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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
NDMNRF.....	Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
NoC.....	Notice of Commencement
NRL.....	Northern Road Link
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
ToR	Terms of Reference
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. The ToR Notice of Approval is also included in **Appendix A**.

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:

- NoC of Provincial EA (referred to as NoC of EA);
- Effects Assessment Methods; and
- Identification of Preferred Alternatives.

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 first progress report for the NoC of EA, and pertains to activities related to both the EA and IA processes. The time period begins the day the NoC was issued (October 29, 2021) and ends after the Public Information Centre #3 for the EA / Impact Statement (IS) phase (PIC #3) which took place on June 30, 2022. The NoC of EA milestone is expected to extend past June 30, 2022, however, due to the time to develop this report, any information missed during this phase will be included in the next progress report for the Effects Assessment Methods which is expected to begin in winter 2022.

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 October 29, 2021 to June 30, 2022 as part of the NoC of EA

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 (October 29, 2021 to June 30, 2022). 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 NoC of EA milestone was focused on the following activities and request for targeted input:

Planned Activities for Indigenous communities:

- Circulate Notice of Commencement
- Update MFFN website
- Distribute letter(s) to Chief and Councils, related to setting up meetings, responding to concerns expressed, the IK Program, the Community Co-ordinator Program or other topics, as needed
- Engage Project-specific Community Co-ordinators, as appropriate
- Hold discussions / meetings with interested Chiefs and Councils and / or Indigenous communities

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).*

- Encourage and host in-person or virtual meetings (based on Indigenous communities' preferences) to provide information on the Project and discuss concerns and / or Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI)
- Respond in a timely and transparent manner to Indigenous communities with questions and / or concerns
- Update newsletters / E-Blasts and emails
- Update social media
- Follow-up with communication to confirm information was received and the material(s) provided were understood

Targeted Input (request information to determine and identify):

- Level of interest in Project
- Level of interest in meeting / discussions with Chiefs and Councils and / or Indigenous communities
- Level of interest in meeting to discuss ATRI and the IK Program, in a confidential manner
- How Indigenous communities would like to be kept informed during the EA / IA processes
- Level of interest in creating Indigenous community-specific Consultation and Engagement Plan(s) as they relate to the EA / IS

The following additional activities and request for targeted input took place during the NoC of EA milestone, including:

– **PIC #3: EA / IS Phase #1 Introduction**

An in-person PIC (with supporting virtual materials) was added to the NoC of EA milestone and took place on Monday June 27, 2022 in Thunder Bay and on Wednesday, June 29, 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 #3 provided information on: an overview to the Project; updates since the ToR; the EA / IA process; study areas, including specific updates made to reflect potential sources of aggregate material and input received from Indigenous communities; preliminary results of field studies and information on upcoming field studies; IK and ATRI; how Indigenous communities have been involved to-date and plans for future consultation and engagement, including the Community Co-ordinator Program; feedback heard to-date and how it is being considered; ongoing and future consultation and engagement opportunities and next steps. PIC #3 content, including opportunities for feedback, was also provided to MFFN members at an in-community meeting on June 28, 2022; feedback provided is included in MFFN's section in **Section 3**. More details about the summary of consultation and engagement for PIC #3 are provided in **Section 1.7**.

– **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.

- **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 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, the private MFFN members only Facebook account was used to share information and promote upcoming events and an article was featured in the Matawa Messenger newsletter.

Efforts have also been made to initiate discussions to schedule key informant interviews and hold discussions / meetings that consider applicable and relevant subgroups (e.g., women, youth, elders).

1.4 Project Notifications and Information Releases

A formal notice and invitation to PIC #3 was published on the Project website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices) on June 13, 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: June 14, 2022
- Geraldton Times Star: June 15, 2022
- Thunder Bay Source: June 16, 2022
- Wawatay News: June 17, 2022

Online Advertisements

- MFFN All Season Community Access Road Project Website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices): June 13, 2022
- MFFN CAR Facebook page: June 13, June 20 and June 24, 2022
- MFFN members only Facebook page: June 2022
- Greenstone Community Calendar: June 13, 2022
- Northern Ontario Business: June 13, 2022
- NWO NewsWatch: June 13, 2022
- SN NewsWatch: June 13, 2022
- Thunder Bay News Watch: between June 13, 2022 to June 27, 2022.
- Windspeaker: June 13, 2022
- Anishinabek News: June 14, 2022

Radio Advertisements

- Wawatay Radio: three times per day on June 17, 20-24, and 27, 2022 (in English, Ojibway, and Oji-cree)

- CFNO Radio, 91-5 CKPR and Rock94 Radio: June 13-26, 2022

The electronic Project mailing list (anyone who opts-in to receive Project emails) also received the notice on June 13, 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 #3 notifications, the Project website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca) 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

The MECP issued a letter on December 19, 2018 with a list of the neighbouring Indigenous communities to be consulted and engaged on the basis that they have (or may have) constitutionally protected ATRI that may be adversely affected by the Project and / or who may be interested in the Project. This list is included in Table 1-1.

Mishkeegogamang First Nation was added to the list of neighbouring Indigenous communities to be consulted on the Project based on the Agency's 'Preliminary List of Indigenous Communities for Proponent Engagement on the Marten Falls Access Road'. Therefore 23 Indigenous communities were identified for engagement. Although Mishkeegogamang First Nation has not yet expressed interest in the Project, they are being provided information in conjunction with the neighbouring Indigenous communities who might be affected by or have an interest in the Project.

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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Long Lake #58 First Nation**
Mushkegowuk Council (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Attawapiskat First Nation ■ Fort Albany First Nation ■ Kashechewan First Nation
Shibogama First Nations Council (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kasabonika Lake First Nation* ■ Kingfisher Lake First Nation* ■ Wapekeka First Nation* ■ Wawakapewin First Nation** ■ Wunnumin Lake First Nation
Independent First Nations Alliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation
Independent First Nations (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mishkeegogamang First Nation*** ■ Weenusk First Nation
Nokiiwin Tribal Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation (AZA)*
Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO), Region 2**
Independent Métis Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Red Sky Métis Independent Nation (RSMIN)* *

Notes: * Indigenous communities or organizations identified by MECP who should be consulted on the basis that they may be interested in the Project.

** MECP indicated in a letter to MFFN that Long Lake #58 First Nation was moved from interest-based to rights-based.

*** On September 9, 2019, the Agency identified Mishkeegogamang First Nation in the Preliminary List of Indigenous Groups for Proponent Engagement on the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project

♦ Indicates communities identified by MECP but not on the Agency's Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan

As of June 30, 2022, 17 of these communities have expressed an interest in the Project, including meeting to understand more. Those communities MFFN has met with during the NoC of EA milestone are indicated with an asterisk below (*):

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|---------------------------------------|--|
| Marten Falls First Nation*; | Kingfisher Lake First Nation; |
| Aroland First Nation; | Long Lake #58 First Nation; |
| Attawapiskat First Nation; | Neskantaga First Nation; |
| Constance Lake First Nation*; | Nibinamik First Nation; |
| Eabametoong First Nation (Fort Hope); | Webequie First Nation; |
| Fort Albany First Nation; | RSMIN; |
| Ginoogaming First Nation; | AZA; and |
| Kasabonika Lake First Nation; | Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation. |
| Kashechewan First Nation; | |

The remaining six communities have expressed interest in receiving Project materials and may contact MFFN if they would like to meet in the future. MFFN continues outreach on an ongoing basis to these communities; providing the same milestone information (e.g., Discussion Guides, monthly E-Blasts, notifications, field notices) offered to each of the 23 Indigenous communities being engaged. These communities include:

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

Weenusk 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 options to meet with MFFN throughout the EA / IA. Mushkegowuk Tribal Council and Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) both held virtual meetings with MFFN during this reporting time period.

MFFN is currently consulting and engaging with Indigenous communities identified by the MECP and the Agency (detailed in **Section 1.5**) 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 work with communities to collect IK to incorporate into the EA / IS regarding traditional land and resource use and cultural practices.

All 23 identified Indigenous communities have been contacted regularly by the MFFN CAR Project Team with conversations ranging from: follow-up on the NoC of EA, field study / valued component (e.g., educational videos); information and surveys (via Discussion Guides); regular Project email updates, including monthly E-Blasts; in-person outreach (via telephone and email); the IK Program; Community Co-ordinator Program; PIC #3; 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**.

Outreach efforts and correspondence with the Indigenous communities continued regarding their interest in the Project and the potential to meet / discuss the Project. Due to the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic in 2021 and 2022, a hybrid of teleconference and in-person meetings with Indigenous communities were continued to be offered.

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 NoC of EA;
- Completed follow-up phone calls and emails to confirm receipt of notifications and other distributed materials;
- Circulated Project updates, including nine 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 four Indigenous communities, Provincial Territorial Organizations and Tribal Councils;
- Distributed field study discussion guides (including surveys for feedback) and field notices regarding specific programs;
- Distributed 2021 Highlights Letter, noting challenges faced during 2021 due to COVID-19, States-of-Emergencies and regional and localized forest fires, a link to the December E-Blast including a snapshot of work completed in 2021, requesting a meeting for the EA / IA and requested preferences for receiving information;
- 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;
- 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 #3 Introduction of EA / IS;
- Held PIC #3 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, along with an in-community MFFN meeting, and online version of the PIC #3;
- Distributed plain language videos showcasing different valued components and supporting content in Field Study Discussion Guide and Notices; and
- Held meetings with MFFN Chief and Council and broader community.

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 members were also offered employment opportunities as Field Study Support Staff to assist with field programs. Between October 29, 2021 and June 30, 2022, 29 Field Study Support Staff opportunities were filled by eight (8) 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

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA Has Been or May Be Informed
<p>Specific Feedback Provided on Environmental Existing Conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Specific feedback was provided on the bird field program, including birds observed and comments on their habitats ■ Specific feedback was provided on the wolverine field program ■ Confidential information regarding the Albany River was provided and is considered as IK ■ Caribou were identified in the District of Kenora ■ Request to participate in field studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Birds and comments on their habitats were noted for the bird field program. ■ One site of the wolverine hair snag was changed based on feedback provided ■ The EA has been informed by confidential information regarding the Albany River and details are being kept confidential ■ The general identification of caribou location(s) has been noted ■ Members of Aroland First Nation were invited to participate in the Groundwater and Geochemistry field program, including a flyover and planning for subsequent drilling program (outside of this reporting time period); any feedback provided during the flyover will be considered as part of the EA
<p>Concerns Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Additional Details Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ It was noted that a spawning area could be relocated if it would be disrupted by the Project ■ Concern was expressed for watersheds ■ Concern was expressed regarding caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights ■ Concern was expressed related to salting on the road and impacts to nearby rivers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Relocating spawning areas has not yet been determined due to insufficient details provided. On-going follow-up is taking place to receive additional information to help identify the spawning area ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for watersheds. As part of the alternative selection, effects to Natural Environment will be taken into consideration. ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights. ■ The concern regarding salting and nearby rivers has been noted and maintenance of the Community Access Road, including usage of salt, will be one of the indicators for the evaluation
<p>Interests Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Additional Details Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Several communities indicated interest in different topics related to existing conditions without providing specific feedback or comments. Some examples include receiving field study results when they become available for caribou 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Interest in topics has been noted for each community. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to distribute Discussion Guides related to field studies, educational videos and is planning upcoming webinars on valued components. Early observations and methods for field studies completed to-date 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
<p>Route Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A variety of comments were provided on the route alignment near MFFN, including: river and ice levels can be high near MFFN and there are locations where the bank is eroding and could affect the road; intense rain could damage the road and impact streams due to erosion; safety concerns were raised regarding truck activities (including dust, noise, low visibility and speeding) north of the airport and children who play in the same area; and concerns regarding how the Community Access Road may interfere with MFFN community activities (e.g., gathering firewood, social events) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Concerns related to the route alignment closer to MFFN have been noted and will be considered as part of the EA. As part of the EA, the evaluation will identify the preferred route for the Community Access Road, temporary infrastructure and aggregate sources with the least potential for negative effects, greatest opportunity for mitigating negative effects and greatest benefits to the community. Safety will be considered as part of the technical considerations and issues such as water level and erosion will also be considered as part of technical considerations and examined under Natural Environment.

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA Has Been or May Be Informed
<p>Cumulative Effects, Road Projects and Regional Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some communities expressed concerns regarding cumulative effects / impacts in the Project area, including the scope of the EA, impacts from all three road projects (the Community Access Road, Webequie Supply Road and Northern Road Link), the Regional Assessment and a moratorium on the Ring of Fire activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some of the comments received were directed to government agencies (e.g., NDMNRF, MECP, the Agency) to respond to as they were outside of the scope of the Community Access Road Project. In terms of cumulative effects, if specific details are provided they will be considered as part of the EA; the EA will predict cumulative effects of the preferred alternative with the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods will be shared during the Identifications of Preferred alternatives milestone.
<p>Impacts from COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some communities expressed inability to effectively engage with their community members due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to work with each Indigenous community's preference in how they would like to be consulted and engaged, whether virtually or in-person and 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.
<p>Timeline Extensions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some communities requested extended Project timelines, both on the provincial and federal processes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Questions regarding timeline extensions will continue to be responded to, seeking to understand the needs of each community. A request for an IS extension is being planned and will be formally requested outside of this reporting time period. Communities will continue to be kept informed on timelines.
<p>Request for Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.

A detailed record of the efforts made to consult and engage with each of the 23 Indigenous communities and correspondence received from the communities from October 29, 2021 to June 30, 2022 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 following sections provide an overview of consultation and engagement that has occurred with Indigenous communities, Provincial and Territorial Organizations and Tribal Councils. **Appendix A** of this report includes copies of Project distributions sent to Indigenous communities and others including monthly E-Blasts, educational videos, 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, Effects Assessment Methods.

2. Consultation Snapshot

The table below provides an overview of consultation and engagement activities during the NoC of EA. 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 June 30, 2022

Project Phase: NoC of EA			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
NoC			
■ Distribution of EA NoC (October 29, 2021).	✓	✓	✓
■ NoC Advertisement (October 29 to November 12, 2021).	✓	✓	✓
Public Information Centre #3 (PIC #3)			
– PIC #3 Notice distributed (June 13)	✓	✓	✓
– PIC #3 in Thunder Bay (June 27)	✓	✓	✓
– PIC #3 in Geraldton (June 29)	✓	✓	✓
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)	✓		
■ 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). <i>Note: Also captured under the IK Program section below</i>	✓		
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation (April 21, 2022). <i>Note: Also captured under the IK Program and Community Co-ordinator section below</i>	✓		
■ Teleconference presentation to Mushkegowuk Tribal Council's Terrestrial Working Group (May 18, 2022)	✓	✓	
Other Notices / Newsletters			
■ 2021 Highlights Letter distributed to Indigenous communities via email (December 15, 2021 – 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)	✓	✓	✓

Project Phase: NoC of EA			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Circulated Field Study Notices & Discussion Guides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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 (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) 	✓	✓	✓
■ Matawa Messenger newsletter feature (June 2022)	✓	✓	✓
Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program			
■ 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 Co-ordinator Program) (April 21, 2022)	✓		
Community Co-ordinator Program			
■ Distribution of letter introducing the Community Co-ordinator Program to 13 neighbouring Indigenous communities including job posting (March 17, 2022)	✓		
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation to discuss the Community Co-ordinator Program (and the IK Program) (April 21, 2022)	✓		
■ Ongoing outreach to 13 Indigenous communities to address questions and discuss details of the Community Co-ordinator Program (April – May, 2022)	✓		

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:

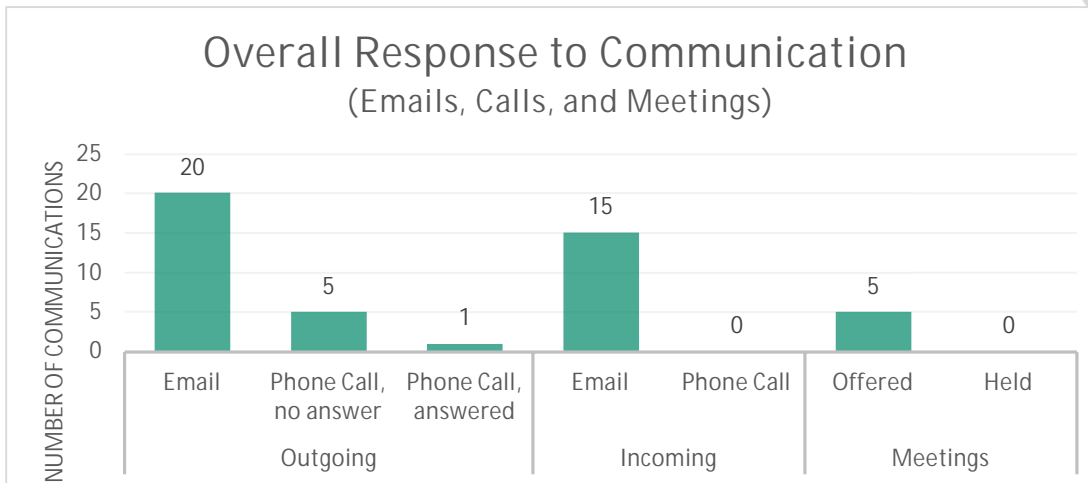
The **Level of Engagement Effort and Response** bar graph reflects the efforts taken by the MFFN CAR Project Team to engage Indigenous communities and the level of response received. Communications channels considered include **email correspondence** (outgoing & incoming), **phone correspondence** (outgoing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

3.1.2 Aroland First Nation

Community Profile	
Location:	PO Box 10, Aroland ON, P0T 1B0
Tribal Council:	Matawa First Nations Management
Treaty:	9
Project Team Lead:	Clayton Coppaway and Kyla Zielbauer

Communication Distribution



Summary of Participation During Reporting Period	
Date of Last Outgoing Communication from MFFN CAR Project Team (Email or Phone)	June 20, 2022
Date of Last Incoming Communication from Community (Email or Phone)	June 10, 2022
Participating in IK Program: In Progress	Status of IK Sharing Agreement: In Progress
	Status of IK Funding Agreement: In Progress
	IK information provided: TBD
Participating in Community Coordinator Program: In Progress	Offered, In Progress

Summary of Participation During Reporting Period

Commented during The ToR	Commented on Draft ToR: Yes
	Commented on Final ToR: Yes

Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During EA / IA (October 29, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
Oct 29, 2021	EA NoC distributed via email.
Nov 02, 2021	EA NoC distributed via mail (hard copy).
Nov 03, 2021	October 2021 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Nov 10, 2021	Sent a response letter to Aroland First Nation in response to their Sept 3, 2021 letter.
Nov 12, 2021	Confirmation that the letter from November 10, 2021 was received and follow up will be sent after election.
Nov 30, 2021	November 2021 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Dec 01, 2021	MFFN CAR Project Team sent a follow up re: November 10, 2021 letter and offer for a virtual meeting.
Dec 10, 2021	Winter Field Programs Discussion Guide and Notice distributed via email.
Dec 15, 2021	December 2021 MFFN CAR E-Blast & 2021 Highlights Letter distributed via email.
Dec 16, 2021	Phone calls to follow-up on the December E-Blast, Winter Field Programs Notice and Discussion Guide.
Jan 17, 2022	Circulated a MFFN CAR IK Program update including updated schedule.
Jan 19, 2022	Furbearer Ground Track Survey update distributed via email.
Jan 31, 2022	January 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Feb 04, 2022	MECP sent Aroland First Nation a response to October 7, 2021 letter. The letter noted the Minister's approval of both the MFFN CAR and WSR separate ToRs, with amendments. The NDMNRF intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all projects and would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate.
Feb 04, 2022	Ungulate Aerial Surveys update distributed via email.
Feb 07, 2022	Follow up for IK Program and offer to schedule a meeting.
Feb 14, 2022	Wolverine Den Surveys Field Study Notice and Winter Field Programs update distributed via email.
Mar 03, 2022	Wolverine Hair Snag and Bird ARU update distributed via email.
Mar 09, 2022	A letter was sent to address concerns received from Aroland First Nation via email.
Mar 09, 2022	Follow up phone call to discuss the upcoming Groundwater and Geochemistry program and the opportunity to join overland flights in advance of the program.
Mar 09, 2022	Wolverine Den Surveys update distributed via email.
Mar – Apr, 2022	Phone calls and emails to coordinate flyover with Aroland First Nation for the Groundwater and Geochemistry program.
Mar 15, 2022	February / March 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Mar 18, 2022	Community Coordinator Program letter and job posting distributed via email.
Mar 28, 2022	Follow up email to confirm receipt of the Community Coordinator letter, and the February / March E-Blast including the Bird and Spring Discussion Guides and Project update video. Follow-up included status of IK Sharing and Funding Agreements and offering a meeting.
Mar 29, 2022	Early Spring Field Notice and Winter program updates distributed via email.
Apr 29, 2022	April 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
May 05, 2022	Phone call and email to follow up on the Community Coordinator Program letter and IK Program.

Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During EA / IA (October 29, 2021 – June 30, 2022)

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
May 06, 2022	Aroland First Nation issued a letter to MFFN Chief and Council expressing opposition for the Project (letter was received by the MFFN CAR Project Team on May 16, 2022).
May 11, 2022	Terrain and Soils Field Notice distributed via email.
May 27, 2022	May 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
May 30, 2022	Surface Water, Fish and Fish Habitat Field Notice distributed via email.
Jun 06, 2022	Details regarding the confidentiality agreement for participation in the Groundwater and Geochemistry program flyover were sent and contact information for flyover passengers was requested.
Jun 9 – 10, 2022	Emails coordinating Groundwater and Geochemistry program flyover.
Jun 10, 2022	Vegetation Field Notice distributed via email.
Jun 13, 2022	Notice for PIC #3 distributed via email.
Jun 20, 2022	Email and phone call invitation for PIC #3.
Jun 24, 2022	June 2022 E-Blast distributed via email.
Jun 30, 2022	PIC #3 materials and online feedback form distributed via email.

Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action – Aroland First Nation

Item #	Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed through the NoC EA Milestone and / or in the EA / IS
1.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultation Methods ■ Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests ■ EA Process ■ Cumulative Effects 	<p>■ Issue—Unresolved Comments and Concerns from ToR: Aroland First Nation Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter on October 7, 2021 to MECP Director Kathleen O'Neill, copying the MFFN CAR Project Team. The letter commented on unaddressed concerns in the final ToR for the Webequie Supply Road (WSR) EA and MFFN CAR EA.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Status: Completed ■ MECP responded, via letter on February 4, 2022, to Aroland First Nation's letter (October 7, 2021) regarding their concerns related to the scope of the EA, the engagement processes, and the assessment of impacts to Aroland First Nation's rights and interests. The letter noted the Minister's approval of the ToRs, with amendments, for the MFFN CAR and WSR. The letter indicated that the NDMNRF intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all road projects, and would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate. The letter also noted that MFFN CAR Project Team is expected to continue their engagement to provide information, hear feedback, and respond to questions and encouraged Aroland First Nation to participate in the EA process. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Opportunities to provide feedback will continue throughout the EA / IA. ■ Efforts to develop an MOU and custom consultation process will be carried throughout the EA / IA. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to make efforts to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss funding. ■ Opportunities to provide feedback on field programs in advance of them starting will be carried forward into the EA / IA.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team and MECF (February 4, 2022 letter) have responded to all of Aroland First Nation's comments on the ToR (October 7, 2022), however there are some unresolved concerns related to the development of a custom consultation process, access to funding, and completion of the field study programs which are further indicated below. 	
2.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation Methods Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests 	<p>Issue—Custom Consultation Process Requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation noted in a letter dated October 20, 2020 that they would like to negotiate a custom consultation process since the MOU negotiations have stalled and would require additional capacity funding for its development. Aroland First Nation sent a letter on September 3, 2021 noting Aroland First Nation does not consent to any aspects of the EA for the MFFN CAR Project to occur on their territory, due to Aroland First Nation's consultation requirements not being met. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing Efforts continue and have been ongoing since October 2020 to meet with and develop a custom consultation plan and discuss capacity funding for Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter on November 10, 2021 to offer to meet with the community to discuss their concerns and funding opportunities. MFFN Leadership sent a letter to Chief Towedo on March 9, 2022 requesting a meeting to discuss the Project including allocation of funding, creating a custom consultation plan, developing and IK Sharing Agreement (IKSA) and an offer to participate in the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs. As of June 30, 2022, a meeting has not taken place. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on April 14, 2022, that the Project Team is available to discuss Aroland First Nation's needs in terms of information, time and capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered. Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation process with Aroland First Nation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous communities are encouraged to work with the MFFN CAR Project Team to develop a custom consultation plan during the EA / IA and the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation plan / process with Aroland First Nation. Efforts to develop an MOU and custom consultation process will be carried throughout the EA / IA.
3.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use 	<p>Issue—IKSA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In July 2021, Aroland First Nation requested that a custom consultation process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing MFFN re-engaged Aroland First Nation on the IKSA discussion on March 31, 2021 and in a letter on March 9, 2022, where 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Efforts to develop a custom consultation process will be carried throughout the EA / IA.

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		<p>be initiated before the IKSA can be developed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation provided proposed amendments to the IKSA in July 2019 as part of the MOU negotiations at that time. 		<p>the Project Team requested a meeting to discuss details such as the development of an IKSA. As of June 30, 2022 a meeting has not yet taken place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On April 14, 2022, the July 2019 template version of the IKSA with Aroland First Nation's comments, email exchanges, and IK Funding Agreement were attached to an email for their review and consideration. It was noted that Aroland First Nation asked to initiate a custom consultation process before dealing with the IKSA, but that process has not yet been initiated despite efforts from the MFFN CAR Project Team. It was also noted that any IK shared with the MFFN CAR Project Team during the helicopter flyover for geotechnical and groundwater study programs would be protected and respected in accordance with the community's wishes. Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop an IKSA with Aroland First Nation. 	
4.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field Studies Lands, Territory and Title Consultation Methods Groundwater 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue—Field Programs, Funding and Consent: Aroland First Nation indicated on July 30, 2021 that they would like the custom consultation process to be developed before the start of the Project's Field Study Programs and indicated a lack of funding. On September 3, 2021 and July 30, 2021 Aroland First Nation noted they do not consent to Field Study Programs on their territory, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing The MFFN CAR Project Team responded to the Sept 3, 2021 letter and offered to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss the Field Study Programs. However, some field study programs have commenced but the groundwater drilling program permitting has been postponed. Aroland First Nation responded that they would provide a response after the Nov 2021 elections. Aroland First Nation sent a letter on October 7, 2021 to the MNRF regarding their concerns with funding and the Field Study Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter on November 10, 2021 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous communities are encouraged to work with the MFFN CAR Project Team to develop a custom consultation plan during the EA / IA and the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation plan / process with Aroland First Nation. The Field Study Programs are continuing, and updates will be provided regularly, along with opportunities for feedback on the programs in advance of them starting. Opportunities to provide feedback on field programs in advance of them starting will be carried forward into the EA / IA.

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		<p>as no custom consultation plan was in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On April 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation noted that their participation in the helicopter flyover for geotechnical and groundwater study programs does not mean they consent to field studies in their Traditional Territory. 		<p>to offer to meet with the community to discuss their concerns and funding opportunities. MFFN Leadership sent a letter to Chief Towedo on March 9, 2022 requesting a meeting to discuss the Project including allocation of funding, creating a custom consultation plan, developing and IKSA and an offer to participate in the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs. On April 14, 2022, it was noted in an email to Aroland First Nation that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered. As of June 30, 2022 a meeting has not taken place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation process and funding opportunities with Aroland First Nation, and request feedback through field program Discussion Guides. 	
5.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consultation Methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue—Engagement Process Aroland First Nation noted in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP their concerns with the engagement process of the Project. On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project noting dissatisfaction with attempts to work with MFFN on the EA / IA. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns on February 4, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue, as needed. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet and to find ways to develop a custom consultation process with the community. Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will draft a response to the May 6, 2022 letter and will continue efforts to facilitate a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN to address their concerns noted in the letter, as well as co-develop a custom consultation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Efforts to develop a custom consultation process will be carried throughout the EA / IA. To be addressed in the letter response sent within the NoC EA Milestone.

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Item #	Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed through the NoC EA Milestone and / or in the EA / IS
				process and provide ongoing Project updates.	
6.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ EA Process ■ Cumulative Effects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue—Inadequate Scope of the EA: ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP, concerns that the three road projects should be assessed together for their cumulative effects and highlighted the associated potential impacts of industrial traffic on the road. ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their May 6, 2022 letter the potential cumulative effects of development on their territory including threatening the land, environment, climate, and their culture and rights. The letter also referenced opposition to the Project noting the Regional Assessment needs to cover all potential development in the James Bay lowlands area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Status: Ongoing ■ MECP responded to Aroland First Nation's letter with a letter via email on February 4, 2022. The letter indicated that the NDMNRF intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all road projects, and would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate. While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue. ■ Action: Continue to provide Aroland First Nation ongoing project updates and hear feedback regarding the cumulative assessment components as they become available. The MFFN CAR Project Team will draft a response to the May 6, 2022 letter and will continue to efforts to facilitate a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN to address their concerns noted in the letter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Opportunities to provide feedback will continue throughout the EA / IA. ■ To be addressed in the letter response sent within the NoC EA Milestone.
7.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mitigation, Compensation and Accommodation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue—Funding: ■ Aroland First Nation noted concerns with the lack of funding to participate in the EA in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Status: Ongoing ■ While this issue was brought up directly to MECP, the MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss and understand their participation funding needs. The MFFN CAR Project Team provided updates on available IK Program funding in January 2022 and the Community Coordinator Program funding in February 2022. On April 14, 2022, it was noted in an email to Aroland First 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Indigenous communities are encouraged to work with the MFFN CAR Project Team to develop a custom consultation plan during the EA / IA and the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation plan / process with Aroland First Nation. ■ Efforts to develop an MOU and custom consultation process will be carried throughout the EA / IA.

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				<p>Nation that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action: Work with Aroland First Nation to understand funding needs while also facilitating their access to existing funding. 	
8.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Consultation Methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue—Assessment of Rights: Aroland First Nation noted concerns regarding the robustness of the assessment of their ATRI during the EA process in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP. Aroland First Nation noted on April 1, 2022, a lack of adequate capacity, information and time to support meaningful consultation and proper assessment of the impacts the MFFN CAR Project field study programs may have on their ATRI. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation’s concerns on February 4, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue with Aroland First Nation as information becomes available. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022, that the Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. Action: Seek opportunities to engage with Aroland First Nation as part of the ATRI assessment. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous communities are encouraged to work with the MFFN CAR Project Team to develop a custom consultation plan during the EA / IA and MFFN will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation plan / process with Aroland First Nation. There are two concurrent and complementary avenues for Indigenous communities and groups to be engaged with and provide input on the Project: the IK Program and the Consultation and Engagement Program. Both programs serve to support the collection of Indigenous perspectives, values, and input on the Project, including ATRI and how they may be impacted by the Project, to be integrated throughout the EA / IA process.
9.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue—Mining: On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project due to the purpose of multiple road segment projects opening up the region to large scale mining. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will draft a response to the May 6, 2022 letter and will continue to efforts to facilitate a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN to address their concerns noted in the letter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be addressed in the letter response sent within the NoC EA Milestone.
10.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lands, Territory and Title Consultation Methods 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue—Consent: On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project as a portion of the road is 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022, that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be addressed in the letter response sent within the NoC EA Milestone.

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		located within Aroland First nation traditional territory. Aroland First Nation has not consented to the Project in their territory.		better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will draft a response to the May 6, 2022 letter and will continue to efforts to facilitate a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN to address their concerns noted in the letter. 	
11.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field Studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue—Confidential Information Agreement: On May 19, 2022, Aroland First Nation noted that they would require a Confidential Information Agreement be in place before Aroland First Nation representatives participated in the helicopter flyover for geotechnical and groundwater study programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Status: Ongoing On May 19, 2022, Aroland First Nation provided a Confidential Information Agreement to the MFFN CAR Project Team for review. As of June 30, 2022, the Confidential Information Agreement has not been sent to Aroland First Nation. Action: The MFFN CAR Project Team will review the Confidential Information Agreement and respond to Aroland First Nation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Send Confidential Information Agreement within NoC EA milestone.

Consultation and Engagement Log– Aroland First Nation

Communication Date	Method of Engagement			Contact Name	Contact Title	Project Team	Summary
		Incoming	Outgoing				
Oct 29, 2021	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dorothy Towedo Dwayne Gagnon Sheldon Atlookan Godfrey Gagnonaccio Ernie Gagnon Meghan Buckham Andrew Peach Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chief CCOL (ENDM) Councillor CCOL (ENDM) Lands and Resource Coordinator Consultant (SVS) Consultant (SVS) Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team issued the NoC for the provincial EA to Aroland First Nation on October 29, 2021. The email included the English NoC as an attachment and noted that the NoC is available in English, French, Ojibway, Oji-Cree and Cree on the MFFN CAR Project website.
Nov 02, 2021	Mail		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dorothy Towedo Dwayne Gagnon Sheldon Atlookan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chief CCOL (ENDM) Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team mailed the NoC for the provincial EA to Aroland First Nation and included the English Ojibway, Oji-Cree and Cree versions.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 		
Nov 03, 2021	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent the October E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included updates about the provincial and federal assessment processes, the experience of a MFFN field support staff during the Vegetation Field Program, recently completed and upcoming field studies, the new Ungulates educational video, and a profile of a MFFN CAR Project Team member.
Nov 10, 2021	Email and Letter		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email that included a letter from the MFFN CAR Project Team in response to Aroland First Nation letter correspondence dated September 3, 2021.

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Nov 12, 2021	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Councillor ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from an Aroland First Nation Project Consultant confirming receipt of November 10, 2021 letter and that Aroland First Nation will respond following the community election period.
Nov 12, 2021	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Councillor ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation representatives to acknowledge and thank them for the email received November 12, 2021 and to wish the electoral candidates luck in the upcoming Aroland First Nation election.
Nov 30, 2021	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the November E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included updates about the provincial and processes, recently completed and upcoming field studies, the new Valued Components video, and a profile of a MFFN CAR Project Team member.
Dec 01, 2021	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation, to follow-up regarding the November 10, 2021 email and offered to arrange a virtual meeting on December 7, 2021.
Dec 10, 2021	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Winter Field Program Discussion Guide and Field Notice to Aroland First Nation. The documents highlighted upcoming work related to the furbearer ground track surveys, winter ungulate aerial surveys and wolverine hair snag surveys with approximate start dates. The Discussion Guide included key questions relating to the upcoming winter field study programs and requested input.

