



Assembly of First Nations (AFN)

# First Nations Fire Protection Strategy Webinar Series

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## CALL FOR PRESENTERS

*Part 5: Partnerships and Governance*  
*Virtual via Zoom*  
*March 5, 2026*



The [First Nations Fire Protection Strategy](#) is a national framework developed to enhance fire safety and emergency preparedness in First Nations communities. Built on six strategic pillars, the strategy aims to address persistent gaps in fire prevention, response, infrastructure, training, legislation, and data collection. It reflects the priorities and experiences of First Nations and emphasizes community-driven solutions, stronger partnerships, and sustainable support systems. The strategy provides a roadmap for reducing fire-related risks and strengthening local capacity through collaboration, innovation, and advocacy.

The partnerships and governance pillar focuses on strengthening collaboration and leadership to support effective fire protection in First Nations communities. It promotes inclusive governance models, coordination across jurisdictions, and meaningful partnerships with governments, organizations, and institutions. This pillar recognizes that sustainable fire protection requires clear roles, shared responsibility, and First Nations-led decision-making. By fostering respectful and accountable partnerships, it aims to ensure that fire safety initiatives are community-driven, culturally appropriate, and aligned with local priorities.

This portion of the webinar series will focus on strengthening governance systems and collaborative partnerships in fire protection. We invite stories of successful multi-stakeholder partnerships, intergovernmental coordination, and regional governance models that empower First Nations leadership in decision-making and implementation. Presentations should emphasize sustainability and mutual benefit.

We invite submissions from First Nations practitioners, leaders, technical experts, and researchers who can offer valuable insight and practical strategies. Presentations should support the objectives of the Fire Protection Strategy, highlighting successes, challenges, and recommendations for implementation.

### **Submission Requirements:**

- Synopsis: 200 words or less
- Presenter biography: 100 words or less (up to 3 presenters)
- Submit to: Alexandra Whiteduck at [infrastructure@afn.ca](mailto:infrastructure@afn.ca)
- Subject line: FNFPS Webinar – Governance

### **Submission Deadline: January 23, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. ET**

Please note, submissions may be edited for length in conference materials, digital or hard copy. Successful applicants will be notified by January 30, 2026.

For questions, please email [infrastructure@afn.ca](mailto:infrastructure@afn.ca).

