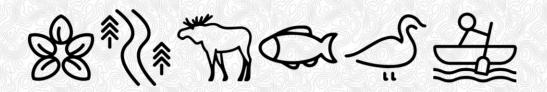


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Progress Report 2: Effects Assessment Methods Milestone

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Acronyms

ATRI..... Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests AZA Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation CAR Community Access Road CBLUP Community Based Land Use Planning CCC Community Consultation Co-ordinator CCLO Community Communications Liaison Officer CEAA Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency DFO Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada EA Environmental Assessment EAA..... Environmental Assessment Act ECCC..... Environment and Climate Change Canada ENDM Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines GANRAC...... Geraldton Area Natural Resource Advisory Committee GRT Government Review Team IA..... Impact Assessment IAA Impact Assessment Act IK..... Indigenous Knowledge IKSA...... Indigenous Knowledge Sharing Agreement IS..... Impact Statement LSA Local Study Area MECP...... Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks MFFN Marten Falls First Nation MHSTCI Ministry of Heritage, Sport, Tourism and Culture Industries MNO..... Métis Nation of Ontario MNRF...... Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry MOU..... Memorandum of Understanding MTCS...... Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport MTO Ministry of Transportation Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry NDMNRF NoC...... Notice of Commencement Northern Road Link NRL..... OPP Ontario Provincial Police PIC Public Information Centre RoCE Record of Consultation and Engagement RSA..... Regional Study Area RSMIN Red Sky Métis Independent Nation SAR..... Species at Risk The Agency Impact Assessment Agency of Canada TISG...... Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines Terms of Reference ToR WSR..... Webequie Supply Road

1. Introduction

1.1 Background

The Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road (CAR or the Project) was approved with amendments on October 8, 2021 and the Notice of Commencement (NoC) of the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Project was posted on October 29, 2021. As part of the ToR Notice of Approval, Ontario's Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) included an amendment requiring additional consultation reporting at key EA milestones. Visit https://www.ontario.ca/page/marten-falls-community-access-road-project to read the details on the Notice of Approval.

As required by the Minister of MECP, the development of progress reports on consultation activities associated with each of the following EA milestones are required to support Indigenous communities to provide meaningful input during the development of the EA:

- Notice of Commencement (NoC) of Provincial EA (referred to as NoC of EA);
 - Introduction of the Project.
- Effects Assessment Methods; and
 - Development of Effects Assessment methodology, as well as review by regulators.
 - Presentation of Effects Assessment methodology at PICs .
- Identification of Preferred Alternatives.
 - Development of valued component metrics tables and evaluation of information
 - Development of preliminary preferred alternative
 - Validation of information with Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council and community members.
 - Confirmation of the preferred alternative.

Each progress report is required to:

- Be organized by each Indigenous community;
- Contain a consultation log and summary that tracks consultation activities, information shared by the MFFN CAR Project Team with Indigenous communities, any community input and MFFN CAR Project Team's responses to such input for the EA milestone; and
- Contain a discussion of how any input and information provided by the Indigenous communities have informed the development of the EA milestone.

The progress reports are to be shared with MECP, with community-specific sections shared with each individual Indigenous community before MFFN can move to the next milestone of the EA / IA. If questions or concerns are raised by MECP or an Indigenous community, the MFFN CAR Project Team will make revisions to the progress reports, if necessary, and encourage opportunities to meet in-person or virtually to discuss with the interested community.

This report is the second progress report and pertains to activities related to both the EA and IA processes. The time period begins the day after the first progress report concluded July 1, 2022 and ends May 31, 2023. The Effects Assessment Methods milestone is expected to extend past May 31, 2023, however, due to the time to develop this report, any information missed during this phase will be included in the next progress report for Identification of Preferred Alternatives which is expected to begin in fall 2023.

The final progress reports will be appended, along with any relevant updates, to the Record of Consultation and Engagement submitted with the draft and final EA / IS.

This progress report provides a detailed account of all communication exchanged with the MFFN CAR Project Team and neighbouring Indigenous communities from July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023 as part of the Effects Assessment Methods milestone. Note that government agencies and interested persons¹ are not included in progress reports, however, their sections will be included in the Record of Consultation and Engagement for the draft and final EA / IS. **Section 1.5** includes details about the neighbouring Indigenous communities.

The first section of this progress report provides an overview of the Project and outline of the approach to consultation and engagement, the second section describes the consultation and engagement activities undertaken during this time period, and the third section summarizes activities and discussions that occurred with the MFFN CAR Project Team and neighbouring Indigenous communities.

1.2 About the Progress Report

This progress report provides an overview of consultation and engagement carried out between the NoC of EA and after PIC #3 (July 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023). In accordance with the MECP Code of Practice, the progress report has been prepared to:

- Identify Indigenous communities consulted and engaged during this time period and describe how they were identified (confidential information will not be provided);
- Describe the consultation and engagement activities that took place including methods, schedule of events, notification that was given about the activity and materials used;
- Describe how interested Indigenous communities were identified and how they were consulted;
- Summarize clearly and accurately the comments made by all Indigenous communities;
- Describe the Proponent's response and how concerns were considered in the NoC of EA milestone or will be considered and / or addressed in the EA / IS;
- Describe any outstanding concerns; and
- Include appendix reference to minutes of any meetings held and written comments received.

Logistical correspondence (e.g., scheduling a meeting) has not been included in the appendices but has been tracked separately. The only instance when logistical correspondence has been included as an appendix is when a meeting was not scheduled or was postponed; this information is included to show level of effort.

1.3 Approach

As outlined in the Consultation and Engagement Plan to Support the EA / IS (Appendix B of the ToR), the Effects Assessment Methods milestone was focused on the following activities and request for targeted input:

Planned Activities for Indigenous communities:

- Circulate Notice of Public Information Centres (PIC)
- Engagement of Community Consultation Co-ordinators, as appropriate and by expressed community interest

^{1.} Interested persons is used to describe individuals and groups (e.g., associations, non-government organizations, industry and academia) who could have an interest in the Project, including but not limited to communities in the region, those with commercial interests (e.g., forestry, trappers, outfitters, other mineral tenure holders in the area) and recreational users or those with recreational interest (e.g., campers, hunters and environmental groups).

- Hold Indigenous leadership and community discussions / meetings, considering applicable and relevant subgroups (e.g., women, youth, elders)
- Additional PICs (in-person / or virtual)
- Plain language Project updates (translated, as required)
- Key informant interviews
- Website update
- Newsletter and email update(s)
- Social media update(s)
- Follow-up communication to confirm information was received and the material(s) provided were understood

Targeted Input (request information to determine and identify):

- Indigenous community values and topics of interest
- Potential effects and impact management measures to be considered
- Impacts of Project on Aboriginal or Treaty Rights and potential impact management measures to avoid, mitigate and off-set the impact(s)
- Seek confirmation whether input and feedback provided during the previous milestone was captured appropriately

The following additional activities and request for targeted input took place during the Effects Assessment Methods milestone, including:

■ PIC #4: EA / IS Phase #1 Introduction

An in-person PIC (with supporting virtual materials) for the Effects Assessment Methods Milestone took place on Wednesday December 7, 2022 in Thunder Bay and on Thursday, December 8, 2022 in Geraldton. Indigenous community members were invited to attend for the first hour of each meeting and stay for the remainder of the event; the public was invited to join during the second hour of the event.

PIC #4 provided information on: an overview to the Project; updates since PIC #3; existing conditions results for completed studies, assessment of impacts and comparison of route alternatives; preliminary results of field studies and information on upcoming field studies; IK and ATRI; effects assessment; achieving the next major milestone: process for identifying the preferred route and how route alternatives will be assessed, recommended and a preferred route chosen.

