

**Northwest Territories Official Community Names
2010 – Unicode Update**

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| Aklavik | — | <i>a-klah-vihk</i> | Aklarvik | <i>a-klah-vihk</i> | barrenground grizzly place | 68°13'N/135°00'W / 107-B | Name suggested in 1910. |
| Behchokò | Rae Edzo | <i>beh-cho-konh</i> | — | — | Mbehcho's place | 62°50'N/116°03'W / 85-K | Changed from Rae Edzo August 4, 2005. <i>Previously named from combined communities of Rae and Edzo.</i> |
| Colville Lake | — | — | K'áhbamjítúé | <i>k-ah-ba-meenh-tway</i> | ptarmigan net place | 67°02'N/126°07'W / 96-M | Named by Franklin for Andrew Colville, Gov. Hudson's Bay Co. (1852-1856) |
| Déline | Fort Franklin | <i>day-linh-nay</i> | — | — | moving or flowing water | 65°12'N/123°25'W / 96-G | Changed from Fort Franklin Jun. 1, 1993. <i>Previously named for Sir John Franklin's 1825-1827 expedition winter quarters.</i> |
| Detah | Dettah | <i>deh-tah</i> | T'è̂ehda | <i>t-eh-eh-da</i> | burnt point | 62°25'N/114°18'W / 85-J | — |
| Edzo | — | <i>ed-zo</i> | Edzoo | <i>ed-zo</i> | — | 62°47'N/116°02'W / 85-K | Locality in Behchokò; named for Tj̄chq̄ Chief Edzo. |
| Enterprise | — | — | — | — | — | 60°33'N/116°08'W / 85-C | Origin unknown. |
| Fort Good Hope | — | — | Rádeȳl̄j̄kóé | <i>rah-day-inh-linh-kway</i> | rapids place | 66°15'N/128°38'W / 106-I | For North West Co. post, built 1804. |
| Fort Liard | — | <i>... lee-ard</i> | Echaot'je Kúé | <i>etch-ah-oat-eenh-kwenh</i> | people from the land of giants place | 60°14'N/123°28'W / 95-B | Hudson's Bay Co. post, Fort-Rivière-au-Laird, ca. 1800. |
| Fort McPherson | — | — | Teet'it Zheh | <i>tet-hlih-t-zhay</i> | at the head of the waters place | 67°26'N/134°53'W / 106-M | Hudson's Bay Co. post; for Murdoch McPherson. |
| Fort Providence | — | — | Zhahti Kúé | <i>ja-tea-kwenh</i> | mission house place | 61°21'N/117°39'W / 85-F | 19 th C. mission on Mackenzie River |
| Fort Resolution | — | — | Denínu Kúé | <i>deh-nih-noo-kwenh</i> | moose island place | 61°10'N/113°40'W / 85-H | Hudson's Bay Co. name for hardships encountered in establishing post. |
| Fort Simpson | — | — | Éídl̄ Kúé | <i>hlih-dlinh-kwenh</i> | place where rivers come together | 61°52'N/121°21'W / 95-H | For Hudson's Bay Co. Gov. Sir George Simpson. |
| Fort Smith | — | — | Tthebacha | <i>T-theh-batch-ah</i> | beside the rapids | 60°00'N/111°53'W / 75-D | For Donald A. Smith, Lord Strathcona. |