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Dec 15, 2021	Email and Letter		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the December E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. A letter was also attached detailing upcoming outreach in the new year, opportunities to meet and gather feedback. The E-Blast included key highlights from 2021, upcoming winter field study programs and their approximate timelines, and a message from a MFFN CAR Project Team member.
Dec 16, 2021	Phone		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation to follow up regarding the MFFN CAR Field Program and year end letter sent via email on December 15, 2021. A message was left with reception noting the purpose of the call and contact information.
Jan 17, 2022	Email and Letter		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant distributed an IK Program Timeline and Update letter to Aroland First Nation via email. The letter provided information on key IK Program and ATRI dates and deadlines. A copy of the IK Funding Agreement was also included.
Jan 19, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a notification providing confirmed dates for the first round of surveys for the furbearer ground track field program from January 20 to 24, 2022. The field crew will also conduct a remote camera check and caribou mortality investigation from January 21 to 27, 2022. Further updates will be provided in the January E-Blast.
Jan 31, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnonacclo ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent the January E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included an overview of recently completed and upcoming field studies, upcoming outreach to help inform the Project's land use assessment, updates on the schedule for the IK Program, a feature on two new educational videos (furbearers and greenhouse

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) 		gases and air quality), and opportunities to meet the MFFN CAR Project Team virtually.
Feb 04, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Andrew Peach ■ Mary Hennessey ■ Sasha McLeod ■ Kathleen O'Neill ■ Cornelius Wabasse ■ Michael Fox ■ Lori Churchill 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ ENDM ■ MECP ■ MECP ■ Chief, Webequie FN ■ Webequie FN ■ ENDM 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team was copied on an email from Sasha McLeod, MECP Special Project Officer, on behalf of Kathleen O'Neill, MECP Director, on February 4, 2022. The email included a letter and was sent to Chief Towedo, Aroland First Nation, in response of their email and letter dated October 7, 2021. The letter noted the Minister's approval of the ToRs, with amendments, for the Project and WSR which were discussed in a previous correspondence on October 8, 2021. The letter indicated that the NDMNRF intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all road projects, and would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate. The letter also noted that MFFN CAR Project Team is expected to continue their engagement to provide information, hear feedback, and respond to questions and encouraged Aroland First Nation to participate in the EA process.
Feb 04, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team followed up from the Winter Field Notice with confirmed dates for the winter ungulate aerial field program taking place from February 7 to 14, 2022. A field notice with more information was attached.
Feb 07, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an acknowledgement of receipt of the February 4, 2022 field notice from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator.
Feb 07, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a follow up email regarding MFFN CAR IK Program to inquire whether Aroland First Nation had any questions or comments on the IK Program and to offer a meeting to discuss the program. The email also included the original documents (sent via email January 17, 2022) as attachments.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 		
Feb 14, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an update for winter programs. The first update included a Field Notice for Wolverine Den Surveys taking place in advance of tree clearing activities for the upcoming Groundwater and Geochemistry field program, and noted that the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program was delayed and is expected to start after the Wolverine Den Surveys. The second update was that the Ungulate Aerial Survey was delayed due to needing optimal snow conditions. The third update was that the second round of Furbearer Ground Track Surveys are expected to start later in February. Links to videos about wolverines, groundwater, ungulates and furbearers were included, along with a link to the website for notices. Notices for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program, Wolverine Den Surveys and Combined Winter Field Programs were attached.
Mar 03, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an update for the wolverine hair snag program confirming crews will be making the monthly trip to re-bait hair snag traps from March 6 – 16, 2022. In an effort to avoid programs during the traditional goose hunt, it was noted that around 30 bird autonomous recording units would be placed in the study area during this time. A Discussion Guide will be provided shortly with questions asking for input on future locations of the units. The Winter Field Notice was attached, and a link to the wolverine video was included.

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Mar 09, 2022	Email and Letter		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Shane Baxter ■ Linda Moonias ■ Rob Moonias ■ Patty Achneepineskum ■ Sam Achneepineskum ■ Maria Baxter ■ Eli Baxter ■ Paul Achneepineskum ■ Corinna Baxter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN ■ Councillor, MFFN 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email with an attached letter to Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation, on behalf of Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation. The email noted a time sensitive issue in the letter, related to field programs. The letter outlined Marten Falls First Nation's commitment to building a relationship with Aroland First Nation, and a request to meet to discuss the Project. The letter summarized key issues: allocating funding for Project participation, creating a custom consultation plan, developing an IKSA, and Aroland First Nation's participation in upcoming environmental monitoring. In order to engage and consult with Aroland First Nation, the letter outlined Four important items that would require acknowledgement and feedback from Aroland including: scheduling a Nation-Nation meeting with MFFN, scheduling a follow-up meeting to initiate a custom consultation plan, participating in the groundwater and geotechnical study program helicopter flyover, and participating as environmental monitors during the drilling field program.
Mar 09, 2022	Phone		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor called Chief Towedo, Aroland First Nation, to discuss the upcoming Groundwater and Geochemistry program and the opportunity to join overland flights in advance of the program. There was no answer and no message was left.
Mar 09, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an update confirming the Wolverine Den Surveys, in advance of the Groundwater and Geochemistry program, will take place from March 11 – 15, 2022. The Groundwater and Geochemistry program is anticipated to start shortly after the wolverine den surveys. It was also noted field crews are awaiting appropriate weather to conduct the last round of furbearer surveys, with a modified methodology, and dates will be provided once confirmed. The Wolverine Den Survey Field Notice, Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Notice and Winter Field Notice were attached, and links to the wolverine, furbearer and groundwater videos were included.

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Mar 10, 2022	Phone		X	■ Dorothy Towedo	■ Chief	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation, to inquire if there was any interest in community members joining the helicopter flyover as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. It was noted that the matter is time sensitive and a response would be required quickly. Contact information was provided to coordinate logistics.
Mar 10, 2022	Phone		X	■ Ernie Gagnon	■ Lands and Resource Coordinator	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, to inquire if there was any interest in community members joining the helicopter flyover as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. It was noted that the matter is time sensitive and a response would be required quickly. Contact information was provided to coordinate logistics.
Mar 10, 2022	Email	X		■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon	■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator	■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, in response to the offer to join the field program study flyover sent on March 10, 2022. Ernie let the team know that the community is interested, and that he was personally interested as the Land Resources Coordinator.
Mar 10, 2022	Email		X	■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon	■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator	■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a follow up email to key contacts at Aroland First Nation, to inquire if there was any interest in community members joining the helicopter flyover as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. It was noted that the matter is time sensitive and a response would be required quickly. Contact information was provided to coordinate logistics.
Mar 10, 2022	Email		X	■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon	■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinato	■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, in response to the offer to join the field program study flyover sent on March 10, 2022. The consultant thanked him for his quick response and that the team would follow up with the Field Programs coordinator to discuss logistics.

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Mar 11, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation, in response to the offer to join the field program study flyer sent on March 10, 2022. Chief Towedo let the team know that this matter would be put on the agenda at the Chief and Council meeting on March 15, 2022. The Chief also wanted to know the logistics of the flyer.
Mar 11, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent follow-up email to Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, to thank Ernie for his response and to let him know that Carsten or Leah will follow-up to discuss logistics. Between March 11 and March 31, 2022 there were various logistical emails between Ernie Gagnon and MFFN CAR Project Team members in preparation for the helicopter flyover. Also of note was the fact that the helicopter flyover was postponed into April 2022 due to weather conditions.
Mar 15, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Chief Towedo and Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation, to let them know that the field study team is still working on the details surrounding the flyover, but that they are looking to complete it on or before April 8, 2022. The email noted that there is an offer for Aroland First nation to have environmental monitors at specific sites for the field programs. It was asked that they let the team know if there is interest in the environmental monitoring opportunity.
Mar 15, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the combined February / March E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included a Project update video, Bird and Spring Programs Discussion Guides and an overview of recently completed and upcoming field studies and their approximate timelines. A link to the website with more detailed information was provided.

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Mar 16, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Chief Towedo and Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation, to follow-up with the Chief regarding her planned discussion with Council about the helicopter flyover and environmental monitors at the identified sites of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Programs. It was mentioned that Ernie is taking one of two spots in the helicopter, and asked if there was anyone who wanted to participate and to let the MFFN CAR Project Team know as soon as possible.
Mar 18, 2022	Email and Letter		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant distributed an introduction letter and job posting for the Community Coordinator Program to Aroland First Nation via email. The letter provided information on key Community Coordinator program details, deadlines and a request for who should be hired as the Community Coordinator. Setting up a meeting was also offered. The job posting included responsibilities, compensation and contact information.
Mar 25, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Chief Towedo and Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation, noting that a voicemail was left for them at the Band Office and that the Project Team has reached out to Ernie to prepare for his participation in the helicopter flyover for the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. It was also noted there may be room for one other person, and to let the MFFN CAR Project Team know if there was someone they had in mind in order to coordinate flyover details with that person.
Mar 27, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received email from Chief Towedo, Aroland First Nation, letting the MFFN CAR Project Team know that she would be in contact when they meet on March 29, 2022, as they did not meet as scheduled on March 15, 2022 due to community issues.

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Mar 28, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed to thank Aroland First Nation, for noting input will be provided March 29, 2022 regarding participants for the flyer in advance of the Groundwater and Geochemistry field program. The email also included a follow-up on the February / March E-Blast, including the Project update video, and Bird and Spring Discussion Guides distributed to Aroland First Nation. The follow-up also included: reminders about the Community Coordinator Program; the status of IK Sharing and Funding Agreements; the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program helicopter and offer for environmental monitors; and offered a meeting to Aroland First Nation.
Mar 29, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Dwayne Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Godfrey Gagnon ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Andrew Peach ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Councillor ■ CCOL (ENDM) ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an update on the last round of winter furbearer surveys scheduled for April 1-5, 2022 during which, remaining wolverine denning surveys will be completed in advance of the Groundwater and Geochemistry program. The email included an Early Spring Field Notice, providing advanced notice of upcoming field programs taking place between March – May 2022 and includes links to the Bird Discussion Guide and Spring Programs Discussion Guide. The Winter Field Notice, Wolverine Den Survey Field Notice and Early Spring Field Notice were attached, and a links to the Project website and furbearer video were included.
April 01, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Bernard Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Chad Kashkish ■ Mark Bell ■ Samson Meshake ■ Robinson Meshake ■ Eunice Magiskan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, with details and questions regarding the offer to participate in the helicopter flyover for the geotechnical and groundwater field study program from their March 29, 2022 Chief and Council meeting. Andrew noted that Council identified four individuals that have knowledge of the area and was confirming their availability, and asked if it would be possible to conduct two flyovers to accommodate the additional participants. Andrew also noted the need for each Aroland First Nation representative to receive

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							<p>honoraria for knowledge they share with the Project Team and asked for confirmation if honoraria would be provided. Andrew also mentioned that Aroland Council wants to ensure the MFFN CAR Project Team understands that Aroland First Nation's participation in the flyover does not mean they consent to field studies in their Traditional Territory. Aroland First Nation noted that there has not been adequate capacity, information and time to support meaningful consultation and proper assessment of the impacts the Project field study programs may have on their ATRI.</p>
Apr 14, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Bernard Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Chad Kashkish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, following up on the April 1, 2022 email. Andrew asked if there were any updates regarding Aroland First Nation's questions about the helicopter flyover.
Apr 14, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Bernard Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Chad Kashkish ■ Mark Bell ■ Samson Meshake ■ Robinson Meshake ■ Eunice Magiskan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, in response to the April 1, 2022 email inquiring about details related to the helicopter flyover. The email outlined that it will be possible for four participants to join in the flyover and will be split into 2 separate flights where they will join Bob Baxter and the archeologist. The email also noted that the participants of the flyover could be provided with honorarium for their time, effort and knowledge, with expenses treated separately. The email noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to ensure that any IK shared in the flyover would be protected and respected in accordance with the community's wishes, and the July 2019 template version of the IKSA with Aroland First Nation's comments was attached to the email for review and consideration. It was also noted that Aroland First Nation asked to initiate a custom consultation process before dealing with IKSA, but has not been initiated despite the MFFN CAR Project Team reaching out several times

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							over the last year, as well as offering funding to support a Project-specific IK / Indigenous Land and Resource Use study. The IKSA template, email exchanges, Aroland First Nation's 2019 IKSA comments and IK Funding Agreement were attached to the email. The email also mentioned that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI, and that participation in the flyover is not to be interpreted as consent for studies to take place on their traditional territory, and that the MFFN CAR Project Team is available to discuss Aroland First Nation's needs in terms of information, time and capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting to discuss these topics was offered.
Apr 29, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Bernard Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Chad Kashkish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the April E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included field study updates, an overview of upcoming field studies, and an update on the IK Program submission deadline and upcoming opportunities to meet the MFFN CAR Project Team in-person at PDAC and at the first PIC for the EA in June 2022.
May 05, 2022	Phone		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to follow-up on Aroland First Nation potential interest in the Community Coordinator Program and the status of the IK Sharing and Funding Agreements. It was discussed that Aroland First Nation is still interested in participating in the helicopter flyover before the end of May 2022, a request for updated MFFN Chief and Council contacts, Andrew Peach would provide and updated contact list for Aroland Chief and Council contacts, that Aroland Chief and Council should be included on all formal correspondence between MFFN or the MFFN CAR Project, and that MFFN and the MFFN CAR Project Team should expect some letter correspondence over the next week or so.

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May 05, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Bernard Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Chad Kashkish ■ Mark Bell ■ Samson Meshake ■ Robinson Meshake ■ Eunice Magiskan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to Aroland First Nation regarding potential interest in the Community Coordinator Program and the status of the IK Sharing and Funding Agreements. Information discussed in the phone call with Andrew Peach was summarized: that Aroland First Nation is still interested in participating in the helicopter flyover before the end of May 2022, a request for updated MFFN Chief and Council contacts, Andrew Peach would provide and updated contact list for Aroland Chief and Council contacts, that Aroland Chief and Council should be included on all formal correspondence between MFFN or the MFFN CAR Project, and that MFFN and the MFFN CAR Project Team should expect some letter correspondence over the next week or so.
May 05, 2022	Email	X	X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Andrew Peach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Various correspondences between Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Clayton Coppaway, MFFN CAR Project Consultant, from May 5 to May 9, 2022 to provide updated contact information for Aroland Chief and Council and key contacts, as well as updated contact information for MFFN Chief and Council and MFFN CAR Project key contacts.
May 11, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Meghan Buckham ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Bernard Gagnon ■ Sheldon Atlookan ■ Chad Kashkish ■ Mark Bell ■ Samson Meshake ■ Robinson Meshake ■ Eunice Magiskan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor ■ Councillor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed the Physiography, Terrain & Soils Field Notice and an update for May field programs to Aroland First Nation. The Physiography, Terrain and Soils field study will be starting at the end of May. The Wolverine Hair Snag Survey / Bird Autonomous Recording Units / Remote Camera Check and Caribou Mortality Investigation will be ongoing until May 16, 2022. The Aerial Waterfowl Migration Surveys will be conducted May 12 - 16, 2022. Questions, comments or feedback were requested about the programs.
May 11, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an acknowledgement of receipt of the May 11, 2022 Field Study Notice.

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May 16, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email with an attached letter dated May 6, 2022 opposing the Project.
May 18, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed to inquire about participants for the helicopter flyover in advance of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Study Program. It was noted that the matter is time sensitive, and a response would be required quickly. Contact information was provided to coordinate logistics.
May 19, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project team received an email inquiring about the dates for the flyover and expressing interest in participating. It was also noted that a Confidential Information agreement must be completed prior to the flyovers occurring.
May 20, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Land and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email regarding the list of participants for the Groundwater and Geochemistry flyover.
June 06, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation, to inform them that the MFFN CAR Project Team will likely have a signed Confidential Information Agreement by the end of the week, which is required to be in place before Aroland First Nation representatives take part in the flyover. It was noted that Ernie Gagnon and Jerry Shabogamik are confirmed participants for the flyover and the contact information for other participants was requested by June 7, 2022 for logistical purposes. It was mentioned that the MFFN CAR Project Team is looking to schedule the flyover for dates later in June, in coordination with participants and archeologists, and to contact the consultant with any questions or concerns.
June 09, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the update on the helicopter flyover.

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June 10, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update on the helicopter flyover. Andrew noted that two other participants have been identified for the flyover: Sonny Gagnon and Joe Baxter. Andrew also mentioned that he would be away the next week but that the MFFN CAR Project Team should coordinate the logistics with Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation's new Community Consultation Coordinator, and Laura Sayers, who is Andrew's colleague. Email addresses for Jerry and Laura were provided.
June 10, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, noting that he was looking forward to working on the helicopter flyover.
June 10, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking him for the information. It was noted that MFFN CAR Project Team would work to coordinate with Jerry Shabogamik and include Laura Sayers in the emails as well.
June 10, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed the Vegetation Field Notice to Aroland First Nation noting that the program is starting mid-July. Questions, comments or feedback were requested about the programs via the Discussion Guide, and a link to a video was also provided. Dates for several other upcoming field programs were also confirmed.
June 10, 2022	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the Vegetation Field Notice correspondence.

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June 13, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent out a notice for PIC #3 for the EA / IS Introduction on June 27, 2022 in Thunder Bay and June 29, 2022 in Geraldton for an opportunity to meet the MFFN CAR Project Team and share feedback, ideas and values related to the Project. Indigenous community members were invited to join early for the first hour of each meeting and the public can join afterwards. A formal notice was attached, along with a link to the website with the notice translated in French, Ojibway, Cree and Oji-Cree.
June 20, 2022	Phone		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chief 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Chief Towedo to invite Aroland First Nation to PIC #3. The Band Office reception stated that Chief Towedo was not in the office and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would send a follow up email.
June 20, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to follow up on the previous phone calls made to invite Aroland First Nation to PIC #3. Information related to purpose of the PIC, the opportunity to meet the Project Team, logistical details and where information is available should they be unable to attend was provided. It was noted that the first hour of both PICs has been scheduled for Indigenous community members only and that the notice was available on the Project website as well as attached to the email. It was also noted that the Project Team is working on getting a signed copy of the Confidential Information Agreement back to Aroland First Nation in order to move forward with conducting the helicopter flyover.
June 24, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the June E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included details to meet the MFFN CAR Project Team in-person at PIC #3 in Thunder Bay on June 27 and Geraldton on June 29 as well as field study updates, an overview of upcoming field studies and an update on the IK Program submission deadline.

Consultation and Engagement Log– Aroland First Nation							
Communication Date	Method of Engagement	Incoming	Outgoing	Contact Name	Contact Title	Project Team	Summary
June 30, 2022	Email		X	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach ■ Dorothy Towedo ■ Jerry Shabogamik ■ Ernie Gagnon ■ Jeremy Shute 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Consultant (SVS) ■ Chief ■ Community Consultation Coordinator ■ Lands and Resource Coordinator ■ Consultant (SVS) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Aroland First Nation to thank those who joined PIC #3 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton. A link to all PIC #3 materials on the website was shared, as well as an online feedback form with a deadline of July 13, 2022.

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B2. Aroland First Nation

B2.1 Outgoing Community Specific Correspondence

B2.2 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence



B2.1 Outgoing Community Specific Correspondence





Burnham, Stephanie [redacted]

MFFN CAR – Response to Field Program Feedback & Offer to Meet

Burnham, Stephanie [redacted] Wed, Nov 10, 2021 at 4:10 PM

To: "[redacted]"
[redacted]
[redacted]

Qasim Saddique [redacted] " [redacted] Bob Baxter [redacted]

Lawrence Baxter [redacted] Jennifer Bruin [redacted]

"McKinnon, Don" <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril"

<[redacted]>

Bcc: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Dear Chief Towedo,

Please see attached letter from the MFFN CAR Project Team in response to your Sept 3, 2021 letter correspondence.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Burnham

On behalf of Clayton Coppaway and the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Aroland First Nation



November 10, 2021

Dear Chief Towedo,

Thank you again for your letter correspondence from July and September 2021 regarding Aroland First Nation's perspectives and concerns regarding our planned Field Study Programs. Again, these field study programs are an essential component of the assessment process and will provide critical baseline information. This information will assist us in better predicting and evaluating potential effects of the Project. This, in turn, will guide future mitigation or avoidance options and inform any accommodation or remediation that may be required, especially as they relate to Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and interests of Indigenous communities, like Aroland First Nation.

As traditional stewards of the land, MFFN and Aroland First Nation must ensure that all development in the area is undertaken properly, that the traditions, concerns and aspirations of neighboring communities are appropriately addressed both within the context of the assessment processes and during the lifespan of our community access road. Our intention is to work with Aroland First Nation to ensure that our community road is built in a way that will see long-term benefits for both communities and that minimizes or avoids potential effects. To accomplish this, we will continue to try and work with Aroland First Nation in a way that is meaningful and respectful.

Over the years, we provided notices and information and have on many occasions attempted to engage and consult with Aroland First Nation about our project, the assessment process, IK and values, and, most recently, about the field study programs. In the last year, our Project Team has attempted numerous times to discuss the ToR process with Aroland First Nation as we believe information collected as part of these baseline studies will help the two Nations in their role as traditional stewards and protectors of their lands and territories. We have much work ahead of us and it is important that Aroland First Nation is an active participant in this important work.

Early in the project planning stage (Spring 2018), we heard from Aroland First Nation that the community would like to be involved with any project planning that occurred within their territory. Having heard these concerns, plans for the proposed MFFN CAR were modified to start at Painter





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Lake/Anaconda Road, and it is understood that Aroland First Nation would oversee the planning related to the future upgrading of the Painter Lake and Anaconda Road segments. In addition, MFFN has welcomed and continues to encourage Aroland First Nation to join the archaeological field program in what is understood to be shared territory, and continues to look for opportunities for participation in future programs.

With regard to your request that Aroland First Nation's consent must be obtained for field studies, we note that The Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation, and Parks (MECP) did respond on August 30, 2021 to this request. In addition, we note that other Ontario agencies like the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) often engage with Indigenous Communities as part of their permitting process for some field study activities.

We continue to seek ways to engage with Aroland First Nation to increase your understanding of the Project and enable you to meaningfully contribute to the assessment process. Our aim is to appropriately understand what potential impacts could occur to Aroland First Nation's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights from the development of an all-season community access road and to work with you to help ensure potential impacts are avoided, mitigated or appropriately accommodated. Our hope is that through this shared understanding Aroland First Nation will be comfortable enough to support this important community-led project, helping to ensure that this road provides benefits for both Nations.

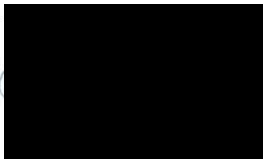
As we have offered many times during the course of the Project to date, we would be happy to meet with Aroland First Nation representatives to initiate the development of the custom consultation process requested previously by Aroland First Nation (in October 2020). We suggest Tuesday Dec 7, 2021 as a potential date for a proposed two (2) hour meeting. We feel this meeting will be of benefit to both Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team; it will provide Aroland First Nation an opportunity to convey their specific needs related to review efforts and funding requirements, and MFFN an opportunity to better understand these needs. A timely meeting will also allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to introduce ourselves and provide important project updates to any newly elected Council members. If an alternative date to Dec. 7, 2021 is preferred, we are flexible and would be happy to accommodate your preferred schedule.

And finally, we previously reached out over the summer to Aroland First Nation regarding IK Program funding that is available to enable your participation in this program. Please do not hesitate to reach out to Clayton Coppaway, MFFN CAR Project Consultant ([REDACTED]) at your earliest convenience.

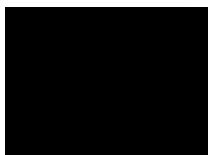




With Respect,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Advisor

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

Cc:

- Councillor Sheldon Atlookan, Aroland First Nation
- Meghan Buckham, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Jeremy Shute, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, MFFN Leadership
- Qasim Saddique, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Larissa Stevens, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Lawrence Baxter, MFFN Community Member Advisor
- Bob Baxter, MFFN Community Member Advisor
- Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Andrea Nokleby, MFFN CAR Project Consultant
- Don McKinnon, MFFN CAR Project Consultant
- Avril Fiskin, MFFN CAR Project Consultant





Burnham, Stephanie [REDACTED]

MFFN CAR – Response to Field Program Feedback & Offer to Meet

Burnham, Stephanie [REDACTED]

Fri, Nov 12, 2021 at 12:23 PM

To: Meghan Buckham [REDACTED]

Cc: Dorothy Towedo [REDACTED]

Andrew Peach [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Hi Meghan,

Thank you for the update on Aroland First Nation and the election period. We wish all candidates the best of luck on their campaigning.

We look forward to hearing from Aroland First Nation at their earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Burnham

MFFN CAR Project Consultant on behalf of Clayton Coppaway and MFFN CAR Project Team.

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Coppaway, Clayton <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Meeting Dec 7, 2021

1 message

Coppaway, Clayton <[redacted]> Wed, Dec 1, 2021 at 9:19 AM
 To: Chief Dorothy Towedo - AFN <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Councillor Sheldon Atlookan - AFN <[redacted]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique - MFFN CAR <[redacted]>, Larissa Stevens - MFFN CAR <[redacted]>, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <j[redacted]>, Ernie Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, Godfrey Gagnonaclo - AFN <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>

Dear Chief Towedo,

First, on behalf of myself and the MFFN Project Team I would like to congratulate you and your fellow council members on your recent election win. We are looking forward to meeting with you soon so we can congratulate you in person!

Secondly, The MFFN CAR Project Team wanted to connect with you in follow up on our correspondence from Nov 10, 2021 and specifically to our offer to meet (virtually) with you, interested council members and your technical team on Tuesday Dec 7, 2021. We would like to provide an update on our project, discuss some available funding, and discuss next steps for our engagement and consultation with Aroland First Nation as we begin our next phase of the EA.

Please let us know if this date would work for you to meet with us. If it does not work for you and your team, please let us know if there is another more convenient time for you to meet with us, either virtually or in-person.

Also, if there are others (Council Members, staff, or technical consultants) we should also include in our MFFN CAR correspondence please provide their full names, role, and contact information.

Sincerely,
Clayton Coppaway
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



Clayton Coppaway
 Associate
 Dillon Consulting Limited
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Coppaway, Clayton <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR IK Program Timeline Update

1 message

Nokleby, Andrea <[REDACTED]>

Mon, Jan 17, 2022 at 11:00 AM

To: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
Cc: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Dear Chief Towedo,

We hope the start of the new year brings with it safety, peace, and prosperity to your community. We are thinking of you during these times.

Please see attached a letter from the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team Leads Qassim Siddique and Lawrence Baxter, regarding the Project's Indigenous Knowledge Program schedule and related updates.

We have also re-attached the IK Funding Agreement that has previously been shared with your community for your review.

For any questions you may have regarding the Indigenous Knowledge Program, or to follow-up on this correspondence, please do not hesitate to contact Bob Baxter at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] or myself at [REDACTED] or at [REDACTED].

Thank you and have a great day,

Andrea



Andrea Nokleby
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FINAL Template - Indigenous Knowledge Program Funding Agreement.docx
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January 17, 2022

Chief Dorothy Towedo



Re: Indigenous Knowledge Program Timeline and Update

Dear Chief Dorothy Towedo:

In December 2019, the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road Project Team (Project Team) introduced an Indigenous Knowledge Program to support the federal and provincial assessments for the Community Access Road Project (the Project). Since that time the following milestones have been accomplished:

- The Terms of Reference for the Project were approved with amendments on October 8, 2021 by the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;
- The Notice of Commencement of the Environmental Assessment (EA) was published on October 29, 2021; and
- The federal Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines were issued on February 24, 2020.

The Indigenous Knowledge Program is a critical component of the information base upon which the assessments will be conducted. The information generated through the Indigenous Knowledge Program will be used in tandem with scientific approaches, and both knowledge systems will be used in forming the foundation for baseline conditions, predicting potential project impacts, and determining appropriate mitigation and monitoring methods.

Figure 1: Indigenous Knowledge Timeline (attached) illustrates the key steps in the Indigenous Knowledge Program and their anticipated completion dates. As noted above, the Project Team began communicating with Indigenous Communities in December 2019, and Project funding support for information and data gathering began in the summer of 2020 and is on-going. To more holistically integrate Indigenous Knowledge and information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use into the assessment processes we have targeted a June 30, 2022 deadline for the completion of Project-Specific Indigenous Knowledge/Indigenous Land and Resource Use Studies. We ask that you please let us know if you intend to participate but do not think you can meet this timeline. Further, Figure 1 provides a timeline for ongoing engagement with your community to:

- Validate Indigenous Knowledge/Indigenous Land and Resource Use inputs provided by your community (if applicable);
- Initiate conversations on effects to Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests; and



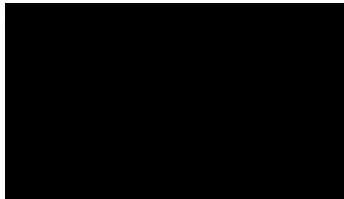


- Review information on effects on Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests and discuss mitigation.

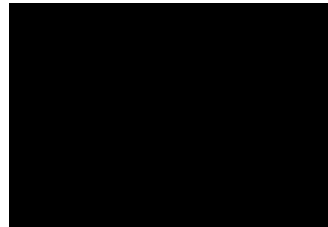
Indigenous Knowledge and information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use is invaluable in that it helps us to better understand and appreciate the environment with respect to the identity, culture, and heritage of Indigenous Communities. We hope that the Indigenous Knowledge Program also helps to support your on-going efforts to document and record your oral knowledge for the benefit of your community and future generations. We look forward to finalizing the Indigenous Knowledge Sharing Agreement and Funding Agreement with you to support this important work. For any questions you may have regarding the Indigenous Knowledge Program, please contact Bob Baxter at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] or Andrea Nokleby at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

We hope you and your community are safe and well, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

Encl. Indigenous Knowledge Program Timeline

CC:

- Sheldon Atlookan, Councillor, Aroland First Nation
- Dwayne Gagnon, Councillor, Aroland First Nation
- Godfrey Gagnonaclo, Land and Resource Coordinator, Aroland First Nation
- Ernie Gagnon, CCOL, Aroland First Nation
- Meghan Buckham, Consultant, Aroland First Nation
- Andrew Peach, Consultant, Aroland First Nation
- Jeremy Shute, Consultant, Aroland First Nation
- Bob Baxter, MFFN CAR Senior Community Member Advisor
- Andrea Nokleby, MFFN CAR Project Consultant





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Figure 1: Indigenous Knowledge Program Timeline



Indigenous Knowledge Program Funding Agreement (the "Agreement")

THIS AGREEMENT made as of the _____ day of _____, _____.

BETWEEN:

INSERT NAME OF FIRST NATION

(Hereinafter called the "Name of First Nation"),

OF THE FIRST PART

- AND -

Marten Falls First Nation Project Team
(Hereinafter called the "Project Team")

OF THE SECOND PART

- AND -

Dillon Consulting Limited
(Hereinafter referred to as "Dillon")

OF THE THIRD PART

WHEREAS

WHEREAS Marten Falls First Nation ("MFFN") is a remote First Nation community in northern Ontario located at the junction of the Albany and Ogoki rivers, approximately 430 km northeast of Thunder Bay.

AND WHEREAS the MFFN community is currently only accessible by air and a winter road. Given the unreliability of the winter road, MFFN is proposing an all-season community access road (the "Project") to connect MFFN to Ontario's provincial highway network (i.e., Highway 643) to the south via the existing Painter Lake Road.

AND WHEREAS MFFN is represented by the Project Team to assist MFFN with a Provincial Environmental Assessment and Federal Impact Assessment (the "Assessments") to assess the potential Project effects and benefits.

AND WHEREAS as part of the Assessment the Project Team would like to engage FN in the Indigenous Knowledge Program (the "IK") and to complete a Project-Specific IK Study (the "IK Study")

AND WHEREAS the FN has agreed to participate in the IK program and produce an IK Study specific to the Project area and community.

AND WHEREAS, specific to this Agreement, the Project Team has retained Dillon for the sole purpose of the administration of the receipt of the IK Study and payment of the funding for the IK Study to the FN as set out in this Agreement.

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSES that the Project Team, FN and Dillon (the "Parties") hereby agree as follows:

ARTICLE I: SCOPE OF SERVICES

1.1 Services by the FN. The FN shall complete and provide to the Project Team, an IK Study Report, covering the geographic area identified in Schedule A, with that degree of care, skill and diligence normally provided in the performance of an IK Study on projects of a similar nature.

1.2 Scope of Services. The FN shall complete the IK Study Report in accordance with the provisions as set out in the *MFFN Community Access Road Project - Indigenous Knowledge Program Guidance Document*, dated November 2020, a copy of which is attached as Schedule B.

ARTICLE II: Project Team Responsibilities

2.1 Information. The Project Team shall provide to the FN, in a timely manner, relevant information required to complete the IK Study.

ARTICLE III: FN RESPONSIBILITIES

3.1 Deliverables. The FN shall provide the following reports, upon the timelines set out:

- *Preliminary Data (GIS)/Draft Report/Information, by no later than May 15, 2022*
- *Final IK Study Report and associated mapping/GIS files, by no later than June 30, 2022*

ARTICLE IV: Compensation

4.1 Compensation. The Project Team agrees to compensate FN for the IK Report, in the amount of \$30,000, inclusive of all applicable taxes (the "IK Payment").

4.2 Schedule of Payments. Upon execution of this Agreement by all parties, the Project Team shall direct Dillon to pay the FN the IK Payment based upon the following schedule:

- *An initial payment of \$10,000 within 30 days of the execution of this Agreement by all Parties,*
- *A second payment of \$10,000 within 30 days of receipt, by the Project Team, of the Preliminary Data (GIS)/Draft Report/Information,*
- *A final payment of \$10,000 within 30 days of receipt, by the Project Team, of the Final IK Study Report and associated mapping/GIS file.*

Notwithstanding article 7.7, the FN here by directs Dillon to make the three individual IK Payments, payable to _____ and to deliver the payments to _____, and this shall be Dillon's good and valid authority to do so.

ARTICLE V: CONFIDENTIALITY, USE AND DISCLOSURE

5.1 Confidentiality. The Project Team and the FN have previously executed an Indigenous Knowledge Information Sharing Agreement (the "IK Agreement"). The Project Team and the FN Parties agree that all matters relating to the confidentiality, use and disclosure of the IK Report shall be governed by the IK Agreement. In the event of any conflict between terms of the IK Agreement and this Agreement, the terms and conditions of the IK Agreement shall govern.

ARTICLE VI: CONFIRMATION

6.1 Confirmation. The FN confirms that it will complete the *Final IK Study Report and associated mapping/GIS files* with due care, attention, and diligence.

ARTICLE VII: OTHER

7.1 Governing Law. This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the Province of Ontario.

7.2 Entire Agreement. This Agreement (a) constitutes the entire agreement and understanding between the Parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and (b) supersedes all prior agreements, understandings, negotiations and discussions by or between the Parties pertaining to the subject matter of this Agreement. There are no warranties, representations or other agreements, whether oral or written, express or implied, collateral or otherwise, by or between the Parties pertaining to the subject matter of this Agreement except as set forth in this Agreement.

7.3 Acknowledge and Confirmation of Project Team and FN. The Project Team and the FN confirm and agree that Dillon's only obligations under this Agreement is the payment of the IK Payment upon the terms and conditions set out in Article 4.2. The Project Team and FN acknowledge and agree that Dillon shall have no other obligations or requirements, of any kind or nature whatsoever, with respect to this Agreement or the IK Study. The Project Team and the FN agree and acknowledge that Dillon makes no representations, and shall have no responsibility, as to the completeness of the IK Report nor any obligations or requirements regarding the timeliness of the draft or final IK Report to the FN or the Project Team.

7.4 Independent Professional Services FN. The FN is an independent professional services provider in performing services under this agreement, and accordingly it is further acknowledged that the FN is an independent contractor.

