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Enhancing Indigenous Partnerships for Oceans Protection Plan Initiatives on the South Coast

Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to invite you to an upcoming workshop:

Enhancing Indigenous Partnerships for Oceans Protection Plan Initiatives on the South Coast

A Joint Federal-Indigenous workshop to enhance partnerships, knowledge bases and management approaches for marine safety and stewardship efforts associated with the Oceans Protection Plan.

May 8 & 9, 2018

Vancouver Island Convention Centre, Nanaimo

To register, please visit:

<https://events.ely.com/EnhancingIndigenousPartnershipsOceansProtectionSouthCoast>

The registration deadline is April 18th. This will allow enough time for funding applications to be processed. Eligible costs include travel, accommodation and related costs to prepare for and to attend the workshop.

Funding is available to support two (2) participants from each Indigenous Nation and/or organization through Transport Canada's **Community Participation Funding Program (CPFP)**. The Application Guide and form can be found on the CPFP website at: <http://www.tc.gc.ca/en/services/marine/apply-cfpf-funding.html>.

- Contact Transport Canada at tc.cfpf-pfpc.tc@tc.gc.ca if you have questions about funding.
- [Registrations processed after the deadline may not be eligible to receive funding.](#)

A joint planning group of federal and Indigenous participants has been established to plan the workshop. This group will circulate a workshop agenda shortly. Discussions at the workshop will likely to involve technical and strategic issues, so staff and leadership are encouraged to attend. For more information on the planning group, contact Transport Canada at TC.OPPBCReg-PPOCBEnreg.TC@tc.gc.ca.

This workshop will build upon the discussions and feedback received at the first Oceans Protection Plan workshops held last fall 2017. That workshop report is available at: <http://www.fnfisheriescouncil.ca/communications-2/communications/>

More information on the Oceans Protection Plan is posted on <https://www.tc.gc.ca/en/campaigns/protecting-coasts.html>

You may also contact Lorraine Gill, Manager, Engagement & Integration for Transport Canada, at Lorraine.Gill@tc.gc.ca.

We look forward to constructive and meaningful discussions at the workshop.

Sincerely,

Joint Federal-Indigenous Workshop Planning Group