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## "2015 Canada Winter Games Hosts National Sporting Organizations"

**Prince George, BC-** The Prince George 2015 Canada Winter Games Host Society is pleased to welcome all of the National Sporting Organization Official Technical Delegates to Prince George this week—Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>- March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013.

The Technical Delegates have been appointed by each of their respective NSOs to work with the 2015 Games to ensure that all of the required Canada Games' standards for the field of play activities are met. During the three-day conference, delegates will review the current venue plans for each of the required sports, meet the appointed local Sport Leader for each sport and review roles and responsibilities, venue standards and begin the detailed planning for the delivery of each competition.

For many of the Technical Delegates, this will be their first visit to Prince George and their first time meeting. Some of the Technical Delegates will come from as far away as Ottawa for this important planning phase.

The Technical Delegates will be meeting with their appointed local Sport Leaders—who have now been confirmed by the 2015 Games. They include the following key community volunteers:

Biathlon - Pierre Beaudry Freestyle Skiing - Dave Milne Gymnastics - Tom Muirhead Judo – Aline Strasdine Curling - Vonda Hofferd Ringette - Brian Crandell Short Track Speed Skating - Ariadne Holness de Hiller Long Track Speed Skating - Dee-Ann Stickel Squash – Dan Adamson Wheelchair Basketball - Nancy Harris Alpine Skiing - Michael Wells Archery - Dawn Proctor Badminton - Lisa Davidson Men's Hockey - Alec Hartney Women's Hockey - Dawn Bursey Synchronized Swimming - Lynn Barager Cross Country Skiing - Jim Burbee Figure Skating – Renee Hampole Snowboarding - Bill Laing Table Tennis - Tyler Clemments Target Shooting – Steven Storch

"We are thrilled to have such a strong group of Sport Leaders put their name forward from the community. These individuals have a very strong background in the respective sports and we look forward to working with all of them," says Lisa Shaw-MacLaren, Manager of Sport and Venue Preparation.











A second Technical Delegate conference is planned for August 2014 to finalize all of the competition plans in advance of the 2015 Canada Winter Games.

## About 2015 Canada Winter Games:

The 2015 Canada Winter Games will be the largest multi-sport and cultural event to ever be held in Prince George and northern British Columbia and is forecasted to generate an economic impact of \$70 - \$90 million while building champions and inspiring dreams amongst Canadian youth. Athletes from ten provinces and three territories will compete in 19 sports with the dream of becoming Canada's next champions. In 2015, choose your path, leave your tracks, and journey with the 2015 Canada Winter Games as we host the nation and share a northern story with all of Canada.

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