Draft Goals for the Draft Land Use Plan August 2020



The Dawson Regional Planning Commission (the Commission) has prepared Draft Goals for the Draft Land Use Plan. The purpose of these statements is to outline what the Draft Plan will try to achieve. They are subject to variation as the Commission proceeds with the planning process, and the order in which the following statements are presented does not represent a hierarchy of importance. Every goal is equally important and each will help set the priorities and direction of the Draft Plan moving forward.

Draft Ecological Goals

Maintain healthy aquatic and terrestrial habitats to achieve sustainable fish and wildlife populations.

Support the natural integrity of the planning region by ensuring cumulative disturbances from human activities on the landscape are reclaimed or restored.

Preserve ecologically representative areas and important ecosystem services.

Maintain connectivity between areas of key wildlife habitat, while considering climate driven shifts in habitat.

Promote awareness of, and support mitigation and adaptation to, the effects of climate change on the landscape as well as on fish and wildlife populations.

Draft Socio-Cultural Goals

Promote land stewardship by upholding and enhancing cultural and heritage values of the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in, other First Nations, and other residents of the planning region.

Maintain the ability of Yukon people to connect with the land by ensuring traditional harvesting rights and activities are respected, and sustained.

Draft Economic Goals

Facilitate existing and future sustainable economic development opportunities and activities (both monetary-based and traditional) that result in socio-economic benefits to First Nations, the community of Dawson, and Yukon as a whole.

Provide land use certainty and minimize land use conflicts throughout the planning region.

Manage access infrastructure to renewable and non-renewable resources.