

DEHCHO FIRST NATIONS

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Certified copy of resolution made in Fort Simpson, NWT on April-30, 2015

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Grand-Chief

Resolution #02

RE: Total Ban on Hydraulic Fracturing

WHEREAS the Department of Industry, Tourism and Investment has proposed draft regulations that would permit hydraulic fracturing within the Northwest Territories;

WHEREAS the Government of the Northwest Territories has failed to obtain the consent of Dehcho communities as required under the Interim Measures Agreement;

WHEREAS hydraulic fracturing technology uses environmentally damaging chemicals and consumes large volumes of water;

WHEREAS hydraulic fracturing consumes and contaminates large volumes of water;

WHEREAS hydraulic fracturing technology has been scientifically linked to many concerning environmental impacts, and there remains many unknown potential environmental and human health impacts;

WHEREAS hydraulic fracturing has proven to be devastating to the land and water in other jurisdictions where this technology has been applied;

WHEREAS many jurisdictions from around the world have chosen to impose moratoriums on hydraulic fracturing within their boundaries, or have banned the technique outright;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Dehcho First Nation Leadership resolves:

- 1. To totally ban all forms of hydraulic fracturing in the Dehcho region.
- 2. To not support the permitting of any hydraulic fracturing activities in the Dehcho region or the GNWT's proposed hydraulic fracturing regulations.
- 3. To support the Dene Nation resolution to ban fracturing in the Northwest Territory as a whole.