PIC #4 content, including opportunities for feedback, was also provided to MFFN members at an incommunity meeting on November 2, 2022; feedback provided is included in MFFN's section in **Section 3**. More details about the summary of consultation and engagement for PIC #4 are provided in **Section 1.7**.

Aboriginal Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) and Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program

An important part of the assessment process is collecting IK and information on Indigenous land and resource use to help understand baseline (existing) conditions, predict the potential effects of the Project, and determine appropriate mitigation and monitoring measures. The IK Program was developed with the aim to collect IK relevant to the Project and information on Indigenous land and resource use in the vicinity of the Project area. The IK Program strives to collaborate with interested Indigenous communities and to discuss how relevant information will become part of the assessment processes and Project planning and design. During this reporting time period, an update on the Project IK Program with an updated schedule and timeline was distributed to Indigenous communities. Ongoing follow-up regarding the IK Program also took place.

An ATRI Forum was held in Thunder Bay on February 8 and 9, 2023, with the Province offering to fund 2-3 participants from each Indigenous community to attend the event in person. The forum provided a private

and inclusive space for representatives of Indigenous communities to meet with representatives from the Province and the Project Teams for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road, Northern Road Link and Webequie Supply Road.

Field Studies and Education, Consultation and Engagement on Valued Components

Several field programs took place during the NoC of EA milestone. To help Indigenous communities better understand the field studies related to valued components, Discussion Guides were distributed with plain language information about what the Project is studying, why it is important and questions to solicit feedback before the studies take place. Educational videos and webinars on valued components were also shared online.

Raising Awareness

Several activities were completed related to raising awareness on the Project and encouraging opportunities to meet with the MFFN CAR Project Team. Monthly electronic newsletters were distributed (referred to as E-Blasts) and always included a section seeking those interested to reach out and schedule a meeting with the MFFN CAR Project Team, a public social media account was created and the private MFFN members only Facebook account was used to share information and promote upcoming events.

1.4 Project Notifications and Information Releases

A formal notice and invitation to PIC #4 was published on the Project website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices) on November 22, 2022 in English, Cree, French, Ojibway and Oji-Cree and distributed in print, online and on the radio via multiple outlets, as outlined below.

Copies of the formal notice, in each language, are provided in Appendix A7.

Print Advertisements:

- The Chronicle Journal: November 22, 2022
- Geraldton Times Star: November 23, 30 and December 7, 2022
- Thunder Bay Source: November 24 and December 1, 2022

Online Advertisements

- MFFN All Season Community Access Road Project Website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices): November 22, 2022
- MFFN CAR Facebook page: November 23, December 1, 5, 6, 7 and 8, 2022
- MFFN members only Facebook page: December 1, 6, 7 and 8, 2022
- Greenstone Community Calendar: November 23, 2022
- Northern Ontario Business: November 22, 2022
- NWO NewsWatch: November 22, 2022
- SN NewsWatch: November 22, 2022
- Thunder Bay News Watch: November 23 December 9, 2022
- Windspeaker: November 29 December 9, 2022

Radio Advertisements

- Wawatay Radio: three times per day on November 29, 30, December 1, 2, 5, 6, and 7, 2022 (in English, Ojibway, and Oji-cree)
- CFNO Radio, 91-5 CKPR and Rock94 Radio: November 28 December 9, 2022

The electronic Project mailing list (anyone who opts-in to receive Project emails) also received the notice on November 22, 2022, which includes the following groups:

- MFFN Chief, Council members and community members
- MFFN CAR Project Team
- Indigenous community key contacts (as requested by Indigenous communities), e.g., Chief and Council members, consultants and / or band office contacts
- Tribal Councils, Provincial Territorial Organizations and Métis Nation
- Indigenous Peoples (i.e., Indigenous community members who opted in and are not identified as key contacts)
- Businesses
- Tourism operators
- Community and interest groups and non-governmental organizations
- Forest management companies
- Mining claim holders
- Unaffiliated members of the public
- Emergency medical services and law enforcement
- Political parties and their contacts
- Neighbouring projects and their key contacts
- Government Review Team (GRT)
- Non-GRT government representatives

In addition to PIC #4 notifications, the Project website (<u>www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca</u>) was periodically updated with Project information including all relevant Project notices (e.g., NoC of EA, Discussion Guides, videos, monthly E-Blasts) and other Project-related materials such as mapping. More details are included in **Section 2** below.

1.5 Summary of Indigenous Community and Organization Consultation

As outlined in Milestone Progress Report #1, 23 Indigenous communities were identified for engagement. This list is included in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1: Identified Indigenous Communities, including their Provincial Territorial Organizations and / or Tribal Council Affiliations

Tribal Council Affiliation	Community or Organization
Matawa First Nations Management (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	 Marten Falls First Nation (Proponent and potentially affected Indigenous community)* + Aroland First Nation* + Constance Lake First Nation* + Eabametoong First Nation (Fort Hope)* + Ginoogaming First Nation* + Neskantaga First Nation* + Nibinamik First Nation* + Webequie First Nation* +
Matawa First Nation and the Union of Ontario Indians (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	■ Long Lake #58 First Nation* +
Mushkegowuk Council (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	 Attawapiskat First Nation* + Fort Albany First Nation* + Kashechewan First Nation*

Tribal Council Affiliation	Community or Organization	
Shibogama First Nations Council (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	 Kasabonika Lake First Nation* + Kingfisher Lake First Nation Wapekeka First Nation Wawakapewin First Nation Wunnumin Lake First Nation 	
Independent First Nations Alliance	■ Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation	
Independent First Nations (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	Mishkeegogamang First NationWeenusk First Nation +	
Nokiiwin Tribal Council	Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation (AZA)	
Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) ■ Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO), Region 2		
Independent Métis Nation	Red Sky Métis Independent Nation (RSMIN)	

Notes: + Indicates Indigenous communities or organizations who are participating in the Indigenous Knowledge Program.

As of May 31, 2023, the Project has received communication from 18 of these communities and MNO. Those communities MFFN has met with during Effects Assessment Methods milestone are indicated with an asterisk (*) below:

- Marten Falls First Nation*:
- Aroland First Nation;
- Attawapiskat First Nation;
- Constance Lake First Nation*:
- Eabametoong First Nation (Fort Hope)*;
- Fort Albany First Nation;
- Ginoogaming First Nation*;
- Kasabonika Lake First Nation;
- Kashechewan First Nation;
- Kingfisher Lake First Nation;

- Long Lake #58 First Nation*;
- Metis Nation of Ontario*
- Neskantaga First Nation;
- Nibinamik First Nation;
- Webequie First Nation;
- Weenusk First Nation
- RSMIN;
- AZA; and
- Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation.

The remaining five communities have not communicated with MFFN between July 1, 2022 and May 31, 2023. MFFN remains available to meet with these communities in the future and continues outreach on an ongoing basis; providing the same milestone information (e.g., Discussion Guides, monthly E-Blasts, notifications, field notices) offered to all of the 23 Indigenous communities being engaged. These communities include:

- Wunnumin Lake First Nation;
- Wapekeka First Nation;
- Wawakapewin First Nation;

- Mishkeegogamang First Nation; and
- Métis Nation of Ontario, Region 2.

Those Tribal Councils, Nations and Alliances listed in the table above, as well as the Chiefs of Ontario and Union of Ontario Indians, have been identified as potentially interested in the Project, and have been provided with information and MFFN remains available to meet, throughout the EA / IA process.

MFFN is currently consulting and engaging with Indigenous communities identified by the MECP and the Agency and will continue to do so throughout the EA / IA, as per the level of interest expressed by each community. MFFN, as the Proponent, will also continue to work with communities to collect IK to incorporate into the EA / IS regarding traditional land and resource use and cultural practices.

