government of Behchokǫ has secured the necessary financing and commitments from a number of parties for re-building the Complex. Partners include the Government of Canada, the Tłıchǫ Government, the Government of the Northwest Territories and Dominion Diamond Ekati Corporation. The Chief and Council set the Khon Go Cho Complex as the community's top priority capital project and have now realized their vision. The new Complex is estimated to be approximately 50,000 square feet and will promote much needed recreation, sports, youth and elder programs, and contribute to healthy living activities and events.

"I am very happy," said Behchokǫ Chief Clifford Daniels, "that we have been able to bring the necessary resources together to resolve this problem. This has been a major effort of our Community Government for many years. Children, young people, and indeed everyone in Behchoko, will have a place to meet and enjoy themselves together. This is an especially big win for our young people. It will certainly help to relieve pressures in the community where our young people do not have enough things to do. This Multiplex will help to revive recreational activities, and sports in our community and bring people together in beneficial and positive ways." said.

Dominion Diamond Corporation is pleased to be a partner on the Khon Go Cho Complex. DDC's Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, Bob Gannicott said, "This is a proud day for the Tłıchǫ people and would not be possible without the dedication and leadership of Grand Chief Erasmus, Chief Daniels, Chief Nitsiza, Chief Chocolate and Chief Football, who all made it a priority to support the Khon Go Cho Complex. Dominion Diamond is very proud to work with the Tłıchǫ Leaders to provide a Complex that will celebrate Tłıchǫ culture, sport and traditional activities for many, many years."

Tłıchǫ Government Grand Chief Eddie Erasmus said "We are proud to announce this partnership effort. We see it as the key to our youth's future."

Construction of Khon Go Cho Complex is intended to begin this summer. The Complex will provide the Community Government with the infrastructure to successfully deliver many recreation and cultural programs for all ages and serve the Tłıchǫ people of the region for generations to come.

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