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ELDER INTERVIEWS COLLECTION

Collection Description

Title: Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

341 transcripts.

275 sound recordings.

78 videos.

Unique Identifier: A2-EI

Custodial History: The Elder Interviews were transferred into the Archives from the LSLIRC-TARR and IAA-TARR Program periodically.

Scope and content: The collection consists of Elder Interviews obtained and used by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council Treaty and Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR) Program over the course of their research into treaty rights. Please note the LSLIRC-TARR program did not conduct these interviews. Some interviews have been transcribed. Materials pertaining to Treaty 8, Treaty 4, Treaty 6, and Treaty 10 with the majority relating to Treaty 8.

Restrictions on Access: The Elder Interviews contain personal and private information. Therefore, access to Elder Interviews requires a Council Resolution from the appropriate First Nation clearly granting the required permission to view the Elder Interview. For further information on how to obtain a Council Resolution please contact the Archivist.

Accruals: Further accruals may be expected.

TREATY ABORIGINAL RIGHTS RESEARCH ELDER INTERVIEWS FONDS

Fonds Level Description

Title: Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research Elder Interviews

Parallel Title: TARR Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

283 transcripts.

222 sound recordings.

2 videos.

Unique Identifier: A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRA-001.

Administrative History: The Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Research (LSLIRC-TARR) Program was established in 1996 in Slave Lake, Alberta, with an additional office in High Prairie. It operates under the auspices of the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council (LSLIRC). The program is a non-political research unit, providing Specific Claims research services to the LSLIRC First Nation members, and in special circumstances, to other First Nations as well. The mandate of the program is to employ professional researchers to document historical claims or grievances of First Nations against the Federal Government. Research services include archival, traditional land use studies, genealogy and Elder interviews.

Custodial History: These interviews were mostly acquired from the Indian Association of Alberta. There are a few exceptions that interviews were held on behalf of Treaty 8 Tribal Association (T8TA) and Halvik Metes Consulting Group, and from recordings of the Treaty 8 Centennial.

Scope and content: The fonds consists of First Nation Elder Interviews acquired by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR) by other TARR divisions and affiliated organizations to be used by the LSLIRC-TARR Program over the course of their research into treaty rights. Interviews were predominantly done with Elders from Alberta First Nation communities. Many interviews have been transcribed.

The fonds is arranged into seven series:

Series T4	Treaty 4 Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-T4)
Series T6	Treaty 6 Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-T6)
Series T7	Treaty 7 Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-T7)
Series T8	Treaty 8 Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-T8)
Series T10	Treaty 10 Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-T8)
Series O	Other Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-O)
Series TU	Unknown Treaty Elder Interviews (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-TU)

Identifier: A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRA-001

Physical Condition: Some sound recordings are showing signs of step-packing and warping. Playback of original recordings is not recommended.

Conservation: The sound recordings have been digitized.

Language: Interviews are in English and Cree.

Arrangement: The materials were arranged by the archivist.

Availability of other formats: Also available on VHS, audiocassette, Hi8, 8, and digital file (MP3).

Restrictions on Access: The Elder Interviews contain personal and private information. Therefore, access to Elder Interviews requires a Council Resolution from the appropriate First Nation clearly granting the required permission to view the Elder Interview. For further information on how to obtain a Council Resolution please contact the Archivist.

Finding Aids: Series description and file lists are available.

Accruals: Further accruals may be expected.

Related Groups of Records: Further Elder Interviews can be found in the IAA-TARR fonds, and under the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research Archives Elder Interviews Collection.

General Note: Not all sound/videos were transcribed.

Series T4

Title: Treaty 4 Elder Interviews

Date: 1971 - 1973

Physical description:

2 transcripts.

Scope and content: This series pertains to the interviews of elders within Treaty 4 that were created post-1970 and acquired by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR). Elder Interviews were conducted by Gordon Lee. Elder Interviews were conducted in the communities of Qu'Appelle Agency and Pasqua.

Series T6

Title: Treaty 6 Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

71 transcripts.

63 sound recordings.

Scope and content: This series pertains to the interviews of elders within Treaty 6 that were created post 1970 and acquired by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR). Elder Interviews were conducted by Louis Rain, Johnny Cardinal, Richard Lightning, Alexis Simon, Abraham Burnstick, Charlie Blackman, Rose Saddleback, Louie Crier, Phillip Soosay, Cyril Muskego, Roy Bonisteel, Joe Mackinaw, Ken Tyler. Thirteen out of 30 sound recordings have been transcribed. Elder Interviews were conducted in the communities of Cold Lake, Edmonton, Saddle Lake, Papaschase, Thunderchild, Onion Lake, Bighead, Alexander, Beaver Lake, Ermineskin, Samson, Mistawasis, Hobbema, East Prairie Colony, Sun Child, Whitefish SK, Sandy Lake, Pigeon Lake, Goodfish Lake, Smallboy Camp, Louis Bull, Montana, Alexis, O'Chiese, Rocky Mountain House, Frog Lake, and Keawin.

Series T7

Title: Treaty 7 Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

15 transcripts.

13 sound recordings.

