



# Pulling together to Meet the Challenge of Invasive Species

## Agenda

Yukon College Room C1440

February 13, 2012

### Workshop hosted by the Yukon Invasive Species Council

#### Purpose

To share knowledge and information on invasive species issues, extend the network by communicating and collaborating between all level of governments, researchers, professionals and the public, develop shared solutions to address the barriers to effectively managing invasive species in Yukon and promote participation in the Yukon Invasive Species Council.

8:30 Registration open

9:00 Welcome/ Overview

9:30 Reflection: What do we know about Invasive Species?

#### Panel presentations

#### 9:45 Panel #1 Snapshot on the Yukon and the neighbours

- ❖ Territorial Update: What's New and What to Watch For Bruce Bennett
- ❖ Regional round up (including northern BC, Alaska) Bruce Bennett
- ❖ The Yukon Invasive Species Council Andrea Altherr

10:15 Questions and identification of Key Issues

10:30 Refreshment Break

#### 10:45 Panel #2 Managing and Recovery

- ❖ Weeds and Yukon Agriculture Matt Ball
- ❖ Restoration Project at the abandoned Range Road Dumpsite and an Unexpected Outcome Maureen Huggard

- ❖ Defining Disturbance and Recovery -  
the influence of landscape specific ecological  
responses to linear disturbances in Yukon

Kirstie Simpson

11:35 Questions and Identification of Key Issues

**12:00 Lunch and network**

### Panel presentations

**1:00 Panel #3 Special Focus: Research**

- ❖ Aquatic Invasive Species: It's a small world after all Maria Leung
- ❖ Plant Traits in Native and Exotic Roadside Species  
on the North Klondike Highway: Different or the Same? Jamie Leathem

1:35 Questions and Identification of Key Issues/Vision

2:00 Refreshment Break

### Facilitated Group Discussion

2:15 Barriers/opportunities to achieving the vision for Invasive Species Management.

3:15 Key strategies needed to address the barriers, take advantage of opportunities and achieve the vision.

16:15 Wrap-up/conclusion

16:30 Closing