^{*} Indicates Indigenous communities or organization that have been invited to participate in the Community Coordinator Program.

To help achieve an appropriate level of consultation and engagement related to the Project, (i.e., frequency and depth of consultation and engagement), the list of communities being engaged was considered against the following:

- Expressed interest (to-date) in the proposed MFFN Community Access Road, including applying to Ministry of Mines and the Agency for capacity funding, participation in the Indigenous Knowledge program or participation in the Community Coordinator program;
- Aboriginal or Treaty Rights, including any rights that neighbouring Indigenous communities themselves have identified, may be adversely affected by the Project;
- Geographical distance or proximity to the study area;
- Situated downstream of the Project and with a potential to experience effects to water courses as a result of the Project;
- Traditional and / or current land use within the study area or of lands potentially affected by the Project;
- Potential for effects on the environmental, health and social and economic conditions of neighbouring Indigenous communities; and,
- Provided comments on the EA / IA processes.

MFFN has adjusted the approach to engaging each indigenous community based on this criteria, but understands the list may evolve as new information becomes available and more neighbouring Indigenous communities engage in the consultation and engagement opportunities provided.

All 23 identified Indigenous communities have been contacted regularly by the MFFN CAR Project Team with conversations ranging from: field study / valued component (e.g., educational videos and webinars); information and surveys; regular Project email updates, including monthly E-Blasts; in-person outreach (via telephone and email); the IK Program; Community Co-ordinator Program; PIC #4; invitation to the ATRI Forum, and offers to meet (e.g., Chief and Council meetings followed by meetings with the broader community). Comments, issues and questions received from Indigenous communities that can be shared publicly are included in **Section 3**.

In summary, the MFFN CAR Project Team has provided / offered many opportunities to consult and engage the identified Indigenous communities, including (with specific details in the Consultation Snapshot table in **Section 2**):

- Distributed Draft interim Record of Consultation and Engagement (RoCE) and Milestone #1 Progress Report, which include community-specifc chapters individually provided to the respective indigenous community via email;
- Completed follow-up phone calls and emails to confirm receipt of notifications and other distributed materials;
- Circulated Project updates, including 10 E-Blasts;
- Sent emails and phone calls to confirm interest in being consulted on the Project (for communities that had not yet expressed interest);
- Held conference calls / in-person meetings with community representatives and / or community meetings with Indigenous communities;
- Distributed field notices and updates regarding specific programs;
- Circulated IK Program update, including updated schedule;
- Completed follow-up via phone calls and emails regarding E-Blast contents, field programs and corresponding Discussion Guides, Community Co-ordinator Program, IK Program and ATRI forum;
- Offered to meet;

- Circulated Community Co-ordinator Program letter offering to hire members of specific Indigenous communities as Project-specific Community Co-ordinators. A description of the role was provided and offer to setup a meeting to discuss further;
- Distributed Notice of PIC #4 Introduction of EA / IS;
- Held PIC #4 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, along with an in-community MFFN meeting, and online version of the PIC #4;
- Distributed three plain language videos showcasing different valued components and supporting content in Field Study Discussion Guide and Notices;
- Held meetings with MFFN Chief and Council and broader community;
- Hosted a Valued Components Webinar Series; and
- Held the ATRI Forum in person.

Specific Indigenous communities were also offered funding through the Community Co-ordinator Program—these communities have been most engaged and active on the Project or have indicated interest in engaging on the Project and requiring financial support. In addition, MFFN and Aroland First Nation members were also offered employment opportunities as Field Study Support Staff to assist with field programs. Between July 1, 2022, and May 31, 2023, 31 Field Study Support Staff opportunities were filled by ten (10) MFFN community members.

1.6 Summary of Input and Information Received and EA Milestone Development

The following **Table 1-2** describes a high-level summary of input and information received during this reporting time period and how this information has informed the EA milestone development or will inform the EA. While there was some specific feedback received that has directly informed the EA milestone development / EA, the majority of feedback was broad with limited specific details (therefore requiring on-going follow-up and additional details from source commenters) or were more general interests or concerns. The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to follow-up and seek additional details.

Table 1-2: Summary of Input and Information Received and EA / Milestone Development

How the Development of the EA Milestone Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities or EA has been or may be Informed Specific Feedback Provided on Environmental Existing ■ Birds and comments on their habitats were noted for the bird Conditions field program. Specific feedback was provided on the bird field program, One site of the wolverine hair snag was changed based on including birds observed and comments on their habitats. feedback provided. Specific feedback was provided on the wolverine field ■ The EA has been informed by confidential information regarding the Albany River and details are being kept program. ■ Confidential information regarding the Albany River was confidential. provided and is considered as IK. ■ The general identification of caribou location(s) has been ■ Caribou were identified in the District of Kenora (between points I and H of the MFFN CAR route. ■ Members of Aroland First Nation were invited to participate in Request to participate in field studies. the Groundwater and Geochemistry field program, including a ■ Feedback on footprint was provided, specifically on flyover and planning for subsequent drilling program (outside aggregates. of this reporting time period); any feedback provided during the flyover will be considered as part of the EA. ■ Footprint comments were recorded to be considered in the route selection.

How the Development of the EA Milestone Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities or EA has been or may be Informed **Concerns Related to Environmental Existing Conditions;** ■ Relocating spawning areas has not yet been determined due Additional Details Required to insufficient details provided. On-going follow-up is taking It was noted that a spawning area could be relocated if it place to receive additional information to help identify the would be disrupted by the Project spawning area. Concern was expressed for watersheds More specific details are required related to concerns for Concern was expressed regarding caribou migration and watersheds. As part of the alternative selection, effects to impacts to gathering rights Natural Environment will be taken into consideration. Concern was expressed related to salting on the road and ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for impacts to nearby rivers caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights. Alternative 1 of Segment FG was identified as a sensitive and ■ The concern regarding salting and nearby rivers has been a very precious area. noted and maintenance of the Community Access Road, including usage of salt, will be one of the indicators for the ■ It was noted that the Projet should not impede fish passage. evaluation. ■ Comment on Alternative 1 of Segment FG was noted and will be considered in the route selection. Comment on fish passage will be considered when developing mitigation measures. Interests Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Interest in topics has been noted for each community. The **Additional Details Required** MFFN CAR Project Team continues to distribute Discussion Several communities indicated interest in different topics Guides related to field studies, educational videos and is related to existing conditions without providing specific planning upcoming webinars on valued components. Early feedback or comments. Some examples include receiving observations and methods for field studies completed to-date field study results when they become available for caribou were provided at PIC #3 and will be expanded as more information becomes available. Meetings will continue to be offered based on specific topics of interest to solicit additional feedback and issues. **Route Alignment** Concerns related to the route alignment closer to MFFN have A variety of comments were provided on the route alignment been noted and will be considered as part of the EA. As part near MFFN, including: river and ice levels can be high near of the EA, the evaluation will identify the preferred route for MFFN and there are locations where the bank is eroding and the Community Access Road, temporary infrastructure and could affect the road; intense rain could damage the road and aggregate sources with the least potential for negative effects, impact streams due to erosion; safety concerns were raised greatest opportunity for mitigating negative effects and regarding truck activities (including dust, noise, low visibility greatest benefits to the community. Safety will be considered and speeding) north of the airport and children who play in the as part of the technical considerations and issues such as same area; and concerns regarding how the Community water level and erosion will also be considered as part of Access Road may interfere with MFFN community activities technical considerations and examined under Natural (e.g., gathering firewood, social events) Environment. Some of the comments received were directed to government **Cumulative Effects, Road Projects and Regional** agencies (e.g., NDMNRF, MECP, the Agency) to respond to Assessment ■ Some communities expressed concerns regarding cumulative as they were outside of the scope of the Community Access effects / impacts in the Project area, including the scope of Road Project. In terms of cumulative effects, if specific details the EA, impacts from all three road projects (the Community are provided they will be considered as part of the EA; the EA Access Road, Webequie Supply Road and Northern Road will predict cumulative effects of the preferred alternative with Link), the Regional Assessment and a moratorium on the the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable Ring of Fire activities. projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods will be shared during the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone. Impacts from COVID-19 ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to work with each ■ Some communities expressed inability to effectively engage Indigenous community's preference in how they would like to with their community members due to the COVID-19 be consulted and engaged, whether virtually or in-person and pandemic. in light of the COVID-19 pandemic or other crises. Custom consultation plans and protocols were also offered and will be followed up on with communities who expressed interest. On November 4, 2022, a request for an IS extension was **Timeline Extensions** ■ Some communities requested extended Project timelines, for submitted, and was granted on January 13, 2023. On November 25, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team advised

