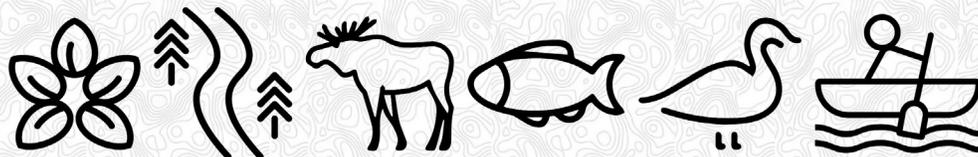


Appendix XA

Record of Consultation and Engagement



1. Introduction

The Record of Consultation and Engagement provides a comprehensive account of consultation and engagement activities undertaken by Marten Falls First Nation in support of the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment (Assessment Process) for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road. The Record of Consultation and Engagement is a key component of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement, supporting fulfillment of federal and provincial requirements and commitments set out in the Marten Falls-Ontario Memorandum of Understanding on Shared Consultation Responsibilities.

The Record of Consultation and Engagement documents how input from Indigenous communities, government agencies, and interested persons was sought, received, and considered throughout the Assessment Process. It demonstrates the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team's commitment to meaningful consultation and engagement, transparent decision-making, and regulatory compliance.

2. Purpose and Reporting Period

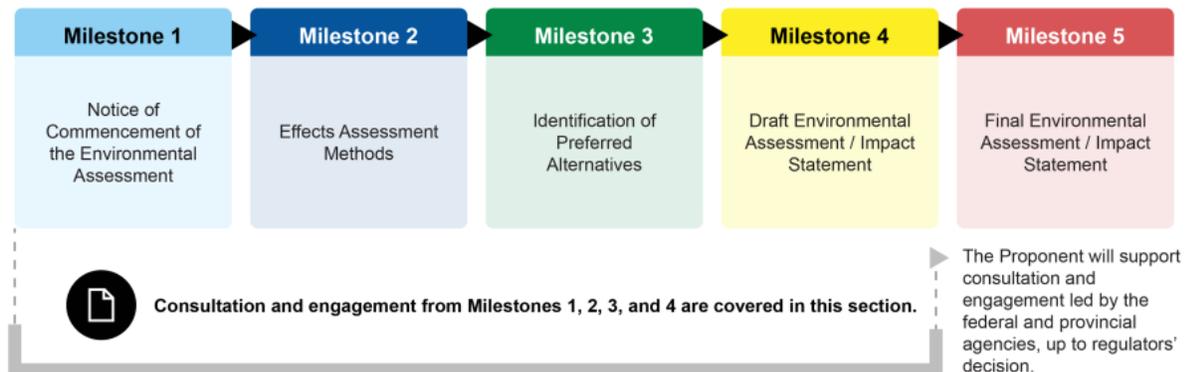
The purpose of the Record of Consultation and Engagement is to: provide a transparent record of all communication, consultation, and engagement activities; categorize feedback received; and describe how input has informed the Assessment Process.

The reporting timeframe started with the release of the Notice of Commencement of Environmental Assessment on October 29, 2021, and ended on September 5, 2025. Consultation and engagement activities for milestones 1, 2, 3, and 4 are included:

- Milestone 1: Notice of Commencement of Environmental Assessment;
- Milestone 2: Effects Assessment Methods;
- Milestone 3: Identification of Preferred Alternatives: and
- Milestone 4: Review of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement.

Consultation and engagement on Milestone 5: Review of Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement will be undertaken by the federal and provincial government agencies, as shown in **Figure 1**, with support from the Proponent up to the regulators' decision.

Figure 1: Milestones and Consultation and Engagement Reporting



Consultation and engagement activities undertaken after the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement review period until the submission of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement are summarized in **Section 11** of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement.

Formal comments submitted on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement and responses to those comments are available in the Feedback and Response Log, **Appendix C** of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement.

3. Indigenous Communities, Government Agencies, and Interested Persons

Consultation and engagement activities were tailored to three distinct groups—Indigenous communities, government agencies, and interested persons—to support effective and appropriate participation based on differing roles, interests, and preferences.

1. Indigenous Communities:

Indigenous communities were consulted and engaged in consideration of the potential for the Community Access Road to adversely affect constitutionally protected Aboriginal or Treaty Rights. A community's expressed interest in the Community Access Road was also considered. The list of communities was developed based on guidance from the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada. By the end of the Assessment Process, consultation and engagement had been

undertaken with 31 Indigenous communities, Tribal Councils, and Political Treaty Organizations / Provincial Territorial Organizations.

2. Government Agencies:

Municipal, provincial, and federal departments, ministries, and regulatory bodies were consulted and engaged based on their jurisdiction, regulatory responsibilities, and subject-matter expertise. The Government Review Team, consisting of key agencies, provided guidance and reviewed documentation throughout the Assessment Process.