Scope and content: This series pertains to the interviews of elders within Treaty 7 that were created post-1970 and acquired by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR). Elder Interviews were conducted by Johnny Smith, Tom Yellowhorn, Dila Provost, Albert Yellowhorn, Mike Devine, Harry Shade, Kathleen, Eddie Hailaway, John Yellowhorn, and Richard Lightning. Elder Interviews were conducted in the communities of Piikani, Tsuut'ina, Kainai, Lethbridge, Morely, and Bearspaw.

Series T8

Title: Treaty 8 Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

189 transcripts.

126 sound recordings.

2 videos.

Scope and content: This series pertains to the interviews of elders within Treaty 8 that was created post 1970 and acquired by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR).

The Series is encompassed by five files:

File 1970s

File 1980s

File 1990s

File 2000s

File Date Unknown

Series T10

Title: Treaty 10 Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

5 transcripts.

4 sound recordings.

Scope and content: This series pertains to the interviews of elders within Treaty 10 that was created post-1970 and acquired by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR). Elder Interviews were conducted by Louis Rain. Elder Interviews were conducted at Canoe Lake.

Series O

Title: Other Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

2 transcripts.

Scope and content: The series consists of Elder Interviews were conducted by Ken Tyler, Bennett McCardle, and Lee J. Philips. Elder Interviews were conducted in Ottawa and Moberly Lake.

Series TU

Title: Unknown Treaty Elder Interviews

Date: 1970 -

Physical description:

2 transcripts
9 sound recordings.

Scope and content: The series consists of Elder Interviews conducted by Richard Lightning and Johnny Cardinal. The location at which they took place are currently unknown.

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TREATY ABORIGINAL RIGHTS RESEARCH PROGRAM
ELDER INTERVIEWS FONDS**

Fonds Level Description

Title: Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research Program Elder Interviews.

Parallel Title: LSLIRC-TARR Elder Interviews

Date: 1996 - 2003

Physical description:

56 transcripts.
44 sound recordings.
76 videos.

Unique Identifier: A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001.

Administrative History: The Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Research (LSLIRC-TARR) Program was established in 1996 in Slave Lake,

Alberta, with an additional office in High Prairie. It operates under the auspices of the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council (LSLIRC). The program is a non-political research unit, providing Specific Claims research services to the LSLIRC First Nation members, and in special circumstances, to other First Nations as well. The mandate of the program is to employ professional researchers to document historical claims or grievances of First Nations against the Federal Government. Research services include archival, traditional land use studies, genealogy and Elder interviews.

Custodial History: The Elder Interviews were transferred into the Archives from the LSLIRC-TARR Program.

Scope and content: The fonds consists of First Nation Elder Interviews conducted by the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research (LSLIRC-TARR) Program as support for the Program's on-going treaty and aboriginal rights research and Specific Claims work. Predominantly interviews were done with Elders from Alberta Treaty 8 First Nation communities. Many interviews have been transcribed.

The fonds is arranged into two series:

Series 1	Elder Interview Projects 1990 - 1999 (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-1990s)
Series 2	Elder Interview Projects 2000 - 2009 (A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001-2000s)

Identifier: A2-EI-LSLIRCTARRP-001

Physical Condition: Some sound recordings are showing signs of step-packing and warping. Playback of original recordings is not recommended.

Conservation: The sound recordings have been digitized.

Language: Interviews are in English and Cree.

Arrangement: The materials were arranged by the archivist.

Availability of other formats: Also available on VHS, audiocassette, Hi8, 8, and digital file (MP3).

Restrictions on Access: The Elder Interviews contain personal and private information. Therefore, access to Elder Interviews requires a Council Resolution from the appropriate First Nation clearly granting the required permission to view the Elder Interview. For further information on how to obtain a Council Resolution please contact the Archivist.

Finding Aids: Series description and file lists are available.

Accruals: Further accruals may be expected.

Related Groups of Records: Further Elder Interviews can be found in the IAA-TARR fonds, and under the Lesser Slave Lake Indian Regional Council - Treaty Aboriginal Rights Research Archives Elder Interviews Collection.

General Note: Not all sound/videos were transcribed.

Series 1

Title: Elder Interview Projects 1990 - 1999

Date: 1996 - 1999

Physical description:

24 transcripts.

35 sound recordings.

60 videos.

Scope and content: The series consists of Elder Interviews conducted by Billy Joe Laboucan and Gilbert N. Capot-Blanc. Thirteen out of 30 sound recordings have been transcribed. Elder Interviews were conducted in the communities of Kapawe'no, Slave Lake, Driftpile, Sturgeon, Duncan's, Sucker Creek, Swan River, Horse Lake, Woodland Cree, Tall Cree, Whitefish Lake, and Bigstone.

Series 2

Title: Elder Interview Projects 2000 - 2009

Date: 2000 - 2009

Physical Description:

32 transcripts.

8 sound recordings.

16 videos.

Scope and content: This series consists of Elder Interviews conducted in the early 2000s. Elder Interviews were conducted in the communities of Fort Chipewyan, Kapawe'no, Swan River, Sucker Creek, Lesser Slave Lake, Tall Cree, Bigstone, Bushe River, Meander River, Chateh, Dene Tha, Sawridge, Sucker Creek, Driftpile, and Little Red River.