both the provincial and federal processes.

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA has been or may be Informed	
	communities of the IS Extension Request. Commmunites were advised of the IS timeline extension approval on January 13, 2023 by IAAC.	
Request for Funding Some communities expressed need for provincial participant funding to participate in consultation and engagement activities. There has also been ongoing coordination to onboard communities to the IK Program and Community Coordinator Program, with funding provided by the MFFN CAR Project Team.	 While participant funding is issued by the Province and not the MFFN CAR Project Team, requests were shared with the province to respond to. Additional funding for Indigenous communities include participation in the IK Program and Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Team has followed up with Indigenous communities via phone and email throughout this milestone regarding funding opportunities. 	

Section 2 provides an overview of consultation and engagement activities during the Effects Assessment Methods Milestone.

A detailed record of the efforts made to consult and engage with each of the 24 Indigenous communities and communication received from the communities from July 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023 is provided in **Section 3**. The following sections summarize key consultation activities and issues received through consultation and engagement activities during this time period. The report for each community also includes discussion of how any input and information provided by the Indigenous communities have informed the development of the EA milestone.

Appendix A of this report includes copies of Project distributions sent to Indigenous communities and others including monthly E-Blasts, Field Notices and Field Study Discussion Guides. **Appendix B** of this report includes copies of distributions to Indigenous communities including, presentations, meeting summaries, if applicable. This overview and appendix materials are provided to Indigenous communities for their review before moving into the next milestone, Identification of Preferred Alternatives.

2. Consultation Snapshot

The table below provides an overview of consultation and engagement activities during the Effects Assessment Methods Milestone. Issues received through consultation and engagement activities during this milestone are included in **Section 3**.

Table 2-1: Consultation Snapshot – From October 29, 2021 to May 31, 2023

Items in black occurred during the NoC of EA Milestone between October 29, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Items in blue occurred during the Effects Assessment Methods Milestone from July 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023.

Project Phases: NoC of EA and Effects Assessment				
		Audience		
Activity	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies	
NoC				
■ Distribution of EA NoC (October 29, 2021).	_	√	✓	
■ NoC Advertisement (October 29 to November 12, 2021).	✓	√	✓	
Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement (RoCE)				
■ Draft Interim RoCE distributed to Indigenous communities for review (December 6, 2022).	✓			
■ Email follow-up distributed in January 2023.	✓			
Milestone Progress Report #1				
■ Draft Progress Report distributed to Indigenous communities for review (December 6, 2022)	✓			
■ Email follow-up distributed in January 2023.	✓			
Archaeology Assessment Reports for Stage 1 and Stage 2				
Archaeology Assessment Reports for Stage 1 and Stage 2 distributed (February 3, 2023)	√			
Public Information Centre #3 (PIC #3)				
■ PIC #3 Notice distributed (June 13, 2022)	✓	√	✓	
■ PIC #3 in Thunder Bay (June 27, 2022)	✓	√	✓	
■ PIC #3 in Geraldton (June 29, 2022)	✓	✓	✓	
Public Information Centre #4 (PIC #4)				
■ PIC #4 Notice distributed (November 22, 2022)	✓	✓	√	
■ PIC #4 in Thunder Bay (December 7, 2022)	✓	✓	✓	
■ PIC #4 in Geraldton (December 8, 2022)	✓	✓	✓	
Individual Project Meetings				
Follow-up letters, emails, and phone calls to Indigenous communities regarding the Project.	✓			
■ Hosted in-person and virtual meetings with: - MFFN community (in-person November 16 to 17, 2021) - MFFN community (virtual February 2, 2022) - MFFN community (in-person June 28, 2022; PIC #3 materials) - MFFN community (in-person November 2, 2022; PIC #4 materials) - MFFN community (in-person December 6, 2022; PIC #4 materials)	√			