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| Gamèti | Rae Lakes | <i>gah-meh-tea</i> | Gahmjìti | <i>gah-minh-tea</i> | rabbit-net place | 64°07'N/117°21'W / 86-C | Changed from Rae Lakes Aug. 4, 2005. <i>Previously named for Rae Lake, with addition of possessive 's'.</i> |
| Hay River | — | — | Xátì'odehchee | <i>hat-hlow-deh-chee</i> | hay river | 60°49'N/115°47'W / 85-B | From abundant grass on river banks. |
| Hay River Dene Reserve | — | — | Xátì'odehchee | <i>hat-hlow-deh-chee</i> | hay river | 60°48'N/115°44'W / 85-B | Name established February 26, 1974. |
| Inuvik | — | <i>i-noo-vik</i> | Inuuvik | <i>i-noo-vik</i> | place of man | 68°21'N/133°43'W / 107-B | Proclaimed 18 July 1958. |
| Jean Marie River | — | <i>jeen mah-ree ...</i> | Ttheh'èhdéj | <i>t-theh-k-ay-day-leenh</i> | water flowing over clay | 61°31'N/120°38'W / 95-H | Mission named for the river. |
| Kakisa | — | <i>kah-key-sa</i> | K'ágee | <i>k-a-gay</i> | between the willows | 60°56'N/117°25'W / 85-C | Derived from traditional name. |
| Łutselk'e | Snowdrift | <i>hloot-sul-k-ay</i> | Łútsèlk'é | <i>hloot-sul-k-ay</i> | place of the <i>łútsèl</i> , a type of small fish | 62°24'N/110°44'W / 75-L | Changed from Snowdrift Jul. 1, 1992. <i>Possibly named for Snowdrift River Mission (1860).</i> |
| Nahanni Butte | — | <i>na-han-nee byoot</i> | Tthenáágó | <i>t-theh-na-ah-go</i> | strong rock | 61°02'N/123°23'W / 95-G | For the topographic feature (butte). |
| Norman Wells | — | — | Tłegóhtj | <i>t-hleh-gonh-teenh</i> | where there is oil | 65°17'N/126°50'W / 96-E | For the oilfield discovered in 1920. |
| Paulatuk | — | <i>pall-a-tuck</i> | Paulatuq | <i>pall-a-tuck</i> | place of coal | 69°21'N/124°04'W / 97-C | Derived from traditional spelling. |
| Rae | — | <i>ray</i> | Behchokò | <i>beh-cho-konh</i> | Mbehcho's place | 62°50'N/116°03'W / 85-K | Locality in Behchokò. From Hudson's Bay Co. fort; for Dr. John Rae, 1813-93 |
| Sachs Harbour | — | <i>sacks ...</i> | Ikaahuk | <i>ih-kah-hook</i> | place to which you cross | 71°59'N/125°14'W / 97-G | For schooner <u>Mary Sachs</u> , Canadian Arctic Expedition, beached 1914. |
| Trout Lake | — | — | Saamba K'e | <i>sahm-ba-k-ay</i> | trout lake place | 60°26'N/121°15'W / 95-A | From traditional name. |
| Tsiigehtchic | Arctic Red River | <i>tsih-gay-chik</i> | Tsiigehtshik | <i>tsih-gay-chik</i> | mouth of the iron river | 67°27'N/133°44'W / 106-N | Changed from Arctic Red River April 1, 1994. <i>May refer to red silt of the river.</i> |

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| Tuktoyaktuk | — | <i>tuck-toy-yak-took</i> | Tuktuujaqrtuuq | <i>tuck-too-yak-took</i> | looks like a caribou | 69°27'N/133°02'W / 107-C | From traditional name. |
| Tulita | <i>Fort Norman</i> | <i>too-lee-tah</i> | Tulit'a | <i>too-lee-tah</i> | where the waters meet | 64°54'N/125°34'W / 96-C | Changed from Fort Norman Jan. 1, 1996. Junction Great Bear R. & Mackenzie River. Previously named for either Alexander Norman McLeod or Archibald Norman McLeod |
| Ulukhaktok | <i>Holman</i> | <i>oo-luke-hak-talk or oo-loo-hak-talk</i> | Ulukhaqtuuq | <i>oo-luke-hak-took or oo-loo-hak-took</i> | where there is material for ulus | 70°44'N/117°47'W / 87-F | Changed from Holman April 1, 2006. Previously named for John R. Holman, asst. surgeon of "Diligence", 1853-54. |
| Wekweètì | <i>Snare Lakes Wekwetì</i> | <i>weh-kway-tea</i> | — | — | rock lake | 64°11'N/114°11'W / 86-B | Changed from Snare Lakes Nov. 1, 1998, named for Snare Lake with addition of possessive's'. Changed from Wekweti Aug. 4, 2005. |
| Whatì | <i>Lac La Martre Wha Ti</i> | <i>wah-tea</i> | — | — | marten lake | 63°08'N/117°16'W / 85-N | Changed from Lac La Martre to Wha Ti Jan. 1, 1996, named for lake. Changed from Wha Ti Aug. 4, 2005. Also "Tsòtì" (fouled water lake) or "Mìne Kò Golàa" (net fishing place with houses). |
| Wrigley | — | — | Pedzéh Kí | <i>pedh-zeh-keenh</i> | clay place | 63°13'N/123°28'W / 95-O | For Hudson's Bay Co. fort (1880) named for Joseph Wrigley. |
| Yellowknife | — | — | Sòmbak'è | <i>sawm-ba-k-ay</i> | money place | 62°27'N/114°22'W / 85-J | Named for the Yellowknives. |