7.5 Assignment. Neither party may assign this Agreement without the prior consent in writing of the other party.

7.6 Modification and Waiver. This Agreement may not be modified, amended or supplemented except by written agreement of the Parties. No act or omission by a party, other than a written waiver, shall constitute a waiver of any provision of this Agreement. No waiver of any provision of this Agreement shall constitute a waiver of any other provision, nor shall any such waiver constitute a continuing waiver, unless otherwise specifically agreed in writing by the Parties.

7.7 Notices. All notices, instructions and other communications required or permitted to be given hereunder must be in writing and must be delivered via email, or mailed by first class mail, to the parties and at the addresses set forth, in the event of a notice being sent by first class mail the notice shall be deemed to be received by the addressee on the fifth business day after the mail is postmarked:

- Project Team **insert address and contact person or title** Qasim Saddique, Project Director (qsaddique@suslop.com) (might make sense to make it a single address for the Dillon office responsible for this work)
- FN **insert address and contact person or title**
- Dillon **insert address and contact person or title**

7.8 Inurement. This Agreement shall be binding upon the Parties, and shall continue in full force and effect in the event any Party is permitted to assign this Agreement or if there is any change in ownership, control or management of any Party.

7.9 Counterparts, Signatures and Retention. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which is an original, and which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement. The signing of a facsimile copy or portable document format (PDF) copy of this Agreement and any amendments thereto shall have the same effect as the signing of an original. The retention of an electronic version of this Agreement is permitted and the subsequent production of an electronic version of this document shall be treated as if it was the production of an original signed copy.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties hereto have executed this Agreement all as of the day and year first above written.

First Nation

Per: _____
I/We have authority to bind the XX FN.
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Per: _____
I/We have authority to bind the XX FN.
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Marten Falls First Nation Project Team

Per: _____
I/We have authority to bind the MFFN Project
Team.
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Per: _____
I/We have authority to bind the MFFN Project Team.
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

Dillon Consulting Limited

Per: _____
I/We have authority to bind Dillon Consulting
Limited
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____

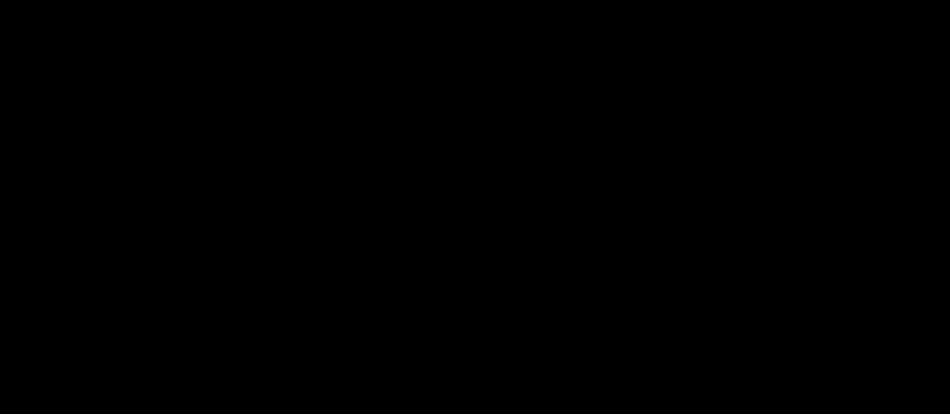
Per: _____
I/We have authority to bind the Dillon Consulting
Limited.
Name: _____
Title: _____
Date: _____



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Fwd: MFFN CAR IK Program Timeline Update

Coppaway, Clayton <[redacted]>



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From: **Nokleby, Andrea** <[redacted]>

Date: Mon, Feb 7, 2022 at 4:37 PM

Subject: Re: MFFN CAR IK Program Timeline Update

To: <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>

Cc: Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Coppaway, Clayton <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Chief Towedo,

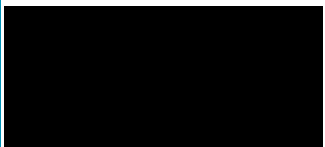
I am just following up to see if you had any questions or comments on the Indigenous Knowledge Program, timeline or any of the other documents that were provided. We would be happy to set up a time to meet to discuss anything further at your request.

Thank you and have a great afternoon,

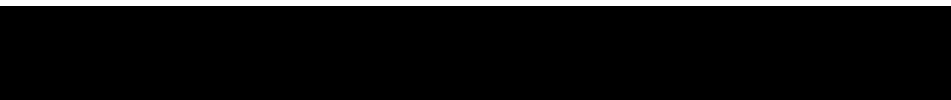
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Fwd: Letter from MFFN to Aroland First Nation

Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

9 March 2022 at 10:14

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From: <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Date: Wed, Mar 9, 2022 at 11:07 AM

Subject: Letter from MFFN to Aroland First Nation

To: <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>

Cc: <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>, <[redacted]>

Aniin Chief Towedo,

Please see attached letter from MFFN Chief Bruce Achneepineskum.

Please note, there is a time sensitive request related to whether there is interest from Aroland First Nation to have a member join us in a helicopter flyover as part of our field study programs.

Please let us know as soon as you can if there is interest and we'll work out the details!

Warm Regards,

MFFN CAR Project Team

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March 9, 2022

Chief Dorothy Towedo



RE: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project – Engagement with Aroland First Nation

Dear Chief Towedo,

It is unfortunate we could not meet and speak last Friday March 4, 2022 but I look forward to speaking with you soon. Over the past few years, we have engaged and consulted with Aroland First Nation and it is time to renew our relationship and find a path forward that will be mutually beneficial to both communities in the long run. The MFFN Council kindly requests a time for us to come together, Nation-to-Nation, to discuss the Project and renew our relationship.

We understand Aroland First Nation's concerns regarding the lack of funding to support your community's participation, and acknowledge your request for a custom consultation process to be initiated before the beginning of our Field Study Programs. You'll recall that in October 2020, Aroland First Nation requested, and MFFN agreed to (November 2020), the development of a custom consultation process. Since that time, we have been working to meet with Aroland First Nation and their advisors to initiate the development of this important process. We, however, have not yet been able to confirm with Aroland an appropriate time to meet.

It is our continued hope that we can find a way to initiate this process, and discuss with Aroland First Nation the participation funding that is currently available and any additional funding the community will need to continue to participate in our assessment process. We also look forward to the opportunity of developing an Indigenous Knowledge sharing agreement with Aroland First Nation and facilitating access to available funding.

Recently, we understand that the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry reached out (via letter on February 18, 2022) about the groundwater and geotechnical drilling permitting, and included our offer for Aroland First Nation representatives to accompany the helicopter fly-overs and also to act as environmental monitors during drilling activities at the three sites identified by Aroland First Nation. Please let us know as soon as possible if Aroland First Nation will accept these offers as fly-overs are expected to take place within the next couple of weeks (tentatively mid-March).

In summary and as next steps, we would like to know if Aroland First Nation would be interested in:





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1. Scheduling a Nation-to-Nation (i.e., Aroland First Nation and MFFN Councils) meeting to discuss the Project and renew our relationship;
2. Scheduling a follow up meeting with Aroland First Nation representatives to initiate the development of a custom consultation process and discuss available funding and needs;
3. Participating in the groundwater and geotechnical field study program fly-over. **A response is required as soon as possible accommodate logistics planning;**
4. Participating as environmental monitors, during the drilling field program, at the three drilling sites identified by Aroland First Nation: Sites 10, 16, and 27. Please let us know if there is interest as soon as possible and we will begin coordination with your team for one Aroland First Nation monitor to join the program.

In closing, it was great to speak with you and I hope our Councils can come together soon. It is important that our two Nations work together to ensure that the benefits of this important project are realized and stay within our communities.

Miigwetch,


Chief Bruce Achneepineskum

Cc:

- Councillor Sheldon Atlookan, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Linda Moonias, MFFN
- Councillor Rob Moonias, MFFN
- Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum, MFFN
- Councillor Sam Achneepineskum, MFFN
- Councillor Shane Baxter, MFFN
- Councillor Maria Baxter, MFFN
- Councillor Eli Coaster Baxter, MFFN
- Councillor Paul Achneepineskum, MFFN
- Corinna Baxter, Executive Assistant to MFFN Council
- Qasim Saddique, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Lawrence Baxter, MFFN Community Member Advisor
- Bob Baxter, MFFN Community Member Advisor
- Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team





Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Offer to Aroland to Join Field Study Program Flyover

Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]> 10 March 2022 at 11:23

To: Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, [redacted]

Cc: [redacted], Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, lawrence baxter <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>

Hi Chief Towedo and Others,

I called the band office and left a voicemail this morning.

I just wanted to follow up and see if there was any interest in our offer to have an Aroland First Nation member join our helicopter flyover as part of our Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program.

The flyover is happening very soon and so we'll need to know if there is interest ASAP. Please let us know as soon as you are able.

You can also contact (both cc'd) to coordinate the logistics:

- Carsten Slama [redacted] or
- Leah Deveaux [redacted] + [redacted]

Sincerely,
Clayton Coppaway
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]> 11 March 2022 at 07:27
 To: Ernie Gagnon <[redacted]>
 Cc: Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, [redacted],
 [redacted], [redacted], Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Ross,
 Kathryn" <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, lawrence baxter <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>

Hi Ernie,

Thanks so much for the quick response, I'll ask Carsten or Leah to follow up with you to discuss logistics.

Clayton



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Offer to Aroland to Join Field Study Program Flyover

Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]> 15 March 2022 at 07:39
To: Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>
Cc: Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, lawrence baxter <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Avril Fisker <[redacted]>, "Cinnamon, Christine" <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Dear Chief Towedo and Ernie,

Our field study teams are still working out the schedule and details for the logistics for the flyover. Right now they are looking to complete the flyover on or before April 8, 2022.

Also, as detailed in the letter from MFFN on March 9, 2022 (attached here as well), There is also an offer for Aroland First Nation to have environmental monitors at specific sites for the geotechnical and groundwater field programs (once these programs commence). Please let us know if there is also interest in this opportunity as well.

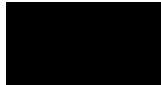
Have a great day and we look forward to hearing from you soon,

Migwetch,
Clayton Coppaway
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]> 16 March 2022 at 15:17
 To: Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>
 Cc: Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, lawrence baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Avril Fisker <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[redacted]>

Dear Chief Towedo,

I just wanted to follow up with you regarding your planned discussion with Council (yesterday) regarding our offer for participation in the fly-over and the environmental monitors at the three sites identified for the geotechnical and groundwater field study program.

We may have (depending on the helicopter we use) have room for up to two Aroland First Nation representatives, Erine Gagnon has offered to be one, Is there interest in having another join as well?

We can connect directly with Ernie on the logistics of his participation in the flyover. Please let us know as soon as you can if anyone else would like to join as well.

Sincerely,
Clayton Coppaway



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR: Funding available for Community Coordinator Program

Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]> 18 March 2022 at 05:50
 To: Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, MFFN CAR Project - Webmail <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>, Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>

Dear Chief Towedo,

I hope you and the community are doing well and staying safe. We are excited to announce we are officially launching the Community Coordinator Program for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road and Aroland First Nation is invited to participate.

The Community Coordinator Program will support Community Access Road Project activities, meetings and events; helping to make sure input is collected from the right people and shared back with the Project Team so as to be included in the Environmental Assessment and Impact Assessment processes. The Community Coordinator will be hired part-time at \$25.00/hr for up to three years.

Please see the letter attached for more information on the Program and a request to: confirm your participation; identify who is the right fit as a Community Coordinator; and to gauge your interest in a meeting to answer any questions you may have.

Alongside the letter, the job posting is also attached for the Community Coordinator position with more details on the role and responsibilities. We believe this program will create more avenues for meaningful engagement and consultation with Aroland First Nation on the Community Access Road Project. We appreciate your input on this request and welcome any feedback or suggestions you may have on the proposed process. I hope to hear from you by **March 31, 2022** and will follow-up next week to answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Clayton Coppaway
On behalf of the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team



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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

WE'RE HIRING!

Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is undertaking a federal Impact Assessment (IA) and provincial environmental assessment (EA) for an all-season access road to our community. To support these studies, we are looking to hire **Community Coordinators**.

Are you a highly motivated person? Do you have strong organizational and relationship building skills? Would you like to work with a great project team and build experience in environmental management?

If so, this could be the role for you!

The Community Coordinator will be a primary point of contact between your community and the MFFN Project Team. We will work closely with you as you help to involve your community in the environmental assessment processes.

Responsibilities

- Coordinate between the MFFN Project Team and community members living in / outside of your community as per your local practices and in collaboration with Chief and Council;
- Provide advice and guidance on appropriate ways to engage your community—in-person (when appropriate to do so), and virtually during COVID-19;
- Keep informed on Community Access Road Project activities (e.g., timelines, documents, events) and communicate relevant Project information to community members;
- Participate in meetings with the Project Team and other Community Coordinators;
- Provide support for community engagement activities related to the Project including:
 - Coordinate and organize logistics for meetings, workshops, events and / or school visits (e.g., book meeting spaces, order refreshments, help with truck / boat rentals and accommodations);
 - Help identify meeting participants and information providers (e.g., youth and / or elders);
 - Assist with meeting facilitation, note taking and meeting minute preparation, and coordinate translation services, if needed; and
 - Organize distributing Project advertisements and notices in your community; either online (e.g., Facebook or posting in community);
- Assist in collecting data / information in your community (e.g., Indigenous Knowledge, community information and socio-economic information);
- Assist in reviewing draft documents, questionnaires or Project updates / information sheets.

This position will receive \$25 per hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours per week for up to 3 years. If you would like to learn more, contact: Jennifer Bruin or James Meyer at info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca or 1-800-764-9114.



Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation
[REDACTED]

March 17, 2022

Re: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Community Coordinator Program

Dear Chief Towedo,

The Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road Project Team is excited to announce that we are offering to hire members of specific Indigenous communities as **Community Coordinators**. As we continue to move through the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) and federal Impact Assessment (IA), we want to continue to engage and consult with Aroland First Nation on a consistent basis and in a way that works best for your community. The Community Coordinator Program is set to begin early April 2022.

The Community Coordinator Program will support Community Access Road Project activities, meetings and events; helping to make sure input is collected from the right people and shared back with the Project Team so as to be included in the EA processes. The position is \$25 an hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours of work per week for up to three years. Please see the attached job description for a list of responsibilities.

Is Aroland First Nation interested in participating in the Community Coordinator Program? If so, we are looking for your input on who should be the Community Coordinator in your community. We understand that Aroland First Nation currently has funding from the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) for Sheldon Atlookan as a Community Coordinator. We would like to propose supplementing the funding already provided by NDMNRF for this position, so as to increase the hours already being worked on the Project. The choice of candidate, however, is yours to make. You know best who is the best fit for this role. Are you and Council members comfortable with Sheldon Atlookan being hired in this role for the MFFN Community Access Road? If not, please let us know if we can support you by reaching out to your members to see if someone is interested. We hope to hear from you by **March 31, 2022**.

We appreciate your time and thoughts on this Program and are open to have a detailed discussion. We believe the hiring of Community Coordinators will strengthen our collective efforts on both the EA and IA and allow for a more open and responsive consultation and engagement between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team. If you have any questions or would like to setup a meeting, please contact [REDACTED] or call 1-800-764-9114. We will follow-up directly with you in advance of the two-week deadline to answer any questions or concerns you may have regarding the Community Coordinator Program.

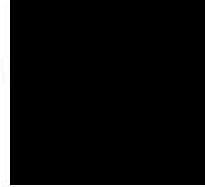




Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

Encl. MFFN Community Access Road Community Coordinator Job Posting

CC:

- Dwayne Gagnon, Aroland First Nation
- Godfrey Gagnonaclo, Aroland First Nation
- Meghan Buckham, Aroland First Nation Consultant, Shared Value Solutions
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, Shared Value Solutions
- Jeremy Shute, Aroland First Nation Consultant, Shared Value Solutions
- Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator
- Lawrence Baxter, Senior Community Member Advisor, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
- Qasim Saddique, Project Director, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
- Clayton Coppaway, Consultant, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team





Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Flyover Logistics

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]> 25 March 2022 at 10:28
To: Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Cc: "Slama, Carsten" <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, MFFN CAR Project - Webmail <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Dear Chief Towedo and Ernie,

I just called and left a voicemail message for you and Ernie Gagnon. We just wanted to let you know that we have reached out to Ernie Gagnon to begin preparing for his participation in the helicopter flyover for our Geotechnical and Ground water Field Study Program.

We may have room for one other flyover participant, but this is dependent on the type of helicopter we are able to procure.

Please let us know if there is anyone else you'd like us to reach out to be considered for the flyover.

Sincerely,
Clayton Coppaway



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MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]> 28 March 2022 at 16:00
To: Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>
[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Avril Fiske
<[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>, MFFN CAR Project - Webmail <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Dear Chief Towedo and others,

Thank you for letting us know you'll get back to us tomorrow after the Chief and council meeting regarding the potential for an additional Aroland representative to join Ernie during the field program flyover.

I also wanted to highlight a couple of other important MFFN CAR related items:

- **Community Coordinator Program** (Letter sent March 17, 2022)
 - If interested or you need more time or information, please let us know by March 31, 2022
- **Monthly Project Update Emails** (e-Blasts, sent March 15, 2022)
 - There is a new Project Update Video and see the Survey? Completing a survey by March 31, 2022 enters you into an opportunity to win one of five \$50 gift cards.
- **Bird and Spring Discussion Guides**
 - Please let us know if you or your advisors would like to provide any input or if there are questions regarding the Bird and Spring Discussion Guide questions.
- **Other Important Items:**
 - Initiating a custom consultation process for Aroland First Nation
 - Indigenous Knowledge Program and Sharing Agreement
 - Geotechnical and Groundwater Field Study Program
 - Flyover participation (noted above)
 - Offer for environmental monitors

We would also be happy to meet with you and other members of your team to discuss these items as well.

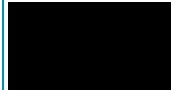
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On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]> 14 April 2022 at 12:54
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]", "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]", "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Robinson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Dear Chief Towedo and Andrew,

Thank you for checking back in with us on this, we really appreciate it.

For the Flyover Logistics: We will be able to accommodate all four participants. It is anticipated that the flyover will take roughly 3 hours, so we can propose that the first two participants join the archaeologist and Bob in the morning and then the other two would join in the afternoon after the helicopter has returned and refueled. So one flight, but two 'shifts'. The archaeologist and Bob would be in the helicopter for all four participants. I've passed this along to my colleagues who are coordinating the flight logistics, and will work to get you answers as soon as possible. As Ernie may have mentioned, the flyovers have been delayed due to weather, which will give us more of a window to work out the logistics of others participating in the flyover. Also, just as a reminder we also have offered to have Aroland representatives or members as environmental monitors during well drilling for identified sites during the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs.

Honorarium for Participants: We [MFFN CAR Project Team] would be happy to provide participants with honorarium for their time, effort and knowledge. We would be happy to offer to pay \$200 for the day as an honorarium, recognizing the flyovers will only be 3 hrs, and any expenses, which would be treated separately. We can also discuss expenses that arise from delays due to mechanical or other delays should they arise. We would also like to make sure that we protect and treat any IK shared with us with respect and in accordance with the community's wishes. I have re-attached our IK Sharing Agreement template which includes Aroland First Nation comments received in July 2019 (which we followed up on in March 2021. This agreement details a proposed approach to treating this important information. At that time, Aroland First Nation asked us to initiate a custom consultation process before dealing with the IK sharing agreement, but despite reaching out to Aroland several times over the last year we've been unable to initiate this process yet. I've attached our email exchange and the 2019 comments as well for your reference. We have previously offered funding to support Aroland in completing a Project-specific Indigenous Knowledge/Indigenous Land and Resource Use study. I am re-attaching the IK Funding Agreement for your review and consideration.

Aroland First Nation's Participation: As we have mentioned many times, we would very much like any opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to Aroland First Nation's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests. We recognize that Aroland's participation in the flyover is not to be interpreted as Aroland First Nation providing their consent for these studies to take place in their traditional territory. We continue to be available to Aroland First Nation to discuss your needs with respect to what would be considered appropriate information, time, and capacity funding as part of our efforts to develop a custom consultation process with Aroland First Nation. We remain open and committed to working with Aroland First Nation to chart a renewed path forward to working together as the EA progresses. We would be happy to meet with you at any time to discuss these important topics at your earliest convenience.

In the meantime, we would encourage Aroland First Nation to review our IK Sharing Agreement Template so that we can endeavour that Aroland First Nation's IK is protected. I have attached some additional information we've previously provided but just for additional context around the IK program in particular.

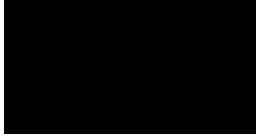
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MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

5 May 2022 at 15:04

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "jennifer@jbruinassociates.com" <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "kzielbauer@dillon.ca" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Robinson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks so much for speaking with me this afternoon. I appreciate you confirming that Aroland First Nation is still interested in participating in the fly over. As I mentioned we'd be looking to conduct this flyover before the end of May 2022. Please feel free to pass along the contact information for the folks who'll be joining the flyover so we can work out logistics with them. Crist Gladstone, cc'd here can coordinate the logistics for them.

As well here is a brief summary of the other items we discussed:

- Requested updated contact emails for MFFN Chief and Council;
- You'll provide an updated contact list for Aroland Chief and Council and other key personnel;
 - You noted that Aroland Chief and Council should be included on all formal correspondence between MFFN or the MFFN CAR Project and Aroland, but not on regular update emails, notices, or other mass communications.
- Aroland Chief and Council are still interested/considering what an IK Sharing Agreement could look like and that they'll follow up with us in the coming weeks; and,
- MFFN and MFFN CAR Project Team can expect some letter correspondence over the next week or so (not related to the flyover).

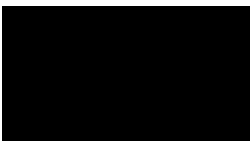
Please don't hesitate to let me know if I missed anything! Again, thank you so much for taking the time to speak with me.

Clayton



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MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]> 18 May 2022 at 09:32
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Chief Towedo and Andrew,

I wanted to follow up with you to see if there was still interest in participating in the flyover. We have connected with Erin Gagnon (cc'd) but you mentioned three other participants. I mentioned this in my last correspondence that we would be looking to conduct the flyover before the end of May 2022.

It is very important that we contact the other participants to arrange logistics and payments as soon as possible, if we are to include them in the flyover.

Please let myself and Crista Gladstone (cc'd) know as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
Clayton Coppaway



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Flyover Logistics

Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]> 6 June 2022 at 08:05
 To: Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, [redacted] <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Gladstone, Crista" <[redacted]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Avril Fisken <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Good morning Chief Towedo, Andrew and other Aroland First Nation representatives,

I hope you all had a pleasant weekend!

The MFFN CAR Project Team is hopeful that we will have a signed Confidential Information Agreement this week. In anticipation of this we would like to get further clarification on the other participants we should connect with for logistical purposes. We understand that the Confidential Information Agreement will need to be signed before participants can actually take part in the flyover.

We would be looking to schedule dates later in June in coordination with identified participants and our archaeologists.

Currently we have confirmation for two participants from Aroland First Nation:

- Ernie Gagnon
- Jerry Shabogomik
 - Please Note: If there are other participants, it is very important that we have their contact information as soon as possible and preferably by tomorrow, Tuesday June 7, 2022 at the latest.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns,
Clayton



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Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]> 10 June 2022 at 08:24
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, "Gladstone, Crista" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Avril Fiskén <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for this information. We'll coordinate with Jerry and we'll include Laura as well.

Take care and have a great weekend.

Clayton



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B2.2 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence





Burnham, Stephanie [REDACTED]

MFFN CAR – Response to Field Program Feedback & Offer to Meet

Meghan Buckham [REDACTED]

Fri, Nov 12, 2021 at 9:21 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Dorothy Towedo [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Good morning Stephanie,

On behalf of Aroland First Nation, I confirm receipt of the MFFN CAR Project Team’s November 10, 2021 letter. Aroland First Nation is currently in an election period and will be unable to respond to the MFFN CAR Project Team’s letter until after the election is concluded. The election is scheduled for November 20, 2021 and Aroland First Nation will provide a response as soon as practicable afterwards.

Sincerely,

Meghan

Meghan Buckham, MA | Senior Negotiations and Regulatory Specialist | Negotiations and Regulatory Team Lead

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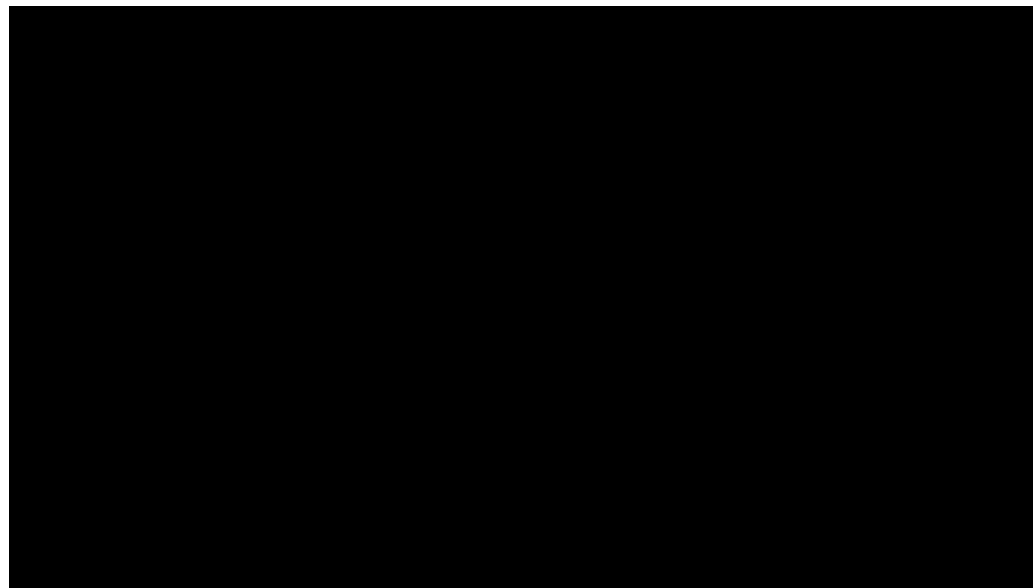
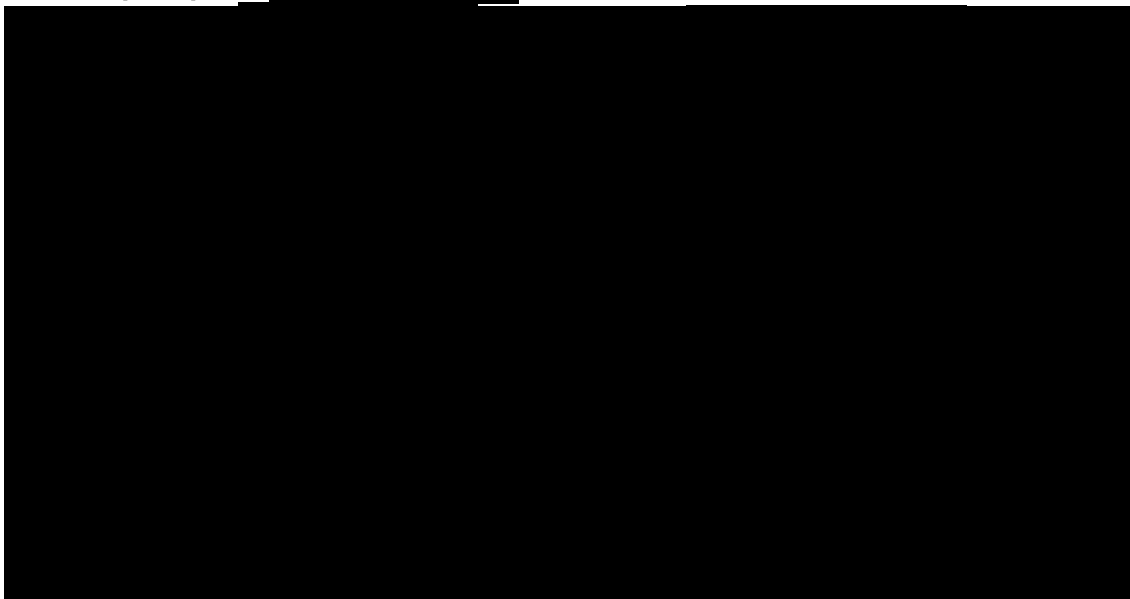


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Fwd: Aroland First Nation Response to MFCAR and WSR Terms of Reference

Coppaway, Clayton <[REDACTED]>

15 February 2022 at 09:42



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From: "McLeod, Sasha (MECP)" <[REDACTED]>
Subject: RE: Aroland First Nation Response to MFCAR and WSR Terms of Reference
Date: February 4, 2022 at 12:41:05 PM EST
To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>, Chief Cornelius Wabasse <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]"

<[REDACTED]>, "Hennessy, Mary (NDMNR)" <[REDACTED]>, "Churchill, Lori (NDMNR)" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "O'Neill, Kathleen (MECP)" <[REDACTED]>

Good day Chief Towedo,

Please find attached a letter from Kathleen O'Neill, Director of the Environmental Assessment Branch, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, in response to your letter dated October 7, 2021. Apologies for the delay in response.

Thank you,
Sasha

Sasha McLeod

Special Project Officer, Environmental Assessment Branch
Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks



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357-2021-2357

February 4, 2022

Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation


Dear Chief Towedo:

Thank you for your letter of October 7, 2021 regarding the Terms of Reference (ToR) for the proposed Marten Falls Community Access Road project and Webequie Supply Road project.

As noted in the ministry's correspondence of October 8, 2021, the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks approved, with amendments, the ToRs for the preparation of environmental assessments (EA) of the proposed Marten Falls Community Access Road and Webequie Supply Road. The correspondence included copies of the Notices of Approval which set out amendments that the Minister made to the ToRs in response to concerns raised by Indigenous communities, including some of the concerns outlined in your October 7 letter. With the approval of the ToRs, Marten Falls First Nation and Webequie First Nation can now prepare their respective environmental assessments for submission to the ministry.

In addition, as indicated in a letter from the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNR) that you would have received on November 25, 2021, Ontario intends to consult broadly throughout the EA processes on all of the proposed road projects, and thus will be in a position to consider and address concerns about potential adverse cumulative impacts on s.35 rights and accommodate such concerns, as appropriate. I understand that NDMNR will be reaching out to you in the

coming weeks to explore how and when to meet to discuss the approach and receive your input.

In the meantime, we understand that Webequie and Marten Falls First Nations will continue their engagement efforts during the EA process for their respective projects to provide information, hear feedback and answer questions. The ministry encourages Aroland First Nation to continue to participate in the consultation processes for these EAs.

Thank you, again, for Aroland First Nation's letter and ongoing participation in the provincial EA processes for the proposed Marten Falls Community Access Road and Webequie Supply Road projects.

Sincerely,



Kathleen O'Neill
Director, Environmental Assessment Branch

- c. Mary Hennessy, Director, Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
- Lori Churchill, Director, Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
- Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation
- Chief Cornelius Wabasse, Webequie First Nation
- Qasim Saddique, Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team
- Michael Fox, Webequie Supply Road Project Team
- Andrew Peach, Shared Value Solutions
- Kathleen O'Neill, Director, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Subject: Re: MFFN Community Access Road: Aerial Surveys Starting

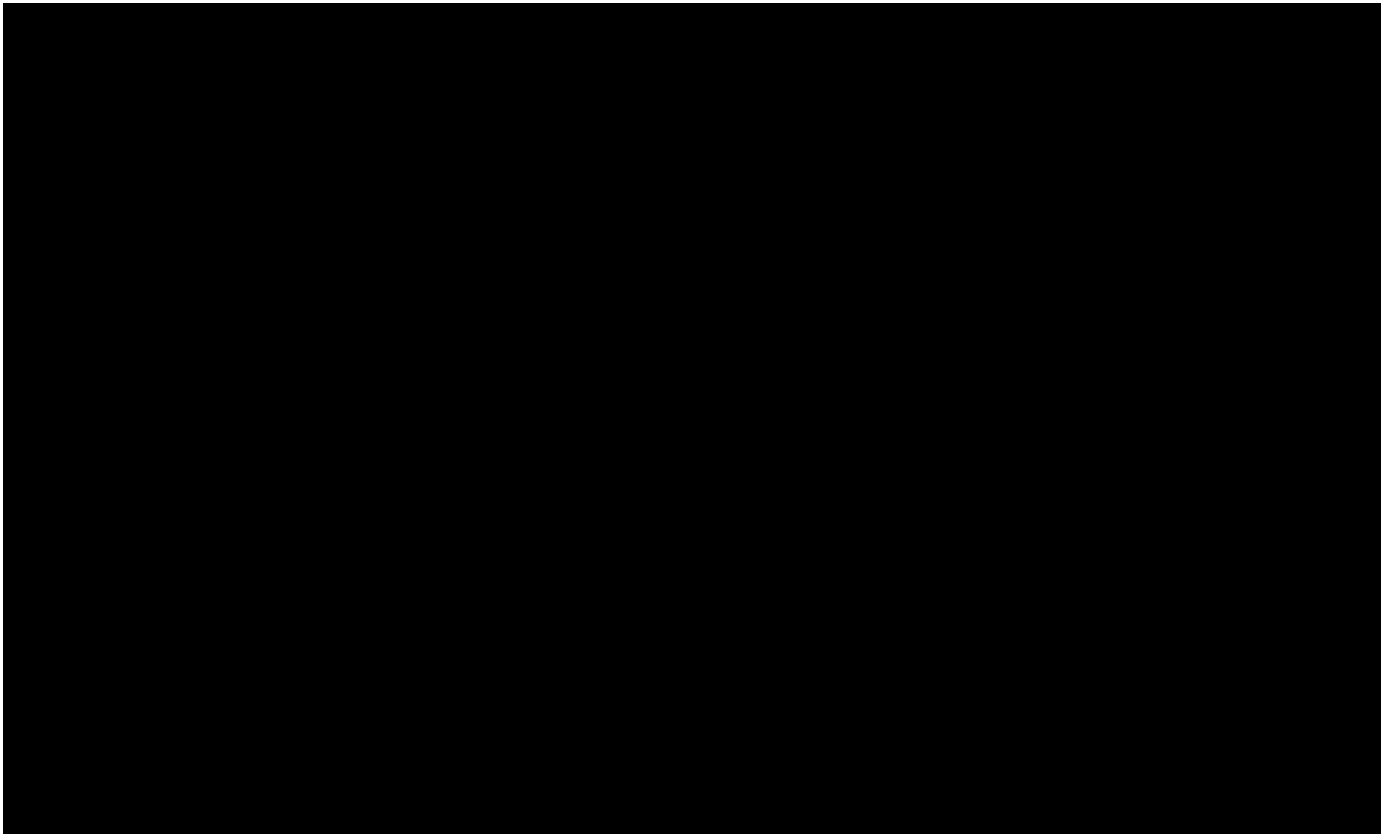


Ernie Gagnon <arolandsandresources242@gmail.com>
to MFFN Community Access Road Project Team

Mon, 7 Feb, 08:24 (7 d)

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Thank you for the information.



