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NCC ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCE SUMMIT AGENDA

September 18-19, 2025 Calgary Petroleum Club 319 5th Avenue S.W. Calgary

Thursday, September 18, 2025

5:00 – 9:00 p.m. **Meet and Greet Reception, Calgary Petroleum Club 319 5th Ave S.W. Calgary. Presenters:**

Dennis McCarron, Director of Energy Services and Essentials, Brenntag Canada
Benjamin Sparrow, Founder and CEO, Saltworks
Chris Sankey, President, Blackfish Enterprises

Friday, September 19, 2025

7:30 – 8:30 am **Breakfast and Networking – Calgary Petroleum Club 319 5th Ave S.W. Calgary**

8:30 – 8:35 **Welcome Address: Dale Swampy, President, National Coalition of Chiefs**

8:35 – 8:55 **First Nation Participation in Natural Gas Projects in Canada**

Crystal Smith, Chair, First Nations Natural Gas Alliance (FNNGA)

8:55 – 9:20 **AIOC: “Building Capital and Partnerships: How Loan Guarantee Programs are Advancing Indigenous Investments in Major Projects”**

Whitney Buhr, Director, Engagement, Alberta Indigenous Opportunities Corporation (AIOC)

9:20 – 9:40 **Canada and the Modern Miracle of Hydrocarbons**

Michael Binnion, Founder, Modern Miracle Network

9:40 – 10:00 **IRC – Advocating for First Nations Involved in Sustainable Energy Development**

Stephen Buffalo, President and CEO, Indian Resource Council (IRC)

10:00 – 10:15 **Networking and Health Break**

10:15 – 10:35 **Pathways Alliance: Working Together for Canada's Energy Future**

Kendall Dilling, B. Sc., BA, MBA - President, Pathways Alliance

10:35 – 11:05 **Integrating Indigenous Knowledge with Advanced Climate Science to Support Ecosystem Sustainability, Land Stewardship, and Technological Innovation in Today's Economy**

Dr. Hughie Jones, Entrepreneur, Biometeorologist / Researcher and CEO, Whitestone Industry Services Ltd.

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11:05 – 11:25 Supporting Canada's Oil and Gas Industry

Lisa Baiton, President and CEO, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers

11:25 – 12:00 HydroFoamer – Faster, Greener, Smarter - Transforming Global Pipeline Delivery

Guy Harris, Founder and CEO, HydroFoamer B.V.

11:45 – 1:00 Lunch Served

12:15 – 12:45 Luncheon Keynote Speaker: Gary Mar, CEO, Canada West Foundation

1:00 – 1:20 Keynote Speaker: Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta

1:20 – 2:15 Building a Bitumen Pipeline to Tidewater – Panel Discussion

Moderator: Gary Mar, President and CEO, Canada West Foundation

Panel Members:

- Danielle Smith, Premier of Alberta
- Stephen Buffalo, President and CEO, Indian Resource Council
- Michael Binnion, Founder, Modern Miracle Network

2:15 – 2:45 Networking and Health Break

2:45 – 3:15 The NCC: Working to Defeat On-Reserve Poverty through First Nation Employment Transitional Programs, Industry Partnerships, and the Five (5) Conditions for FPIC

Dale Swampy, Founder and CEO, The National Coalition of Chiefs (NCC)

3:15 – 3:45 First Nation and Industry Partnerships: Building a Balanced and Prosperous Future

Trevor Delorey, CEO, Skwlax Resource Management

3:45 – 4:30 Creating Indigenous Community Support for Canada's Oil and Gas Industry

Moderator: Gary Mar, President and CEO, Canada West Foundation

Panel Members:

- Cody Battershill, Founder, Canada Action
- Lisa Mueller, Founder, Nation2Nation Events
- Lauren Remple, Founder and Principal Consultant, Seuoila Collaboration and Consulting

4:30 pm Closing Remarks: Dale Swampy, President, National Coalition of Chiefs