

Factsheet #7**Taking on new powers:
a gradual approach**

On Effective Date (the first day Délıne will be self-governing), the new Délıne Got'ıne Government (DGG) will take on programs and services that the First Nation, Land Corporation and Charter Community are already delivering today, as well as a few additional powers it needs to be able to operate as a government.

The FSGA also gives the DGG the ability to take on new powers in many other areas, for example:

- *Education and early childhood education*
- *Community affairs and local services including the regulation of liquor and gaming*
- *Aboriginal matters including language and culture*
- *Adoption*
- *Health services*
- *Social housing and income support*
- *Tourism and economic development in the Délıne District*
- *Local land use planning*

However, these will not all be taken on right away. The DGG will first focus on establishing itself as a government and ensuring it is effectively managing the operations of the three previous organizations. Over time, the DGG will decide when and how it takes on new powers. For example, education, health and social services will continue to be managed by the GNWT for the time being.

The DGG will build its capacity and its successes during this time and do the work needed to prepare to take on authorities in priority areas such as education. Across the NWT and across Canada, this is how self-governing First Nations have grown their governments.