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Sec I, II, III: Prologue, Guiding Principles, Westbank First Nation Community			
C. Laws and Agreements; Westbank First Nation Community Survey	Removal of text	Information is not recent	<p>Proposed Amendment (removal):</p> <p>WESTBANK FIRST NATION COMMUNITY SURVEY A community survey was conducted during the community consultation stage. The survey was drafted to compare the overall community opinion with the opinions that were being expressed in the community working group sessions. Every Member household on reserve was given the chance to complete the survey. The survey was conducted by two Westbank First Nation Youths, who were hired and trained to administer the survey. The survey results were used to create policy and action points to address those issues that were important to the community. Of the various issues raised the community was especially interested increasing housing options, creating more park space, the creation of a youth council, building a new youth center, and a continued focus on education. These priorities are expressed in policy and action statements throughout the Plan.</p>



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II. Guidelines (g)	Sustainability Objectives	Addition of paragraph regarding the addition of Sustainability Objectives throughout the Community Plan.	<p>Proposed Amendemnt</p> <p><u>Westbank First Nation recognizes that all human activities have an impact on the environment. With this understanding, we see it as an obligation to address particular mitigation measures in the 2015 Community Plan. The sustainability Action items found throughout this Plan were developed with the help of the Bitterroot Committee, and were created in order to ensure the needs of our current and future generations are provided for. In successfully establishing forward thinking goals and effective communication between the Four Food Chiefs, we have created objectives that are specific, easy to monitor, attainable and timely. Although measuring sustainability is an ongoing process, Westbank First Nation is committed to achieving both short and long term goals to make certain we are headed in the right direction. In developing these sustainability Principles and Action items it was imperative they reflected the holistic, interdependent relationship</u></p>



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			<p>represented by the Four Food Chiefs: Black Bear (Governance), Spring Salmon (Economy), Bitterroot (Land), and Saskatoon Berry (Community). In order to easily identify these sustainability objectives, look for t'mix^w throughout the text, as seen here, which is a Syilx term referring to all of creation and our duty to environmental stewardship.</p>
III. Westbank First Nation Community	Projected Population Growth on WFN Lands	Updated with Regional Planning Workshop population projections (2014-2040).	<p>Existing section: Westbank First Nation expects that within the next 50 years upwards of 60,000 Non Member Residents will move on to Westbank First Nations Lands.</p> <p>Proposed Change:</p> <p><u>In the next 25 years Westbank First Nation is expected to grow by upwards of 5,000 residents, with the population of the Central Okanagan expected to increase from 191,000 to 273,000.</u></p>

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1.1 (d);and 1.1 (e)	Combining 2 action items	The purpose of this amendment is to combine 2 actions items: 1.1 (d) and 1.1 (e). 1.1 (e) will be removed and added to 1.1 (d).	Existing section: 1.1 (d): Support the principles of transparency and accountability in governance. 1.1 (e): Aspire to achieve accountable governance through timely and consistent communication with the Membership on important issues. <u>Proposed Amendment:</u> <u>Support the principles of transparency and accountability in governance through open and consistent communication with the membership.</u>
1.1: (h)	Removed and Relocated Principle	The Action Item was removed from 1.1 Governance and moved to Sec. 2.3.1 (e) of Spring Salmon (Economy).	<u>Proposed amendment (removed and relocated):</u> <u>Continue and enhance the practice of recruiting, hiring, training and promoting qualified Westbank First Nation Members, spouses or partners, dependents and other members from other First Nations for positions within the Westbank First Nation government and its affiliates.</u>



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1.1 (i)	Addition of Sustainability Principle	Developed in part by Bitterroot Committee: Sustainability Actions	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Support the implementation of laws and regulations to promote environmentally sustainable practices in water conservation, food security, waste disposal and recycling, and alternative energy</u></p>
1.1 (j)	Addition of Sustainability Principle	Developed in part by Bitterroot Committee: Sustainability Actions	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Whenever possible, reinforce Syilx traditions through oral histories and stories before or during community events.</u></p>
1.1.2 (a)	Addition of Action Item	Bitterroot Committee addition, regarding the ability for Council to conduct an inquiry to review concerns raised by Membership.	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>allow for the process to be initiated by the Membership</u></p>
1.1.2 (h)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Develop a purchasing policy to minimize waste at community events and other WFN meetings.</u></p>
1.1.2 (i)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Implement and monitor landscaping regulations that requires residents to use</u></p>