Project Phases: NoC of EA and Effects Assessment				
	Audience			
Activity	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies	
■ Presented to the Mushkegowuk Council AGM (in-person, November 24, 2021)	✓			
■ Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) to discuss the IK Program (February 4, 2022). Note: Also captured under the IK Program section below	✓			
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation (April 21, 2022). Note: Also captured under the IK Program and Community Coordinator section below	✓			
■ Teleconference presentation to Mushkegowuk Tribal Council's Terrestrial Working Group (May 18, 2022)	~	V		
■ In-person meeting regarding Community Coordinator and IK Programs with Long Lake # 58 (August 9, 2022).	\			
■ Helicopter flyover to visually inspect three potential groundwater sites with Aroland First Nation (August 17 and 18, 2022).	>			
■ Well drilling activities monitored by Aroland First Nation representatives (November 25 – December 3, 2022).	>			
■ A teleconference meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation to discuss the Community Coordinator Program and IK Program. (February 13, 2023)	✓			
■ A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation, Constance Lake First Nation and Ginoogaming First Nation to discuss the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage reports (April 21, 2023).	1			
■ Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) to discuss Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Program (April 27, 2023)	✓			
■ In-person Nation-to-Nation meeting with Eabametoong First Nation to provide an overview of the MFFN CAR (May 10, 2023) .	✓			
■ A virtual meeting with Marten Falls First Nation was held regarding the engineering, construction and the route selection process for the Project (May 15, 2023).	✓			
Other Notices / Newsletters				
 2021 Highlights Letter distributed to Indigenous communities via email (December 15, 2021) 	✓			
Phone calls to Indigenous communities to follow-up on the December E-Blast, Winter Discussion Guide and field notice (December 16 to 17, 2021).	✓			
■ Circulated Monthly Project Update Email Blast (referred to as E-Blast) - October 2021 (November 3, 2021) - November 2021 (November 30 201) - December 2021 (December 15, 2021) - January 2022 (January 31, 2022) - February / March 2022 (March 15, 2022) - April 2022 (April 29, 2022) - May 2022 (May 27, 2022) - June 2022 (June 24, 2022) - July 2022 (July 26, 2022) - August 2022 (August 19, 2022) - September 2022 (September 29, 2022) - October 2022 (November 2, 2022) - November 2022 (November 25, 2022) - December 2022 (December 20, 2022) - January 2023 (January 30, 2023) - February 2023 (February 28, 2023) - March 2023 (April 4, 2023) - April 2023 (April 28, 2023)	~	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA and Effects Assessment			
	Audience		
Activity	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
■ Circulated Field Study Notices & Discussion Guides: - Winter Field Program Notice and Discussion Guide (December 10, 2021) - Furbearer Ground Track Survey Update (January 19, 2022) - Bird Aerial Surveys Update (February 4, 2022) - Wolverine Den Surveys Notice (February 14, 2022) - Wolverine Hair Snag Program and Bird Autonomous Recording Unit Update	✓	1	✓
(March 3, 2022) - Wolverine Den Survey Update (March 9, 2022) - Early Spring Notice (March 29, 2022) - Terrain and Soils Notice (May 11, 2022) - Surface Water, Fish and Fish Habitat Notice (May 30, 2022) - Vegetation Field Notice (June 10, 2022) - Groundwater and Geochemistry (July 29, 2022) - Fall Field Programs Update (September 16, 2022) - Winter / Spring 2023 Field Notice (December 1, 2022) - Field Programs updates (March 9, 2023)			
 Spring 2023 Field Notice (April 21, 2023) ■ Matawa Messenger newsletter feature (June 2022) ■ Follow-up to furbearer winter tracking field program notice (January 27, 2023) ■ Follow-up on ungulate aerial survey notice (February 15, 2023) 	✓	✓	√
■ Webinar Series: - Animals and Wildlife (Ungulates and Furbearers) (November 15, 2022) - Surface Water, Fish & Fish Habitat (November 29, 2022) - Archaeology and Cultural Heritage (January 10, 2023) - Vegetation and Physiography (January 17, 2023) - Peatlands (January 31, 2023) - Air Quality, Greenhouse Gases and Climate Change (February 14, 2023) - Socio-Economic Studies Part I (February 21, 2023) - Socio-Economic Studies Part II (February 28, 2023) - Groundwater and Geochemistry (March 14, 2023) - Birds (March 21, 2023) - Reptiles, Amphibians, Insects and Bats (March 28, 2023) - ATRI (April 4, 2023)		✓	V
Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program	T .		
■ Circulated an update on the MFFN CAR IK Program which included an updated schedule and timeline for Indigenous communities to share IK (January 21 to 24, 2022)	✓		
■ Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) to discuss the IK Program (February 4, 2022)	✓		
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation to discuss the IK Program (and Community Coordinator Program) (April 21, 2022)	✓		
■ IK Program Update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI Shapefiles were distributed via email. (August 2022)	✓		
■ Distributed a Save the Date for the upcoming ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop via email (December 20, 2022)	✓		
■ Invitation to ATRI Forum distributed (January 13, 2023, and February 1, 2023)	✓		
■ ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop in Thunder Bay (February 8 – 9, 2023)	✓		
■ IK Program timeline and update letter (March 22, 2023)	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA and Effects Assessment				
		Audience		
Activity	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies	
Community Coordinator Program				
■ Distribution of letter introducing the Community Coordinator Program to 13 neighbouring Indigenous communities including job posting (March 17, 2022)	✓			
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation to discuss the Community Coordinator Program (and the IK Program) (April 21, 2022)	~			
■ Ongoing outreach to 13 Indigenous communities to address questions and discuss details of the Community Coordinator Program (April – May, 2022; Jan, 2023)	~			
Planned Future MFFN CAR Consultation and Engagement Activities				
Ongoing conversations with 13 Indigenous communities regarding the IK Program, as needed (e.g., Aroland First Nation and Constance Lake First Nation).	~			
■ Ongoing conversations with 13 Indigenous communities regarding participation in the Community Coordinator Program, eventual hiring and onboarding in the role.	>			
Ongoing follow-up to set-up meetings with Indigenous communities and ask about ATRI.	✓			
■ Ongoing planning for MFFN in-community meeting in October	✓			
■ Ongoing planning for PIC #5 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton in October	✓	√	✓	

3. Consultation and Engagement with Indigenous Communities, Provincial and Territorial Organizations and Tribal Councils

3.1 Consultation and Engagement with Indigenous Communities

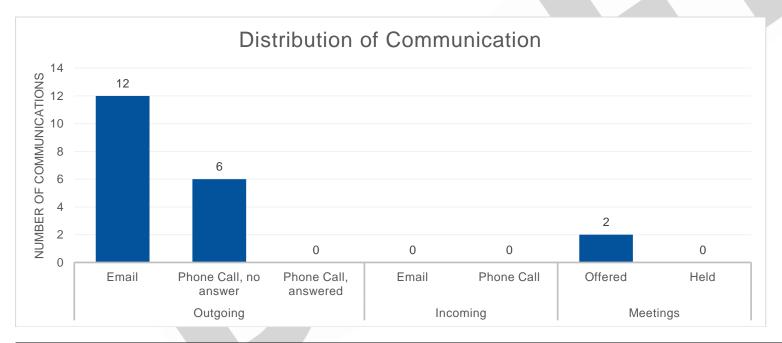
To summarize overall engagement with each Indigenous community, the following analytics were performed:

The **Level of Engagement Effort and Response** bar graph reflects the efforts taken by the MFFN CAR Project Team to engage Indigenous communities and the level of response received. Communications channels considered include **email correspondence** (outgoing & incoming), **phone correspondence** (outgoing & incoming), and **meetings offered in comparison to meetings scheduled**, by any means of communication.

- Email Correspondence reflects all personalized emails sent between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Indigenous communities.
 - Outgoing Email Correspondence reflects all personalized emails sent from the MFFN CAR
 Project Team to a specific Indigenous community; mass communications sent to all communities
 by the MFFN CAR Project Team are not considered in this calculation.
 - Incoming Email Correspondence includes emails received from an Indigenous community directly to MFFN CAR Project Team; emails that only confirm receipt of an outgoing email or emails where the MFFN CAR Project Team are copied but not directly mentioned are not included.
- Phone Correspondence reflects all call attempts between the MFFN CAR Project Team and an Indigenous community.
 - Outgoing Phone Calls reflect all phone calls made by the MFFN CAR Project Team to an Indigenous community. Answered Phone Calls includes those calls that were answered immediately by the intended recipient or were returned at a later time when the contact was available.
 - Incoming Phone Calls reflect instances where Indigenous communities contacted MFFN CAR
 Project Team without a previous outgoing phone call.
- Meetings Offered vs. Held reflects the efforts taken by the MFFN CAR Project Team to schedule a meeting in comparison to the number of meetings achieved between the Indigenous community and the MFFN CAR Project Team.

3.3.5 Shibogama First Nations Council

Community Profile			
Location: 81 King Street, P.O. Box 449, Sioux Lookout, ON P8T 1A5			
Indigenous Communities: Kasabonika Lake First Nation; Kingfisher Lake First Nation; Wapekeka First Nation; Wawakapewin First Nation; Wunnumin Lake First Nation.			
Treaty:	9		
Project Team Lead:	Hanna Daltrop		



Summary of Participation During Reporting Period			
Date of Last Outgoing Communication from MFFN CAR Project Team or Consultant March 28, 2023			
(Email or Phone)			
Date of Last Incoming Communication from Community (Email or Phone) No communication during reporting period			
Participating in IK Program:	Status of IK Sharing Agreement: Not Offered		
	Status of IK Funding Agreement: Not Offered		
	IK information provided: N/A		
Participating in Community Coordinator Program	Not Offered		

	Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During the Reporting Period			
Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity			
Jul 14, 2022	The feedback form deadline for PIC #3 was extended and the PIC #3 materials were reshared.			
Jul 26, 2022	July 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Jul 28, 2022	Phone call and email made to request participation in Engagement Questionnaire.			
Jul 28, 2022	Email regarding engagement questionnaire.			
Jul 29, 2022	Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Notice distributed via email.			
Aug 18, 2022	An IK Program Update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI Shapefiles were distributed via email.			
Aug 19, 2022	August 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Sep 16, 2022	Field programs update distributed via email.			
Sep 21, 2022	Email regarding September Field Program.			
Sep 29, 2022	September 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Nov 02, 2022	October 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Nov 10, 2022	Webinar Series notice distributed via email.			
Nov 15, 2022	Follow up phone call and email to discuss Project updates.			
Nov 22, 2022	Notice for PIC #4 distributed via email.			
Nov 25, 2022	November 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Dec 01, 2022	Winter / Spring 2023 Field Notice distributed via email.			
Dec 06, 2022	Draft Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report distributed via email for review.			
Dec 07, 2022	Reminder for PIC #4 distributed via email.			
Dec 14, 2022	PIC #4 materials and online feedback form distributed via email.			
Dec 20, 2022	December 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Dec 20, 2022	Follow-up email regarding Draft RoCE Report.			
Jan 06, 2023	Phone call follow-up to Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report.			
Jan 10, 2023	Reminder for the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Webinar distributed via email.			
Jan 17, 2023	Reminder for the Vegetation and Physiography Webinar distributed via email.			
Jan 27, 2023	Follow-up to furbearer winter tracking field program notice distributed via email.			
Jan 30, 2023	January 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Feb 03, 2023	Archaeology Assessment Reports for Stage 1 and Stage 2 distributed via email.			
Feb 13, 2023	Email follow-up to Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report.			
Feb 15, 2023	Follow-up on ungulate aerial survey notice distributed via email.			
Feb 21, 2023	Reminder for the Socio-Economics Studies Part I Webinar distributed via email.			
Feb 22, 2023	Notice sent that the RoCE Interim and Milestone #1 Progress Reports will be finalized.			
Feb 28, 2023	February 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.			
Mar 09, 2023	Field Programs updates distributed via email.			
Mar 14, 2023	Reminder for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Webinar distributed via email.			
Mar 21, 2023	Reminder for the Birds Webinar distributed via email.			
Mar 22, 2023	Sent an email regarding the IK Program timeline. An update letter was attached with more information.			

Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During the Reporting Period			
Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity		
Mar 28, 2023	Phone call and email to follow up on the Archaeology reports and IK Program timeline.		
Mar 28, 2023	Reminder for the Reptiles, Amphibians, Insects and Bats Webinar distributed via email.		
Apr 04, 2023	March 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.		
Apr 21, 2023	Spring 2023 Field Notice distributed via email.		
Apr 28, 2023	April 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.		

Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action – Shibogama First Nations Council					
Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IA	
Consultation Methods	■ No issues during July 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023 reporting period.	■ N/A	■ N/A	Opportunities to provide feedback will continue throughout the EA / IA.	

	Consultation and Engagement Log - Shibogama First Nations Council										
Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary					
July 14, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Shibogama First Nations Council to thank those who attended PIC #3 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton. A reminder with the link to all PIC #3 materials on the website was also shared again, including a note that the deadline to provide feedback was extended to July 22, 2022. A link to the feedback form was shared.					
July 26, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the July E-Blast to Shibogama First Nations Council. The E-Blast thanked those who attended PIC #3 in Thunder Bay on June 27 and Geraldton on June 29 as well as included a link to the PIC materials on the website. Field study updates, an overview of upcoming field studies, and an update on the IK Program submission deadline were also included along with a note that the IK Program will continue even though the deadline has passed.					
July 28, 2022	Phone		x	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Shibogama First Nations Council requesting participation in the Engagement Questionnaire to understand the topics of most interest to Shibogama First Nations Council (e.g., valued components) and gather input on the best ways to keep Shibogama First					

	Consultation and Engagement Log - Shibogama First Nations Council										
Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary					
						Nations Council informed on Project updates and activities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was connected with reception and asked to speak to Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council. Matthew was unavailable but reception stated that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant could note questions. Reception made no comment on whether or not they would be responding on behalf of the Interim Executive Director, but noted they would pass on the information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant proceeded with the questionnaire. The responses included: 1) mainly email updates, social media and poster boards, 2) no upcoming events, 3) virtual information sessions, Facebook, 4) interest in all webinar topics.					
July 28, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to Shibogama First Nations Council requesting participation in the Engagement Questionnaire to understand the topics of most interest to Shibogama First Nations Council (e.g., valued components) and gather input on the best ways to keep Shibogama First Nations Council informed on Project updates and activities. A link to the questionnaire form was provided with a request for completion by August 12, 2022. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant talked to reception on July 27, 2022. Reception did not say they would answer on behalf of Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council, but offered to pass along information. The survey responses from the phone call are included in the email.					
July 29, 2022	Email		Х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program Notice to Shibogama First Nations Council noting that the program is starting in September. The notice was attached to the email. Questions, comments or feedback were requested through the Discussion Guide, and a link to a video was also provided.					
August 18, 2022	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an IK Program Update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI Shapefiles to Shibogama First Nations Council via email. The memo provided information on updates to the ATRI Study Areas. The MFFN CAR Project Team also provided information on the IK Program schedule.					

		Coi	nsulta	ation and Engagement Log -	Shibogama Fire	st Nations Council
Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary
August 19, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the August E-Blast to Shibogama First Nations Council. The E-Blast included information and a link to Lakehead University's Indigenous Access Programs. Field study updates for the Bird Autonomous Recording Unit Program and a caribou mortality investigation were provided along with dates for the following upcoming programs: Surface Water and Fish and Fish Habitat, Groundwater and Geochemistry, Fall Aerial Waterfowl Migration, Physiography and Terrains, Ungulates Remote Camera Check and Caribou Mortality Investigation. It was noted that updates were made to the ATRI study areas and a link to more information was provided. The IK Program is still including communities who would like to participate and listed contacts and a link to more information.
September 16, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a field programs update to Shibogama First Nations Council. The email noted that there may be an increase in helicopters in the area and field crews accessing sites. The following programs will be completed this fall: Aerial Waterfowl Migration Survey (September 27 – 29, 2022), Physiography and Terrain Surveys (September 26 – October 8, 2022), Groundwater and Geochemistry Program (ongoing until November 10, 2022), Ungulates Remote Camera Check (October 21 – 28, 2022) and Caribou Mortality Investigation (if needed). Links were provided to field notices for Groundwater and Geochemistry, Physiography and Terrain, and Aerial Waterfowl Migration. Field programs will continue in 2023, with more updates to follow. Links were provided for Discussion Guides where knowledge can be shared in relation to the field programs.
September 21, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council Interim Executive Director, regarding the September Field Program email distributed on September 16, 2022. Paired with this, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant had inquired about a number of topics such as the consultation protocol, updating key contacts, Engagement Questionnaire, Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program Discussion Guide and the update on the Proposed ATRI Study Area.

