

Yukon River Watershed Affiliated Organization Agreement

Introduction

There are numerous non-indigenous organizations and governments, and organizations and governments located outside the Yukon River Watershed, that nonetheless support the Indigenous Peoples of the Watershed, the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Watershed Council and the Yukon River Watershed Inter-Tribal Accord. These organizations and governments, by signing this Agreement, recognize and support the Yukon River Watershed Inter-Tribal Accord and the mission of the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Watershed Council, and they shall be considered Yukon River Watershed Affiliated Organizations.

Affiliated Organization Agreement Terms

Affiliated Organizations, while recognizing their inability to become official signatories to the Accord due to their non-indigenous status or their location outside the Yukon River Watershed, wish to formally express their support for the Inter-Tribal Accord and the mission of the Watershed Council. By signing this Agreement, these Affiliated Organizations agree to the following:

1. We recognize and support the Yukon River Watershed Inter-Tribal Accord and the mission of the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Watershed Council.
2. We agree to support the initiatives and efforts of the Yukon River Inter-Tribal Watershed Council. This includes, but is not limited to, allowing our organization to be listed as a supporter of the Watershed Council and its efforts by virtue of our signature on this Agreement, but it does not include any obligation to provide financial support.
3. We will not take any positions adverse to those taken by the Watershed Council.
4. We will consult and cooperate with the Watershed Council and the signatories to the Inter-Tribal Accord on any initiatives we become involved in that may affect the environmental integrity of the Watershed and the cultural vitality of its people.
5. We acknowledge that as non-Indigenous Peoples of the Watershed we are not eligible to sit on the Watershed Council's Board of Directors, and we have no voting power on any issues brought before the Board of Directors.
6. If the Watershed Council's Board of Directors determines that any of our actions or positions violate any of the terms herein, we acknowledge its authority to terminate our status as an Affiliated Organization at any time and without any recourse.
7. Affiliated Organizations may attend and participate in Watershed Council summit meetings at our own expense, and upon prior approval by the Watershed Council office, we can participate in various programs of the Watershed Council, such as the backhaul program, environmental training, etc., at our own expense.
8. We may withdraw from this Agreement at any time by giving written notification to the Watershed Council office.
9. This Agreement will take effect upon approval by the Watershed Council's Board of Directors and subsequent signing by an Affiliated Organization.

Signed: _____

Title: _____

Government/Organization: _____