



JOB GOALS

- Communicate with local communities, governments, businesses, organizations, and employees
- Deliver on commitments to ensure community benefits by informing about job and business opportunities
- Ensure local experience and knowledge are part of operations
- Work with communities to address concerns
- Be a resource for worker development

SKILLS THAT PLAY A PART

- Ability to communicate effectively with workers and public
- Strong understanding of and ability to work in cross-cultural environment
- Speak a traditional language
- Travel to local communities
- Learn and use different communications' tools

EDUCATION AND TRAINING NEEDED

- High school or GED diploma
- College or university training in human services field
- Experience living and working in northern community

TRAINING RESOURCES

- Kitikmeot Inuit Association



ALEX BUCHAN

Community Relations Director

HOPE BAY, TMAC RESOURCES

Alex Buchan got to see a lot of Canada's north while he was growing up. His father was a 'Bay boy' and worked for Hudson Bay Company.

After finishing high school in Yellowknife, Alex attended Arctic College in Fort Smith, earning a renewable resource technology diploma in 1992. He was hired by the Government of the Northwest Territories, and after division in 1999, by the Nunavut Government, spending several years working in wildlife management and community economic development.

After leaving government, Alex moved to the Hamlet of Kugluktuk to take on the position of economic development officer. He then joined Miramar Mining Company as manager of community relations for its Hope Bay gold project. Alex was later promoted to director of community and external relations. In 2013, TMAC Resources took over operations. Alex now manages TMAC's Cambridge Bay office and lives in that community. He represents the company on the Inuit impact and benefits agreement implementation committee.

"I work closely with the Kitikmeot Inuit Association, which is the largest stakeholder in this area," Alex said. "One of the most important parts of my job is looking at the socio-economic impact of our company. That includes monitoring employment, and I assist with local hiring. I also work with outreach efforts to other smaller communities in the region."