



Wild Sheep Foundation Thinhorn Sheep Summit III

May 3-5, 2022 Best Western Gold Rush Inn (BW GRI), Whitehorse, Yukon

[Final Agenda (but, still subject to possible last-minute changes) All times shown are Yukon time]

[Presenter's Names are in **Bold**; ZOOM/Remote Presenter's Names are **Bold & Underlined**]

Tuesday May 3

6:00 - 7:00 PM THS Summit III Registration/Distribute Name Badges/Flash Drives/Agendas/Etc. (BW GRI)

7:00 – 9:00 PM Opening Reception/Hosted Mixer/Welcome/Opening Comments (Moderator: Kevin Hurley, WSF)

Gray N. Thornton, WSF President & CEO & **Dr. Peregrine Wolff**, WSF Immediate Past-Chair

Honorable Ranj Pillai, Minister of Economic Development

Chief Doris Bill, Kwanlin Dun First Nation

Chief Amanda Leas, Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

Chuck Shewen, Past President, Yukon Fish & Game Association

Geoff Wooding, Vice-President, Yukon Wild Sheep Foundation

Mac Watson, President, Yukon Outfitters Association

(Re)Presentation of January 2022 Wild Sheep Foundation Awards (from Reno, NV “Sheep Show”) (GNT/KPH/PW)

Federal Statesman Award – Dr. Mary VanderKop, Yukon Chief Veterinary Officer

G.C.F. Dalziel Award – Alan Klassen

Wednesday May 4 (Day 1)

7:00 - 7:45 AM “Full Hearty” Breakfast (for Registered Attendees)

7:15 – 7:45 AM THS Summit III Registration (Lobby, outside meeting room)

8:00 – 8:20 AM Welcome/Introduction/Sponsor Recognition & Thanks (**Gray N. Thornton**, WSF President & CEO)

8:20 – 8:30 AM Opening Remarks (**Dr. Peregrine Wolff**, WSF Immediate Past-Chair)

8:30 AM Thinhorn Sheep Summit III Overview & Goals (**Kevin Hurley**, WSF Vice-President for Conservation)

- To Assess Progress Made Since THS Summit II (April 2017, Anchorage, AK)
- To Discuss Updated Jurisdictional THS Management Priorities
- To Discuss Improving Collaboration & Communication Among THS Stakeholders
- To Discuss/Share Jurisdictional Strategies to Prevent Pathogen Introduction/Disease Spread in THS
- To Identify Resources, Information, Assistance Needed by Jurisdictions, from WSF et al.

- THS Summit III Logistics
 - Notes/Action Items, THS Summit III Synthesis (by Tim Schommer, WSF PRAB Chair)
 - THS Stakeholder Email Group

8:45 AM Population Status/Trend/Estimates (1-2 page summary handout(s) requested/preferred!) (Kevin Hurley)

- Survey & Inventory Updates & Needs
- THS Distribution Mapping (if applicable)
- Status/Timetable(s) for THS Management Plans (if applicable)

8:50 – 9:05 AM YT (Meghan Larivee, YG MoE F&W)

9:05 – 9:15 AM AK (Darren Bruning, ADF&G)

9:15 – 9:35 AM AK Brooks Range Ram Ecology Study (Brad Wendling, ADF&G)

9:35 – 9:50 AM BC (Bill Jex, MFLNRORD)

9:50 – 10:05 AM NWT Population + Habitat Management (Dr. Naima Jutha, E&NR)

10:15 AM Habitat Needs/Management/Dealing with Impacts of Changing Climate/Precipitation Patterns
(Moderator: Kevin Hurley, WSF)

10:20 – 10:35 AM YT (Meghan Larivee, Carmen Wong, Parks Canada)

10:35 – 10:45 AM AK (Tom Paragi, ADF&G)

10:45 – 11:05 AM Chugach Dall's Sheep Research Project (Dr. Tom Lohuis, ADF&G)

11:05 – 11:20 AM BC (Bill Jex, Josh Hamilton)

11:20 – 11:40 AM Population, Habitat, Climate Change Impacts Q&A/Discussion

11:50 AM - 12:20 PM “Salads & Wraps” Lunch (for Registered Attendees)

12:40 PM First Nations Perspective/Role in Wild Sheep Management
(Moderators: Graham Van Tighem, YFWMB and Kyle Stelter, WSSBC)

12:45 – 1:00 PM Ron Chambers, Champagne and Aishihik First Nations

1:00 – 1:15 PM Hunter Lampreau, Indigenous Co-Chair, BC Wildlife & Habitat Conservation Forum

1:15 – 1:30 PM Q&A/Discussion

1:40 - 1:55 PM Coffee & Cookie Refreshment Break (for Registered Attendees)