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Ernie Gagnon


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MFFN CAR - Offer to Aroland to Join Field Study Program Flyover

Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

10 March 2022 at 20:51

To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, lawrence baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Yes, we are interested. I would be interested personally myself as a Lands and resources coordinator Ernie Gagnon

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Ernie Gagnon

Aroland F.N #242





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MFFN CAR - Offer to Aroland to Join Field Study Program Flyover

Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>

11 March 2022 at 12:21

To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

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Thank you for your email
This will be put on our Agenda on our next Chief & Council meeting on March 15 , 2022
Can you share the logistics of when this helicopter flyover is to take place

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Offer to Aroland to Join Field Study Program Flyover

Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>

27 March 2022 at 23:53

To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Dwayne Gagnon - AFN <[REDACTED]>, Godfrey Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, lawrence baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Avril Fisker <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

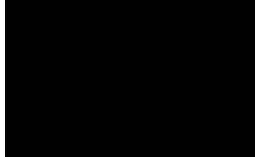
Clayton

We will get back to you on that when we meet on Tuesday , we did not meet last week due to community issues

Regards,

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Chief Dorothy Towedo





Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 1 April 2022 at 16:49
 To: "Coppaway, Clayton" <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
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Hello Clayton,

Sorry for sending you an incomplete email. My computer is acting up! The complete email is below,

On Tuesday Chief and Council discussed the flyover for the geotechnical and groundwater sites. Below are updates and a few inquiries:

- Council identified 4 individuals, including Ernie, that have knowledge of the areas around the proposed sites and are just confirming the availability of each potential representative. I understand that there are two seats available on a single flight.
 - **Would two flights be possible to ensure all Aroland representatives are able to participate?**
- Council discussed the need for each Aroland representative to receive an honourarium for the knowledge that they share with the MFFN CAR Project Team
 - **Can you confirm that honouraria will be provided to representatives?**
- Council also want to ensure that the MFFN CAR Project Team does not understand Aroland's participation in the flyover to mean that they consent to these studies in Aroland's Traditional Territory. Aroland maintains that there has been inadequate capacity, information and time to support a meaningful consultation process that would allow Aroland to adequately assess the impacts these studies may have on their Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests.

As soon as Aroland is able to confirm the availability of their representatives we will be in touch to coordinate flight times that work for everyone.

Have a great weekend,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 14 April 2022 at 11:02
To: "Coppaway, Clayton" <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
Cc: Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Robinson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>

Hello Clayton,

I just wanted to follow up on the email from April 1st. Are there any updates regarding AFN's questions about the flyover?

Thanks very much,

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From: Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
Sent: May 11, 2022 4:24 PM
To: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
Subject: Re: Physiography, Terrain & Soils Field Notice and update for May programs

Thanks for the update!

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Ernie Gagnon
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Subject: FW: Letter from Aroland to MFFN re RoF and MFFN Road Segment



Lock, Andrew (NDMNR) <Andrew.Lock@ontario.ca>
to [REDACTED]

Mon, 16 May, 13:47

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Cc: [REDACTED]; Kate Kempton <[REDACTED]>; Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Re: Letter from Aroland to MFFN re RoF and MFFN Road Segment

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Hello,

On behalf of Chief Towedo and Aroland First Nation's Council, please find the attached letter from Aroland to Marten Falls First Nation. Last Friday May 6th, Aroland First Nation sent the attached letter to Marten Falls First Nation's Chief and Council.

Chief Towedo has requested that this letter be circulated to both provincial and federal regulators and decision-makers for the Marten Falls Community Access Road and Ring of Fire Regional Assessment projects so that it may be posted to the appropriate registries and added to the public record.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant
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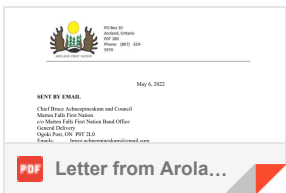
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May 6, 2022

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Chief Bruce Achneepineskum and Council
Marten Falls First Nation
c/o Marten Falls First Nation Band Office
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Dear Chief and Council:

Re: RING OF FIRE AND MFFN ROAD SEGMENT

It is with deep sadness but also deep strength in our convictions, that we write to inform you that Aroland First Nation opposes your road segment project as it is currently proposed and is currently being pushed ahead.

Your road project is one of three segments of road that are being promoted by Ontario in order to open up mining in the Ring of Fire. While we did not and do not in principle oppose Marten Falls or any other First Nation being connected to a road system so that you are no longer remote, one aspect of your road segment, and the other two road segments, are not for that purpose and are instead to open up the region to massive scale mining.

We object to your proposed road project being approved without our consent, and we do not give our consent. The southern one-quarter to one-third of your proposed road project is on territory that overlaps with Aroland traditional territory. Aroland never ceded or surrendered any rights to make decisions about developments on our territory especially those that by themselves or cumulatively with other existing and proposed developments threaten the lands, the environment, the climate, our culture and our rights. Ring of Fire mining threatens all of this. Your road segment if it proceeds with the other two segments, will grease a downhill slope toward this massive scale development. Your road segment project alone would take up even more of our territory, which has already been severely harmed and taken up by forestry and other mining.

Marten Falls has rejected our many attempts to work on the environmental / impact assessments jointly so both our First Nations, on whose lands the road project would be located, are in decision making roles. Marten Falls has continued to refuse our calls and the calls of many other First Nations in the James Bay Lowlands to stop pushing ahead the road projects or anything else in the region until a comprehensive regional impact assessment co-led by a body of all First Nations who stand to be permanently and seriously affected by such development, is completed. While a lot of the mining claims are in Marten Falls and Webequie territories, some of the road and other infrastructure would be in ours, and impacts will be felt, perhaps catastrophically, across the entire Lowlands region (and in terms of climate, around the world). Such development requires Marten Falls consent but not only Marten Falls (or Webequie's) consent. It also requires that of Aroland and other First Nations.

Unless and until there is a regional assessment that covers all potential development of the entire James Bay Lowlands area, co-developed, co-implemented and co-enforced by a body of affected First Nations in the region, from which comes joint decisions about what can be developed, where and how, Aroland opposes such development. Further, Aroland objects to your road project proceeding and will continue to object until the RA as described above is completed and it reveals that the mining road segments can and should be developed, and until MFFN agrees that Aroland must consent to your road project given that it is in part in Aroland territory.

Aroland is aware of the severe duress that Ontario tried to put all Matawa communities under when the regional framework approach was dismantled. We are aware that Ontario essentially made pre-consent to mining (regardless of its consequences) a condition to getting any funding support from Ontario. To us financially poor First Nations, this is a very unfair and even abusive condition. Aroland does not blame Marten Falls for this, but neither will Aroland allow Marten Falls, being propelled by this duress, to build anything on our territory without our consent, including your proposed road.

We welcome you to come and sit around the council fire with us on this, but we will not change our position. Our elders and our warriors have spoken. We are happy to work with you to get out from under Ontario and to proceed as indicated above, if Marten Falls will consider this. But if this brotherhood approach is not reciprocated, we will do what we need to block the road project including if required going to court.

If you reach out to us to work together in true Anishinaabe peace and friendship, we will be here.

Sincerely,



Chief Dorothy Towedo and Council

cc: David Paul Achneepineskum
Matawa Tribal Council





MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 19 May 2022 at 17:31
 To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

Hello Clayton,

Yes, Aroland is still interested in the flyovers and would like to know what dates they are being planned for. I have also attached a Confidential Information agreement that Aroland requires to be in place prior to the flyovers occurring. Let me know if you have any questions about it.

Once we have an idea of the new dates we can connect you with the other participants and finalize the logistics.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]> 20 May 2022 at 14:29
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

Good day, Folks We also have to add Jerry Shabogomik who was recently hired to replace Sheldon Atlookan to the list of participants of the flyover. He is currently on bereavement leave I am interested to know who Erin Gagnon is also I will forward this email to Jerry as well to get him on the list. Ha nice long weekend folks Ernie Gagnon

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Ernie Gagnon
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Aroland F.N #242
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MFFN CAR - Flyover Logistics

Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

9 June 2022 at 11:32

To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>,

j[REDACTED], "Gladstone, Crista" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay"

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Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Avril Fisker <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon

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Thanks for the update.

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Ernie Gagnon

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Flyover Logistics

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 10 June 2022 at 08:19
To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>,
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<[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>
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Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin
<[REDACTED]>, Avril Fisker <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hi Clayton,

Thanks for the update. The other two participants that would be joining the flyovers are Sonny Gagnon and Joe Baxter.

I will be away next week, but you can continue to coordinate the logistics with Jerry Shabogamik ([REDACTED]), who is Aroland's new Community Consultation Coordinator for these projects, and Cc my colleague Laura Sayers ([REDACTED]) as well as myself.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

10 June 2022 at 13:56

To: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Avril Fiskin <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon

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Have a great weekend too! Looking forward to doing this project Ernie Gagnon

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From: Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
Sent: June 10, 2022 2:01 PM
To: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
Subject: Re: Vegetation Field Notice, Aerial Bird Survey and Other Updates

Thanks for the update!

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Ernie Gagnon

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Progress Report 2: Effects Assessment Methods Milestone

November 2023



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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
NDMNRF.....	Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
NoC.....	Notice of Commencement
NRL.....	Northern Road Link
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
ToR.....	Terms of Reference
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 in-community 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 (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca) 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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Long Lake #58 First Nation* +
Mushkegowuk Council (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Attawapiskat First Nation* + ■ Fort Albany First Nation* + ■ Kashechewan First Nation*

Tribal Council Affiliation	Community or Organization
Shibogama First Nations Council (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kasabonika Lake First Nation* + ■ Kingfisher Lake First Nation ■ Wapekeka First Nation ■ Wawakapewin First Nation ■ Wunnumin Lake First Nation
Independent First Nations Alliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation
Independent First Nations (Nishnawbe Aski Nation)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mishkeegogamang First Nation ■ Weenusk First Nation +
Nokiiwin Tribal Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Animiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation (AZA)
Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO), Region 2
Independent Métis Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Red Sky Métis Independent Nation (RSMIN)

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

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

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-specific 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

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA has been or may be Informed
<p>Specific Feedback Provided on Environmental Existing Conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Specific feedback was provided on the bird field program, including birds observed and comments on their habitats. ■ Specific feedback was provided on the wolverine field program. ■ Confidential information regarding the Albany River was provided and is considered as IK. ■ Caribou were identified in the District of Kenora (between points I and H of the MFFN CAR route). ■ Request to participate in field studies. ■ Feedback on footprint was provided, specifically on aggregates. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Birds and comments on their habitats were noted for the bird field program. ■ One site of the wolverine hair snag was changed based on feedback provided. ■ The EA has been informed by confidential information regarding the Albany River and details are being kept confidential. ■ The general identification of caribou location(s) has been noted. ■ Members of Aroland First Nation were invited to participate in the Groundwater and Geochemistry field program, including a flyover and planning for subsequent drilling program (outside 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.

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA has been or may be Informed
<p>Concerns Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Additional Details Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ It was noted that a spawning area could be relocated if it would be disrupted by the Project ■ Concern was expressed for watersheds ■ Concern was expressed regarding caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights ■ Concern was expressed related to salting on the road and impacts to nearby rivers ■ Alternative 1 of Segment FG was identified as a sensitive and a very precious area. ■ It was noted that the Projet should not impede fish passage. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Relocating spawning areas has not yet been determined due to insufficient details provided. On-going follow-up is taking place to receive additional information to help identify the spawning area. ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for watersheds. As part of the alternative selection, effects to Natural Environment will be taken into consideration. ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights. ■ The concern regarding salting and nearby rivers has been noted and maintenance of the Community Access Road, including usage of salt, will be one of the indicators for the 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.
<p>Interests Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Additional Details Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Several communities indicated interest in different topics related to existing conditions without providing specific feedback or comments. Some examples include receiving field study results when they become available for caribou 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Interest in topics has been noted for each community. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to distribute Discussion Guides related to field studies, educational videos and is planning upcoming webinars on valued components. Early observations and methods for field studies completed to-date 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.
<p>Route Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A variety of comments were provided on the route alignment near MFFN, including: river and ice levels can be high near MFFN and there are locations where the bank is eroding and could affect the road; intense rain could damage the road and impact streams due to erosion; safety concerns were raised regarding truck activities (including dust, noise, low visibility and speeding) north of the airport and children who play in the same area; and concerns regarding how the Community Access Road may interfere with MFFN community activities (e.g., gathering firewood, social events) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Concerns related to the route alignment closer to MFFN have been noted and will be considered as part of the EA. As part of the EA, the evaluation will identify the preferred route for the Community Access Road, temporary infrastructure and aggregate sources with the least potential for negative effects, greatest opportunity for mitigating negative effects and greatest benefits to the community. Safety will be considered as part of the technical considerations and issues such as water level and erosion will also be considered as part of technical considerations and examined under Natural Environment.
<p>Cumulative Effects, Road Projects and Regional Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some communities expressed concerns regarding cumulative effects / impacts in the Project area, including the scope of the EA, impacts from all three road projects (the Community Access Road, Webequie Supply Road and Northern Road Link), the Regional Assessment and a moratorium on the Ring of Fire activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some of the comments received were directed to government agencies (e.g., NDMNRF, MECP, the Agency) to respond to as they were outside of the scope of the Community Access Road Project. In terms of cumulative effects, if specific details are provided they will be considered as part of the EA; the EA will predict cumulative effects of the preferred alternative with the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods will be shared during the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone.
<p>Impacts from COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some communities expressed inability to effectively engage with their community members due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to work with each Indigenous community's preference in how they would like to be consulted and engaged, whether virtually or in-person and 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.
<p>Timeline Extensions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some communities requested extended Project timelines, for both the provincial and federal processes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 4, 2022, a request for an IS extension was submitted, and was granted on January 13, 2023. On November 25, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team advised

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. Communities were advised of the IS timeline extension approval on January 13, 2023 by IAAC.
<p>Request for Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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			
Activity	Audience		
	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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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			
Activity	Audience		
	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). <i>Note: Also captured under the IK Program section below</i>	✓		
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation (April 21, 2022). <i>Note: Also captured under the IK Program and Community Coordinator section below</i>	✓		
■ Teleconference presentation to Mushkegowuk Tribal Council's Terrestrial Working Group (May 18, 2022)	✓	✓	
■ 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).	✓		
■ 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

Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Circulated Field Study Notices & Discussion Guides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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 (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) 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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) 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Webinar Series: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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) 	✓	✓	✓
Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) to discuss the IK Program (February 4, 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation to discuss the IK Program (and Community Coordinator Program) (April 21, 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ IK Program Update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI Shapefiles were distributed via email. (August 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Distributed a Save the Date for the upcoming ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop via email (December 20, 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Invitation to ATRI Forum distributed (January 13, 2023, and February 1, 2023) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop in Thunder Bay (February 8 – 9, 2023) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ IK Program timeline and update letter (March 22, 2023) 	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA and Effects Assessment

Activity	Audience		
	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

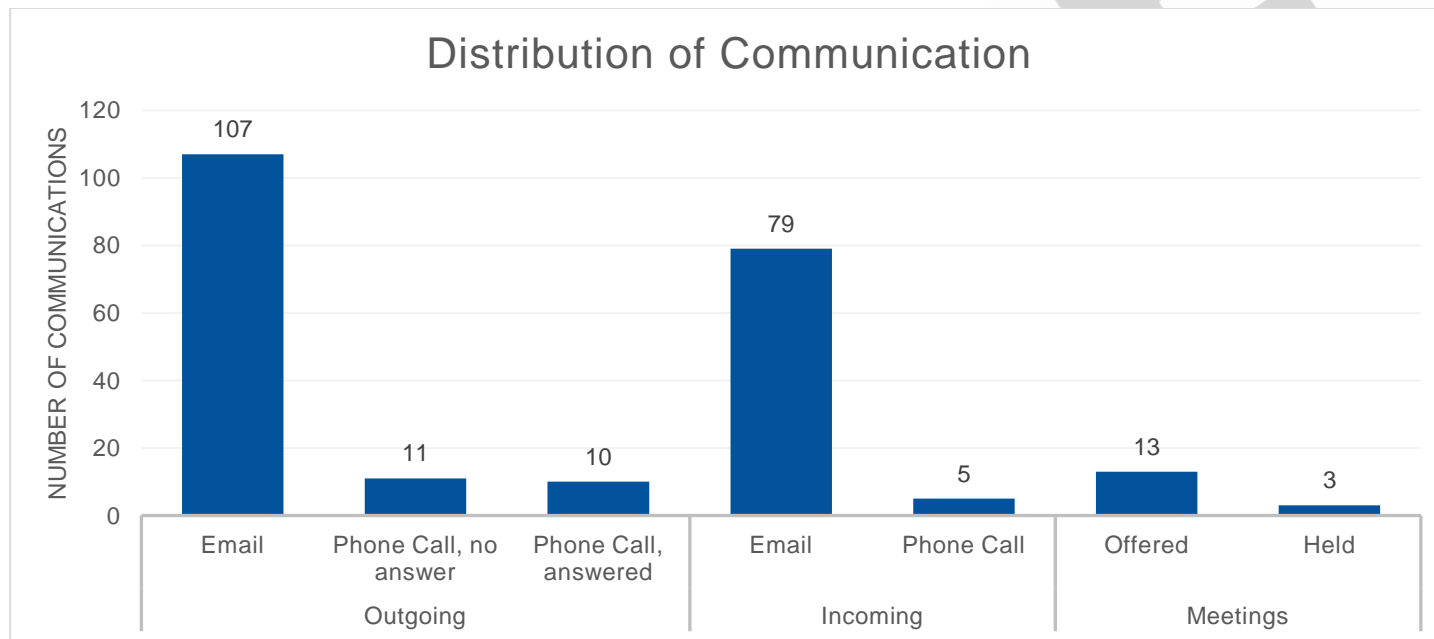
To summarize overall engagement with each Indigenous community, the following analytics were performed:

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.

3.1.2 Aroland First Nation

Community Profile	
Location:	PO Box 10, Aroland ON, P0T 1B0
Tribal Council:	Matawa First Nations Management
Treaty:	9
Project Team Lead:	Kyla Zielbauer



Summary of Participation During Reporting Period	
Date of Last Outgoing Communication from MFFN CAR Project Team or Consultant (Email or Phone)	<i>May 31, 2023 (Email)</i>
Date of Last Incoming Communication from Community (Email or Phone)	<i>May 26, 2023 (Email)</i>
Participating in IK Program:	<i>Status of IK Sharing Agreement: Offered</i>
	<i>Status of IK Funding Agreement: Offered</i>
	<i>IK information provided: No</i>
Participating in Community Coordinator Program	<i>Offered</i>

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 27, 2022	Phone call and email made to request participation in Engagement Questionnaire.
Jul 29, 2022	Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Notice distributed via email.
Jul 29, 2022	MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a signed Confidential Information Agreement to Aroland First Nation.
Aug 16, 2022	An IK Program Update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI Shapefiles were distributed via email.
Aug 17 – 18, 2022	Aroland First Nation representatives participated in a helicopter flyover to visually inspect three groundwater sites.
Aug 19, 2022	August 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Aug 23, 2022	A draft memo summarizing the helicopter flyover was sent to Aroland First Nation for review.
Sep 01, 2022	Received feedback from Aroland First Nation about the draft helicopter flyover memo.
Sep 16, 2022	Field programs update distributed via email.
Sep 16, 2022	Received an email with a letter attached from Chief Towedo.
Sep 23, 2022	Sent letter to Aroland First Nation in response to the May 6 and September 16, 2022 letters from Chief Towedo.
Sep 28, 2022	Sent updated and finalized version of the helicopter flyover to Aroland First Nation.
Sep 29, 2022	September 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Oct 26, 2022	Email to follow up on the IK Program and ATRI.
Nov 02, 2022	October 2022 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Nov 10, 2022	Webinar Series notice distributed via email.
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.
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	Save the date for the ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop distributed via email.
Jan 10, 2023	Reminder for the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Webinar distributed via email.
Jan 11, 2023	MFFN responded to Aroland First Nation's January 11 letter, confirming a meeting date of January 26, 2023.
Jan 11, 2023	Received a letter from Aroland First Nation in response to MFFN's December 15, 2023 letter suggesting a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay.
Jan 13, 2023	Invitation to ATRI Forum was distributed.
Jan 16 - 25, 2023	Discussed logistical details related to the Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN on January 26, 2023.
Jan 17, 2023	Reminder for the Vegetation and Physiography Webinar distributed via email.
Jan 23, 2023	Reminder for the ATRI Forum distributed via email. Email follow-up to Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report.
Jan 26, 2023	On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a Nation-to-Nation meeting. Meeting minutes were not taken.
Jan 27, 2023	Follow-up to furbearer winter tracking field program notice distributed via email.

Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During the Reporting Period

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
Jan 30, 2023	January 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Jan 31, 2023	Received a letter from Aroland First Nation noting lack of capacity funding to review the Interim RoCE and Progress Milestone #1 Report.
Feb 01, 2023	Reminder for the ATRI Forum distributed via email.
Feb 03, 2023	Archaeology Assessment Reports for Stage 1 and Stage 2 distributed via email.
Feb 03, 2023	IK Program Timeline and update letter distributed via email.
Feb 08 and 09, 2023	Representatives from Aroland First Nation attended ATRI Forum #1.
Feb 15, 2023	Follow-up on ungulate aerial survey notice distributed via email.
Feb 21, 2023	Reminder for the Socio-Economic Studies Part I Webinar distributed via email.
Feb 28, 2023	February 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
Mar 03 - 08, 2023	Phone call and emails to provide advanced notice of the upcoming Field Programs.
Mar 08 – Apr 14, 2023	Phone calls and emails sent to coordinate Aroland First Nation monitor participation in the Groundwater Field Programs.
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.
Mar 28, 2023	Email to follow up on the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports.
Mar 28, 2023	Reminder for the Reptiles, Amphibians, Insects and Bats Webinar distributed via email.
Mar 31, 2023	Received letter with feedback on the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports.
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.
May 02, 2023	Email reminder on the IK Program milestone and timelines.
May 03, 2023	Sent a letter requesting Aroland First Nation participate in socio-economic information collection. The letter provided details on information collection and documentation, and requested a meeting.
May 23, 2023	Sent an email requesting Aroland First Nation participate in cultural heritage landscape information collection. The letter provided details on information collection and documentation, requested a meeting and offered the opportunity to participate in a helicopter flyover. The email also requested the opportunity to meet with Aroland First Nation members to collect information.
May 26, 2023	Received a letter regarding cultural heritage information collection. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation would like to collect their community information to provide to the Project, and required funding to complete the collection.
May 31, 2023	Email sent to circulate ATRI Forum comment and response summaries to participants. A thank you note and comment summary was attached and a meeting was offered.

Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action - Aroland First Nation

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
<p>Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Consultation Methods</p>	<p>Assessment of Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation noted concerns regarding the robustness of the assessment of their ATRI during the EA process in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP. ■ Aroland First Nation noted on April 1, 2022, a lack of adequate capacity, information and time to support meaningful consultation and proper assessment of the impacts the MFFN CAR Project field study programs may have on their ATRI. ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ■ Representatives from Aroland First Nation attended 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns on February 4, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue with Aroland First Nation as information becomes available. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022, that the Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods and relationships between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ In response to the December 1, 2022 letter, MFFN sent a letter on December 15, 2022. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ Aroland First Nation was invited to attend the ATRI Forum in February 2023 in Thunder Bay. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Seek opportunities to engage with Aroland First Nation as part of the ATRI assessment, as well as continue to work on the Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Opportunities to provide input on the Project, the IK Program and the Consultation and Engagement Program will continue throughout the EA / IA and will be integrated in the EA / IA process, as applicable.

Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action - Aroland First Nation

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
	<p>the ATRI Forum in February 2023 in Thunder Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent the same date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage. 			
<p>Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Lands, Territory, and Title, Study Area, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Provincial EA Process</p>	<p>Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter dated March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo provided comments on the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Significant portions of the Local Study Area are within Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory, which extends north of the Albany River. – The Project may have significant impacts on their historical and cultural sites. – Aroland First Nation must be included as partners in the Archaeological study throughout each step of the assessment process and that due to overlap in the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Respond to Aroland First Nation's March 31, 2023 letter. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team to prepare response to March 31, 2023 letter. ■ Include Aroland First Nation on Stage 3 Archaeology assessments. ■ Update Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports where necessary. ■ Continue to follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding Traditional Territory and relevant on-going work. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS

Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action - Aroland First Nation

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
	<p>Project study area with their Traditional Territory, they are entitled to a deeper level of engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to our territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section 1.2.4. of the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment mischaracterizes Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory as only occupying the southern end of the study area and that their Traditional Territory extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project. - That Aroland First Nation has many significant historical sites throughout the area and many ancestors are buried in those lands. - Aroland First Nation acknowledges that significant portions of their Traditional Territory overlap with MFFN's territory, but the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment primarily focuses on MFFN's history and occupancy. Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory must be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Assessment and in all 			

Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action - Aroland First Nation

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	<p>ongoing archeological work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any archaeological and cultural heritage work undertaken as part of EA for the MFFN CAR must acknowledge Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory and that they are to be involved in any Stage 3 assessments, which will require adequate capacity funding. 			
<p>Consultation Methods</p>	<p>Engagement Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP their concerns with the engagement process of the Project. ■ On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project, noting dissatisfaction with attempts to work with MFFN on the EA / IA. ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns on February 4, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue, as needed. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet and to find ways to develop a custom consultation process with the community. ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022, noting a commitment to develop a better relationship with and work with Aroland First Nation to better understand their concerns and comments on the Project. The helicopter flyover and North South Alliance were noted as examples of how the communities have and can continue to work together. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On September 29, 2022, an in-person meeting between Chief Bruce Achneepineskum and Chief Dorothy Towedo was offered. A response to the offer was not received. ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS

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	<p>relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On January 11, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN, where Chief Dorothy Towedo suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted that the details of the meeting should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between January 16 - 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant coordinated a Nation-to-Nation meeting with the Aroland First Nation Consultant. On January 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a proposed agenda for the January 26, 2023 Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding Collaboration Proposal Agreement with MFFN and continue to provide ongoing Project updates. 	
<p>Consultation Methods, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights</p>	<p>Custom Consultation Process and Collaboration Proposal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation noted in a letter dated October 20, 2020 that they would like to negotiate a custom consultation process since the MOU negotiations have stalled and would require additional capacity funding for its development. Aroland First Nation sent a letter on September 3, 2021 noting Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Efforts continue and have been ongoing since October 2020 to meet with and develop a custom consultation plan and discuss capacity funding for Aroland First Nation. Since October 2020, several communications and offers to meet to discuss this issue have been sent to Aroland First Nation. MFFN Leadership sent a letter to Chief Dorothy Towedo on March 9, 2022 requesting a meeting to discuss the Project including allocation of funding, creating a custom consultation plan, developing and IKSA and an offer to participate in the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS. The EA / IS Consultation and Engagement Plan does reference the development of custom consultation processes if requested by Indigenous communities. Efforts to develop a custom consultation process will be carried through into the EA.

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	<p>does not consent to any aspects of the EA for the MFFN CAR Project to occur on their territory, due to Aroland First Nation's consultation requirements not being met.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ● On January 11, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN, where Chief Dorothy Towedo suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on April 14, 2022, that the Project Team is available to discuss Aroland First Nation's needs in terms of information, time and capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered. ■ In response to the December 1, 2022 letter, MFFN sent a letter on December 15, 2022. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023 and agreed that the meeting details should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant. On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. ■ Between January 16 - 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant coordinated a Nation-to-Nation meeting with the Aroland First Nation Consultant. On January 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a proposed agenda for the January 26, 2023 Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal 	

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	<p>responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted that the details of the meeting should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ At the ATRI Forum in February 2023, Aroland First Nation noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – They are key to the Project but feel left out and feel they are in a difficult position if neighbouring communities to the north want to do things. – The Proponent needs to better to understand Aroland First Nations needs and wants. 		<p>Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 31, 2023, a response to Aroland First Nation's comments from the ATRI Forum were provided. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – That MFFN is working towards building a collaborative relationship with Aroland First Nation and have initiated a Nation-to-Nation dialogue to resolve concerns. – That the Proponents are committed to collaborating with Aroland First Nation throughout the EA / IA processes. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Follow up with both Aroland First Nation and MFFN regarding Collaboration Proposal Agreement and continue to provide ongoing Project updates. 	
<p>Field Studies, Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods, Groundwater (Quality and Quantity)</p>	<p>Field Programs, Funding and Consent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation indicated on May 13 and July 30, 2021 that they would like the custom consultation process to be developed before the start of the Project's Field Study Programs and indicated a lack of funding to determine potential impacts caused by the Project studies. ■ On September 3, 2021 and July 30, 2021 Aroland First Nation noted they do not consent to Field Study Programs on their territory, as no custom consultation plan was in place. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team responded to the September 3, 2021 letter and offered to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss the field study programs. However, some field study programs have commenced but the groundwater drilling program permitting has been postponed. Aroland First Nation responded that they would provide a response after the November 2021 elections. ■ Aroland First Nation sent a letter on October 7, 2021 to the MECP and on October 22, 2021 to MNR regarding their concerns with funding and the Field Study Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter on November 10, 2021 to offer to meet with the community to discuss their concerns and funding opportunities. MFFN Leadership sent a letter to Chief Dorothy Towedo on March 9, 2022 requesting a meeting to discuss the Project including allocation of funding, creating a custom consultation plan, developing and IKSA and an offer to participate in the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs. On April 14, 2022, it was noted in an 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Indigenous communities are encouraged to work with the MFFN CAR Project Team to develop a custom consultation plan during the EA / IS and the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation plan / process with Aroland First Nation. ■ The Field Study Programs are continuing, and updates will be provided regularly, along with opportunities for feedback on the programs in advance of them starting. ■ Opportunities to provide feedback on field programs in advance of them starting will be carried forward into the EA / IS. ■ Comments or concerns raised during the flyover and drilling

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation noted that their participation in the helicopter flyover for geotechnical and groundwater study programs does not mean they consent to field studies in their Traditional Territory. ■ On August 17 and 18, 2022 Aroland First Nation representatives participated in two helicopter flyovers of the proposed drilling sites of interest as identified by Aroland First Nation Aroland First Nation noted on August 25, 2022, that they would send a response to the flyover summary memo. ■ On September 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the draft helicopter summary memo. ■ Between November 25 and December 4, 2022, Aroland First Nation representatives participated in the Groundwater Program for drilling sites 10 and 16. A summary documenting the results of the program will be drafted and sent to Aroland First Nation for review. ■ On January 6, 2023 Andrew Peach noted during a phone call he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors received honoraria payments for their 		<p>email to Aroland First Nation that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 23, 2022 a summary documenting the results and responses to questions from the flyover were submitted to Aroland First Nation in the form of a summary memo. ■ On September 1, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team received feedback on the draft helicopter summary memo from Aroland First Nation. This information was incorporated into the final version of the memo, which was sent back to Aroland First Nation on September 28, 2022. Further feedback on the summary was not received. ■ In January 6 and 17, 2023 phones call with Andrew Peach, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors had received honoraria payments for participation in the groundwater program (November / December 2022) and noted a summary of the drilling activities would be sent shortly. ■ On March 3, 2023, a summary of the groundwater drilling activities for November and December 2022, was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments or revisions have been provided by Aroland First Nation to date. The email also inquired if Aroland First Nation would have any interest in sending monitors for the upcoming groundwater drilling activities. ■ On March 8, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant spoke with Andrew to discuss the upcoming Field Program work near Aroland First Nation, including wolverine denning surveys and site reconnaissance for the groundwater drilling program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitoring for the upcoming groundwater drilling activities, asked for information related to payment methods and contact information for the monitors and noted that a follow up email with details would be sent to Aroland First Nation key contacts, which was sent later that day. Further details related to the 	<p>activities will be considered during the EA / IS.</p>

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	<p>participation in the groundwater program drilling activities that took place from November 25 to December 4, 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17, Andrew Peach confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik confirmed the Aroland First Nation monitors had received their honoraria payments for participation in the groundwater program drilling activities. ■ On March 8, 2023, Andrew Peach spoke with the MFFN CAR Project Consultant regarding upcoming Field Program work. Andrew noted that there were likely no concerns related to the proximity of the fieldwork to Aroland, but would confirm with Jerry Shabogamik. ■ In a letter sent on March 31, 2023, Chief Towedo noted that Aroland First Nation participated in one flyover of the Local Study Area that was included in Stage 1 field review, but noted that because of the significant overlap of the study area with Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory, the community believes they are entitled to a deeper level of engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to their territory. 		<p>surveys being completed, area of work and information needed by the Project Team was included and asked for feedback or concerns regarding the work timing and locations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between March 8 and April 18, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent follow up emails and phone calls to coordinate Aroland First Nation monitor participation in the groundwater drilling activities. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation process and funding opportunities with Aroland First Nation, and request feedback through field program Discussion Guides. A summary documenting the results of the Groundwater Program will be sent to Aroland First Nation. 	

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General Project	<p>Mining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project due to the possibility of multiple road segment projects opening up the region to large scale mining. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022. The letter noted that the MFFN CAR Project had not yet been approved and is in the preliminary design and analysis phases of the EA and IA. The letter also mentioned that potential impacts of the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined through these processes, but will be informed through field studies and consultation with Aroland First Nation. The importance of a relationship between MFFN and Aroland First Nation was noted and a meeting was offered. On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to address Aroland First Nation's concerns noted in the letter. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue resolution is ongoing. Unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS. The EA / IS will outline the objectives for the CAR and how those differ from the other two projects (e.g., Northern Road Link and Webequie Supply Road), including a description about how this is not a mining project.
Human Health, Socio-Community, Economy, Land and Resource Use, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Provincial EA Process	<p>Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage Information Collection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On May 12, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation required more time to review the proposed socio-economic data information request and that a response may be provided by May 25, 2023. On May 26, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter in response to the information collection requests. The letter outlined that although they agreed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On May 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter to request the opportunity to collect social, economic, land and resource use, health and safety, and community well-being information from Aroland First Nation. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided and noted that the information collected would adhere to OCAP principles. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested. On May 15, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant responded to Andrew Peach's May 12 email, noting they are looking forward to Aroland First Nation's response and would be available to help with any requests regarding the Project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS

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	<p>that their cultural heritage and values information must inform the Project, Aroland First Nation could not agree to the request, but would be willing to conduct their own collection in order to control the misunderstanding, misuse and misappropriation of their information. The letter also noted the information would be redacted and provided to the Project for use in the EA. Aroland First Nation requested funding to help undertake the work and would complete their collection as quickly as practical and would provide a budget with anticipated costs.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 23, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to request the opportunity to collect built and cultural heritage landscape information from Aroland First Nation members. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided. The email noted that Aroland First Nation was offered the opportunity to participate in a helicopter flyover on June 11, 2023 and that the Project Team cultural heritage team would like to meet with Aroland First Nation members on June 12, 2023 to collect information. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Respond to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter. ■ Continue to follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding socio-economic and cultural heritage information collection. 	
<p>Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use</p>	<p>IKSA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation provided proposed amendments to the ISKA in July 2019 as part of the MOU negotiations at that time. ■ In July 2021, Aroland First Nation requested that a custom consultation process be initiated before the IKSA can be developed. ■ In a conversation on November 15, 2022 regarding the IK Program and funding, Andrew Peach noted that although he could not speak on behalf of the community, he believed this could be considered after a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN re-engaged Aroland First Nation on the IKSA discussion on March 31, 2021 and in a letter on March 9, 2022, where the Project Team requested a meeting to discuss details such as the development of an IKSA. ■ Aroland First Nation provided a fully executed Confidential Information Agreement to the MFFN CAR Project Team on July 29, 2022. ■ On April 14, 2022, the July 2019 template version of the IKSA with Aroland First Nation's comments, email exchanges, and IK Funding Agreement were attached to an email for their review and consideration. It was noted that Aroland First Nation asked to initiate a custom consultation process before dealing with the IKSA, but that process has not yet been initiated despite efforts from the MFFN CAR Project Team. It was also noted that any IK shared with the MFFN CAR Project Team during the helicopter flyover for geotechnical and groundwater 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The results of ongoing efforts to develop an IKSA will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>Nation-to-Nation meeting was executed, as Aroland First Nation had yet to determine whether or not to move forward with the program. Andrew also mentioned the Confidential Information Agreement could be specific to field work but would follow up to confirm if it could be used as the IKSA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In a phone conversation on November 15, 2022, Andrew Peach agreed to follow up and confirm if the Confidential Information Agreement could be considered an IKSA. 		<p>study programs would be protected and respected in accordance with the community's wishes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 29, 2022, MFFN sent a signed version of the Confidential Information Agreement to Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an IK Program update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI shapefiles on August 16, 2022. A meeting was offered. In a phone conversation on November 15, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked about the IK Program and funding, and whether the previously signed Confidential Information Agreement could be considered an IKSA. On March 22, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a letter with an update on the IK Program Timeline, which included schedule and reporting information. The letter notified the community that route selection for the MFFN CAR Project would begin in summer 2023 and that IK and ILRU is requested by June 30, 2023 to be included in the selection, but will continue to incorporate information where possible. On May 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant send an email reminder about the IK Program milestones and timelines. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop an IKSA with Aroland First Nation and await updates from the development of a Confidential Information Agreement. 	
Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods	<p>Consent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project as a portion of the road is located within Aroland First Nation traditional territory. Aroland First Nation has not 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Letter Email In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022 and September 23, 2022, that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022, acknowledging Aroland First Nation's opposition to the Project and mentioned that the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>consented to the Project in their territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ■ On January 11, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN, where Chief Dorothy Towedo suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted that the details of the meeting 		<p>Project is in the preliminary design and analysis phase of the EA and IA, and has not been approved. MFFN noted the potential impacts for the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined, but field programs, like the ones in which Aroland First Nation had participated, will help to determine the conditions and inform the assessments. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods and relationships between Aroland First Nation and MFFN.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. ■ In response to the December 1, 2022 letter, MFFN sent a letter on December 15, 2022. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. 	