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			<u>plant species requiring a relative standard of irrigation; develop a monitoring system to limit water consumption amongst WFN residents.</u>
1.1.2 (j)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	Proposed Amendment: <u>Provide the opportunity for Members to present Syilx traditional stories during community events and other public presentations.</u>
1.1.2 (k)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	Proposed Amendment: <u>Support the implementation of Electric Vehicle Charging Stations (Electric Vehicle Supply Equipment) located on reserve.</u>
1.5.1 (d)	Removal of Action Item	Reiterated in 1.5.1 (b)	Proposed Amendment (removal): <u>Continue to use property taxation revenues to fund the development of infrastructure to support the population growth on Westbank First Nation reserve lands.</u>



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1.6.1 (a)	Replacing existing Principle.	Wording to reflect a greater scope of service provision and specifically to WFN residents.	<p>Existing text:</p> <p>Provide the essential services of a local government in an efficient and fair manner</p> <p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Continue to ensure the effective delivery of utilities and services to all residents of Westbank First Nation lands.</u></p>
Sec. 2 – Spring Salmon (Economy)			
2.1.1 (k)	Sustainability Principle.	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Consider issues surrounding food security and promote community agriculture production on WFN lands.</u></p>
2.1.1 (l)	Sustainability Principle.	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Investigate the viability of reducing WFN's fossil fueled vehicle fleet with electric powered vehicles.</u></p>



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2.1.1 (m)	Sustainability Principle.	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Investigate potential economic opportunities in the development of garbage and recycling programs.</u></p>
2.1.2 (f)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Develop an Agriculture Plan to increase local food production and security on WFN land.</u></p>
2.1.2 (g)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Establish a target for reducing gas/diesel powered WFN vehicle fleet and replace with electric powered vehicles.</u></p>



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2.1.3	Deletion of paragraph; not current.	Removal of Paragraph; reviewed by Economic Development Department.	<p>Proposed amendment (removal):</p> <p>In April 2003, a business plan was produced which identified the need for an Economic Development Commission for Westbank First Nation Lands. Council endorsed this process through a Band Council Resolution (now called a Council Resolution). The Westbank First Nation Economic Development Commission was formed in April 2004 with a mandate to create a charter document and a strategic plan to guide and direct the efforts of the Commission. The Commission is comprised of three Westbank First Nation Members, two outside advisors, one member of Council, and a staff representative from the Economic Development Department.</p>



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2.2	Title Change; removal of text	Title has changed to more appropriately reflect this section. Text change at discretion of Ec. Dev. Department.	<p>Existing Title: "Business Development"</p> <p>Proposed Amendment to title: <u>"Corporate"</u></p> <p>Proposed Amendment (removal of text):</p> <p>Generally governments are not inclined towards entrepreneurial desires. The traditional role of governments is to create and support a favorable environment for businesses, not to be in business. However, the dire social conditions within First Nation communities, combined with minimal revenue streams, have forced band councils to find creative ways to meet the financial need and to create economic opportunities for Members. Westbank First Nation is no different.</p>



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2.3.1 (e)	Relocation of a Principle	Relocated: originally from sec. 1.1 (h), Black Bear (Governance); Proposed location Sec. 2.3.1 (e), Spring Salmon (Economy).	Proposed Amendment: <u>Continue, and enhance, the practice of recruiting, hiring, training and promoting qualified Westbank First Nation Members, spouses or partners, dependents and other members from other First Nations for positions within the Westbank First Nation government and its affiliates</u>
2.3.2 (a)	Relocation of Action item	2.3.2 (a) has been relocated to sec. 4.1.2, Saskatoon Berry (Community)	Proposed Amendment (relocation): <u>Seek to develop remedies that will address past social injustices and iniquities and the resulting social issues facing Westbank First Nation Members.</u>



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Section 3 – Chief Bitter Root (Land)			
3.3.1 (i)	Sustainability Principle	Addition to an existing principle Sustainability Principle to encourage the exploration alternative energy sources.	<p>Existing Principle:</p> <p>Support energy conscious community planning and building design.</p> <p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p>Support energy conscious community planning and building design <u>and explore alternative energy sources.</u></p>
3.3.1 (k)	Sustainability Principle	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Promote water conservation policies and other environmentally sustainable practices.</u></p>



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3.3.1 (l)	Sustainability Principle	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Encourage community gardening and take steps towards food security and providing opportunities to develop a market for local agriculture.</u></p>
3.3.2 (c)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Establish water conservation guidelines within the Land Use Law.</u></p>
3.3.2 (d)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Update zoning regulations to reflect WFN's commitment to retaining space for community use, especially community agriculture.</u></p>
3.3.2 (e)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Support and implement a strategy to increase availability, accessibility and use of locally produced food on WFN land.</u></p>