2:00 PM Harvest History/Projections (1-2 page summary handout(s) requested/preferred!) (Kevin Hurley)

2:05 – 2:20 PM YT (Meghan Larivee, Catherine Pinard, YG MoE F&W)

2:20 – 2:30 PM AK (Darren Bruning)

2:30 – 2:50 PM AK (Brad Wendling, ADF&G: Ram/Harvest Analysis)

2:50 – 3:05 PM BC (Bill Jex)

3:05 – 3:15 PM NWT (Dr. Naima Jutha, E&NR)

3:15 – 4:45 PM Harvest/Opportunity/Allocation/Strategies to Sustain Ability to Hunt & Harvest THS
Q&A/Discussion (Moderator: Gray Thornton)

[“*How Do We Make the Pie Bigger, Instead of Arguing Over the Size of the Slices*”?]

4:50 PM Wrap Up Day 1/Logistics (Kevin Hurley, WSF)

5:00 PM Adjourn

6:00 PM Happy “3/4” Hour (drink tickets will be provided for Registered Attendees)

6:45 PM Prosciutto-Wrapped Chicken Dinner (for Registered Attendees)

Banquet Speaker: “*Early Sheep Hunting in the Yukon Territory*” **Dave Dickson**, Dickson Outfitters

Thursday May 5 (Day 2)

7:00 - 7:50 AM “Full Hearty” Breakfast (for Registered Attendees)

8:00 AM Day 2 Announcements/Logistics (Kevin Hurley, WSF)

8:05 AM **Predator Control & Management/Ungulate Enhancement** (Kevin Hurley)

8:10 – 8:25 AM YT (**Meghan Larivee**)

8:25 – 8:40 AM Yukon Ungulate Enhancement Initiatives Past & Present (**Graham Van Tighem**, YFWMB)

8:40 – 8:50 AM AK (**Darren Bruning**)

8:50 – 9:05 AM BC (**Bill Jex**)

9:05 – 9:20 AM NWT Predator Management & Access/Travel Management (**Dr. Naima Jutha**, E&NR)

9:20 – 9:35 AM Q&A/Predator Management Discussion

9:40 AM **Access/Travel Management** (Moderator: Chris Barker, WSSBC & Chuck Shewen, YFGA)

9:45 – 9:55 AM YT (**Meghan Larivee**)

9:55 – 10:10 AM Yukon (**Michael Draper**, Yukon Energy, Mines & Resources)

10:10 – 10:20 AM AK (**Darren Bruning**)

10:20 – 10:30 AM BC (**Bill Jex**)

10:30 – 10:45 AM Jade-Boulder Road Stone’s Sheep Study (**Norm McLean**, Tahltan Central Gov’t, **Bill Jex**)

10:45 – 11:00 AM Q&A/Access/Travel Management Discussion

11:00 – 11:20 State/Federal Agency Relationships in Alaska (**Darren Bruning**)

11:30 - 12:00 PM “Soup & Sandwich” Lunch (for Registered Attendees)

12:20 PM **Pathogen Surveillance/Disease Status/THS Herd Health** (Moderator: Dr. Peregrine Wolff)

12:30 - 12:50 PM YT (**Dr. Kristenn Magnusson**, YG Animal Health Unit)

12:50 - 1:20 PM AK (**Dr. Kimberlee Beckmen**, ADF&G)

1:20 – 1:40 PM BC (**Dr. Caeley Thacker**, MFLNRORD)

1:40 - 2:05 PM NWT Surveillance & Strategies (**Dr. Naima Jutha**, E&NR)

2:05 – 2:15 PM Q&A/Discussion

2:15 - 2:30 PM Coffee & Cookie Refreshment Break (for Registered Attendees)

2:30 PM **Strategies to Maintain/Achieve Disease-Free Thinhorn Sheep** (Moderator: Kevin Hurley)

2:35 - 3:00 PM YK (**Dr. Michelle Thompson**, YG Animal Health Unit)

3:00 - 3:25 PM AK (**Becky Schwanke**, WSF Alaska)

3:25 - 3:50 PM BC (**Jeremy Ayotte**, **Bill Jex**, **Chris Barker**)

3:50 - 4:45 PM Large-Group Facilitated Discussion (Moderators: **Gray Thornton & Kevin Hurley**)

“How Can WSF, WSF Chapters & Affiliates, and Other Stakeholders, Help Agencies Address and Achieve Thinhorn Sheep Management Priorities?”

4:45 PM Timeline for Distribution of THS Summit III Summary/Synthesis (**Kevin Hurley & Tim Schommer**)

4:50 PM Location/Timing for THS Summit IV? (**Kevin Hurley**, WSF)

4:55 PM Closing Comments/Thank Sponsors (**Gray Thornton**, **Peri Wolff**, **Kevin Hurley**)

5:00 PM Adjourn