Agenda

Day 1 – Thursday, September 24

10:00 am: Opening Prayer
Land Recognition

10:15 am: Welcome & History of the Gwich’in Steering Committee (Bernadette Demientieff)

10:30 am: The Importance of Unification: Gwich’in No Borders (Princess Lucaj Johnson)

10:45 am: History of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (Evon Peters)

11:00 am: Gwich’in Youth Council Update (Bernadette Demientieff)

11:30 am: Messages from Congressional Leaders

11:45 am: Break: Video of 1988 Gwich’in Gathering

1:00 pm: Village Check-ins (Chiefs from Gwich’in communities)

3:00 pm: Announcement of Public Trust Premier
Close

Day 2 – Friday, September 25

10:00 am: Opening Prayer
Land Recognition

Welcome (Bernadette Demientieff)

10:15 am: Background on The Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (Jody Potts)

10:45 am: Congressional Update: Alaska Wilderness League
11:00 am:  **International Human Rights Update:** First Peoples Worldwide

11:15 am:  **National Update:** Arctic Refuge Defense Campaign

11:30 am:  **Update from Indigenous Allies**
- Native Movement
- Fairbanks Climate Action Coalition
- Indigenous Environmental Network
- Society of Native Nations
- American Indian Movement

12:05 pm:  **Update on Current Initiatives**
- Arctic Indigenous Climate Summit Report
- Book on Indigenous Women

12:15 pm:  **Corporate Update:** Sierra Club

12:30 pm:  **Legal Update:** Trustees of Alaska

12:45 pm:  **Break:** Clips of Gwich’in Musicians, Voices & Elders

2:00 pm:  **Jig Contest with Prizes**

3:00 pm:  **Close**

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**Day 3 – Saturday, September 26**

10:00 am:  **Opening Prayer**
  Land Recognition
  
  **Welcome** (Bernadette Demientieff)

10:10 am:  **Connection to the Land** (Kenneth Frank)

10:30 am:  **Storytelling & Sharing**

12:00 pm:  **Closing** (Bernadette Demientieff)