

**Building Biomass Value Chains
Workshop Agenda
January 24, 2017
Thunder Bay, Ontario**

8:30 am	Registration and Refreshments
9:00 am	Welcome Remarks
9:20 am	Bioeconomy Overview and Regional Initiatives
	Biomass North: Building our Bioeconomy Dawn Lambe, Biomass North Development Centre
	Northern Ontario Bioeconomy Strategy – Time for Action! Francis Gallo, Biomass North Development Centre
	Regional Initiative: Community Sustainability Initiative David Mackett, Whitesand First Nation
10:20 am	Morning Break
10:45 am	Feedstock Options and Opportunities
	How to Access Available Crown Forest Resources in Ontario Mike Davis, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
	Canada's BioFuelNet and the Low Cost Sustainable Feedstock Task Force Dr. Kevin Vessey, Saint Mary's University
	Long-Term Biomass Yield Responses Influenced by Energy Crop Dr. Naresh Thevathasan, University of Guelph Dr. Muhammad Waseem Ashiq, University of Guelph
12:00 pm	Lunch
12:45 pm	Programs and Initiatives
	Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation (NOHFC) Programs Lucy Kwiaton, Ministry of Northern Development and Mines
	Finland's Approach to Biomass, Its Successes and Overcoming Obstacles Jarno Valkeapää, Embassy of Finland, Canada Matti Virkkunen, VTT Technical Research Centre of Finland
1:30 pm	Biomass Solutions
	Extreme-Weather Greenhouse & HTC Fuel Processing Facilities Jim Gallant, REMASCO
	Towards Healthier Communities Michael Appleby, RediCan Biofuels
	New Tech Heating with Pellets, Firewood and Chips: Solutions and Successes Vince Rutter, Biothermic
2:45 pm	Afternoon Break
3:00 pm	Workshop Exercise – Qualifying Biomass Opportunities
4:25 pm	Closing Remarks

Partners and Collaborators:

