



## Rio Tinto Water Engagement Initiative Table Holds Second Meeting

### Press release

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The Rio Tinto Water Engagement Initiative (WEI) Table held its second meeting on Tuesday, July 16, 2019 in Vanderhoof.

There were 28 participants at the meeting, including representatives from Indigenous communities; municipal, regional, provincial and federal levels of government; and stakeholders who live in and around the Nechako watershed.

This engagement is a process to identify and implement changes to Rio Tinto operations in the Nechako Region to include and better reflect community interests and concerns.

The agenda of the meeting included discussion of current Rio Tinto operations, an overview of the “Structured Decision Making Process” and understanding of past Nechako Watershed Council efforts as well as exploring issues and interests related to Rio Tinto Nechako operations.

The outcomes of the second Table meeting were:

- Increased understanding of current Rio Tinto operations in the Nechako region
- Discussion of the WEI process
- Initial compilation of Nechako region issues and interests

The next Table meeting is scheduled for mid-August. Key discussions are expected to focus on management objectives and targets.

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