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3.3.2 (f)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Develop and implement a WFN local garbage collection and recycling program.</u></p>
3.3.2 (g)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Develop a Tree Preservation Policy.</u></p>
3.3.2 (h)	Sustainability Action item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Support, explore and undertake option for alternative energy systems.</u></p>
3.5.1 (g)	Sustainability Principle	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment</p> <p><u>Develop and implement traditional use plan for forested beds and encourage traditional harvesting of food and medicines.</u></p>



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3.6.2	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment</p> <p><u>Share Okanagan stories within Parks.</u></p>
Section 4 – Chief Saskatoon Berry (Community)			
4.1.1 (i)	Addition to Principles	This addition reflects the need for policy in archeological management	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Create policy in regards to the management of burial sites located on land held by Certificate of Possession.</u></p>
4.1.2 (d)	Addition to Action item	Relocated from sec. 2.3.2 (a), Spring Salmon (Economy).	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Seek to develop remedies that will address past social injustices and iniquities and the resulting social issues facing Westbank First Nation Members.</u></p>
4.2.1 (o)	Sustainability Principle	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Provide opportunities for community members to engage in activities related to local food production and contribute to overall food security on WFN land.</u></p>
4.2.1 (p)	Sustainability Principle	Addition of a Sustainability Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Encourage all Members, especially</u></p>



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			Elders, to participate in community events by sharing stories and educating community members.
4.2.2 (d)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action item	Proposed Amendment: Create a plan directed toward community participation in local agriculture production.
4.3.2 (e)	Addition of Action item	New item reflective of the need for a restorative justice program.	Proposed Amendment: Explore the development and implementation of a restorative justice program for WFN members.
4.4.1 (b)	Rewording of a Principle	Wording was changed to be more concise.	Existing Principles: Ensure educational opportunities for Members to meet future needs in Westbank First Nation Government, administration, community services, businesses and other affiliates. Proposed Amendment: Ensure capacity building opportunities for Members are in place to meet the future needs of Westbank First Nation.
4.4.1 (d)	Deletion of Principle	Redundant; mentioned in 4.4.1 (b)	Proposed Amendment (removal): Support and encourage the goals and dreams of the Members in their education.



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4.5.1 (j)	Deletion of Principle	Deletion of a principle; intent earned through other Principles	<p>Proposed Amendment (to remove):</p> <p><u>Work towards the provision of financial assistance for Elders in need to pay for utility and housing related bills, recognizing the greater principle of ensuring that Westbank First Nation Elders are cared for by the Community.</u></p>
4.5.2 (b)	Sustainability Action Item	Addition of a Sustainability Action Item	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Determine housing requirements and options for Elders in the community core.</u></p>
4.6.1 (g)	Sustainability Principle Item	New Principle; developed from Elders and Unique Care Survey Results	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p> <p><u>Ensure that Elders' needs are understood and provided for.</u></p>
4.6.1 (i)	Principle removed	Removal of Principle	<p>Proposed Amendment (removal):</p> <p><u>Continue to provide funding for the activities, trips, social gatherings, monthly luncheon meetings, holiday events and other cultural activities for the Elders involved in the Elders Program.</u></p>
4.6.2 (b)	Sustainability Action	Addition of Sustainability Action	<p>Proposed Amendment:</p>



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	Item	Item	<u>Research options for Elders to maximize their independence while also receiving care.</u>
4.6.2 (c)	Sustainable Action Item	Addition of Sustainability Action Item	<p><u>Proposed Amendment:</u></p> <p><u>Develop a strategy that aims to understand the ever-changing needs of WFN Elders and their desired support options.</u></p>
4.7 Youth	Additions	Update/Additions to Youth section.	<p><u>Proposed Amendment:</u></p> <p><u>Westbank First Nation has a Youth Leadership Council consisting of 8 seats occupied by 4 female and 4 male youth between the ages of 16-24 years old. The WFN YLC will engage youth in the community to present their unique perspectives and ideas that can provide solutions to problems facing the community, empowering our youth to become our future leaders of the community.</u></p>



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4.7.1 (c)	Principle Item (Youth)	Removal of Principle	<p><u>Proposed Amendment (removal):</u></p> <p><u>Recognize that social issues may not be a youth problem.</u></p>
4.7.1 (h)	Principle Item (Youth)	Removal of Principle	<p><u>Proposed Amendment (removal):</u></p> <p><u>Acknowledge the youth and continue to create youth focused recreation.</u></p>
4.8.2 (a)	New Action Item	New Action Item to address WFN Families	<p><u>Proposed Amendment:</u></p> <p><u>Seek out qualified on reserve / member foster homes, create a list of potential qualifications and encourage families to become foster parents.</u></p>
4.8.2 (b)	New Action Item	New Action item to address WFN Families	<p><u>Proposed Amendment:</u></p> <p><u>Encourage and educate WFN member about foster parenting.</u></p>