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## INDIGENOUS HIGHLIGHT

### Indigenous-owned company brings renewable energy to First Nations

W Dusk is helping to install renewable energy sources in First Nations across the country, providing an alternative to diesel and gas.



The Vancouver-based company launches renewable energy projects, often in First Nations, with a focus on adding to the beauty of the environment and hiring locals to help with the installation. It specializes in renewable energy projects involving solar, wind and hydrokinetic energy. [READ MORE](#)

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**The College of Agriculture and Bioresources would like to take this time to welcome the new 2017-2018 Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Certificate Cohort to campus!**

*Celebrating over 10 years of success in Aboriginal Land Programming*

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## Regenerative Farming

By Blain Hjertaas

Since First Nations in Saskatchewan completed the Treaty Land Entitlement Framework Agreement in 1992, we have amassed over one million acres of land, most of which is best suited for agricultural purposes. While all of the land has been purchased on a willing buyer willing selling basis, often First Nations lease the land back to the farmer from which it was purchased. [READ MORE](#)

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## LAND MANAGEMENT TRIVIA

True or False. First Nations are the responsibility of the federal government. Provinces have no obligation to First Nations people.

False. The Western provinces took jurisdiction over natural resources from the federal government in 1930, with no consultation with First Nations. They now refuse to negotiate a new sharing policy arrangement. As a result, this issue may have to be settled in Court.

## RESOURCES AND TOOLS

[Talking with the Plow: Agricultural Policy and Indian Farming in the Canadian and U.S Prairies](#)

[Individual Property Rights on Canadian Indian Reserves](#)

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## NEWS STORIES

### Solutions to water threats in an era of global change (U of S)

At least half the world's population is dependent upon water from 'cold regions' where snow, ice and frozen soils drive water availability and quality. [Read More.](#)

### Archaeologists uncover evidence of early aboriginal agriculture on the Red River (CTV)

A team of archaeologists on the banks of the Red River have collected evidence that the First Nations people of the Prairies, long thought to be nomadic, were in fact sophisticated farmers... [Read More.](#)

### Aboriginal Traditional Knowledge and Source Water Protection – First Nations' views on taking care of water (Chiefs of Ontario)

The Chiefs of Ontario, in collaboration with Environment Canada, embarked on a project to capture some of the First Nations' traditional views on taking care of water, and how this knowledge can fit with current government source water protection plans. [Read More.](#)

### Private property on reserves: 5 myths (The Star)

There is a lot of buzz in the media and online about the federal government's plan to pass legislation that would create private property rights on Canadian Indian reserves. [Read More.](#)

### The trouble behind Canada's failed First Nations water plants (Globe and Mail)

Behind every failed First Nations water plant is an unfortunate story. Assigning blame can be challenging... [Read More.](#)

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Kanawayihetaytan Askiy Diploma's being offered in the Fall of 2017 (click on the links below):

[Aboriginal Resource Management](#)

[Aboriginal Lands Governance](#)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AND DEADLINES

May 29, 2017

Basics to Matrimonial Real Property & Duty to Consult Workshop

Saskatoon, Sk.

Location to be determined

To register, email: [april.roberts-poitras@usask.ca](mailto:april.roberts-poitras@usask.ca)

May 31, 2017

U of S Graduation Powwow, The Bowl

Saskatoon, Sk.

For More Information - [Click Here](#)

University of Saskatchewan - Spring Convocation

June 5-8, 2017 at TCU Place

For More Information - [Click Here](#)

October 17, 2017

Matrimonial Real Property Training Tool Kit

Saskatoon, SK.

\*Some expenses may be reimbursed

For more information: [click here](#)

November 21-22, 2017

Indigenous Agricultural Summit

Regina, Sk.

To register, go to: [www.agribition.com](http://www.agribition.com)

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