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	<p>should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between January 16 - 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant coordinated a Nation-to-Nation meeting with the Aroland First Nation Consultant. On January 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a proposed agenda for the January 26, 2023 Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory was mischaracterized as only occupying the southern end of the study area, as it extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project. Aroland First Nation 		<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding Collaboration Proposal Agreement with MFFN and continue to provide ongoing Project updates. 	

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	<p>requested their Traditional Territory be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Archaeology assessment and all ongoing archaeology work.</p>			
<p>Mitigation, Compensation, Accommodation, Provincial EA</p>	<p>Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation indicated to the Province of Ontario they cannot engage on the Project until they receive adequate participant funding. ■ Aroland First Nation noted concerns with the lack of funding to participate in the EA in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP. ■ On November 15, 2022, Aroland First Nation's Consultant noted that although he could not speak on behalf of the community, he believed the IK Program and Community Coordinator Program funding could be of consideration after a Nation-to-Nation meeting was executed, as Aroland First Nation had yet to determine whether or not to move forward with these programs. The Aroland First Nation Consultant noted that Aroland only has participant funding from Ontario but does not have funding to review reports related to the Project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation entered a participant funding agreement with Ontario in February 2020. ■ While this issue was brought up directly to MECP, the MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss and understand their participation funding needs. The MFFN CAR Project Team provided updates on available IK Program funding in January 2022 and the Community Coordinator Program in February 2022. On April 14, 2022, it was noted in an email to Aroland First Nation that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered. ■ On November 15, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked about the IK Program, the Community Coordinator Program and the program related funding. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Work with Aroland First Nation to understand funding needs while also facilitating their access to existing funding, including the Community Coordinator Program and the IK Program. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to January 31 and March 31, 2023 letters. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Indigenous communities are encouraged to work with the MFFN CAR Project Team to develop a custom consultation plan during the EA / IA and the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to develop a custom consultation plan / process with Aroland First Nation. ■ Efforts to develop an MOU and custom consultation process will be carried throughout the EA / IA. ■ Concerns regarding funding will be tracked as part of the Record of Consultation and Engagement in the EA / IS.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter from Chief Towedo on January 31, 2023, Aroland First Nation noted they lacked the funding to review the Interim RoCE and Progress Milestone #1 Report. ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Towedo sent a letter that outlined that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage. 			
Provincial EA Process, Cumulative Effects	Inadequate Scope of the EA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP, concerns that the three road projects should be assessed together for their cumulative effects and highlighted the associated potential impacts of industrial traffic on the road. ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their May 6, 2022 letter the potential cumulative effects of development on their territory including threatening the land, environment, climate and their culture and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person 	Status: Ongoing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MECP responded to Aroland First Nation's letter with a letter via email on February 4, 2022. The letter indicated that Ontario intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all road projects, and would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate. While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue. ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022, acknowledging Aroland First Nation's opposition to the Project and mentioned that the Project is in the preliminary design and analysis phase of the EA and IA, and has not been approved. MFFN noted the potential impacts for the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined, but field programs, like the ones in which Aroland First Nation had 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Input provided on cumulative effects will be considered as part of the EA / IA.

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	<p>rights. The letter also referenced opposition to the Project noting the Regional Assessment needs to cover all potential development in the James Bay lowlands area.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ At the ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay in February, 2023, Aroland First Nation noted they will not support any development until the Regional Assessment is completed and cumulative effects have been determined. It was noted that this statement has been written in several letters from Aroland First Nation. The community also stated that they welcome and support MFFN on the CAR Project only, but now there are other things attached (NRL and WSR). Aroland First Nation asked why they are not involved and why the community wasn't asked to participate in the development of the projects. Aroland also stated that the road projects will affect everyone and the community is already seeing impacts that will change everything, and impacts cannot be reversed. 		<p>participated, will help to determine the conditions and inform the assessments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On May 31, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team provided a response to Aroland First Nation's comments from the ATRI Forum regarding cumulative effects. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The response outlined that the completion of the Regional Assessment is not a requirement for the road projects to proceed with the individual EA / IA processes and that the decision to proceed with the EA / IA processes for the road projects is consistent with the agreements between the proponents and the Province of Ontario. The response also noted that the EA / IA for the road projects will each include a cumulative effects assessment which will include other past, present or reasonably foreseeable projects and activities in the scope. – That MFFN is working towards building a collaborative relationship with Aroland First Nation and have initiated a Nation-to-Nation dialogue to resolve concerns. – The proponents understand the roads would result in effects / changes and are conducting individual EA / IA processes in an effort to better understand those effects and develop measures to mitigate negative effects and enhance positive effects. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Continue to provide Aroland First Nation ongoing Project updates and hear feedback regarding the cumulative assessment components as they become available. 	

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<p>Provincial EA Process, Federal IA Process, Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods</p>	<p>MOU</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation noted on January 29, 2020, that they cannot engage on the Project due to the lack of an MOU. ■ Finalization of mapping for shared territory between Aroland First Nation and MFFN is also needed to support the finalization of the MOU between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On January 31, 2023, Aroland First Nation provided two comments on the Interim RoCE regarding the MOU. Aroland First Nation noted that there was mischaracterization of discussions between Aroland First Nation and MFFN regarding the MOU and MFFN's decision to end legal negotiations regarding the MOU. ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Since the beginning of the Project until October 2020, Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team conducted ongoing discussions and negotiations to develop an MOU between the two First Nations. Aroland First Nation shared a territory map in October 2020. ■ In October 2020, MFFN requested Aroland First Nation to begin negotiating an MOU from first principles. Aroland First Nation declined but indicated their preference to begin the development of a custom consultation process instead of pursuing an MOU from first principles. MFFN agreed to begin working on a custom consultation process and has attempted to follow up repeatedly. A custom consultation process has not yet been created. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. As of May 31, 2023, the Collaboration Proposal Agreement had not been finalized. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding Collaboration Proposal Agreement with MFFN and continue to provide ongoing Project updates. ■ Respond to Aroland First Nation's comments sent on January 31, 2023 on the Interim RoCE regarding the MOU. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Efforts to develop an MOU and custom consultation process will be carried through into the EA / IS.

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	<p>and archaeological heritage. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory was mischaracterized as only occupying the southern end of the study area, as it extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project. Aroland First Nation requested their Traditional Territory be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Archaeology assessment and all ongoing archaeology work.</p>			

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July 14, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Aroland First Nation 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		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the July E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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 27, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Aroland First Nation requesting participation in the Engagement Questionnaire to understand the topics of most interest to Aroland First Nation (e.g., valued components) and gather input on the best ways to keep Aroland First Nation informed on Project updates and activities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned the band office, no one answered the call and no message was left as the mailbox was full.
July 27, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, requesting participation in the Engagement Questionnaire to understand the topics of most interest to Aroland First Nation (e.g., valued components) and gather input on the best ways to keep Aroland First Nation informed on Project updates and activities. Andrew mentioned that there were outstanding items related to the MFFN CAR Project that should be discussed before the questionnaire could be considered. The consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was working on a response to Chief Towedo's May 6, 2022 letter and that the

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						Project Team was still working on the logistics related to the helicopter flyover. Andrew Peach mentioned that he is unable to answer on behalf of Aroland First Nation but that he would follow-up with Chief Towedo. It was noted that an email summarizing the call would be sent.
July 27, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, requesting participation in the Engagement Questionnaire to understand the topics of most interest to Aroland First Nation (e.g., valued components) and gather input on the best ways to keep Aroland First Nation informed on Project updates and activities. A link to the questionnaire form was provided with a request for completion by August 12, 2022. A summary of the phone call was provided, noting that there were outstanding items related to the MFFN CAR Project including a response to a letter from Chief Towedo dated May 6, 2022, a signed copy of the Confidential Information Agreement and the coordination of the helicopter flyover. The consultant thanked Andrew for his patience while the Project Team worked to get those items completed. It was also noted that the flyover could take place in September and that four Aroland First Nation participants were identified. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that a Groundwater Field Program email would be sent shortly which could be of interest to the participants, and to respond with any comments, questions or concerns.
July 28, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update.

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July 28, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the consultant for the update. Andrew noted that he, Aroland First Nation Chief and Council, and Jeremy Shute were previously identified in an email in May as to who to CC on future correspondence.
July 28, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, acknowledging the list of contacts who should be CC'd on future correspondence.
July 29, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dorothy Towedo (Chief) Samson Meshake (Councillor) Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) Robinson Meshake (Councillor) Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) Chad Kashkish (Councillor) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation key contacts to provide a signed copy of the Confidential Information Agreement. It was noted that the consultant would provide updated logistical information about the helicopter flyover and that four Aroland First Nation representatives had been previously identified for the flyover which was tentatively scheduled for September 2022.
July 29, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dorothy Towedo (Chief) Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program Notice to Aroland First Nation 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 03, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Advisor, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to advise of the tentative dates of August 16 -18, 2022 for the helicopter flyover and noted this would be the last opportunity to conduct the flyover before the groundwater monitoring program in September. It was noted that the objective of the flyover is to scan the potential

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						groundwater sites to determine if they are suitable locations for wells and clearing for the groundwater monitoring program. It was also noted that the commitment is to have two monitors in the morning and two in the afternoon. It was asked if the Aroland First Nation participant information could be provided by the end of the week.
August 03, 2022	Email	x	x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant exchanged several logistical emails regarding the groundwater program helicopter flyover with key contacts from Aroland First Nation between August 3 – 10, 2022. Tentative dates for the flyover as well as the contact information and availability for the Aroland First Nation participants was discussed. It was determined that two participants would participate in the August 17, 2022 flyover, while two other participants would participate on August 18, 2022.
August 04, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to inquire about the status of the Confidential Information Agreement; whether the document was reviewed with Aroland Chief and Council, and asked if a fully executed agreement could be provided.
August 05, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to inform the MFFN CAR Project Team that there had been some deaths in the community and that Andrew Peach would work with Chief Dorothy Towedo on the Confidential Information Agreement the following week.

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August 11, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, to provide specific details for the helicopter flyover. Information related to the scope of work, logistical information for the dates of the flyovers and contact information for the team conducting the flyover were provided. The scope of work information noted the three groundwater monitoring sites identified as potential suitable locations for wells and clearing for the program, the discussion and identification of potential cultural heritage features in the area, and the discussion of potential mitigation options.
August 11, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed to confirm the method of information collection for the helicopter flyover. It was noted that a Confidential Information Agreement in relation to the helicopter was signed between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation.
August 11, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who provided the fully executed Confidential Information Agreement for the upcoming helicopter flyovers. It was noted that Chief Towedo signed below the signatures of the MFFN CAR Project Team and MFFN representative, as there were no other spaces to sign.
August 11, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to thank him for providing the fully executed Confidential Information Agreement and for his help to coordinate the helicopter flyover logistics, for which the details had been confirmed but to reach out if there are any issues. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant apologized for the error in not providing a location for Chief Towedo's signature.

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August 11, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, acknowledging the information provided about the helicopter flyover, which included the scope of work, logistical details for the dates, and contact information.
August 17, 2022	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Community Member Advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Members of the MFFN CAR Project Team accompanied two Aroland First Nation members on August 17, 2022, where they participated in a helicopter flyover to visually inspect three potential groundwater sites (10, 16 and 27). The flyover was conducted to determine if the site locations are suitable for the groundwater monitoring program in regards to traditional knowledge concerns. The identification of potential cultural heritage features in the areas of each potential groundwater drilling site were discussed and identified. One concern related to potential impacts to animals related to clearing and drilling activities was raised by the participants for one of the three locations.
August 17, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to inform that two participants would be unable to attend the August 18, 2022 flyover, but that two new participants have been identified to attend in their place and understand where to meet in the morning. Andrew Peach also asked if it would be possible to add another site to the flyover, as they identified another site (site 4) for concern after the latest Groundwater and Geotechnical update from the Project Team. Andrew Peach noted that the participants would like to take a closer look at this new site and hoped it wouldn't complicate the plans as it was close to site 16.
August 17, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to let him know they had received an update that it was supposed to rain the whole day of the August 18, 2022 flyover and that they would receive an

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						update 6:30 am that morning to determine if they can conduct the flyover. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for the emails of the participants should there be a change in the plans.
August 17, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to thank him for the update about the participants for the flyover on August 18, 2022. The consultant noted that adding site 4 to the agenda should work since it is near site 10, but reminded that staff need to leave the site at noon. It was also noted that based on the successful flyover that day, there should be enough time to visit site 4.
August 18, 2022	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jack Shabogamik (Member of Aroland First Nation) ■ Larry Baxter (Member of Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN Community Member Advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Members of the MFFN CAR Project Team accompanied the two Aroland First Nation members where they participated in a helicopter flyover to visually inspect three potential groundwater sites (4, 16 and 27). At the request of Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, site 4 was added to the flyover due to the previous day's discussion and replaced site 10 on the agenda due to a delayed start time from weather. The flyover was conducted to determine if the site locations are suitable for the groundwater monitoring program in regards to traditional knowledge concerns. The identification of potential cultural heritage features in the areas of each potential groundwater drilling site were discussed and identified. No concerns related to traditional cultural knowledge were raised by any of the participants during the flyover. Some general comments were made and are protected through the Confidential Sharing Agreement.
August 18, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to let him know that fog and low ceiling have delayed the flight until about 10 am. The consultant reminded Andrew that the flyover must finish at noon for people who were catching flights in

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						Thunder Bay and that if the flyover was delayed any further, it would have to be canceled. It was noted that Andrew Peach would be updated.
August 19, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the August E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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.
August 20, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resources Coordinator, thanking them for the August E-Blast update.
August 22, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who mentioned that he hoped the flyovers went smoothly and noted the weather delaying the flyover on the Thursday, but that the flyover was still able to occur. Andrew noted some follow-up questions: the participants were wondering about how and when they will receive their \$200 honoraria for their participant in the flyover, whether the MFFN CAR Project Team would be providing a summary or report of the findings and how the information would be incorporated into the Project.

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August 23, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to provide a memo summarizing specific details from the helicopter flyover, to provide responses to the questions posed by the Aroland First Nation participants during the flyover and to respond to Andrew's August 22, 2022 email. The consultant noted that there were no concerns identified with groundwater sites 10, 16 and 27 during the flyover.
August 24, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to provide an example photo of an installed groundwater well.
August 24, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the summary memo and responses to questions from the helicopter flyover.
August 24, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the consultant for flyover summary memo and question responses. Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation is preparing a response, and asked if it would be possible to send the honoraria for the four participants to Ernie Gagnon, who would distribute the money to the participants afterwards.
August 24, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the photo of the groundwater well.
September 01, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, letting them know that another MFFN CAR Project Consultant would be on vacation that week and this was a follow up on her behalf. The

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						MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked when the response to the flyover summary memo would be provided by Aroland First Nation.
September 01, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing a response to the flyover summary memo. Four key points were mentioned, with additional details related to each point: Aroland First Nation's participation in the flyover should not be interpreted as consent for the proposed studies related to the MFFN CAR Project, that Aroland First Nation has raised the issue of capacity funding numerous times with Ontario and the Proponent and will limit the degree of engagement possible related to the flyover, the monitors on the August 17 flyover noted a concern with site 16 in relation to the Ogoki River, and that the honoraria payment should be sent to Ernie Gagnon to distribute to the other monitors.
September 06, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the information related to the honoraria payment.
September 06, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach and Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team has been coordinating the honoraria payment with Working Warriors and provided their contact information. It was mentioned that Working Warriors would provide the e-transfer password to Ernie once they are in contact and that Working Warriors had tried to contact Ernie through the office, but that the consultant thought that providing the contact information to Aroland First Nation might be the easiest way to coordinate the payment.

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September 07, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update on the honoraria payment.
September 09, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to the key contacts at Aroland First Nation, to notify them of upcoming tree clearing and drilling activities related to the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program. Specific dates were provided for the tree clearing and drilling activities related to the specific sites determined to be of potential interest to Aroland First Nation. It was noted that in a letter dated March 9, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team previously offered to have Aroland First Nation monitors at these sites during the drilling activities. It was stated that the MFFN CAR Project Team is able to accommodate two Aroland First Nation monitors to observe the drilling over the three-day period at the sites of interest between October 19 and 29. A response to the offer was requested by September 14, 2022 as well as the contact information for the monitors. It was also noted that a follow-up with a revised helicopter flyover summary would be provided shortly.
September 13, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council will be having a meeting with their project team to discuss the option of sending monitors to the identified groundwater drilling sites and will be able to provide more details and contact information for the monitors following the meeting.

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September 13, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the update on the groundwater program tree clearing and drilling.
September 13, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the update on the groundwater program tree clearing and drilling.
September 16, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Consultant ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that Aroland First Nation Leadership had received some reports of trailers being set up at the airstrip near Melchett Lake, along the Anaconda forestry road. Andrew Peach asked if these trailers were connected to the studies being conducted by the Project.
September 16, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing an attached letter from Chief Towedo. The letter discussed several topics including: the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program staging area near Melchett Lake, consultation and engagement surrounding the use of the area as a staging site, potential impacts to ATRI and the requirement for a Nation-to-Nation

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 		<p>meeting to discuss working together on the MFFN CAR Project. The letter specifically noted that Aroland First Nation does not provide consent for MFFN CAR Project activities to occur in their territory and that Aroland First Nation has repeatedly told the Crown that no roads or infrastructure for the Ring of Fire should be built until the completion of a comprehensive cumulative effects Regional Assessment, that is developed, implemented and enforced by all First Nations in the region.</p>
September 16, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Consultant ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that the consultant would inquire about the trailers being set up at the airstrip near Melchett Lake to determine if they are part of the MFFN CAR Project and would let Andrew Peach know.

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September 16, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a field programs update to Aroland First Nation. 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 16, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking the consultant for the field programs update sent on September 16, 2022.
September 23, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts at Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation, noting that a letter was attached to email on behalf of MFFN's Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, and was in response to Chief Towedo's May 6 and September 16, 2022 letter correspondence to MFFN Leadership. The letter discussed several topics including: the importance of the MFFN CAR to the MFFN community, Aroland First Nation's opposition to the MFFN CAR, the status of the EA and IA in terms of construction timing, and the demobilization of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program staging site near Melchett Lake. The letter focused in on opportunities for the two Nations to work together

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Corinna Baxter (MFFN Executive Assistant) 		<p>and a Nation-to-Nation meeting was proposed for early October 2022. The letter also acknowledged that Aroland First Nation does not provide consent for any of the MFFN CAR Project activities to occur on their territory.</p>
September 27, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to inquire if Aroland First Nation is interested in having monitors present at the groundwater drilling sites, as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program. It was noted that the dates for tree clearing and well drilling were approaching, and the MFFN CAR Project Team would work to have Aroland First Nation monitors present if there was interest. Updated dates for the tree clearing and well drilling was provided. The consultant asked for the names and contact information to give to the field work coordinators, and noted that the flyover summary memo would be sent soon.

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September 28, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email to the key contacts at Aroland First Nation, providing a revised and final version of the flyover summary memo with updates made per Aroland First Nation's proposed amendments from September 1, 2022. The consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team acknowledges that Aroland First Nation's participation in the helicopter flyover is not to be interpreted as consent for the proposed field studies, and that this point would be reflected in any records related to the flyover. The consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team acknowledges Aroland First Nation's interest in accessing capacity funding associated with the MFFN CAR Project and mentioned that funding is available through the IK Program and Community Coordinator Program. Details for both programs were attached to the email and an offer to meet with Aroland First Nation was noted. The consultant asked for confirmation that the flyover participants received their honoraria payment from Ernie Gagnon. On the same date, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow-up email with an attached revised flyover summary memo, to the key contacts at Aroland First Nation, apologizing for not attaching the flyover summary memo to the previous email.
September 29, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts at Aroland First Nation to inquire if there would be interest from Chief and Council in attending an informal dinner meeting with Chief Achneepineskum after the Matawa meetings. It was noted that Chief Achneepineskum proposed this dinner in order to discuss an agenda for an upcoming Nation-to-Nation meeting. The consultant asked for confirmation of interest and to share details of specific dates that work.

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September 29, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the September E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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 11, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts at Aroland First Nation, inquiring if there was any interest in having Aroland First Nation monitors present at the well drilling locations as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program. It was noted that drilling at the previously identified sites (10, 16, 17) would likely begin the following week and that tree clearing has completed. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that it is important that confirmation and monitor contact information was shared in order to coordinate logistics.

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October 12, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for information regarding the upcoming tree clearing and well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program.
October 13, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Councillor Sheldon Atlookan, Aroland First Nation, mentioning that Councillor Atlookan believed no field program work was to happen until Marten Falls First Nation met with Aroland First Nation. Councillor Atlookan also noted that he does not support this work until correspondence between the two Nations takes place and COVID-19 isn't an issue. Councillor Atlookan also noted involvement with the Government of Ontario.
October 13, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that Aroland Chief and Council had not had the opportunity to meet to discuss the offer of having Aroland First Nation monitors present for well drilling at locations previously identified by Aroland First Nation and mentioned they would be meeting the following Tuesday. Andrew noted that although timelines were tight, he hoped the MFFN CAR Project Team would be able to accommodate the monitors. Aroland First Nation had not provided their consent for any activities related to the studies to occur on their Traditional Territory and are only considering sending monitors in order to protect Aroland First Nation's cultural values at the identified sites.

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October 17, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking him for his email and update sent on October 13, 2022. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team is eager to receive feedback from Aroland First Nation Chief and Council about participants for monitoring the well drilling as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs.
October 18, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor), ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, advising that Aroland First Nation, despite not providing consent for field program work to occur on their territory, would like to send monitors to the well drilling sites due to potential impacts to their territory. It was noted that it would likely take a few days to coordinate monitors and scheduling, and asked if a detailed schedule and location information was available.
October 18, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking him for the update and that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant would gather the requested information and respond shortly.

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October 20, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, advising that the MFFN CAR Project Team was working on details and that the well drilling activities had not started for sites 10, 16 and 27. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team is looking forward to working with the Aroland First Nation monitors and would follow up more details soon.
October 26, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to follow up on the IK Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Aroland First Nation about funding available and to inquire about the Sharing and Funding Agreements. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant offered to meet to discuss the IK Program and ATRI.
October 31, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, inquiring if there was an update on the schedule for the well drilling work as part of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program.

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October 31, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, advising Andrew that the MFFN CAR Project Team was working to finalize details and would hope to have a schedule and information to share that week.
November 02, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resources Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the October E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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 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.

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November 07, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the consultant for the updates and noted they will respond to the questions as soon as possible. Andrew asked if the consultant could confirm whether the monitors would receive honorarium for each day they participate in the drilling activities.
November 07, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, confirming that the monitors would receive honorarium payments for their participation in the well drilling activities through Working Warriors and that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant would follow up with the MFFN CAR Project Team to confirm details. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they would circle back with Andrew to confirm the best payment method and contact information once the monitors had been identified.
November 07, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing an updated schedule and more information regarding the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Programs. Information regarding timing, monitors, meeting location and equipment needed were provided, as well as an updated projected schedule for drilling at sites 10, 16 and 27. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked whether the monitors would like to be on site the entire time and noted that more information on the meeting time would be provided once the monitors were identified.

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November 10, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a notice to Aroland First Nation 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		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to provide an updated on the MFFN CAR Project and follow up on outstanding items. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant spoke with Andrew regarding several topics including: confirmation of the Aroland First Nation monitors, updated well drilling schedule, Chief Towedo working on a response to the September 23 letter, the IK Sharing Agreement, funding through various programs and the arrangement of a Nation-to-Nation meeting. It was also noted that communication through one person (the Consultant) has been effective and that Andrew had previously responded to a question from community members about trail cameras with Golder stickers. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the cameras could be from the MFFN CAR Project as Golder is a part of the team. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted they would keep in touch and would assist in arranging a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and MFFN Chief and Council, as this was an important milestone for relationship building between both nations.

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November 15, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, as a follow up to a phone call earlier that day. The email 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 Impact Statement extension from IAAC and notification of upcoming ATRI workshops. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also summarized key items from the phone call including: confirmation of the Aroland First Nation monitors, updated well drilling schedule, Chief Towedo working on a response to the September 23 letter, the IK Sharing Agreement, funding through various programs and the arrangement of a Nation-to-Nation meeting. It was also noted that communication through one person (the Consultant) has been effective and that Andrew had previously responded to a question from community members about trail cameras with Golder stickers. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the cameras could be from the MFFN CAR Project as Golder is a part of the team.
November 15, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing an updated schedule for the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the dates are tentative based on weather conditions and work schedules and that updates would be provided where necessary.

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November 17, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing updated details about the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs and inquired if Aroland First Nation had identified any participants to monitor the work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the start date for the drilling, the meeting location, an honorarium payment for monitors and that the program can accommodate one or two people. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for the contact information for the monitors, their preferred payment method and whether they want to stay for one day or the entire program.
November 18, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, where Jerry provided the names of potential Aroland First Nation monitors and their phone numbers. Jerry noted to call or email if needed.
November 18, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update and noted that Aroland First Nation's office was closed on Tuesday and Wednesday so they are still working on identifying monitors and would be in contact by the end of the day.

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November 21, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to thank Jerry for providing the Aroland First Nation monitor contact information and asked Jerry could confirm how the monitors would like to be paid. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the payment would be set up through Working Warriors and that emails for the monitors would be required for e-transfer payments.
November 22, 2022	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone call from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator. The call was not answered and Jerry left a voicemail noting the call was in regards to the monitoring that Aroland First Nation members were participating in. Jerry left his phone number for the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to call him back.
November 22, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator to discuss details surrounding the Aroland First Nation monitor participation in the well drilling activities for the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about confirmation of participants who would be available that week and Jerry indicated that he had spoken with two monitors and was still trying to contact another but that one monitor would be available on the first day and another the second day. Jerry asked if it would be possible to pick up the monitors in Aroland since it was on the way to the sites and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant agreed to follow up and inquire if that was possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked what the preferred payment method was for the monitors and if e-transfer would work. Jerry indicated that some

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						monitors may not have e-transfer capabilities and that cheque would be better. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a phone number and email in order for Jerry to follow up with details and noted they would follow up with schedule updates and information about pick up in Aroland.
November 22, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, summarizing a phone call about made earlier in the day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they would follow up with the MFFN CAR Project Team regarding: picking up Aroland First Nation members from the community, the dates and meeting time for the well drilling activities and whether it was possible to provide cheque payments to the monitors and what details are needed for that method of payment.
November 22, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, letting the MFFN CAR Project Consultant know that Jerry would find out the details about the monitor payments and noted that the monitors would require transportation from Aroland to Nakina and wondered if it would be possible to be picked up by the helicopter in Aroland.
November 22, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed an invitation for PIC #4 to Aroland First Nation. 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.

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November 22, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, providing updates about the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted: the date of drilling at the first site, that two monitors could join per day in addition to Bob Baxter, and the required items the monitors should bring. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also they are working on coordinating transportation and that the monitors would have to meet at the Nakina airport for health and safety training at 8:30 am. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked what equipment the monitors had, their addresses for payment and which monitors would be joining on the first visit, and noted they would follow up with Jerry to confirm details.
November 23, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to follow up on details regarding the well drilling activities and the Aroland First Nation monitor participation. The call was not answered and a voicemail was left noting the reason for the call.
November 23, 2022	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone call from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, responding to a call from the MFFN CAR Project Consultant. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant spoke with Jerry about the details and logistics regarding the well drilling activities that the Aroland First Nation monitors would be participating in the next day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided details regarding transportation, which would be provided by Bob Baxter, and inquired about the addresses to pick up the monitors. Jerry provided details about monitor availability and provided contact information for the monitors. Jerry also noted he would follow up with Tiffany about participating in the field work.

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November 23, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the information.
November 23, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, noting that Bob Baxter would be picking up and dropping off the Aroland First Nation monitors and gave Bob's phone number for the monitors. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked: who would be joining for the work on the first day, where they would like to meet Bob in Aroland and whether the monitors could be ready to meet Bob at 8 am in order to drive to Nakina for 8:30 am.

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November 23, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, inquiring if Tiffany would be joining in the well drilling field work on November 24th, 2022 and asked what to bring.
November 23, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Tiffany Mendowegan, an Aroland First Nation community member, to provide details about participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that Bob Baxter would be in Aroland to pick up another monitor at 8:00 am and that Tiffany could join at that time. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a list of items to bring for the monitoring and indicated that Tiffany should reach out to Bob in the morning to confirm details.
November 23, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for their response.
November 25, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the November E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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,

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 		<p>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.</p>
November 28, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant. The call was not answered and a message was left, outlining MFFN CAR Project updates related to PIC #4 and the webinar series, and that a follow up email would be sent.
November 28, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, following up on a phone call made earlier that day, noted that a voicemail was left and that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant had updates for the MFFN CAR Project. 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. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if there were any questions or concerns related to the Aroland First Nation monitors and the well drilling activities and thanked Jerry Shabogamik for his help coordinating the monitors.

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November 29, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to inquire about the best method of payment for the Aroland First Nation monitors who participated in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant spoke with someone at reception at the band office who indicated Jerry was not in the office. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant left a message for Jerry with reception, asking Jerry if he was able to gather the addresses of the monitors in order to send them a cheque through mail, and to call or email the MFFN CAR Project Consultant with that information.
December 01, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a Winter / Spring 2023 Field Notice to Aroland First Nation. 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 01, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting a letter from Chief Towedo was attached. The letter outlined that Chief Towedo appreciated MFFN's response to their concerns about the field crew staging area near Melchett Lake and thanked MFFN for their invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting between the two councils. The letter suggested a meeting in January 2023 in Thunder Bay, but was open to other locations and noted working with each council's advisors to find an agreeable location and time. The letter noted working together to establish

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December 02, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resources Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Team for the Winter / Spring 2023 Field Program update sent on December 1, 2022.
December 06, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent the draft Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report to Aroland First Nation 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. Aroland First Nation 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

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 		<p>timeline. A response was requested that the email was received and the documents could be viewed / downloaded successfully.</p>
December 07, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, providing an update on the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs and noted that the drilling activities have completed for the 2022 season for sites 10, 16 and 27. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that drilling activities were not completed at site 27 due to the weather and that the MFFN CAR Project Team would reach out to Aroland First Nation in Spring 2023 to confirm their participation when the drilling activities begin. It was mentioned that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant was unable to confirm the mailing addresses of the participants and inquired if it would be possible to receive that information. It was noted that a response to Chief Towedo's December 1, 2022 letter to Chief Achneepineksun would be sent soon.
December 07, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for PIC #4 to Aroland First Nation 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

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						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 13, 2022	Phone	x		■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone call from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordination, where Jerry provided the mailing addresses of two of the Aroland First Nation monitors, but did not know the third monitor's mailing address. Jerry inquired if it would be possible to send the cheques via express post, as it takes a long time for regular mail to arrive. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant agreed to inquire if express post was possible and would get back to Jerry with details once they could confirm it was possible.
December 13, 2022	Email		x	■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation Community Member)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, to ask for Tiffany's mailing address and mentioned that Working Warriors would be sending the cheque through mail.
December 13, 2022	Email	x		■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation Community Member)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, providing Tiffany's mailing address.
December 13, 2022	Email		x	■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation Community Member)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, to thank Tiffany for the quick response in providing her mailing address.
December 14, 2022	Phone	x		■ Jack Shabogamik (Aroland First Nation Community Member)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone call from Jack Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, inquiring about the status of the cheques that were sent out for participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned they had only received the mailing addresses the day prior, that Working Warriors was processing the cheques that same day and were waiting on confirmation that the

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						cheques could be sent via express post. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted they would call or email Jerry Shabogamik once the details were confirmed and that it is expected the cheques would be sent shortly.
December 14, 2022	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jack Shabogamik (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone call from Jack Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, inquiring about the status of the cheques that were sent out for participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that they were still waiting for confirmation that the cheques could be sent via express post but noted they were being processed. Jack said he would be calling the Ministry of Labour because Jack was told he would receive \$250 a day for his participation in the field work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they only received Jack's address the day prior and that they were working to get them sent out as soon as possible and would call him in the morning.
December 14, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resources Coordinator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Aroland First Nation 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 15, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, inquiring about the status of the payments for the Aroland First Nation monitors so that Jerry could relay the information to the monitors.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 		
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December 15, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Towedo, Aroland First Nation, following up on the previous email regarding the drafted Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report sent to Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant apologized for sending the wrong date, and noted the deadline for feedback on the report is January 31, 2023.