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Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary
September 21, 2022	Phone		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council Interim Executive Director, inquiring about if they had received the September Field Program email distributed on September 16, 2022, along with any questions or concerns they may have to the MFFN CAR Project. There was no answer so a voicemail was left.
September 29, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the September E-Blast to Shibogama First Nations Council. The E-Blast included an announcement that the Project received the Core Values Award for Visual Engagement from the International Association for Public Participation. Chief Bruce Achneepineskum and a Project Team Consultant were present to receive the award and a link to a video was provided. The E-Blast included an update on the Youth Engagement Program and the importance of participation of youth in decisions that will affect them in the future. An update was also provided for the Groundwater Clearing and Drilling program and the Waterfowl Aerial Surveys. Dates were provided for the following upcoming programs: Groundwater and Geochemistry Program, Aerial Waterfowl Migration Survey, Physiography and Terrain Surveys, Ungulates Remote Camera Check and Caribou Mortality Investigation if needed. The Indigenous Blooming Program was included with details on the mentorship opportunity and a link to more information and the application.
October 31, 2022	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	MFFN CAR Project TeamMFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant informed Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council, that a new IC Lead would be transitioning into the role.
November 02, 2022	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the October E-Blast to Shibogama First Nation Council. The E-Blast included an introduction to the new MFFN Community Coordinator and upcoming engagement opportunities including PIC #4 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton. A webinar series on valued components was also included, along with a note about the Project's plans to submit a 3.5 year extension request for the IS to the Agency. It was mentioned that the Agency will

		Cor	nsulta	ation and Engagement Log -	Shibogama Fire	st Nations Council
Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary
						be notifying Indigenous communities and the public about the request and will provide an opportunity to review and comment. Field study updates were also mentioned, including the Groundwater and Geochemistry Monitoring Testing and Sampling Program being extended to December 2022 and being the last running field study in 2022. The Furbearer Aerial / Ground Track Surveys will occur between January to February 2023, the Wolverine Hair Snag Surveys will be set up before February 15, 2023 and consist of six day trips every month to re-bait the stations through May 2023, and the Ungulate Aerial Winter Surveys will occur in January or February 2023 for two weeks. Links were provided for the field study notices and discussion guides. A new video was released about Cumulative Effects and the link was included. There was also an offer to meet to discuss any questions or comments.
November 10, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a notice to Shibogama First Nation Council for the webinar series on valued components, including how they are being studied, early findings and the relevance to the Project. The first webinar is on November 15, 2022 from 4-5 pm EST on Animals and Wildlife. A link to register and submit questions was included. It was also noted that a recording will be available online after the webinar. A poster with details for the first two webinars was attached.
November 15, 2022	Phone		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Matthew Angees, Executive Director of Shibogama First Nations Council to provide an introduction for themselves as the new IC Lead, and to provide details about the upcoming PIC #4 in Thunder Bay on December 7 and Geraldton on December 8, the new webinar series about Valued Components, the request for an IS extension from IAAC, and the upcoming ATRI workshop. There was no answer and a message could not be left as the recipient's voicemail box was full.

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November 15, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Matthew Angees, Executive Director of Shibogama First Nations Council to provide an introduction for themselves as the new IC Lead for Shibogama First Nations Council. The email also provided updates on the MFFN CAR Project including details about the upcoming PIC #4 in Thunder Bay on December 7 and Geraldton on December 8, the new webinar series about Valued Components, the request for an IS extension from IAAC and notification of upcoming ATRI workshops.
November 22, 2022	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed an invitation for PIC #4 to Shibogoma First Nation Council. The PIC will be in Thunder Bay on December 7 and Geraldton on December 8. The event will be in an open house format and new updates, how feedback is being considered, route alternatives and early findings from field studies. PIC #4 will provide an opportunity to share feedback, ideas and values related to the Community Access Road.
November 25, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the November E-Blast to Shibogama First Nation Council. The E-Blast included an invitation to PIC #4 in Thunder Bay on December 7 and Geraldton on December 8. A link was provided for the recording from the webinar on November 15 and registration for the next webinar on November 29 on Surface Water, Fish and Fish Habitat. It was noted that the Groundwater and Geochemistry Monitoring Testing and Sampling Program has been extended until December 2022. Upcoming field studies include the Bird Autonomous Recording Unit Program between January and February 2023, Ungulate Aerial Winter Surveys in January and February 2023, Furbearer Ground Tracking in February and March 2023 and the Wolverine Hair Snag Surveys from February to May 2023. The E-Blast noted that a timeline extension request for the IS was submitted and the Agency will be notifying Indigenous communities and the public about the request and provide an opportunity to review and comment.

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Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary
November 28, 2022	Phone		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Matthew Angees, Shibogoma First Nation Council, to provide with information on upcoming events. A receptionist informed the Consultant that Matthew was out of office that day and to leave a voicemail so he could return the call the following day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant could not leave a message as the voicemail inbox was full.
November 29, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nation Council, following up on a phone call made earlier. The consultant provided updates on the upcoming PIC and ongoing webinar series. The email provided details about the upcoming PIC #4 in Thunder Bay on December 7 and Geraldton on December 8 and provided a link to the notice for the PIC. An update on the Valued Components Webinar series was also provided, noting the next webinar about Surface Water, Fish and Fish Habitat on November 29 and provided a link to register for the webinar. A link to the previous webinar recording was also provided.
December 01, 2022	Email		×	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a Winter / Spring 2023 Field Notice to Shibogoma First Nations Council. The Notice includes anticipated timing for upcoming field programs including furbearer winter tracking surveys, winter ungulate aerial surveys, wolverine hair snag surveys, bird Autonomous Recording Unit Program, Caribou Collaring / Mortality Investigation Program and Groundwater and Geochemistry Program. An update will be provided when exact dates are confirmed. Links to videos on ungulates, furbearers, groundwater and more were included.
December 06, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	 MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent the drafted Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report to Shibogama First Nations Council for review. The Interim RoCE covers August 1, 2020 to October 28, 2021 and the Milestone #1 Progress Report covers October 29, 2021 to June 30, 2022. Shibogama First Nations Council was asked to make any edits or comments to their community-specific section by January 31, 2023. The reports will then be finalized and shared publicly with the draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Team offered to answer any questions or schedule a meeting to discuss the reports and timeline. A response was requested that the email was received and the documents could be viewed / downloaded successfully.

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December 07, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for PIC #4 to Shibogama First Nations Council noting that PIC #4 will be in Thunder Bay on December 7, 2022 and Geraldton on December 8, 2022 as an open house format and will share information including updates since the ToR, the EA processes, the Project's approach to consultation and engagement and preliminary results from field studies. It was noted that PIC #4 will be an opportunity to meet the MFFN CAR Project Team and share feedback, ideas and values related to the MFFN Community Access Road, and that the first hour is reserved for Indigenous community members, who are welcome to stay for the remainder of the evening with the public. A formal notice with details for both meetings were attached, along with a link to the website with the notice translated in French, Ojibway, Cree and Oji-Cree.
December 14, 2022	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Shibogama First Nations Council to thank those who attended PIC #4 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton. A link to all PIC #4 materials on the website was shared, as well as an online feedback form with a deadline of December 23, 2022.
December 20, 2022	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	 MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Shibogama First Nations Council, following up on the drafted Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report sent to Shibogama First Nations Council. A response was requested that the email was received and the documents could be viewed / downloaded successfully. It was noted that the December 6, 2022 email included a link to the documents, which was provided again. Shibogama First Nations Council was asked to make any edits or comments to their community-specific section by January 31, 2023. The reports will then be finalized and shared publicly with the draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant offered to answer any questions or schedule a meeting to discuss the reports and timeline.

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December 20, 2022	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the December E-Blast to Shibogama First Nations Council. The E-Blast included a message from Chief Bruce Achneepineskum. Also included were highlights from 2022, including: virtual meetings held, updates to the Proposed ATRI Study Areas, the timeline extension request for the IS, valued component webinars, Community Coordinators, Field Studies, and valued component videos. Upcoming winter field studies were listed with exact dates to be provided once confirmed.
January 06, 2023	Phone		Х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council, to ensure they received the Interim RoCE and could open it, and to remind them of the deadline to provide comments. A message could not be left as the answering machine was full.
January 10, 2023	Email		X	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Webinar to Shibogama First Nations Council. A link to register and the opportunity to provide questions was included. For those unable to attend, a recording will be available online and the link was included in the email. It was noted that an upcoming webinar will take place on January 17 on Vegetation and Physiography and a link to register was provided.
January 17, 2023	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Vegetation & Physiography Webinar to Shibogama First Nations Council. A link to register and the opportunity to ask questions ahead of time was included. For those unable to attend, a recording will be available online and the link was included in the email. It was noted that an upcoming webinar will take place on January 31 on Peatlands and a link to register was provided.
January 27, 2023	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a follow up to the Winter Field Notice issued in December 2022. It was noted that field crews are set to begin the furbearer winter tracking field program on January 29, 2023. Field crews will be out for five days, however the program may be extended in the event of weather delays. Links to the field notice, video on furbearers and webinar recording on animals and wildlife (including furbearers) were included.

