

Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation



ATT: Chief & Council

CC: Alexis Band Community

RE: Community Governance Development

DATE: SEPT.23.2020

Community Update:

Our Ancestors originated in our territory with the intent to create a sustainable future for the people of Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation. We were given this duty to maintain the integrity of the land with footprints of cultural honor combined with a respect for our Nation's future.

As time passed throughout the years, we strived to generate social reciprocity for our land usage in practicing the spiritual intent of our languages within Alexis traditional territories. While encouraging the growth of cultural social life by re-imagining how our historical leaders utilized our ways of living on the land. Many leaders before us began the structural foundation to what we encounter today in our community governance structures.

It is with great honor that we now have the ability to craft a constitution to bring our community forward and build a peaceful future for our Nation. We can achieve this if conducted with genuine precision to the details of how our natural laws are practiced in our everyday lives.

However, this requires community collaboration to maintain legitimacy in this document moving forward, we must adhere to the principles of our Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation Governance model which, our ancestors envisioned for us as Nakota people of the land.

Please see enclosed,

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***ALEXIS NAKOTA SIOUX NATION CUSTOMARY LAWS
Hunting*fishing*trapping*harvesting*Cultural Gatherings****

**ALEXIS NAKOTA SIOUX NATION
GOVERNING LANDSCAPE**

Local Governance Operations: 1. Chief & Council Quorum Resolutions/Band By-laws. 2. Organizational Managerial designations. 3. *Elders' customary laws*. 4. Employment Policy. 6. Financial Policy. 7. Health Policy. 8. Education Policy. 9. Social Development Policy

Alexis Band Legal Culture: Federal Power & Obligations>Band Government>Reserved Land

- **TREATY 6:** Alexis's Sovereignty
- **INDIAN ACT:** Alexis Band By-Laws & Regulations
- **ALEXIS CUSTOMARY LAWS:** Elders Customary Community Council
- **FEDERAL LAW:** Alexis Constitutionality
- **PROVINCIAL LAW:** Alexis Constitutionality

Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation community requires on-going community collaboration throughout the completion of this project. Which includes technical components of the socio-legal administrative environment in Constitutional Development. As Treaty People of this land, it is imperative that interpretations of Alexis lands usage are primarily reflecting Alexis's Nakota Sioux Nation Sovereignty.

Alexis Constitutional Inclusions

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1. Constitutional Pre-amble [ANSN BAND DECLARATION]
2. General Assembly [Community Collaboration]
3. Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms [Community Collaboration]
4. United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples [Community Collaboration]
4. Elders Council [Seven Members]
5. Youth Council [Two Members]
6. Membership Codes [*ANSN BAND POLICY*]
7. Election Regulations [*ANSN BAND POLICY*]. [*Section “D” Elders Senate Advisory Requires development*]
8. Health Regulations [*ANSN BAND POLICY*]
9. Social Services and Child Welfare [ANSN BAND POLICY]
10. Education [*ANSN BAND POLICY*]
11. Financial powers, accountability and fiscal Regulation [*ANSN BAND POLICY*]
12. Land title, usage and management [ANSN BAND POLICY]
13. Environment: Recycle Renewable Resources [Community Collaboration]
14. Water Usage/Regulation [Community Collaboration]
15. Public Works/Roads & Infrastructure [Community Collaboration]
16. Language & Culture Community Administration [ANSN BAND POLICY]
17. Administration of Justice [ANSN BAND POLICY].
18. Economic Development [ANSN BAND POLICY]
19. Employment [ANSN BAND POLICY]

Alexis Constitutional Project 2019/2020

Indigenous Constitutions regulate the socio-legal relationships between the local government and the state through technical declarations of generating local constitutional authority.

We need to examine the roles in decision making, along with the benefits and legal risks associated with the constitutional design framework. The following five nations below were chosen for analysis, as a means to demonstrate the various legal landscapes of constitutional recognition.

1. **SCENARIO 1.** Treaty Federalist Model: [Historical Treaty/Alberta Jurisdiction]
2. **SCENARIO 2.** Treaty Federalist Model: Quebec -Constitution.
3. **SCENARIO 3.** Treaty Federalist Model: *North West Territories*-Constitution
4. **SCENARIO 4.** Treaty Federalist Model: Ontario-Constitution
5. **SCENARIO 5.** Treaty Federalist Model: *British Columbia* -Constitution

As a means to adhere to the second phase of this governance project, community consultation is required to designate an official naming of our governing structure.

However, given that we are operating under the health guidelines of COVID-19 please be aware of future limitations.

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