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December 16, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, noting that Working Warriors was unable to speak with any of the Aroland First Nation monitors when reaching out via phone call, but Working Warriors was able to confirm the cheques were sent via express post on December 15, 2022. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would follow up with the monitors to confirm they received payment the following week.</p>
December 20, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, noting that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant had tried to phone the Aroland First Nation monitors to confirm they had received payment for their participation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they were unable to speak with anyone, were only able to leave a voicemail for one person and inquired if Andrew or Jerry had received confirmation of payment.</p>
December 20, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jack Shabogamik (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jack Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, to confirm that Jack had received payment for participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. The call was not answered and there was no option to leave a voicemail.</p>
December 20, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Johnny Towedo (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Johnny Towedo, Aroland First Nation, to confirm that Johnny had received payment for participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. The call was not answered and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant left a voicemail noting the reason for the call and left a phone number.</p>

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December 20, 2022	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, to confirm that Tiffany had received payment for participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. The call was not answered and there was no option to leave a voicemail.
December 20, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, to confirm that Tiffany had received payment for participation in the well drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they had tried to phone and leave a message but were unable to, and asked if Tiffany could respond to confirm whether payment had been received.
December 20, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, letting the MFFN CAR Project Consultant that Tiffany had received the payment and would retrieve it from the mail the next day.
December 20, 2022	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dorothy Towedo (Chief) Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) Jeremy Shute (Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a Save the Date for an upcoming ATRI Forum. The ATRI Forum is to be held in Thunder Bay on February 8 and 9, 2023. The Save the Date provided information on the Forum including purpose, funding and contact information. The purpose is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of ATRI in the Project area. Funding would be provided by the Province for up to 3 community representatives to attend.
December 21, 2022	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Dorothy Towedo (Chief) Samson Meshake (Councillor) Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that Jerry Shabogamik had been overseeing this activity and was currently away on holidays. Andrew mentioned he would reach out to Jerry, but may not be able to confirm details until

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 		the new year. Andrew thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for their efforts to confirm these details.
December 21, 2022	Email		x	■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, to thank Tiffany for confirming payment had been received and wished Tiffany a good holiday season.
December 21, 2022	Email	x		■ Tiffany Mendowegan (Aroland First Nation)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Tiffany Mendowegan, Aroland First Nation, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the well wishes.
January 06, 2023	Phone		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to follow up on the December 6, 2022 email about the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Reports and to confirm Aroland First Nation had received the email and was able to open the documents. Andrew mentioned that Aroland First Nation was closed until the next week and had not had a chance to review some outstanding items with Chief and Council. Andrew confirmed receipt of the December 6 email, was able to open the documents and noted that they would be discussed with Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned the upcoming Nation-to-Nation meeting and asked if the proposed dates of January 26 or 27, 2023 to which Andrew noted he had not had a chance to speak with Aroland First Nation about the dates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also mentioned that MFFN had a recent death in the community and would follow up to confirm if the meeting will need to be rescheduled. Andrew mentioned he would review the proposed January dates with Aroland First Nation but would also look at dates in early February. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that a summary of the well drilling activities would be provided for their review and that one of the field monitors was able to</p>

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						confirm they had received the honoraria payment in the mail. Andrew said he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik to confirm whether the other monitors received their payments. Andrew mentioned that the Nation-to-Nation meeting was a priority, that Andrew would review the consultation and engagement reports with Chief and Council and aim to respond early the following week.
January 10, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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 11, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team was cc'd on an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to MFFN who provided an attached letter from Chief Dorothy Towedo in response to Chief Bruce Achneepineskum's December 15, 2022 letter. The letter thanked Chief Bruce Achneepineskum for suggesting two potential meeting dates for the Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation Nation-to-Nation meeting. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation's Council discussed the proposed dates and agreed that January 26, 2023 would be the best date to meet in Thunder Bay, also noting that the specific meeting details and logistics are to be coordinate by their respective consultants and to reach out to Andrew Peach specifically. The letter noted that they are looking forward to reviewing the proposed meeting agenda, to the conversation between the two Nations, and that Aroland First Nation is hopeful they will find ways to move forward in their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 		
January 11, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team was cc'd on an email from Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, MFFN, who confirmed he was available to attend the meeting taking place in Thunder Bay on January 26, 2023, between Aroland First Nation and MFFN Chief and Councils. Chief Achneepineskum noted the community's respective consultants should set up a meeting room and send out invites.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (Marten Falls First Nation Councillor) ■ Patty Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 		
January 12, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team was cc'd on an email from Councillor Maria Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation, who confirmed her availability for the January 26, 2023 meeting with Aroland First Nation. Maria noted that she was looking forward to the meeting in hopes that it provides a brighter future for all.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 		
January 13, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an invitation for an upcoming ATRI Forum. The ATRI Forum is to be held in Thunder Bay on February 8 and 9, 2023. The invitation provided information on the Forum including purpose, funding, contact information, the preliminary agenda and how to RSVP. The purpose is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of ATRI in the Project area. Funding would be provided by the Province for up to 3 community representatives to attend. Cultural Heritage and Archaeology members of the team will be at the Forum to discuss the Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Program with participations.
January 16, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, where Andrew wanted to discuss scheduling details for the Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation in Thunder Bay on January 26, 2023. Andrew mentioned coordinating the meeting location, time and catering and inquired about the development of a draft agenda. Andrew asked if a call to discuss the details could be scheduled and suggested some times for the call.
January 16, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, letting Andrew know that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant had gone ahead and booked a meeting room due to low availability because of a conference in town at the same time as the meeting and noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team

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						suggested a mid-morning to mid-afternoon meeting with a lunch break. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that a draft agenda had been prepared but would wait to send it until after their phone conversation the next day.
January 16, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for booking the meeting location and that Andrew looked forward to discussing the details on the phone the next day.
January 17, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to discuss the Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN on January 26, 2022. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation had a meeting commitment the same morning as the meeting date and would be speaking with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council that afternoon. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked about attendees for the meeting and Andrew confirmed all of Aroland First Nation Chief and Council would be present. Andrew also mentioned Aroland First Nation Chief and Council would prefer that all of MFFN Chief and Council be present at the meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked if notes would be taken during the meeting and that a proposed meeting agenda would be shared. Andrew mentioned he would ask about note taking at the meeting when speaking to Aroland First Nation Chief and Council that afternoon.
January 17, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, summarizing the phone call between MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew earlier that day. The email listed action items related to coordinating the Nation-to-Nation Meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also inquired if Jerry Shabogamik was

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						able to confirm that the Aroland First Nation monitors received their payment for participation in the drilling for the Groundwater Field Program and whether Aroland First Nation intended to provide comments on the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Reports.
January 17, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that Andrew was unable to meet with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council that day and was unable to confirm their availability for the meeting but had reached out to confirm those details. Andrew also noted that Jerry Shabogamik was able to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors who participated in the drilling for the Groundwater Field Program had received their payments.
January 17, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing a list of proposed topics for the upcoming Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN.
January 17, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Vegetation & Physiography Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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 19, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, following up to confirm if Andrew had received any details from Aroland First Nation Chief and Council regarding their availability for the Nation-to-Nation meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Chief Bruce Achneepineskum had confirmed that all of MFFN Chief and Council plan to attend and has recommended meeting between 10:00 am to 3:30 pm.

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January 19, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, letting the MFFN CAR Project Consultant know that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council had yet to confirm a meeting time but that all Aroland First Nation of Chief and Council planned to attend, and that Andrew would provide the other outstanding details as soon as possible.
January 20, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, letting the MFFN CAR Project Consultant know that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council confirmed the 10:00 am – 3:30 pm meeting time worked and that they agreed to keeping the Nation-to-Nation meeting closed door with no consultants or note taking. Andrew mentioned that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were still considering additions or amendments to the agenda.
January 23, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, inquiring if Andrew could provide the number of people who would be joining in order to coordinate catering for the meeting and asked if there were any allergies or food restrictions.
January 23, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, letting the MFFN CAR Project Consultant know that all of Aroland First Nation Chief and Council plan to attend the meeting and that Andrew is unaware of any food restrictions but would follow up and confirm.
January 23, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing updated details on the location for the Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they were still waiting for

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						Aroland First Nation's feedback on the proposed agenda and that together they could work to finalize the agenda over the next few days.
January 23, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo and the Aroland First Nation Council with two reminders on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team. The first reminder was about the upcoming ATRI Forum to be held in Thunder Bay on February 8 and 9, 2023. The Save the Date invitation attached provided more information on the Forum. The second reminder was regarding the deadline for the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement and Milestone #1 reports. Feedback was requested by January 31, 2023.
January 23, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resources Coordinator, who confirmed his intent to attend the ATRI Forum on February 8 & 9, 2023, in Thunder Bay.
January 24, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that one member of Aroland First Nation's Council is pescatarian. Andrew mentioned that Aroland First Nation's only suggestion on the proposed agenda was to have the meeting open with remarks from both Chiefs and a roundtable opportunity for all Councillors to speak and share their perspectives before proceeding with other agenda items.
January 24, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, letting Andrew know that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a note about the pescatarian meal to the caterer for the meeting. A draft meeting agenda was attached to the email and feedback by noon the following day was requested.

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January 25, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Councils to provide a proposed agenda for Aroland First Nation and MFFN Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 meeting. The Consultant wished both Chief and Councils a productive and pleasant meeting. The attached agenda included details including the purpose of the meeting, the time and location of the meeting, and a proposed meeting schedule with topics. The MFFN CAR Project Team did not attend the meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN on January 26, 2023.
January 27, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the January E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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.</p>
January 31, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ENDM - Participant Fund ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email sent by Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation Councillors Bernard Gagnon and Mark Bell would be attending the ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay on Feb 8 and 9 in Thunder Bay and understood that the Province of Ontario is funding travel costs. Andrew asked for more details on how the Councillors, who were also cc'd on the email, could claim expenses and asked if there was any other information they would need prior to attending.</p>
January 31, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting an attached letter from Chief Dorothy Towedo regarding the MFFN CAR Project Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Reports. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation appreciated the opportunity to review the reports but requires capacity funding to consult technical experts and</p>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 		cover other reasonable review costs to adequately review and comment on each of the documents. The letter also noted that Aroland First Nation only has funding to review the Environmental Assessment documents associated with the draft and final submissions of the assessment by the proponent and are not able to confirm with certainty that the record presented by the proponent is an accurate reflection of the activities and correspondence to date. It was noted that in spite of adequate funding to review the documents provided and the importance of the documents to the assessment process, a few comments were attached in an appendix.
February 01, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a reminder about the upcoming ATRI Forum. The ATRI Forum is to be held in Thunder Bay on February 8 and 9, 2023. The invitation provided information on the Forum including purpose, funding, contact information, the preliminary agenda and how to RSVP. The purpose is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of ATRI in the Project area. Funding would be provided by the Province for up to 3 community representatives to attend. Cultural Heritage and Archaeology members of the team will be at the Forum to discuss the Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Program with participations.
February 01, 2023	Email	x		■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation, noting that Ernie had previously sent an RSVP to attend the ATRI Forum but followed up to note that Ernie would no longer be attending the meeting based on Aroland First Nation Chief and Council's decision on who should attend.

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February 01, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email sent by Paul MacInnis from MINES. Paul thanked Aroland First Nation for their interest in participating in the ATRI Forum and noted there was space for three representatives from each community. Paul mentioned that Ernie Gagnon and Godfrey Gagnon were currently signed up to participate in the event but asked that they confirm their participation with Aroland First Nation leadership and the Participant Fund Initiative Consultation Coordinator Jerry Shabogamik. Paul also mentioned an extra representative could be included, allowing Aroland First Nation to send four representatives. Paul noted some logistical information needed to participate in the event including travel, meal, hotel room and hotel contact information. Contact information for further questions was provided.
February 03, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant distributed an IK Program Timeline and Update letter to Aroland First Nation via email where she highlighted key Project schedule updates including upcoming draft baseline 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 Indigenous Land and Resource Use by June 30, 2023. She 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).

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February 03, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Reports to Aroland First Nation. 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.</p>
February 03, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email sent by Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation Councillors Bernard Gagnon and Mark Bell would be attending the ATRI Forum with Chief Towedo and that Jerry Shabogamik may attend if Jerry is available.</p>

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February 03, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email sent by Paul MacInnis, MINES. Paul thanked Andrew Peach for the email and noted to ensure to email the Victoria Inn to secure hotel rooms for the Aroland First Nation representatives attending the ATRI Forum.
February 04, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resource Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, noting that Ernie would like to be removed from the MFFN CAR Project contact list as Jerry Shabogamik had been hired to correspond with the Project on behalf of Aroland First Nation.
February 08, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resources Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, confirming that Ernie would like to be removed from all correspondence related to the MFFN CAR Project, as Jerry Shabogamik is the contact who is coordinating on behalf of Aroland First Nation.
February 08, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resources Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, to follow up on an email received on February 4, 2023 noting that Ernie would like his information removed from the contact list. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 		confirmation of whether Ernie would like to be removed from all MFFN CAR Project communications or if Ernie would still like to receive certain correspondence.
February 08, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Ernie Gagnon (Lands and Resources Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for updating the Project contact list.
February 08, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Lands and Resource Coordinator, thanking Ernie for confirming he would like to be removed from all correspondence relating to the MFFN CAR Project and noted that the Project contact list was updated.

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February 08, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who referenced a May 2022 email where Andrew had previously listed the contacts from Aroland First Nation that should be included in correspondence with the MFFN CAR Project. Andrew asked that Ernie Gagnon and anyone else not included on that list be removed from correspondence and to add Jerry Shabogamik to the list of contacts.
February 08, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking Andrew for his email and noted the MFFN CAR Project contact list would be updated.
February 08, 2023	Forum			Community Representative(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR), Webequie Supply Road (WSR), and Northern Road Link (NRL) Project Teams attended the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights (ATRI) and Forum that was hosted in Thunder Bay. Aroland First Nation attended the Forum. The Forum was held to provide an opportunity for representatives from Indigenous Communities to meet with representatives from the Province of Ontario, and MFFN CAR, WSR and NRL Project teams to: develop a shared understanding of Aboriginal and Treaty Rights within each project area(s); identify community-specific contexts and values associated with Aboriginal and Treaty Rights

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						in the project area(s); share information about the projects; and, discuss the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Assessment Processes.”
February 15, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) 	■ 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		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Socio-Economic Studies Part I Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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 28, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the February E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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

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						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 02, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Chief Dorothy Towedo and Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation, to provide a summary of the groundwater drilling activities for their review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the drilling activities will restart soon and that the MFFN CAR Project Team would reach out to inquire if Aroland First Nation would be interested in sending monitors.
March 03, 2023	Phone		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to discuss upcoming Field Programs for the MFFN CAR Project, in order to give Aroland First Nation advanced notice. The call was not answered and a voicemail was left noting the reason for the call. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would call again the next week and provided a number for Andrew to call that day.
March 03, 2023	Email		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, following up on a phone call made earlier that day to discuss upcoming Field Programs for the MFFN CAR Project and a general check in. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about scheduling a phone call with Andrew the following Monday and proposed two times to call.
March 07, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, as a follow up to a call made on March 3. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 		which dates would work to schedule a call to discuss upcoming Field Program work.
March 07, 2023	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone call from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant. The phone call was not answered and Andrew left a message for the MFFN CAR Project Consultant, noting that Andrew was travelling to Aroland First Nation and provided some times when Andrew would be available to talk on the phone. Andrew noted he would follow up with an email to schedule the phone call.

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March 07, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who followed up on a phone call from earlier that day and noted that he would be in Aroland First Nation the following day and provided some times he would be available for a phone call.
March 07, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking Andrew for the phone call earlier that day and noted the MFFN CAR Project Consultant would phone him the next day.
March 08, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to discuss upcoming Field Program work and to provide advance notice to Aroland First Nation of work in the area. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined the upcoming work related to the wolverine denning surveys, site reconnaissance for the groundwater drilling program and the groundwater drilling set to begin in early April 2023. Andrew noted that there were likely no concerns related to the field work and that Andrew would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik to find out if anyone in the community has concerns or comments. Andrew mentioned that the community may already be aware of field work as Jerry may have spoken to Bob Baxter, a Community Member Advisor for the MFFN CAR Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitors for the groundwater drilling

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						work and asked for the contact information and preferred payment method for the monitors. Andrew noted that the same payment method was probably fine, the only issue being the length of time it would take to receive payments. Andrew mentioned he would be on vacation the following week and would follow up with the details of who to contact in Andrew's absence. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Field Program information would be emailed to Aroland First Nation key contacts when available and that anyone with concerns was welcome to call or get in contact.
March 08, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo and Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation, to follow up on phone call earlier that day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided updates regarding the wolverine studies, wolverine den surveys and the groundwater drilling work for the upcoming Field Programs and asked for any concerns or feedback regarding that work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also inquired if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitors to participate in the groundwater drilling at site 27 and asked for contact information for the monitors, noting that the field crew could accommodate two monitors and they would receive honoraria payments for their time. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also asked for Aroland First Nation's input regarding the timing of their hunting season to help with the field crew program planning in the future. A notice for wolverine den surveys and map showing the area of work were attached.

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March 09, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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 9, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who provided the contact information for Jenna Wolno who is to be contacted while Andrew is on vacation.
March 14, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation, and Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to follow up on the previous email inquiring about the upcoming field programs for the MFFN CAR Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked if there were any concerns, comments or questions about the field work and provided an update about the weather conditions that will impact the ability of the field work to begin and that an update will be provided.
March 14, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who asked for a timeline or specific dates for the upcoming drilling work. Jenna mentioned that Jerry Shabogamik was out of the office that week and would provide the names of the monitors once he returned.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) 		
March 14, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing details about the upcoming well drilling including the anticipated timing in April, the wolverine surveys that are to be completed before the drilling can begin and the weather constraints. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for the names, phone numbers, addresses and preferred payment methods for the monitors.
March 14, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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 16, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing and update on the upcoming drilling activities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the weather the following day looked appropriate for the field crews to complete the wolverine denning surveys on March 20. It was also mentioned that if that work was to complete, reconnaissance for the drilling would be completed afterward and the drilling work would begin at the end of March or early April.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) 		
March 16, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who noted Jenna would share the information with Jerry Shabogamik when he returned next week and would get the requested information from the monitors.
March 21, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Birds Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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 22, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant distributed an IK Program Timeline and Update letter to Aroland First Nation 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).

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March 24, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who provided the names and phone numbers of the Aroland First Nation monitors who were to participate in the groundwater drilling field work, and noted that Jerry Shabogamik would be working to collect the other information (preferred payment).
March 27, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jenna Wolno, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking Jenna for providing the contact information for the monitors and that the information would be passed to the field crew team.
March 28, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Reptiles, Amphibians, Insects and Bats Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Jenna Wolno (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the Stage 1 and 2 Archeology Reports and inquired if Aroland First Nation would be providing feedback, as well as thanked Aroland First Nation for their response to the Interim RoCE reports. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided updates in regards to the status of the groundwater drilling and Aroland First Nation monitors and asked if there were any revisions on the previous Groundwater memo. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a summary of the January 26 Nation-to-Nation meeting between MFFN and Aroland First Nation. It was noted that Qasim Saddique was working on the collaboration proposal between MFFN and Aroland First Nation and would follow up when possible.

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March 31, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who provided a letter on behalf of Chief Towedo in regards to the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation has not received enough capacity funding from the EA proponent or the province of Ontario to conduct a thorough technical review of the documents and that comments provided in the letter are not a comprehensive assessment of the Project's impact on Aroland First Nation's cultural or archaeological heritage. The letter noted that MFFN is not the only Indigenous community affected by the Project, that portions of the Local Study Area are located within Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory and that the Project may have impacts on their historical and cultural sites which requires partnership in the study and throughout each step of the archeological assessment. The letter mentioned that Aroland First Nation participated in a helicopter flyover of the Local Study Area that was included in the Stage 1 report but need a deeper level of engagement commensurate to the impacts to their territory. Section 1.2.4 of the Stage 1 report is noted as incorrect in regards to Aroland's Traditional Territory and requests that their territory must be acknowledged in the final version of the report. The letter states that archaeological and cultural assessment as part of the MFFN CAR EA must acknowledge Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory and that Aroland First Nation is to be involved in any Stage 3 archeology assessments, which will require adequate capacity funding.
April 04, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the March E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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

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						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 04, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, providing updates on the upcoming groundwater drilling fieldwork including information related to site preparation, timing for monitor participation and gear the monitors would need during the fieldwork. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would be on vacation and provided contact information for Selena Contardo, who was to be contacted during that time.
April 04, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant)Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update. Andrew noted he would work with Jerry Shabogamik to coordinate monitors and send that information by Thursday.
April 04, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking Andrew for his help to coordinate the monitors and inquired if Debbi Stayner should be included in correspondence, as Debbi had been included on the email thread by Andrew.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 		
April 05, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, providing updates on the upcoming groundwater drilling fieldwork. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided detailed information related to timing, dates and meeting location details and mentioned the plan for departure times from Aroland First Nation and what will happen during inclement weather. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for details related to the pick-up location and noted that extra safety gear will be available should the monitors not have the needed gear.
April 06, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who noted he had spoken with Chief Towedo who asked what the timeline was for the work to be completed and mentioned there had no complaints in the community. Andrew mentioned it would be ideal for the monitors to meet the helicopter in Nakina to avoid any issues but that would need to be coordinated by Jerry Shabogamik. Andrew noted he would pass along any complaints should they receive any.

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April 06, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, who provided the names and phone numbers of 3 Aroland First Nation monitors to participate in the drilling work. Jerry indicated that the helicopter landing location to pick-up the monitors was on the west end of the community near the church access road to the lake and that Jerry was available by phone if more information was needed.
April 06, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, who asked on behalf of one of the Aroland First Nation monitors, for confirmation of the next drilling date and pick up time.
April 06, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to coordinate the participation of the Aroland First Nation monitors in the upcoming drilling work and noted that Andrew had previously indicated he would provide an update on whether the monitors wanted to help assist in the site preparation on April 10. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that should the monitors not want to assist with the preparation, they were to meet at the pick-up location in Aroland on April 11 at 9 am for the first day of drilling work. Additional logistic details for future drilling work was provided.
April 06, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, who indicated on behalf of the Aroland First Nation monitors, that the monitors were interested in assisting with the site preparation and that they would help with as much work as possible.

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April 06, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, who confirmed the helicopter transport to the drilling work location would meet the Aroland First Nation monitors at the pick-up location at 9 am on April 10. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that the site supervisor would have copies of timesheets to keep track of the monitor hours on site, which would be submitted to Working Warriors following the work at both sites 27 and 16, and that the monitors should wear layered clothing and bring extras in the event that they get wet.
April 06, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Consultation Coordinator, to follow up on an email sent earlier that day where confirmation of the helicopter pick-up location was requested. The call was not answered and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant left a voicemail with their contact information and asked Jerry to call them back.
April 06, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, who indicated the helicopter landing site identified on the map was the correct location to pick up the Aroland First Nation monitors.
April 06, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, who asked for confirmation that their interpretation of the helicopter landing location to pick up the Aroland First Nation monitors was correct. An aerial view map with an arrow showing the location was attached.
April 06, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, thanking Jerry for confirming the helicopter landing location to pick-up

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						the Aroland First Nation monitors and noted that if Jerry received a message to call the MFFN CAR Project Consultant back Jerry could ignore it as it was a call to ask about the pick-up location.
April 10, 2023	Email		x	■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, providing an update on the helicopter for the groundwater drilling program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the helicopter had a late departure and was leaving Nakina airport for Aroland at that time and would be in Aroland soon.
April 10, 2023	Phone		x	■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Consultation Coordinator, to provide an update that the scheduled helicopter pick-up in the community that morning was delayed. The call was not answered and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email.
April 10, 2023	Phone		x	■ John Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Community Member)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned John Atlookan, Aroland First Nation community member, to provide an update that the scheduled helicopter pick-up in the community that morning was delayed. John explained that he had a medical appointment that day and had previously informed Jerry that he would not be able to participate until the following day.
April 10, 2023	Phone		x	■ Jack Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jack Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation community member, to provide an update that the scheduled helicopter pick-up in the community that morning was delayed. Jack explained that he believed the coordination of the monitor participation should be done differently and that the monitors should be contacted directly from the field crew. Jack mentioned that he would not be participating that day but would be available the next day.

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April 10, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, providing updates on the upcoming groundwater drilling fieldwork. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the helicopter was delayed in arriving to Aroland that morning and they had sent an update email to Jerry Shabogamik as well as calling the monitors directly to inform them of the delay, where the monitors indicated they would not be participating in the fieldwork that day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that Jerry arrived at the meeting location and told the crew the monitors would not be coming and that they could continue with the work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that field work was progressing and work would be continuing including clearing snow at the next site and mobilization of the equipment. A date and time were provided for the next drilling events, should Aroland First Nation monitors be available to participate.
April 10, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, to confirm whether Aroland First Nation would be sending monitors to participate in drilling monitoring on April 12. The call was not answered and a voicemail was left noting the reason for the call and provided logistical details related to the next drilling work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a phone number and noted they had previously spoken with John Atlookan but were not able to reach Jack Shabogamik.

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April 10, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ John Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned John Atlookan, Aroland First Nation community member, to confirm whether John was able to participate in drilling monitoring on April 12. John said he was available and had no questions at that time. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided their phone number should John need to reach someone regarding the monitoring and mentioned John could call whenever needed.
April 10, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jack Shabogamik (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jack Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation community member, to confirm whether Jack was able to participate in drilling monitoring on April 12. The call was not answered and there was no option to leave a voicemail.
April 10, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Selena Contardo, MFFN CAR Project Consultant, thanking them for their help in coordinating the fieldwork in their absence. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they had phoned the monitors that afternoon to provide them with an updated schedule for the field work the next day, where one person confirmed their availability and the other was unable to be reached but would be phoned the next day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned they left a voicemail for Jerry Shabogamik at the office and asked if Andrew would be free for a phone call that Friday to discuss the best way to coordinate field work going forward.
April 11, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant. Andrew noted he would check in with Jerry Shabogamik to see if he was available on Friday for a phone call, as Jerry is the main point of contact for coordinating monitors and should be part of the discussion.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 		
April 11, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jack Shabogamik (Aroland First Nation Community Member) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jack Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation community member, to confirm whether Jack was able to participate in drilling monitoring on April 12. The call was not answered and there was no option to leave a voicemail.
April 11, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who noted it would be great to have Jerry Shabogamik involved in a call to discuss monitor coordination and asked if a virtual meeting was a better option. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that they were unable to reach a monitor on the phone or leave a message to confirm participation in the drilling the next day and mentioned that the helicopter would be in Aroland at 8 am at the meeting spot previously identified by Jerry. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that one monitor may be attending but there was room for one more person and provided their phone number for any issues that may come up.
April 12, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who informed that Chief Dorothy Towedo let him know there had been a death in the community and the offices would be closed that week. Andrew asked if another time for the phone call would work, as he likely wouldn't be able to connect with Jerry Shabogamik until offices were open the following Monday. Andrew recommended continuing to reach out to the monitors to coordinate availability and logistics.

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April 12, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to confirm that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council are agreeable to the field crew landing in the community to pick up the monitors and asked for a response as soon as possible as the field work was continuing the next day.
April 12, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who mentioned he was unsure if Aroland First Nation Chief and Council are okay with the helicopter landing in community and would check with Chief Dorothy Towedo if that's okay and get back to the MFFN CAR Project Consultant as soon as Andrew heard.
April 13, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who noted he had spoken with Chief Dorothy Towedo who asked what the timeline was for the work to be completed and mentioned there had no complaints in the community. Andrew mentioned it would be ideal for the monitors to meet the helicopter in Nakina to avoid any issues but that would need to be coordinated by Jerry Shabogamik. Andrew noted he would pass along any complaints should they receive any.

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April 13, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to provide a tentative timeline for the work to be completed and mentioned that weather was a big factor. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Jerry Shabogamik had suggested the monitors be picked up in community during the last drilling fieldwork and that the field crew do not have enough staff to coordinate transportation for the monitors to and from Aroland to the Nakina airport. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were agreeable to the helicopter landing in the community, the team would reach out to the monitors for their participation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked to be informed of any complaints that come in, as they would be addressed immediately and also mentioned an interaction that occurred with the helicopter crew and a community member when they attempted to pick up the monitors the previous day. The community member had mentioned there was a death in the community and that the monitors were probably not available that day. The community member asked if they could watch the helicopter take off and the pilot agreed it would be fine.
April 18, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, and Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator, noting that the field crew had not completed any work since Friday due to weather but that the weather the next day looked favourable and inquired if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitors to participate in the work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation that the helicopter was able to land in the community to pick up the monitors at 8:00 am the next morning and inquired if there were suggestions for other ways to proceed.

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April 21, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Spring 2023 Field Notice to Aroland First Nation. 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		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the April E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. 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.
May 02, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Aroland First Nation, highlighting key IK Program dates including upcoming preliminary draft existing conditions reporting that will start in the Summer 2023 and the evaluation of the alternative route selection which will begin in September 2023 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2023. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant advised on 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 into subsequent steps of the assessment process (e.g., updates to the existing conditions, effects assessment, impact management and Project design). The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also offered to organize a meeting to discuss the IK Program and Project schedule, and to answer any questions that Aroland First Nation may have.

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May 03, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo and Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation and noted a letter from the MFFN CAR Project Team was attached. The letter outlined that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to collect social, economic, land and resource use, healthy and safety and community well-being considerations information from Aroland First Nation members to support the route selection and effects assessment for the Project. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided and noted that the collection, storage and use of collected information would adhere to OCAP principles. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested.
May 12, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, who noted that Aroland First Nation Leadership had not had the opportunity to review the proposed socio-economic data information request and would require more time. Andrew suggested May 25 would be possible to provide a response.
May 15, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting that it is a busy time of year, they look forward to receiving Aroland First Nation's response and to let the MFFN CAR Project Consultant know if anything else was needed.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 		
May 23, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo and Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation and noting that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to collect built and cultural heritage landscapes information from Aroland First Nation members to support the route selection and effects assessment for the Project. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that the cultural heritage team would like to invite one Aroland First Nation member to participate in a helicopter flyover of the area on June 11, 2023 and that the cultural heritage team would like to speak to community members and collect information the following day. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested.
May 26, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, inquiring if Andrew was available for a phone call the following week to catch up on the MFFN CAR Project, specifically the cultural heritage and socio-ec information requests previously sent by email. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided some available dates and times and asked Andrew to let them know if any of the times and dates worked and if there was anything Andrew would like to discuss.

Consultation and Engagement Log - Aroland First Nation

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May 26, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant and noted an attached letter from Chief Dorothy Towedo. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation could not agree to the proposed cultural heritage information collection and noted that cultural heritage is a deeply protected set of values that are vulnerable to misunderstanding, misuse and misappropriation. The letter stated that Aroland First Nation wishes to have oversight of their information collection and follow the principles of OCAP.
May 31, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Knell (Northern Road Link Project Team) ■ Michael Fox (Northern Road Link Project Team) ■ Craig Wallace (Northern Road Link Project Team) ■ Jennifer Ashawasegai-Pereira (Northern Road Link Project Team) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant circulated a consolidated summary of all of the comments / questions provided by participants and representatives of Aroland First Nation at the ATRI Forum held in Thunder Bay on February 7-8, 2023. The correspondence included the following attachments: Thank you to participants bulletin, General ATRI Comment Summary. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also offered to set up additional meetings to further discuss any aspects of the Project, including Aroland First Nation's ATRI as they relate to the MFFN CAR Project.

4. References

AECOM, 2019:

Draft Terms of Reference Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road – Environmental Assessment.

AECOM, 2020:

Proposed Terms of Reference Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road – Environmental Assessment.

Hatch, 2016:

Technical Review of Industrial Transportation Infrastructure Proposals.

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B2. Aroland First Nation

B2.1 Outgoing Community Specific Correspondence

B2.2 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence



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MFFN CAR Project Questionnaire (and outstanding items)

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 27 July 2022 at 17:29
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Ernie Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>
 Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

Hello Mr. Peach,

Thank you again for taking the time to speak with me this afternoon.

As discussed, the MFFN CAR Project Team is conducting a questionnaire to understand the best way to keep in contact with Aroland First Nation and to seek Aroland First Nation's insights, feedback and perspectives on the Environmental Assessment and Impact Statement processes of the project. We are also interested in understanding which topics are of most interest to your community.

You mentioned that you are unable to speak on behalf of the community, but that you would follow-up on the questionnaire with Chief Towedo. A link to the questionnaire is located below, which we would kindly ask be completed by August 12, 2022.

- [Link to the questionnaire](#)

We agreed there are a few items related to the MFFN CAR Project that should be addressed before Aroland First Nation might consider completing the questionnaire:

- A response from the MFFN CAR Project Team to a letter dated May 6, 2022.
- A signed copy of the Confidentiality Agreement, which was sent to the MFFN CAR Project Team on May 19, 2022.
- The coordination of the helicopter flyover, once the Confidentiality Agreement is signed and received.

Thank you for your patience! Clayton and I are actively working on getting those items sent back, as we really would like to get the helicopter flyover scheduled. We are looking forward to working with the participants, and are aiming for the flyover to happen this September. From our understanding, the following people are interested in the flyover:

- [redacted]
- [redacted]
- [redacted]
- [redacted]

One other item to highlight is that there will be a Groundwater and Geotechnical Program E-Blast going out shortly, which is likely of interest to the community and flyover participants.

Please let me know if I missed anything from our chat earlier. As I mentioned, Clayton is on vacation, so please feel free to contact me with any comments, questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla Zielbauer
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Project Questionnaire (and outstanding items)

Zielbauer, Kyla [REDACTED]

28 July 2022 at 18:56

To: Andrew Peach [REDACTED]

Hi Mr. Peach,

My apologies - your comment regarding who to 'cc' for correspondence has been noted.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 29 July 2022 at 10:43

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo, Aroland First Nation Council, Mr. Peach and Others,

I am pleased to be able to provide you with the Confidential Information Agreement, for your review. Thank you for your continued patience through this process.

I will circle back with my colleagues who are coordinating the helicopter flyover and provide you with updated logistical details as soon as possible. As mentioned in other correspondence, four Aroland First Nation representatives were previously identified for participation and we are aiming for September for the flyover.

Please let me know if there are any questions or concerns related to the agreement or the flyover.

Sincerely,
Kyla Zielbauer
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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LeeHo, Elaine <[redacted]> 3 August 2022 at 10:29
 To: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>
 Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew and Jerry,

We have tentative dates for the Aroland flyover for August 16 to 18. Due to the groundwater monitoring program occurring in September, this is the last opportunity to complete the flyover. The objective of the Aroland Flyover is to essentially flyover in the helicopter to the potential groundwater sites and determine if they are suitable location for the well and clearing for the groundwater monitoring program. Our commitment is to have 2 monitors in the morning and 2 monitors in the afternoon. Samantha is our lead Archaeologist and will be coordinating with WSP/Golder for the helicopter.

Could you please provide us the contacts of the monitors that will be participating in the August 16 to 18 flyover by the end of the week. Please let us know if you have any questions. Many thanks!

Elaine Lee-Ho, M.Sc., P.Biol., P.Ag.

Senior Regulatory Specialist, Deputy Department Manager

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 4 August 2022 at 13:26

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

I wanted to check in regarding the Confidential Information Agreement. Have you had a chance to review the agreement with Chief Towedo and Council? If so, would you be able to send us a copy of the fully executed agreement?

