

Treaty 8-BCER Restoration Advisory Committee

2025 Annual Newsletter



About the Committee



The Treaty 8-BCER Restoration Advisory Committee (RAC) is a collaborative group of representatives from Treaty 8 First Nations and the BC Energy Regulator (BCER), working together on environmental restoration initiatives related to energy resource activities in northeast B.C. Its purpose is to embed Indigenous perspectives, cultural values and practical expertise in restoration work – to foster ecological health, uphold treaty rights and sustain Indigenous ways of life for future generations.

What we focused on together this past year

1

Legislation & Policy

- Ecological Suitable Species Guideline species list update - in progress.

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Communication

- Monthly meetings
- Creation of a [RAC webpage](#)
- Annual newsletter

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Training & Learning

- Ongoing discussions about restoration projects, programs, research, findings & key learnings
- Presented at 2 conferences

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Programs & Projects

- Improvement of resource sharing and communication.
- Collaborative Orphan Site Restoration Project planning

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Data & Information Management

- In progress



2025

May 21

Workshop/Field Visit

At Orphan Sites to discuss ESSG Species List Updates and Orphan Site Project Workplan

Sept. 16-17

Fall Workshop

Committee members gathered in the Doig River First Nation community for two days of relationship building, learning and collaborative planning for the Orphan Site Restoration Project.

Nov. 18

Presentation

NEBC Producers Conference

Nov 27

Presentation

Society for Ecosystem Restoration in Northern BC

+ 8 Monthly Meetings

Looking ahead to 2026

- ▶ Collaborative Orphans Site Restoration Project Implementation
- ▶ Healing the Land Conference hosted by Saulteau First Nations (September)
- ▶ Prioritizing coming together in-person and on the land
- ▶ Continue to strengthen our external communications and collaboration