3. Interested Persons:

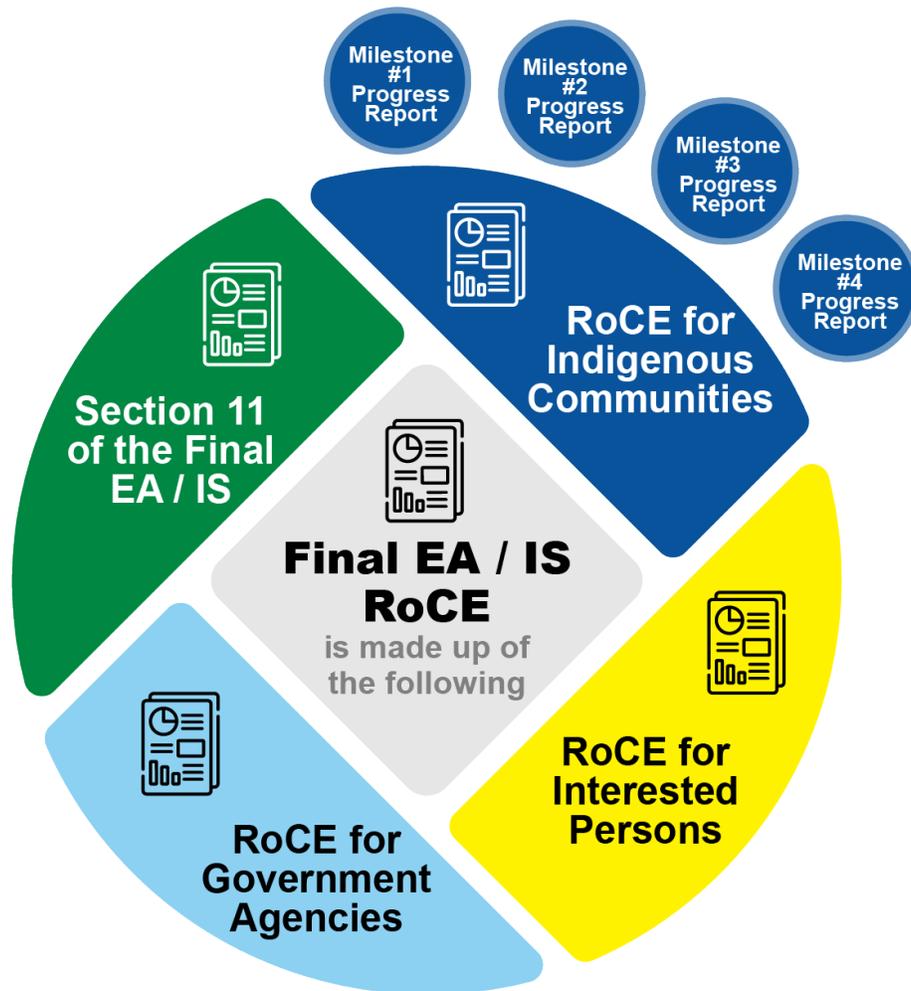
Interested persons include individuals and groups (associations, non-governmental organizations, industry, academia) who could have an interest in the Community Access Road. This includes, but is not limited to: communities in the region; those with commercial interests (forestry, trappers, outfitters, and other mineral tenure holders in the area); and recreational users (campers, hunters, environmental groups). In addition, individual members of Indigenous communities with an interest in the Community Access Road are included (those who are not representatives of a community's leadership).

4. Structure of the Record of Consultation and Engagement

The Record of Consultation and Engagement is comprised of multiple reports prepared at key milestones of the Assessment Process and separated by each group (Indigenous communities, government agencies, and interested persons) as illustrated in **Figure 2**.

While **Section 11** of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement is not a Record of Consultation and Engagement, it provides introductory content and a high-level summary of all consultation and engagement undertaken with Indigenous communities, government agencies, and interested persons.

Figure 2: Record of Consultation and Engagement Components



4.1 Indigenous Communities

The Record of Consultation and Engagement for Indigenous communities is comprised of four milestone progress reports, each corresponding to a specific milestone of the Assessment Process:

- Milestone #1: Notice of Commencement of Provincial Environmental Assessment—October 29, 2021 – June 30, 2022;
- Milestone #2: Effects Assessment Methods—July 1, 2022 – May 31, 2023;
- Milestone #3: Identification of Preferred Alternatives—June 1, 2023 – July 31, 2024; and
- Milestone #4: Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement—August 1, 2024 – September 5, 2025.

4.2 Government Agencies

Consultation and engagement with government agencies is documented in a single Record of Consultation and Engagement covering the full reporting period from October 29, 2021, to September 5, 2025.

4.3 Interested Persons

Consultation and engagement with interested persons is documented in a single Record of Consultation and Engagement covering the full reporting period from October 29, 2021, to September 5, 2025.

5. Accessing the Record of Consultation and Engagement Reports

All Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Records of Consultation and Engagement are provided in **Appendix X**.