Please let me know if there are any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla Zielbauer
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Aroland Flyover Aug 16 to 18

LeeHo, Elaine <[redacted]> 11 August 2022 at 15:04
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah"
 <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>
 <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[redacted]>, "Edwardson, Amanda" <[redacted]>
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Hi Jerry and Andrew,

Here are the plans for next week's flyover:

Scope of work

The objective of the Aroland Flyover is to essentially flyover in the helicopter to the potential 3 groundwater sites (10, 16 and 27) to determine if the 3 groundwater site locations are suitable location for the well and clearing for the groundwater monitoring program. As part of the flyover, we will discuss and identified potential cultural heritage features in the areas around the groundwater drilling sites to be avoided and to discuss potential mitigations options.

August 17

- Helicopter flyover with 2 monitors (Ernie and Jerry) and Bob
- Meet at **8am** in Nakina airport for safety and heli orientation

August 18

- Helicopter flyover with 2 monitors (Joe and Sonny) and Bob
- Meet at **8am** in Nakina airport for safety and heli orientation
- Sam and Amanda must leave Nakina at noon

Below are Sam and Amanda's contact information if you have questions:

<p>Samantha Markham, MES Project Archaeologist, Cultural Resources Manager [redacted] [redacted] [redacted]</p>	<p>Amanda Edwardson CAN-CISEC [redacted] [redacted]</p>
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Thanks everyone!

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 11 August 2022 at 16:32
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Clayton
 Coppaway <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha"
 <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena"
 <[redacted]>, "Edwardson, Amanda" <[redacted]>

Hi Elaine,

The information we collect from Aroland First Nation participants needs to be documented. Can you provide any information on the plan to collect this information?

Just so you are aware, Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation have completed a Confidential Information Agreement for this flyover.

Thank you,
Kyla

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 11 August 2022 at 16:43
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>
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 <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>
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 <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril"
 <[redacted]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Ross, Kathryn"
 <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

Please let me apologize for the error in not providing a location for Chief Towedo's signature.

Thank you very much for providing a copy of the fully executed agreement and for your help in coordinating logistics related to the flyover. It looks like the details for the flyover are confirmed, but please let me know if there are any outstanding questions or concerns.

Thank you,
 Kyla Zielbauer
 On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Aroland Flyover Aug 16 to 18

Markham, Samantha <[REDACTED]> 17 August 2022 at 20:37
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry
Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah"
<[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena"
<[REDACTED]>, "Edwardson, Amanda" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

I've just received a call from Tony at Taiga about the weather tomorrow – it is supposed to rain all day up here in Nakina. Tony will be getting in touch with me at 630am to tell me if we're able to fly tomorrow morning as scheduled. Is there direct contact emails for Larry and Jack should I need to let them know of a change in plans first thing in the morning?

Thank you,

Sam

Samantha Markham, MES
Project Archaeologist, Cultural Resources Manager

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Aroland Flyover Aug 16 to 18

LeeHo, Elaine <[REDACTED]> 17 August 2022 at 17:40
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah"
<[REDACTED]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, "Edwardson, Amanda"
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Hi Andrew,

Thanks for letting us know about Larry and Jack for tomorrow.

In regards to Site 4, that should work out well since it near Site 10. Please keep in mind though, Sam and Amanda must leave site at noon tomorrow. Based on todays successful flyover, they should have enough time to check out Site 4. Thanks!

Elaine Lee-Ho, M.Sc., P.Biol., P.Ag.

Senior Regulatory Specialist, Deputy Department Manager

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Aroland Flyover Aug 16 to 18

Markham, Samantha <[REDACTED]> 18 August 2022 at 06:48
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry
Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah"
<[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena"
<[REDACTED]>, "Edwardson, Amanda" <[REDACTED]>

Morning Andrew,

Fog and a low ceiling have delayed the flight this morning, at least until 10am. I will get another update at 830am and will send another email at that time.

I must be back on the ground at noon today, as I have a flight out of Thunder Bay this afternoon. If it is delayed any further we'll have to cancel. Will keep you posted.

Thank you,

Sam

Samantha Markham, MES
Project Archaeologist, Cultural Resources Manager

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Aroland Flyover Memo

LeeHo, Elaine <[redacted]> 23 August 2022 at 18:04
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Attached is the memo documenting the results of the successful flyover program. There were no concern identified during the flyover with the groundwater sites 10, 16 and 27. We had a few questions asked during the flyover. Responses along with the responses to your email dated August 22 are provided in the table below.

Monitor Questions	Responses
1. How large an area will be cleared of veg, if needed? how big are the actual monitoring sites?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> For each site, two connecting areas (circles) will be cleared; one for the helicopter and one for the drill site. The helicopter requires an approximately 100 foot diameter to be cleared, or roughly 730 square meters. The drill site will be a roughly 14.5 meter wide circle or roughly 170 square meters.
2. Provide a detailed map of Site 4 for review	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Site 4 was on an older map and is no longer considered a site for the groundwater program We understand there are areas of cultural significance around Patience Lake. We can confirm that there are no groundwater sites near this area. We will let the other disciplines know that this is an area of cultural significance. We will also provide this information to the consultation team. Is there any additional information areas of cultural significance with Patience Lake you can provide for other disciplines field programs?
3. Provide a photo of an example of a groundwater monitoring well	We will provide a photo of the groundwater monitoring when it becomes available.
4. Monitors would like an opportunity to speak to community/band members about any areas of concerns	<p>We will need feedback from the community/band fairly soon. As there are no concerns with the 3 sites and as there is a lot of field logistics required, the groundwater program will continue to proceed in September. We will also be reaching out again for the monitors to participate in the September groundwater program.</p> <p>We would appreciate any additional information on the cultural significance area around Patience lake (as noted above) for other field programs.</p>
Questions from your email below	
5. Some of the participants have asked me about how and when they will receive their	Yes, we will provide the \$200/participant honorarium. It will be issued via e-transfer. Could you please confirm if payment should be issued directly to each

<p>honorarium for participating in the flights. It was agreed upon that the Marten Falls Project Team would pay an honorarium of \$200 to each participant.</p>	<p>participant or all payments directly to one specific recipient. Could you please provide the email address(es) for payment.</p>
<p>6. Will your team be providing a summary or report of the findings from the flyovers and how information will be incorporated into the project?</p>	<p>Attached is the summary of the flyover. We will provide this information to the consultation team.</p>

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. Thanks!

Elaine Lee-Ho, M.Sc., P.Biol., P.Ag.

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To:
Jennifer Bruin, Bob Baxter, Lawrence Baxter, Qasim Saddique

CC:
Elaine Lee-Ho, Leah Deveaux, Jean-Marc Crew, Christine Green, Ingrid Trimble

Project name:
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road

Project ref:
[REDACTED]

From:
Samantha Markham

Date:
August 18, 2022

Memo

Subject: Aroland First Nation Flyover to Inspect Potential Groundwater Sites 10, 16 and 27

The objective of the Aroland Flyover was to visually inspect the areas in a helicopter at three potential groundwater sites (10, 16 and 27) to determine if the site locations are suitable for the well and clearing for the groundwater monitoring program in regards to traditional knowledge concerns. As part of the flyover to visually inspect the area, we also discussed and identified potential cultural heritage features in the areas of each potential groundwater drilling sites to be avoided and to discuss potential mitigations options if any concerns were raised.

August 17, 2022

The flyover was attended by Bob Baxter of Marten Falls First Nation, Ernie Gagnon and Jerry Shabogamik of Aroland First Nation.

No concerns related to traditional cultural knowledge were raised by the monitors for any of the three locations. A concern raised by Bob was that the clearing and drilling might disturb the animals as some are located on higher ground, particularly at Site 10. Site 16 was adjacent to a flowing creek, and the representatives from each Nation were interested in discovering which way the water was flowing and to where. General comments included (paraphrased):

- people were not going very far off into the bush, most things would be on the shoreline or very close to it.
- While flying to Site 16 near Patience Lake, one of the monitors mentioned they saw one of the proposed road crossing locations two years ago on the ground had flagging tape. The route went right over an island and he did have some concerns about that route option. There is an existing camp site that has been used for some time on the south shore of the lake, and they indicated that on the point adjacent to the island there were "six burials that haven't been marked yet". The approximate location of this area of cultural significance is marked on the map below and is waiting for confirmation from Aroland First Nation.



- The monitors had no concerns about the three specific sites in question, but mentioned that other members of the community should also have the opportunity to look at the sites and comments. Bob indicated that was a fair request.
- Jerry indicated his main concern is where the road crosses the creeks and rivers. These areas were significant for Traditional Knowledge.

Questions asked that we were unable to answer:

- how big an area will be cut for this work?
- how deep are they going? Bob and I assumed to the water table so depths would vary.

August 18, 2022

The flyover was attended by Bob Baxter of Marten Falls First Nation, Larry Baxter and Jack Shabogamik of Aroland First Nation. The flight was delayed in the morning due to fog and a low ceiling; departure was at 10:30am.

At the request of Andrew Peach and Aroland First Nation, Site 4 was added to the list of sites to visit during this flyover. It was not visible on the mapping received to date, so an online image was used during the flyover. The exact location could not be determined from the PDF, therefore a general location was visually inspected.

Given the location of Site 4 and the delayed start time, we were not able to get to Site 10 in the north. The team agreed that it was more important to inspect Site 4 this time given the concerns raised by Jerry and Ernie on August 17th. The monitors were provided with the detailed mapping of Site 10 and were going to review. Upon visual inspection, the monitors did not have any concerns with Sites 16 and 27. General comments included (paraphrased):

- The monitor had also spent time at the camp noted on Patience Lake
- The monitor indicated there were burials present on Patience Lake, along the north shore. They indicated there is a map at the band office that has the location of the cultural features around Patience Lake so they were going to consult it and let us know.
- The monitor asked if we were interested in spawning locations as well, and he was going to inquire with the community about significant hunting and gathering locations, ceremonial locations, settlements and burials.
- The monitors wanted the opportunity to take the mapping back to the community and ask for input. Bob agreed that would be best to get all the information.

- In reviewing the alternatives, the monitor did not appear to have any concerns with the western alternatives across Patience Lake. Bob and the monitors discussed the two routes and indicated that the western alternative at Patience Lake/Ogoki River was preferable.
- Detailed maps for Site 4 were requested to review the exact location against any cultural features. It is close to Patience Lake which has cultural significance.
- The monitor asked if the archaeology team has looked at all of the well sites yet. We explained that we had completed the Stage 1AA but have not yet done the Stage 2AA; we are awaiting the chosen route option before we complete Stage 2.

Questions asked that we were unable to answer:

- how large an area needs to be cleared?
- how large are the monitoring wells?

Action Items:

- The monitors to speak to community/band council about any areas of concern in regards to Sites 10, 16 and 27.
- Sam to provide Aroland First Nation with detailed mapping of Site 4 for review.
- Sam and Bob to provide a photo of an example of a groundwater monitoring well area to Aroland First Nation.
- Sam to provide size of the area that will be needed to be cleared and the size of the monitoring well.

Conclusions

No concerns were raised by the Aroland First Nation representatives for groundwater monitoring well installation at Sites 10, 16 or 27. Given the close proximity of Site 4 to Patience Lake, further discussion is required before that location is cleared. Patience Lake was flagged as a significant cultural area with a number of cultural features present. Mapping of those features should be consulted prior to any well installation or other ground disturbing activities.

Aroland Flyover Memo

LeeHo, Elaine <[REDACTED]>

24 August 2022 at 11:15

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Everyone,

Please see the attached an example photo of installed groundwater wells. Thanks!

Elaine Lee-Ho, M.Sc., P.Biol., P.Ag.

Senior Regulatory Specialist, Deputy Department Manager

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Crew, Jean-Marc <[REDACTED]> 1 September 2022 at 09:10
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik
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Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>

Good morning, Andrew.

Elaine is off this week, so I am following up on her behalf. Can you let us know when the brief response is expected?

Thank you

Jean-Marc

Jean-Marc Crew, *he/him*
Senior Environmental Planner and Project Manager

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Upcoming Vacation: September 2



Aroland Flyover Memo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 6 September 2022 at 17:39
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Ernie Gagnon <[redacted]>
Cc: "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, " [redacted] ", Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Hello Mr. Peach and Mr. Gagnon,

I am following-up on the honoraria payment for the flyover participants. The Project Team has been in contact with Working Warriors to arrange the payment. Below are the details for the contact at Working Warriors:

[redacted]

Phillip will provide the e-transfer password to Ernie once they are in contact. He tried to contact Ernie today through the office but I suggested it might be easier to coordinate the payment this way.

Please let me know if there *any* issues with this process.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 9 September 2022 at 13:33
 To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>
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 Bcc: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Good Afternoon Chief Towedo and Mr. Peach,

We wanted to send you an update regarding the upcoming tree clearing and drilling activities as part of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program. You'll recall that Aroland First Nation representatives participated in a helicopter flyover of these sites (sites 10, 16 and 27) in mid/late August 2022.

Tree clearing activities began in early in September 2022 and we anticipate that the clearing of site will take place over 3 days between September 20 and October 10, 2022 for sites 10, 16 and 27, respectively. No trees will be harvested as part of this work.

Drilling activities associated with groundwater monitoring activities are anticipated to take place between October 19 and 29, 2022 for sites 10, 16 and 27.

You'll recall that the MFFN CAR Project Team offered, via MNRF and in a letter on March 9, 2022, to have Aroland First Nation monitors at these sites (sites 10, 16, 27) during drilling activities, if interested. We are able to accommodate two Aroland First Nation monitors to observe the drilling activity over the three days. Please let us know whether Aroland First Nation would like to participate in this monitoring, on or before Wednesday September 14, 2022. Contact information for these monitors is requested in order to coordinate scheduling.

I wanted to also note that we will be following up with a revised memo from the helicopter flyover shortly.

Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Kyla Zielbauer

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Inquiry re: potential project activity

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

16 September 2022 at 12:10

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for this and we'll touch base with our team and get back to you on this.

Clayton



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Clayton Coppaway, M.Sc.
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Re: Letter from Chief Towedo

Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]> 23 September 2022 at 14:14
To: Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan
<[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>,
Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M
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Cc: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], Qasim Saddique
<[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Jackmoonias <[REDACTED]>, Kate Kempton
<[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, MFFN CAR Project - Webmail
<info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Avril Fisker <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin
<[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach
<[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>,
[REDACTED]

Dear Chief Towedo and Aroland Council Members,

Please find attached letter, on behalf of Chief Achneepineskum, in response to your May 6, 2022 and September 16, 2022 letter correspondence to MFFN Leadership.

Miigwetch,
Clayton Coppaway



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September 23, 2022

Chief and Council
Aroland First Nation



RE: Ring of Fire and MFFN Community Access Road (CAR) Road Segment: May 6, 2022 & September 19, 2022 Letter response from MFFN.

Dear Chief Towedo,

A safe and reliable connection to the provincial highway network, which Aroland First Nation currently enjoys, is a vital life-line for the long-term sustainability, well-being, and survival of our community. With this road leading directly to Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN), our community will have reliable access to goods and services; meaning more affordable food, fuel and other supplies.

We acknowledge your concern and general opposition to our community access road and specifically your concern related to the proposed road project being approved without your consent, as outlined in your May 6, 2022 letter. As we have indicated in previous correspondence, we are committed to working with Aroland First Nation to better understand, and where possible, address your community's concerns and comments on our community access road project.

We wish to work in partnership with Aroland First Nation to create a path to success and prosperity for both of our communities. You may remember a time when our former Chiefs: Eli and Sonny worked together to advance our shared interests. They worked together to advance the North South Alliance when the East West Coalition threatened to by-pass our communities and leave us without opportunities for economic and social development. Since that time Aroland First Nation has led the way in how communities can benefit from resource development projects through the agreement it has established with the Greenstone Mine. The MFFN community access road (CAR) project is an opportunity for our communities to again advance our shared interests. By working together, we believe that we can advance our common priorities while raising the bar in terms of our collective aboriginal, treaty and inherent rights.





We agree that our shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe requires us to work together to ensure that our communities and our memberships understand the implications that our projects and our partnerships may have on our communities and our credibility as traditional stewards of the land. We feel that our approach to plan and assess this vital community access road project, while not perfect, will help us develop our road in such a way that Aroland First Nation, and other First Nations, could also benefit.

The proposed community access road has not been approved and we are still in the preliminary design and analysis phases of the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) and federal Impact Assessment (IA) processes (the assessments). The potential impacts of its construction and operation have yet to be fully determined. Through the completion of the planned field studies and working with Aroland First Nation we will have a better view of current conditions which will help inform the assessments.

To date, Aroland First Nation and MFFN have made modest progress in terms of working together. The recent helicopter flyover held in coordination with the MFFN CAR Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Study Program is one example of how we can work together to help ensure our community access road is developed in the best way possible. We hope that this type of coordination and engagement with your community can continue as we work to complete the assessment processes.

Demobilization of Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Crews

Miigwetch, for bringing this important issue to our attention on September 16 2022. Please accept our sincere apology for not informing you of the use of the former airstrip along the Anaconda forestry road, near Melchett Lake, as a staging area for our groundwater and geochemistry field programs. We sincerely hope these activities in the area did not impact your annual moose hunt or your ability to exercise your Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. Upon hearing of your concerns, our Project Team immediately took steps to demobilize from the Anaconda forestry road and to relocate our equipment and crews to the Nakina Airport.

While we have engaged and consulted on the groundwater and geochemistry field program activities (clearing and drilling) with Aroland First Nation since the summer of 2021, our project team did not directly communicate their plans for staging these important baseline studies to you and your community. We are committed to improving the lines of communication between our two Nations and look forward to discussing this at our upcoming Nation-to-Nation meeting.

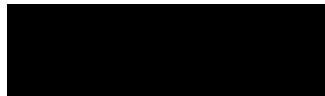




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We acknowledge that Aroland First Nation has not provided their consent for any MFFN CAR project team activities on their territory, and will not, before our Councils are able to come together and make an agreement on how to work together. We agree that this meeting is critical, and propose that we coordinate a one-day Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation for early-October 2022 (October 4-7, 2022) in Thunder Bay. Please let us know if there are other preferred times in October for us to plan for. We will reach out to you and your team shortly to confirm dates that will work with you to develop an appropriate agenda.

Miigwetch,



Chief Bruce Achneepineskum

Cc:

- Aroland First Nation Council
- Marten Falls First Nation Council
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Jeremy Shute, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Qasim Saddique, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Lawrence Baxter, MFFN Community Member Advisor
- Bob Baxter, MFFN Community Member Advisor
- Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team





Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 27 September 2022 at 15:24
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Ernie Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

I wanted to check-in with you to find out if Aroland First Nation is interested in having monitors present at the groundwater drilling sites? The upcoming tree clearing and well drilling for the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program is approaching for the previously identified sites, and we would endeavour to have Aroland First Nation monitors present if there were any interest. I have updated the date for the tree clearing, based on feedback from the field crew.

Tree clearing: 3 days between September 27 and October 10, 2022
Drilling: between October 19 - 29, 2022

If you could please provide the names and contact information of the potential monitors, I can send it along to those who are coordinating the field work.

As well, we anticipate sending a revised flyover summary memo in the next few days.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Aroland Flyover Memo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 28 September 2022 at 09:57
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]"
<[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon
<[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan
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Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique
<[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Greetings Chief Towedo and Mr. Peach,

Please find a revised and final version of the flyover summary memo attached to this email, with updates made per Aroland First Nation's proposed amendments, sent via email by Andrew Peach on September 1, 2022.

We acknowledge that Aroland First Nation's participation in the helicopter flyover is not to be interpreted as Aroland First Nation providing consent for proposed field studies to occur as they relate to the MFFN CAR Project. We have noted that any records made in relation to the flyover, including consultation and engagement logs, will include this information. You will also note that this has been included in the final version of the flyover memo. Revisions to the summary memo include:

- A statement that Aroland First Nation does not consent for MFFN CAR Project study activities to occur on their Traditional Territory; and;
- The inclusion of the concerns related to site 16 and the proximity to the Ogoki River.

We also wanted to acknowledge and thank you for letting us know that Aroland First Nation is still interested in accessing capacity funding association with MFFN CAR. Currently, there is funding available through the Indigenous Knowledge Program and the Community Coordinator Program. We have attached details on both of these programs for your information. In addition and as we have offered before, we would be pleased to meet with you to discuss your specific capacity funding needs and support the community to access to these programs.

Lastly, it is our understanding that the honoraria payment was sent to Ernie Gagnon on September 9, 2022. Are you able to confirm all participants have received their individual payments?

Thank you for your time,

Kyla Zielbauer

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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5 attachments

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 **Indigenous-Knowledge-Program-Timeline-Update.pdf**
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 **Aroland-FN-2022-03-17-Community-Coordinator-Program-Intro.pdf**
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 **MFFN-CAR-Project-IK-Program-Fact-Sheet-English-Version-Final-January-2021.pdf**
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 **MFFN CAR Project - IK Program Guidance Document (compiled) - Final Nov 2020.pdf**
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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

WE'RE HIRING!

Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is undertaking a federal Impact Assessment (IA) and provincial environmental assessment (EA) for an all-season access road to our community. To support these studies, we are looking to hire **Community Coordinators**.

Are you a highly motivated person? Do you have strong organizational and relationship building skills? Would you like to work with a great project team and build experience in environmental management?

If so, this could be the role for you!

The Community Coordinator will be a primary point of contact between your community and the MFFN Project Team. We will work closely with you as you help to involve your community in the environmental assessment processes.

Responsibilities

- Coordinate between the MFFN Project Team and community members living in / outside of your community as per your local practices and in collaboration with Chief and Council;
- Provide advice and guidance on appropriate ways to engage your community—in-person (when appropriate to do so), and virtually during COVID-19;
- Keep informed on Community Access Road Project activities (e.g., timelines, documents, events) and communicate relevant Project information to community members;
- Participate in meetings with the Project Team and other Community Coordinators;
- Provide support for community engagement activities related to the Project including:
 - Coordinate and organize logistics for meetings, workshops, events and / or school visits (e.g., book meeting spaces, order refreshments, help with truck / boat rentals and accommodations);
 - Help identify meeting participants and information providers (e.g., youth and / or elders);
 - Assist with meeting facilitation, note taking and meeting minute preparation, and coordinate translation services, if needed; and
 - Organize distributing Project advertisements and notices in your community; either online (e.g., Facebook or posting in community);
- Assist in collecting data / information in your community (e.g., Indigenous Knowledge, community information and socio-economic information);
- Assist in reviewing draft documents, questionnaires or Project updates / information sheets.

This position will receive \$25 per hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours per week for up to 3 years. If you would like to learn more, contact: Jennifer Bruin or James Meyer at info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca or 1-800-764-9114.



Indigenous Knowledge Program Timeline and Update January 20, 2022

In December 2019, the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road Project Team (Project Team) introduced an Indigenous Knowledge Program to support the federal and provincial assessments for the Community Access Road Project (the Project). Since that time the following milestones have been accomplished:

- The Terms of Reference for the Project were approved with amendments on October 8, 2021 by the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks;
- The Notice of Commencement of the Environmental Assessment (EA) was published on October 29, 2021; and
- The federal Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines were issued on February 24, 2020.

The Indigenous Knowledge Program is a critical component of the information base upon which the assessments will be conducted. The information generated through the Indigenous Knowledge Program will be used in tandem with scientific approaches, and both knowledge systems will be used in forming the foundation for baseline conditions, predicting potential project impacts, and determining appropriate mitigation and monitoring methods.

Figure 1: Indigenous Knowledge Timeline (attached) illustrates the key steps in the Indigenous Knowledge Program and their anticipated completion dates. As noted above, the Project Team began communicating with Indigenous Communities in December 2019, and Project funding support for those communities who have expressed an interest in participating in the Indigenous Program began in the summer of 2021 and is on-going. To more holistically integrate Indigenous Knowledge and information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use into the assessment processes we have targeted a June 30, 2022 deadline for the completion of Project-Specific Indigenous Knowledge/Indigenous Land and Resource Use Studies.

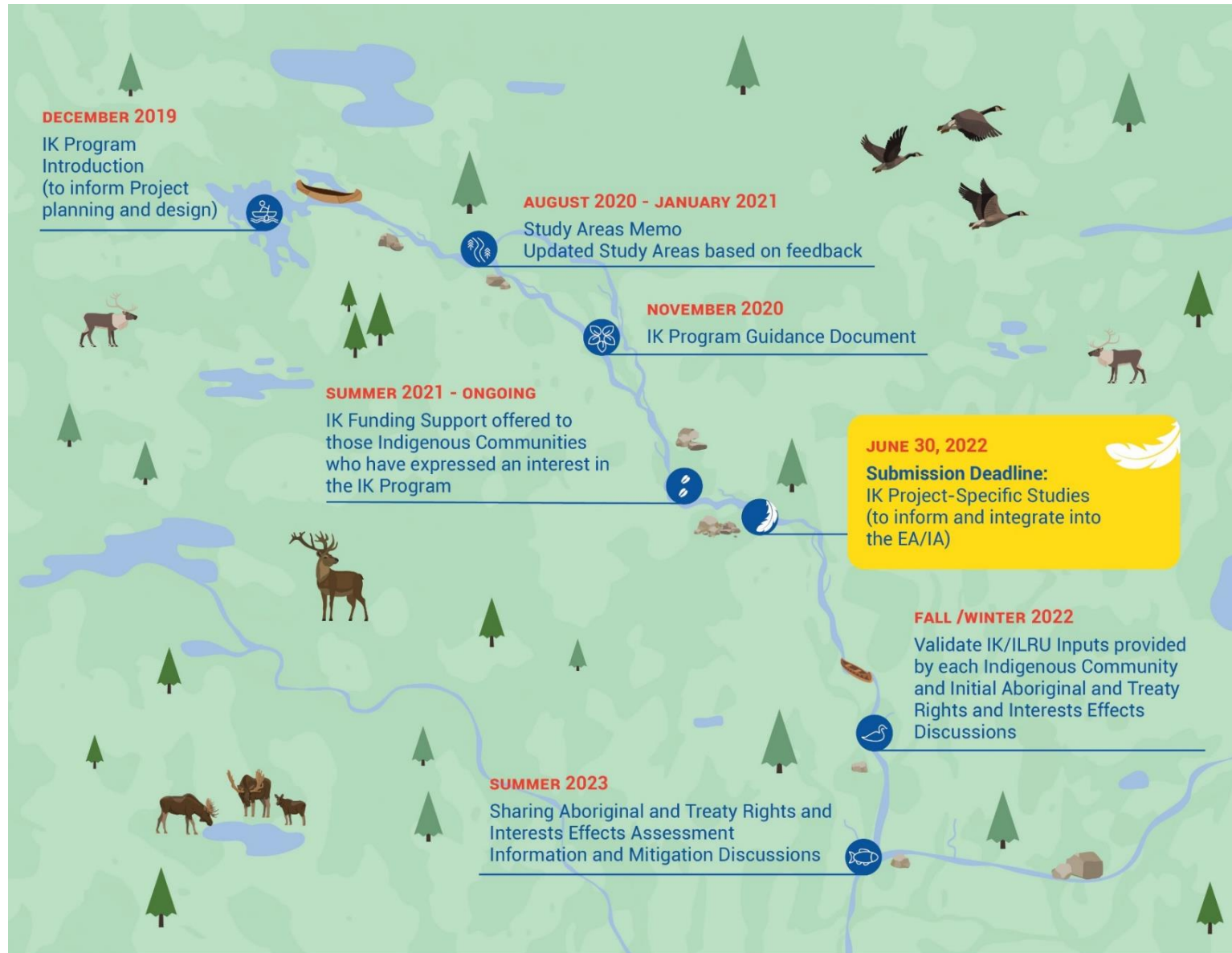
Indigenous Knowledge and information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use is invaluable in that it helps us to better understand and appreciate the environment with respect to the identity, culture, and heritage of Indigenous Communities. If your community has Indigenous Knowledge or information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use related to the Project that you would like to share or if you would like to learn more about the Indigenous Knowledge Program please do not hesitate to reach out to Bob Baxter at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] or Andrea Nokleby at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

We hope you and your community are safe and well.





Figure 1: Indigenous Knowledge Program Timeline





Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation
[REDACTED]

March 17, 2022

Re: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Community Coordinator Program

Dear Chief Towedo,

The Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road Project Team is excited to announce that we are offering to hire members of specific Indigenous communities as **Community Coordinators**. As we continue to move through the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) and federal Impact Assessment (IA), we want to continue to engage and consult with Aroland First Nation on a consistent basis and in a way that works best for your community. The Community Coordinator Program is set to begin early April 2022.

The Community Coordinator Program will support Community Access Road Project activities, meetings and events; helping to make sure input is collected from the right people and shared back with the Project Team so as to be included in the EA processes. The position is \$25 an hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours of work per week for up to three years. Please see the attached job description for a list of responsibilities.

Is Aroland First Nation interested in participating in the Community Coordinator Program? If so, we are looking for your input on who should be the Community Coordinator in your community. We understand that Aroland First Nation currently has funding from the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRF) for Sheldon Atlookan as a Community Coordinator. We would like to propose supplementing the funding already provided by NDMNRF for this position, so as to increase the hours already being worked on the Project. The choice of candidate, however, is yours to make. You know best who is the best fit for this role. Are you and Council members comfortable with Sheldon Atlookan being hired in this role for the MFFN Community Access Road? If not, please let us know if we can support you by reaching out to your members to see if someone is interested. We hope to hear from you by **March 31, 2022**.

We appreciate your time and thoughts on this Program and are open to have a detailed discussion. We believe the hiring of Community Coordinators will strengthen our collective efforts on both the EA and IA and allow for a more open and responsive consultation and engagement between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team. If you have any questions or would like to setup a meeting, please contact [REDACTED] or call [REDACTED]. We will follow-up directly with you in advance of the two-week deadline to answer any questions or concerns you may have regarding the Community Coordinator Program.

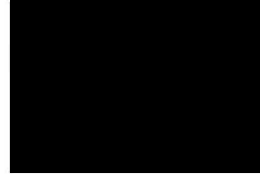




Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

Encl. MFFN Community Access Road Community Coordinator Job Posting

CC:

- Dwayne Gagnon, Aroland First Nation
- Godfrey Gagnonaclo, Aroland First Nation
- Meghan Buckham, Aroland First Nation Consultant, Shared Value Solutions
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, Shared Value Solutions
- Jeremy Shute, Aroland First Nation Consultant, Shared Value Solutions
- Ernie Gagnon, Aroland First Nation Land and Resource Coordinator
- Lawrence Baxter, Senior Community Member Advisor, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
- Qasim Saddique, Project Director, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
- Clayton Coppaway, Consultant, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team



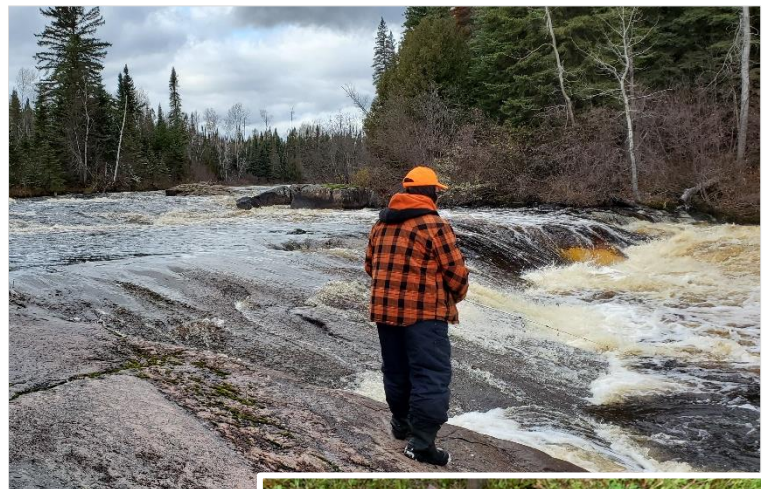


Indigenous Knowledge Program Fact Sheet

What is the Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program?

The Program aims to collect Indigenous Knowledge (IK) relevant to the MFFN Community Access Road Project. This includes information on Indigenous land and resource use and important cultural values in and around the Project area. The information shared with the MFFN Project Team will be used in the assessment processes for the Project. The key objectives of the IK Program are to:

- Identify areas where Indigenous land uses (hunting, trapping, fishing, gathering), important resources (e.g., moose, water, etc.), and/or important values (e.g., sharing of your culture) could be impacted by the proposed Project (the road);
- Understand community views about the potential positive or negative impacts of the Project on land and resource use and important values;
- Work with communities to avoid or mitigate (reduce) the potential negative impacts of the Project; and
- Work with communities to maximize the potential positive impacts.



How will information be collected and shared?

The Program involves two key ways for information gathering and sharing:

- Existing and relevant IK and land and resource use information previously collected by communities (e.g., for community-based land use planning) can be shared; and/or
- A Project-specific Study can be completed to collect relevant IK and information on Indigenous land and resource use in and around the Project area.





The MFFN Project Team has developed an IK Program Guidance Document that contains tools and resources to support communities in collecting and sharing this important information. It has been designed to meet the requirements of the assessment processes. The document was shared with communities in early November 2020.

How will the information we share be protected?

The MFFN Project Team will work with communities to develop IK Sharing Agreements before any sensitive information is shared. The Agreement will outline how confidential or sensitive information will be stored, protected, accessed, and used in the assessment processes.

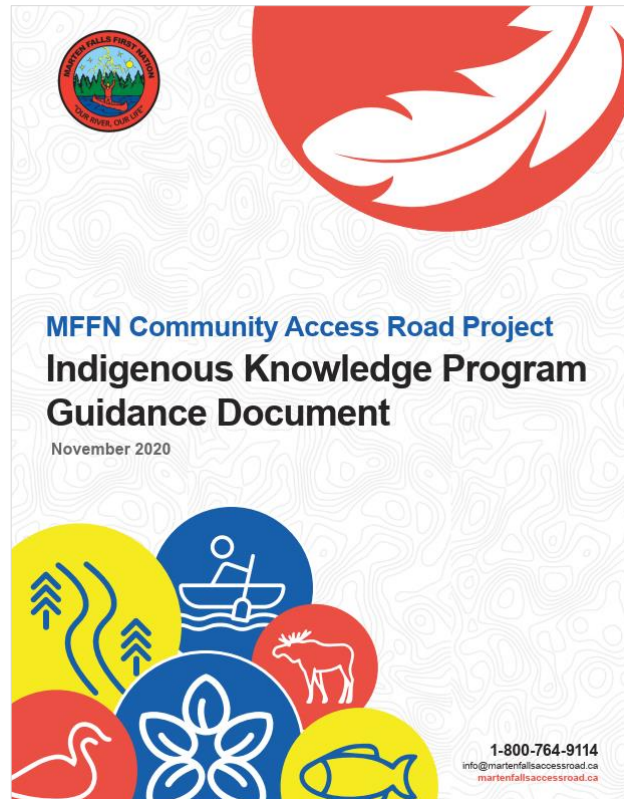
How will the information be used in the impact assessment process?

The information collected will be used to:

- Support our understanding of existing environmental conditions in and around the Project area;
- Identify the impacts of the Project on lands, resources, and people;
- Guide how impacts on lands, resources, and people will be assessed;
- Help identify ways to avoid or reduce any negative impacts and improve any benefits; and
- Help identify monitoring programs.

Where can we get more information on the IK Program?

Please see the MFFN Community Access Road Project website at <http://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/> or contact the Project Team directly at **1-800-764-9114** or info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca.



