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### Crystal Young appointed CEO of the McKay Métis Group

The Fort McKay Métis Group is pleased to announce the appointment of Crystal Young as CEO. Formerly the McKay Métis Group's Manager of Business Development and Partnerships, Ms. Young brings with her a wealth of experience in terms of relationships, financial management, marketing, and oil sands operations.

A graduate of St. Mary's University, Ms. Young has spent almost two decades in the Fort McMurray region assuming roles of increasing scope and responsibility. Working with the Fort McKay Métis Group for the past 6 years, Ms. Young has successfully stewarded, deepened, and expanded the Group's business partnerships. Speaking to the announcement, Ms. Young said, "I am honoured to have the opportunity to continue our work with an impressive group of partners and further grow our businesses on behalf of the Fort McKay Métis Nation and their members."

Chair of the Fort McKay Metis Group, Ron Quintal, noted, "Crystal has won the trust and respect of our board and stakeholders through her exceptional work, communication and understanding of how to create win-win-win solutions for our community, our business and our partners. We appreciate being able to draw on her continued leadership and experience in a role so critical to both the Group and community. We are also proud to recognize the achievements of an Indigenous woman who has excelled in her field and truly earned this opportunity. As leaders, we believe it is incumbent on us as a group and a community to recognize true leadership; Ms. Young is that leader and we are excited to see where she will lead us in the years ahead."

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