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January 30, 2023	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the January E-Blast to Shibogama First Nations Council. The E-Blast included an overview of the Archaeological Assessment Report to be shared with Indigenous communities, Provincial Territorial Organizations and Tribal Councils in early February. MFFN Field Support Staff participated in Wilderness Survival Training and will accompany MFFN CAR Project Consultants on upcoming field studies. The PIC #4 feedback deadline was extended to February 10, 2023, links to the engagement materials and to submit feedback were included. The ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay on February 8 and 9, 2023 was noted and contact information was included. The E-Blast noted the Timeline Extension for the IS was approved and the submission date has been shifted to July 24, 2026. Winter field study updates on furbearer winter tracking surveys, the Autonomous Recording Units Program and Wolverine Hair Snag Surveys were included.
February 03, 2023	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Reports to Shibogama First Nations Council. The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report documents the potential for archaeological sites in the proposed area of impact. This includes a review of mapping, previous archaeological reports, a visual inspection and any information collected from Indigenous communities. The report also evaluates potential effects of the CAR on cultural heritage and will be used to support recommendations regarding cultural heritage values or interests and impact management strategies. The Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Report looks at two specific areas identified in the Stage 1 report. The fieldwork involved physical testing of two locations next to the Albany and Ogoki Rivers and was completed in the fall of 2019. Further Stage 2 assessments will be completed once the preferred route is selected. Another report will be prepared and circulated for Indigenous community review once the field work is completed. Feedback and comments on both Stage 1 and 2 reports was requested by March 31, 2023. An offer was made to set up a meeting and discuss the reports. A link to the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage webinar was included.

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February 13, 2023	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council, following up on the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Reports. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Shibogama First Nations Council will be providing feedback, notifying that the deadline for comments was January 31, 2023.
February 15, 2023	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a follow up to the Winter Field Notice issued in December 2022. It was noted that field crews are set to begin the ungulate aerial surveys on February 16, 2023. Field crews will be in the field for eight days, however, the program may be extended in the event of weather delays. These surveys are to determine survival of calves from caribou collared during the caribou collaring field program in 2021, to gather caribou population and distribution data in the study area and to observe signs of other wildlife such as moose, wolves and wolverines. Links to the field notice, video on ungulates and webinar recording on animals and wildlife were included.
February 21, 2023	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Socio-Economic Studies Part I Webinar to Shibogama First Nations Council. A link to register and the opportunity to ask questions ahead of time was included. For those unable to attend, a recording will be available online and the link was included in the email. It was noted that an upcoming webinar will take place on February 28 on Socio-Economic Studies Part II and a link to register was provided.
February 22, 2023	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council, following up on the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Reports. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for confirmation that Shibogama First Nations Council would not be providing comments on their organization-specific section of the report, and provided the update that their section of the report would be finalized for the public version.

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February 28, 2023	Email		x	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the February E-Blast to Shibogama First Nations Council. The E-Blast noted the webinar on Socio-Economic Studies Part II taking place that day with a link to register, the full schedule and recordings. An IK Program timeline update was noted with a June 30, 2023 schedule. The E-Blast also included a note on the ATRI Forum and thanked those who were able to attend. Winter field study updates on furbearer winter tracking surveys and wolverine hair snag surveys were included. Upcoming studies on Groundwater and Geochemistry, Collared Caribou Mortality Investigations and Ungulate Remote Camera Programs will occur between March and May 2023. Links to field program notices, videos and discussion guides were included. The E-Blast also noted the importance of traditional snowshoes used during field studies.
March 09, 2023	Email		X	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed updates for upcoming field programs. The Wolverine Hair Snag Program noted in the Winter / Spring Field Notice is continuing and field crews are rebaiting wolverine hair snag traps until March 16, 2023. The Wolverine Denning Surveys will be conducted in March, prior to the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program in the spring. It was noted that there will be increased air traffic in the study area during the program. More details were attached in the field notice, along with a map. Links were also provided to relevant videos and webinar recordings.
March 14, 2023	Email		Х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Webinar to Shibogama First Nation Council. A link to register and the opportunity to ask questions ahead of time was included. For those unable to attend, a recording will be available online and the link was included in the email. A link was also provided for the schedule and registration for the remaining webinars.
March 21, 2023	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Birds Webinar to Shibogama First Nation Council. A link to register and the opportunity to ask questions ahead of time was included. For those unable to attend, a recording will be available online and the link was included in the email. A link was also provided for the schedule and registration for the remaining webinars.

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March 22, 2023	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	 MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant distributed an IK Program Timeline and Update letter to Shibogama First Nation Council via email where the key Project schedule updates was highlighted, including upcoming draft existing conditions reporting that will start in the Summer 2023 and the route selection which will begin in September 2023. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant advised the importance of receiving IK and information on ILRU by June 30, 2023. It was also advised that the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to support communities in sharing IK beyond this date and to incorporate this information in subsequent steps of the assessment process (e.g., updates to the existing conditions, effects assessment, impact management and Project design).				
March 28, 2023	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Reptiles, Amphibians, Insects and Bats Webinar to Shibogama First Nation Council. A link to register and the opportunity to ask questions ahead of time was included. For those unable to attend, a recording will be available online and the link was included in the email. A link was also provided for the schedule and registration for the remaining webinars.				
March 28, 2023	Phone		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team Consultant called. Matthew Angees, Shibogama First Nations Council. The call was not answered and there was no ability to leave a voicemail. The purpose of the phone call was to give a reminder about the Archaeology Reports that were distributed on February 3, 2023, and to ask if Shibogama Council had any comments on the reports and to ask if Shibogama Council had any questions about the June 2023 IK Program schedule.				
March 29, 2023	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team Consultant emailed Matthew Angees, Shibogoma First Nations Council, to follow up on a phone call made the day before. The email contained a reminder about the Archaeology Reports that were distributed on February 3, 2023, and asked if Shibogama Council had any comments on the reports. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Shibogama Council had any questions about the June 2023 IK Program schedule.				

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April 04, 2023	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the March E-Blast to Shibogama First Nation Council. The E-Blast provided an introduction to the MFFN Community Coordinator. Details were shared on the Wolverine Denning Program and field study updates were provided for the Wolverine Hair Snag Surveys, the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program, the Collared Caribou Mortality Investigations, the Ungulate Remote Camera Program, the Vegetation and Peatlands Aerial and Ground Surveys and Cultural Heritage Program. A link was provided for past webinar recordings as well as a link to register for the ATRI webinar.			
April 21, 2023	Email		х	■ Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Spring 2023 Field Notice to Shibogama First Nation Council. Anticipated timing for upcoming field studies was provided. The 2023 Field Notice was attached, along with a link to the website and the March E-Blast, where field studies were previously referenced. A link was also provided to webinars to learn more about Vegetation, Peatlands, Cultural Heritage, Wildlife, Groundwater and Socio-Economic studies.			
April 28, 2023	Email		х	Matthew Angees (Interim Executive Director)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the April E-Blast to Shibogama First Nation Council. The E-Blast provided an update from the MFFN Community Coordinator, information for the IK Program and Spring Field Studies along with a link to the Field Notice.			

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