Aroland Flyover Memo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 28 September 2022 at 09:58

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My apologies, I forgot to attach the revised flyover summary memo.

I have attached it here.

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 **Aroland First Nation Flyover Memo 2022-09-26 (Revised).pdf**
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To:
Jennifer Bruin, Bob Baxter, Lawrence Baxter, Qasim
Saddique

CC:
Elaine Lee-Ho, Leah Deveaux, Jean-Marc Crew,
Christine Green, Ingrid Trimble

Project name:
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road

Project ref:
60593122

From:
Samantha Markham

Date:
September 16, 2022

Memo

Subject: Aroland First Nation Flyover to Inspect Potential Groundwater Sites 10, 16 and 27

The objective of the Aroland Flyover was to visually inspect the areas in a helicopter at three potential groundwater sites (10, 16 and 27) to determine if the site locations are suitable for the well and clearing for the groundwater monitoring program in regards to traditional knowledge concerns. As part of the flyover to visually inspect the area, we also discussed and identified potential cultural heritage features in the areas of each potential groundwater drilling sites to be avoided and to discuss potential mitigations options if any concerns were raised.

August 17, 2022

The flyover was attended by Bob Baxter of Marten Falls First Nation, Ernie Gagnon and Jerry Shabogamik of Aroland First Nation.

No concerns related to traditional cultural knowledge were raised by the monitors for any of the three locations. A concern raised by Bob was that the clearing and drilling might disturb the animals as some are located on higher ground, particularly at Site 10. Site 16 was adjacent to a flowing creek, and the representatives from each Nation were interested in discovering which way the water was flowing and to where. General comments included (paraphrased):

- people were not going very far off into the bush, most things would be on the shoreline or very close to it.
- While flying to Site 16 near Patience Lake, one of the monitors mentioned they saw one of the proposed road crossing locations two years ago on the ground had flagging tape. The route went right over an island and he did have some concerns about that route option. There is an existing camp site that has been used for some time on the south shore of the lake, and they indicated that on the point adjacent to the island there were "six burials that haven't been marked yet". The approximate location of this area of cultural significance is marked on the map below and is waiting for confirmation from Aroland First Nation.
- Upon review of satellite imagery of the area after the flyover was completed, one of the monitors was able to confirm that the creek did flow into the Ogoki River, and Aroland asked to note the creek is an area of concern in this memo.
 - If water is required during the drilling, it will be pumped from nearby surface water sources using a filtered intake. At sites that are further away from surface water sources, the helicopter can collect water from larger water bodies and deliver it to the drilling site using a system similar to that used for forest fire fighting. All drilling sites are located more than 30 m away from surface water bodies including the creek of concern. Water that is used during drilling and groundwater testing will be returned to the surrounding area and will be monitored to ensure it infiltrates the ground and does not flow overland to any surface water bodies.



- The monitors had no concerns about the three specific sites in question, but mentioned that other members of the community should also have the opportunity to look at the sites and comments. Bob indicated that was a fair request.
- Jerry indicated his main concern is where the road crosses the creeks and rivers. These areas were significant for Traditional Knowledge.

Questions asked that we were unable to answer:

- how big an area will be cut for this work?
- how deep are they going? Bob and I assumed to the water table so depths would vary.

August 18, 2022

The flyover was attended by Bob Baxter of Marten Falls First Nation, Larry Baxter and Jack Shabogamik of Aroland First Nation. The flight was delayed in the morning due to fog and a low ceiling; departure was at 10:30am.

At the request of Andrew Peach and Aroland First Nation, Site 4 was added to the list of sites to visit during this flyover. It was not visible on the mapping received to date, so an online image was used during the flyover. The exact location could not be determined from the PDF, therefore a general location was visually inspected.

Given the location of Site 4 and the delayed start time, we were not able to get to Site 10 in the north. The team agreed that it was more important to inspect Site 4 this time given the concerns raised by Jerry and Ernie on August 17th. The monitors were provided with the detailed mapping of Site 10 and were going to review. Upon visual inspection, the monitors did not have any concerns with Sites 16 and 27. General comments included (paraphrased):

- The monitor had also spent time at the camp noted on Patience Lake
- The monitor indicated there were burials present on Patience Lake, along the north shore. They indicated there is a map at the band office that has the location of the cultural features around Patience Lake so they were going to consult it and let us know.
- The monitor asked if we were interested in spawning locations as well, and he was going to inquire with the community about significant hunting and gathering locations, ceremonial locations, settlements and burials.
- The monitors wanted the opportunity to take the mapping back to the community and ask for input. Bob agreed that would be best to get all the information.

- In reviewing the alternatives, the monitor did not appear to have any concerns with the western alternatives across Patience Lake. Bob and the monitors discussed the two routes and indicated that the western alternative at Patience Lake/Ogoki River was preferable.
- Detailed maps for Site 4 were requested to review the exact location against any cultural features. It is close to Patience Lake which has cultural significance.
- The monitor asked if the archaeology team has looked at all of the well sites yet. We explained that we had completed the Stage 1AA but have not yet done the Stage 2AA; we are awaiting the chosen route option before we complete Stage 2.

Questions asked that we were unable to answer:

- how large an area needs to be cleared?
- how large are the monitoring wells?

Action Items:

Actions items	Date Completed
The monitors to speak to community/band council about any areas of concern in regards to Sites 10, 16 and 27.	Response received Sept 1, 2022: Monitors would ideally speak to the community about any potential concerns with the identified sites, and with all of the other proposed drill sites, the lack of appropriate funding will limit the degree to which this engagement is possible.
AECOM to provide Aroland First Nation with detailed mapping of Site 4 for review.	Response in email with memo provided August 23, 2022. Site 4 was on an older map and is no longer considered a site for the groundwater program.
AECOM to provide a photo of an example of a groundwater monitoring well area to Aroland First Nation.	Photo provided in email provided on August 24, 2022.
AECOM to provide size of the area that will be needed to be cleared and the size of the monitoring well.	Response in email with memo provided August 23, 2022: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • For each site, two connecting areas (circles) will be cleared; one for the helicopter and one for the drill site. • The helicopter requires an approximately 100 foot diameter to be cleared, or roughly 730 square meters. • The drill site will be a roughly 14.5 meter wide circle or roughly 170 square meters.

Conclusions

During the flyover, there were no concerns were raised by the Aroland First Nation representatives for groundwater monitoring well installation at Sites 10, 16 or 27. Upon Aroland’s review of the August 22 memo and satellite imagery of the Site area, one of the monitors was able to confirm that the creek did flow into the Ogoki River, and asked to have the creek near Site 16 noted as a concern in this memo. The creek will not be affected as drilling will occur 30m from surface water bodies.

Given the close proximity of Site 4 to Patience Lake, further discussion is required before that location is cleared. Patience Lake was flagged as a significant cultural area with a number of cultural features present. Mapping of those features should be consulted prior to any well installation or other ground disturbing activities. Site 4 was on an older map and is no longer considered a site for the groundwater program.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Offer of Leadership Meeting Next Week

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 29 September 2022 at 10:06
 To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice
 Magiskan <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Rob M
 <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Sheldon
 Atlookan <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute
 <[redacted]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway
 <[redacted]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo and Mr. Peach,

On behalf of Chief Achneepineskum, we wanted to reach out to inquire if Chief Towedo and Aroland First Nation Council members would be interested in attending an informal dinner with Chief Achneepineskum after the Matawa meetings next week.

Chief Achneepineskum has proposed this dinner as a means to share a meal together and find a date to discuss a potential agenda for an upcoming Nation-to-Nation meeting.

Please let us know if this is something Chief Towedo and Aroland First Nation Council would be interested in attending. If there is a particular date that works best for Aroland First Nation Chief and Council, please provide those details.

Sincerely,
 Kyla Zielbauer
 On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 11 October 2022 at 13:52
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Ernie Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

The MFFN CAR Project Team would like to inquire if there is any interest from Aroland First Nation in having monitors present at the upcoming well drilling as part of the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Programs?

Drilling at the sites previously identified by Aroland First Nation (Sites 10, 16 and 27) will likely begin next week. Tree clearing for this field program has completed.

If there is interest, it is important that we receive confirmation and monitor contact information as soon as possible, in order to coordinate the logistics.

I hope you had a great Thanksgiving and long weekend!

Sincerely,
Kyla Zielbauer
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

17 October 2022 at 18:44

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Good Evening Mr. Peach,

Thank you for your email and the update.

We are eager to receive feedback from Chief and Council in regards to this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Kyla Zielbauer

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

18 October 2022 at 16:29

To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

Hi Mr. Peach,

Thank you for the update.

I will gather the requested information and get back to you as soon as possible.

Have a good evening,

Kyla Zielbauer

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

20 October 2022 at 15:11

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

I wanted to follow-up and let you know that we are still working on the details on our end. We can confirm the well drilling activities have not yet started for sites 10,16 and 27.

We look forward to working with Aroland First Nation monitors on this.

I will be in touch with more details shortly. Please let me know if there are any other outstanding concerns we can address in the meantime.

Thank you,
Kyla Zielbauer
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR IK Program - Follow-up and Funding

Nokleby, Andrea <[REDACTED]> 26 October 2022 at 11:00

To: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Cc: Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, "Coppaway, Clayton" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo,

We hope the start of Autumn has been good for you and your community. I understand that there are ongoing conversations about the Marten Falls First nation Community Access Road Project (MFFN CAR) but I wanted to make sure that we are continuing to raise awareness about the Indigenous Knowledge Program.

The Indigenous Knowledge Program is a critical component of the information base upon which the assessment for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project (MFFN CAR) will be conducted. The information generated through the Indigenous Knowledge Program will be used in concert with scientific approaches, and both knowledge systems will be given equal consideration in forming the foundation for baseline conditions, predicting potential project impacts, including potential impacts to your community's inherent Aboriginal rights and interests, and determining appropriate mitigation and monitoring methods. We see this as a way to empower communities to build capacity to develop and share knowledge and to inform the assessment.

To support communities in the IK Program, funding is available to participate. For your review and comment, we are re-attaching the:

- Funding Agreement Template - This has been revised since we last sent it as follows:
 - Section 3.1 Deliverables - this has been modified to remove reference to specific dates since the original timeline has passed and we included a check in meeting.
 - Section 7.7 Notices - We have updated the contact information.

We are very keen to work with your community in participating in this important program. We would be happy to set up a meeting to discuss the IK Program and ways in which your community can participate. We are here to support communities in sharing Indigenous Knowledge, and information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use and Aboriginal and Treaty rights and interests - we look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you and have a good day,

Andrea



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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

31 October 2022 at 14:07

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon,

The MFFN CAR Project Team is currently working to finalize details. We hope to have a schedule and information to share this week.

Thank you,

Kyla Zielbauer

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

7 November 2022 at 07:25

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning,

We are pleased to be able to share an updated schedule and more information in regards to the upcoming well drilling activities, as part of the MFFN CAR Project Field Study Programs:

1. We have provided an updated schedule (projected) below, with a margin of error of +/- 1 day to accommodate work that is faster or slower than expected
2. We will be able to accommodate 1 - 2 monitors in addition to Bob Baxter (MFFN CAR Project Team), subject to site conditions and updates will be provided closer to the dates
3. We will be departing from Nakina Airport, subject to change
4. We will provide a hard hat and safety vest, and monitors will require safety footwear
5. We recommend the monitors dress for winter conditions, bring extra warm clothing and wear rubber steel toe boots, as the site is fairly wet
6. We recommend the monitors bring a compact folding chair.

Updated Drilling Schedule

Site 10 - November 18 to 20

Site 16 - November 21 to 24

Site 27 - November 25 to 27

The field crew team:

- Would like to know whether the monitors would prefer to be on site the entire time or one day per site?
- Will provide more information on meeting time closer to the date, once the monitors have been identified

Please update us with any further questions or concerns, and the contact information for the monitors once you are able. We are looking forward to working with Aroland First Nation on this important opportunity.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

7 November 2022 at 12:19

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Hi Mr. Peach,

I can confirm that the monitors will receive an honorarium through Working Warriors and I will follow up with the Project Team to confirm details.

We will circle back with you to confirm the best method for payment and contact information once the monitors have been identified.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 15 November 2022 at 13:14
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

Thank you for taking time to speak with me this morning. As promised, I will provide you with the project updates I mentioned and do my best to summarize important topics from our conversation below:

- Aroland First Nation is in the process of confirming who will be monitoring the well drilling activities and will provide us with an update soon.
- The well drilling for sites 10, 16 and 27 has been pushed due to unfavourable conditions and updated information will be provided.
- Aroland First Nation is working on a response to the September 23, 2022 letter from Chief Achneepineskum, in which Chief Towedo may propose a Nation-to-Nation meeting for January 2023.
- We discussed the Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Sharing Program and agreed to investigate specific details including: Aroland First Nation's potential participation, whether the Confidential Information Agreement is an IK Sharing Agreement and funding related to the program.
- Funding opportunities through the IK Program, the Community Coordinator Program, and other funding available and/or received, as this has been a repeated topic of discussion. It was noted that Aroland First Nation has and continues to require funding to be able to review studies and information related to the MFFN CAR Project in order to engage in the project.
- Contacts for both Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project were discussed. It was noted that communication through one contact (Kyla) has been effective and will continue where possible. It was also mentioned that another staff from Shared Value Solutions may be joining and contact information will be provided when possible.
- It was noted that Aroland First Nation members had reached out to ask if cameras with Golder stickers near their trapline were related to the MFFN CAR Project. Andrew said that he believed they were and indicated that to the community member. Kyla confirmed that Golder is working with the project.
- Both parties agreed to help in arranging a Nation-to-Nation meeting where possible, and it was emphasized that the meeting is an important next step for both communities in relation to the project. Andrew indicated that Aroland First Nation would prefer Chief and Council from both communities to be present at the meeting.

MFFN CAR important information and updates:

Public Information Centre # 4

Public Information Centre (PIC) #4 will be held in Geraldton and Thunder Bay in early December. Dates and more formal notice will be shared soon. Please join us for updates and information on our upcoming Effects Assessment Methods Milestone, including Field studies from the past year and the draft methods on how the route alternatives will be assessed and recommended.

NEW Valued Components Webinars/Videos

The MFFN CAR Project will be starting a webinar series on what we are studying ("valued components"). The first webinar is on November 15 at 4 p.m. EST and the topic will be Animals and Wildlife including moose, caribou and animals with fur. Please visit <https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/> to pre-register and find the access link. Recordings will also be available.

Impact Statement Extension

In the October 2022 E-Blast, we shared that the MFFN CAR Project is subject to a federal Impact Assessment, which requires an Impact Statement within 3 years of the Notice of Commencement of the Impact Assessment. The MFFN CAR

Project is requesting a 3.5-year extension, which would shift the dates from February 24, 2023 to July 24, 2026. The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada will be notifying Indigenous communities and the public about this extension request and will provide an opportunity to review the request and provide comments.

Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests

There will be an upcoming workshop on Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests in early 2023. Stay tuned for more details.

As I mentioned in our call, please feel free to phone or email me at any time with questions or concerns related to the project.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Hi Mr. Peach,

As a follow up to our conversation today, I have provided a projected well drilling schedule below. As previously noted, the dates are tentative based on weather conditions and work schedule. Updates will be provided where possible.

Updated Drilling Schedule

Site 10 - November 22 to 25

Site 16 - November 26 to 29

Site 27 - November 29 to December 2

Hopefully this schedule will align with the Aroland First Nation monitor schedules.

Please reach out should any questions or concerns arise.

Sincerely,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 17 November 2022 at 14:42
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach,

I'm following up to inquire if Aroland First Nation has identified any individuals who will be able to monitor the upcoming well drilling activities?

I have some more information that I can provide:

- I was notified today that we are on track to begin with the first site on November 22.
- The meeting location is Nakina airport at 9am.
- An honorarium will be paid to the monitors at the same rate as the flyovers, through Working Warriors.
- We are able to accommodate 1 or 2 people to participate.

If possible, could you please provide the contact information for the monitors and indicate their preferred method of payment? We would also like to know if the monitors would like to stay for 1 full day or the entire program, but that can potentially be decided later at the time of the field work.

Thank you!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

21 November 2022 at 10:36

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Mr. Shabogamik,

Thank you for providing that information.

One question you might be able to help with - do you know how the monitors would like to be paid? The payment will be set up through Working Warriors, same as the helicopter flyover. We will require contact emails if they would like to receive e-transfers.

Thank you for your help,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

22 November 2022 at 11:51

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning,

I just got off the phone with Mr. Shabogamik not too long ago, but wanted to keep everyone in the loop with what's going on. I am going to follow up with the team to confirm:

- If it is possible to pick up the Aroland First Nation monitors in the community. If it is not possible, I will find out if transportation is available to and from the Nakina airport.
- The dates/meeting time for the well drilling work and confirmation of how many spots are available in the helicopter.
- Whether we are able to provide cheques to the monitors and the details needed to make that happen.

I will send a follow up email with details and have provided my cell phone number to Jerry for anything urgent.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

22 November 2022 at 16:42

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <jean-[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon,

I have some more updates and a couple of questions.

- The first site visit will be on **Thursday November 24th** at site 10.
- We are able to accommodate 1 monitor plus Bob Baxter. If 2 monitors would like to join, we are able to make that work but need to know in advance.
- We are currently working on coordinating transportation for the monitors. The monitors will have to complete health and safety training around 8:30am at the Nakina airport.
- Aroland First Nation monitors will require warm winter clothing, safety footwear (preferably steel toed rubber boots), and to bring their own lunches. They are welcome to bring lawn chairs and items to be more comfortable.
- The team also wanted to note that the terrain is very wet with lots of holes, so extra precautions should be taken when on site.

Some outstanding questions:

- What safety gear does each monitor have? Do they have their own hard hats and safety vests?
- The addresses for each of the monitors in order to send payment via cheque afterward.
- Which monitors will be participating on Thursday.

I will follow up with Jerry tomorrow to firm up details. As always, please reach out if there are any concerns or questions.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

23 November 2022 at 15:45

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon,

I wanted to recap my quick phone call with Mr. Shabogamik just now.

1. Johnny Towedo will be joining Bob tomorrow. Johnny is to be picked up at his house at 8am.
2. Jack Shabogamik might be joining Bob and Johnny on Friday.
3. Jerry will find out if Tiffany is still interested in monitoring.
4. I have given the phone numbers for Johnny and Jack to Bob for coordination.

Jerry and I are still working to get the addresses for the monitors so that we can coordinate payment.

Have a great evening,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

23 November 2022 at 13:28

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>

Afternoon Mr. Shabogamik,

I have been told that Bob Baxter from Marten Falls First Nation will be picking up and dropping off the Aroland First Nation monitors for this field work. Please pass along Bob's phone number ([REDACTED]) to the monitors.

We would like to know:

- who will be joining as the Aroland First Nation monitors, their addresses (and their phone numbers if they are different from the people you listed before: Johnny T, Jack S and Tiffany M).
- where they would like Bob to meet them in Aroland?
- can the monitors be ready at the meeting location for 8am? They will drive together to Nakina airport for 8:30am health and safety training.

Thank you for your help with this,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Hello?

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Tiffany Mendowegan <[redacted]>
Bcc: Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

23 November 2022 at 21:31

Hi Tiffany,

I just spoke with Bob on the phone. He will be in Aroland tomorrow at 8am to pick up Johnny Towedo and he thinks that we will be able to fit you on the helicopter tomorrow.

You will need to bring warm clothing, a lunch, safety workboots, and maybe a lawn chair if you have it.

Please reach out to Bob in the morning to confirm the details and hopefully you will be able to join!

Thanks for reaching out,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR - Public Information Centre #4 and Webinar Series

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 28 November 2022 at 18:18
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Greetings Mr. Peach,

I was unable to reach you by phone earlier today. As I mentioned in the voicemail, we have a few updates about the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project (MFFN CAR):

Public Information Centre #4

The MFFN CAR Project Team is hosting its fourth Public Information Centre (PIC) on December 7th in Thunder Bay and December 8th in Geraldton. A Notice for the PIC is available at the link below, in English, Ojibway, Oji-Cree, Cree and French versions. Please feel welcome to share this notice with others you think may be interested.

<https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/#pic4>

Wednesday, December 7, 2022
Best Western Plus Nor'Wester Hotel & Conference Centre
2nd Floor (Room: Pointe Du Meuron)
2080 Hwy 61
Thunder Bay, Ontario
5:00* – 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 8, 2022
Geraldton Community Centre
200 Wardrope Avenue
Geraldton, Ontario
4:00* – 7:00 p.m.

Valued Components Webinars/Videos

The MFFN CAR Project has started a web series on what we are studying ("valued components"). The next webinar is on Tuesday November 29 at 4 p.m. on Surface Water, Fish and Fish Habitat. Please visit the link below to pre-register and find the access link to the webinar. If you missed the first webinar on Animals and Wildlife (including moose, caribou and animals with fur) the recording is available here: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/mffn-webinars>.

<http://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/>

I also wanted to check in to inquire if there are any questions or concerns related to the well drilling work the Aroland First Nation monitors have participated in, and thank Mr. Shabogamik for his help coordinating the details.

Should you have any questions or concerns, or would like to discuss anything related to the MFFN CAR Project, please reach out.

Sincerely,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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***Please note: I will be out of the office from December 5 to 15th with intermittent availability during that time.**



Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 7 December 2022 at 12:34
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[redacted]>

Greetings Mr. Peach and Mr. Shabogamik,

It is my understanding that the drilling activities for the sites identified by Aroland First Nation (10, 16 and 27) for the Groundwater and Geotechnical Field Program have been completed for the year. Due to changing weather conditions, site 27 was not drilled this year and will not be accessible until Spring 2023. The MFFN CAR Project team appreciates that Aroland First Nation may want to participate when this work commences, and we will reach out with more information on scheduling when it becomes available (March or April).

I have been unable to connect with Mr. Shabogamik to confirm the mailing addresses of the Aroland First Nation monitors, which is required for us to send payment for their participation. If possible, could someone please send this information via email so that I may pass it along to Working Warriors?

I'd like to also note that a response to Chief Towedo's letter to Chief Achneepineskum will be sent shortly.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Well Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>
To: Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>

13 December 2022 at 10:19

Good Morning Tiffany,

I hope you don't mind me sending you an email.

Could you please send me your mailing address so that I can pass that information along to Working Warriors and get the cheque sent to you in the mail? Jerry Shabogamik let me know he didn't have your mailing address.

Glad to hear you were able to make it out to monitor the drilling sites!

Thank you,
Kyla

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Well Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>
To: Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>

13 December 2022 at 14:46

Hi Tiffany,

Thank you for the quick response.

Please reach out if you have any other questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

re monitors pay

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 15 December 2022 at 12:32
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
Cc: "Jackman, Lindsay" <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>

Hi Jerry,

Working Warriors just confirmed the payment will be sent through express post this afternoon. I have been told that Working Warriors will call each of the monitors to give them an update.

Thank you for your patience and help with this work! If I don't get a chance to speak with you in the next few weeks, I hope you have a great holiday season!

Kind regards,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement and Milestone #1 Report Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

15 December 2022 at 12:49

To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>
Bcc: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Good Afternoon Chief Towedo,

We wanted to follow up to confirm that you received the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement and the Milestone #1 Progress Report for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR). We kindly ask if you could let us know you received this email and can view / download the documents successfully.

As noted in the email sent on December 6, 2022, the following link includes the documents for Aroland First Nation, to view or download: [REDACTED]

We welcome any edits or comments to your community specific sections by **January 31, 2022**, before the reports are finalized and shared publicly with the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement.

Please let me know if you would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the reports.

Sincerely,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

15 December 2022 at 13:31

To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon,

My apologies, but there is an error in my previous email. We are requesting feedback on the reports by January 31, 2023.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION #65

December 15, 2022

Aroland First Nation
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Sent via e-mail

Chief Dorothy Towedo and Aroland First Nation Council

re: December 1, 2022 Letter from Aroland First Nation

Dear Chief Towedo,

Miigwetch for your letter on December 1st 2022, and proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay between our two Councils in January 2023. Marten Falls First Nation would like to propose two possible meeting dates: January 26th or January 27th, 2023, with specific meeting location and details to be coordinated by our respective consultants.

We believe there is significant opportunity for our two Nations to work together on ideas that help improve things on the ground for our community members. A meeting between our two councils will help advance a dialogue towards a collaborative future between our communities.

Marten Falls First Nation agrees with the proposed terms of the meeting, that only Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council be present, in hopes of strengthening our relationship, discovering a mutual understanding of the concerns and issues and working together in our shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people.

Once a date has been confirmed, we will send a proposed meeting agenda for your review and feedback.

Miigwetch,
[REDACTED]

Chief Bruce Achneepineskum
Marten Falls First Nation

Cc:

Marten Falls First Nation Council

Aroland First Nation Council

Aroland First Nation Advisors

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

Kyla Zielbauer, Marten Falls Community Access Road Consultant

Subject: Save the Date Aboriginal and Treaty Rights Forum - February 2023



MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
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Tue, Dec 20, 2022, 9:06 AM

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On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project, please find attached a Save the Date for an upcoming Aboriginal and Treaty Rights Forum to be held in Thunder Bay in early February. Further information to come in January.

We wish you and your community a peaceful holiday and a prosperous New Year!

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 16 December 2022 at 10:33
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Good Morning Jerry,

Our contact at Working Warriors was unable to speak with any of the monitors by phone but has confirmed they were sent by express post yesterday.

I will follow up with the monitors by phone next week to confirm they received their payments.

Thank you,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

20 December 2022 at 15:08

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Mr. Peach and Mr. Shabogamik,

In an attempt to confirm payment to the Aroland First Nation monitors, I tried to call them this morning at the phone numbers previously given to the MFFN CAR Project Team. Unfortunately I was unable to speak with them and was only able to leave a voicemail for one person.

Could you please let us know if you've received any information confirming they have received payment? It would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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ABORIGINAL AND TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (CAR) • WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

SAVE THE DATE

2-DAY

ABORIGINAL AND TREATY RIGHTS
AND INTERESTS FORUM

HOSTED BY
THE PROVINCE OF ONTARIO



Thunder Bay

Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre
555 Arthur St W

February 8 & 9

Travel day: February 7th



*The Province will fund up to 2 - 3 Participants from your community to attend in person.
Funding includes **Travel, Accommodation and Meals.***

The forum provides a private and inclusive space for representatives of your community to meet with representatives from the Province of Ontario and CAR, NRL, WSR Project Teams to:



Develop a shared understanding of Aboriginal and Treaty Rights within each Project area(s)



Identify community-specific contexts and values associated with Aboriginal and Treaty Rights in the Project area(s)



Share information about the Projects



Discuss the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Assessment Processes

Please note, the purpose of this forum is to discuss Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, and not to collect Indigenous Knowledge.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

A formal invitation with additional details will follow in
January 2023

For further information please contact:

The Province of Ontario: EA.Partipciant.Fund@ontario.ca
CAR: Andrea Nokleby: anokleby@dillon.ca

WSR: Mark Knell: mark.knell@snclavalin.com
NRL: Mishal Naseer: mnaseer@dillon.ca



MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD



Ontario



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Well Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>
To: Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>

20 December 2022 at 09:37

Good Morning Tiffany,

I tried to phone you just now but there was no answer. I was calling to follow up and confirm that you received payment for your participation in the well drilling.

If you could respond and let me know whether you've received your payment, that would be really appreciated.

Thank you!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Well Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>
To: Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>

21 December 2022 at 12:13

Hi Tiffany,

Thank you for confirming.

I hope you have a great holiday season!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team
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Subject: Save the Date Aboriginal and Treaty Rights Forum - February 2023



MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad...>
to ea.participant.fund

Fri, Jan 13, 11:07 AM (10 days ago)

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Good Afternoon,

Happy New Year!

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project, please find attached an invitation for an upcoming Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum that is being held in Thunder Bay on February 8 & 9, 2023. Information on participant funding and how to RSVP is included in the invitation. Additional contact information is also included in the invitation.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (MFFN CAR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

YOU ARE INVITED!

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RIGHTS AND INTERESTS FORUM

HOSTED BY
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Thunder Bay

Victoria Inn Hotel and Convention Centre
555 Arthur Street West

February, 8 & 9
2023



Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation encourage you to participate in a 2-day forum focused on discussing potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests as they relate to the following Projects:

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL)
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR)



Participant Funding

The Province of Ontario will fund up to 3 representatives from your community to attend, including travel, accommodation and meals. All questions about funding or the coordination of funding should be directed to the Province of Ontario at ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca.

Additional community representatives are welcome to attend.



Purpose

The Purpose of this Forum is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests in any of the Project areas (WSR, MFFN CAR, and NRL) as your Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests and Interests may be impacted by these Projects. *Please note the purpose of this event is to discuss Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests and not to collect Indigenous Knowledge.*



Who Should Attend from your Community

Representatives who are knowledgeable about and comfortable speaking to the Rights and Interests of your community in any of the Project areas are encouraged to attend.

RSVP to ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca by January 27th
(note that you can still attend without an RSVP)



MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD



Ontario

ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (MFFN CAR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Wednesday, February 8

- 7:00 - 8:45 ○ Breakfast
- 9:00 ○ Welcome and Opening Ceremony
- Purpose/Overview of the Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum
- Presentations on the roles of the Proponent, Crown and Indigenous Communities in understanding and assessing Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests
- Questions & Answers
- 12:00 ○ Lunch
- 1:00 ○  Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Individual Community Breakout Sessions
-  Plenary/Group Sessions: Presentations and Activities
- 4:30 ○ End of Day 1 Regroup
- 6:00 ○ Dinner

Thursday, February 9

- 7:00 - 8:45 ○ Breakfast
- 9:00 ○ *Continued* - Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Individual Community Breakout Sessions
- *Continued* - Plenary/Group Sessions: Presentations and Activities
- 12:00 ○ Lunch
- 1:00 ○ *Continued* - Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Individual Community Breakout Sessions
- *Continued* - Plenary/Group Sessions: Presentations and Activities
- 4:30 ○ Regroup: Closing Comments & Next Steps

Community representatives are also invited to meet with members of the Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Teams.



Individual Breakout Sessions: Representatives from NRL, MFFN CAR, WSR, Impact Assessment Agency of Canada, and the Province are each hosting separate meeting spaces for individual community representatives to discuss Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests related to each Project.



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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

16 January 2023 at 12:30

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Mr. Peach,

Thank you for reaching out - I was about to email you as well.

I did some scoping last week and it turns out there was very little availability due to a conference in the city at the same time. I was able to find one location with availability on that date so I went ahead and booked it - at the Prince Arthur Waterfront Hotel.

As to how long the meeting might be, we were thinking it would be more of a mid-morning to mid-afternoon meeting with a lunch break, which I have also secured with the hotel but I believe we are able to make some adjustments should that time not work.

We have a proposed agenda for Aroland First Nation to review, but I will hold off sending that until we chat tomorrow. I will call you tomorrow at 11 and hopefully we can finalize some details.

Thanks so much and talk to you soon,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

17 January 2023 at 11:51

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Mr. Peach,

Thank you for the phone call earlier today.

A few action items from our call:

- Andrew to confirm availability of Aroland First Nation Chief and Council on that date
- Andrew to follow up on note taking at the meeting
- Andrew and Kyla to confirm attendance/numbers for Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and MFFN Chief and Council
- Kyla to arrange meeting logistics with the hotel once details are confirmed
- Kyla to provide a list of meeting topics/draft agenda for review
- Andrew and Kyla to work on finalizing a meeting agenda
- Kyla to confirm attendance/numbers a few days prior to the meeting (for food arrangements).

I meant to ask when we were on the phone, but were you able to confirm with Jerry that all of the monitors have received their payments? As well, do you know if Aroland First Nation has or intends to provide any feedback on the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement and Milestone #1 Reports?

Thank you!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

17 January 2023 at 14:14

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

Following up with a small list of proposed discussion topics:

- Project background and history (Why a community access road, the MFFN CAR Project, project benefits)
- Opportunities, concerns and challenges (What are the opportunities and benefits? What are the challenges?, What needs to happen?)
- The path forward together (engagement and consultation, custom consultation process, relationship building, information sharing)
- Next steps
- A follow up meeting

Thank you!

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

19 January 2023 at 09:26

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning,

I wanted to follow up and find out if you've heard anything from Aroland First Nation Chief and Council regarding their availability and other items we had discussed?

Chief Achneepineskum has confirmed that all of Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council plan to attend, and he has recommended a meeting time of 10 am - 3:30 pm.

Thank you,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

23 January 2023 at 10:49

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Andrew,

I am just finishing up with some of the details and will provide those later this afternoon.

Would you be able to confirm how many people will be joining from Aroland First Nation Chief and Council? I would like to provide the caterer with a rough number for meal planning. As well, are there any allergies or vegetarian/vegan food restrictions?

Thank you,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

23 January 2023 at 14:18

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

I wanted to confirm the details that I have arranged, as there have been some changes:

Meeting location: Courthouse Hotel, 277 Camelot Street, Thunder Bay, P7A 4B3

Refreshments and snacks will be served in the morning. A warm lunch will be served at noon.

As I am still waiting on Aroland First Nation's feedback for the agenda, we can work on getting that finalized in the next few days.

Let me know if there is anything you need from me.

Thank you,
Kyla

MFFN CAR Project Reminders - ATRI Forum and Feedback Deadline

Zielbauer, Kyla [REDACTED] 23 January 2023 at 15:23
To: Chief Dorothy Towedo [REDACTED], Bernard Gagnon [REDACTED], Chad Kashkish [REDACTED], Eunice Magiskan [REDACTED], Mark Bell [REDACTED], Sheldon Atlookan [REDACTED], Samson Meshake [REDACTED], Rob M [REDACTED]
Cc: Andrew Peach [REDACTED], Jeremy Shute [REDACTED], Andrea Nokleby [REDACTED]
Bcc: [REDACTED]

Good Afternoon Chief Towedo and Aroland First Nation Council,

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team, we wanted to send out two quick reminders for consideration.

ATRI Forum

The Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Forum for the MFFN CAR Project is being held in Thunder Bay on **February 8th and 9th, 2023**. The Province is funding up to 2-3 participants from each community to attend in person. Funding includes travel, accommodation and meals. The poster for the event is attached.

Please contact the Province of Ontario ([REDACTED]) or Andrea Nokleby ([REDACTED]) should you have any further questions about the event or funding to attend.

Report Feedback Deadline

As well, please note the deadline to review the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement and Milestone #1 reports is fast approaching on **January 31st, 2023**. Please let us know if you would like to provide feedback on your community specific section of these reports.

Warm regards,
Kyla

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Kyla Zielbauer
Dillon Consulting Limited

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COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (CAR) • WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

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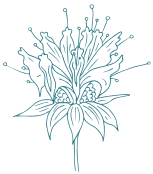
February 8 & 9

Travel day: February 7th



*The Province will fund up to 2 - 3 Participants from your community to attend in person.
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The forum provides a private and inclusive space for representatives of your community to meet with representatives from the Province of Ontario and CAR, NRL, WSR Project Teams to:



Develop a shared understanding of Aboriginal and Treaty Rights within each Project area(s)



Identify community-specific contexts and values associated with Aboriginal and Treaty Rights in the Project area(s)



Share information about the Projects



Discuss the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Assessment Processes

Please note, the purpose of this forum is to discuss Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, and not to collect Indigenous Knowledge.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!

A formal invitation with additional details will follow in
January 2023

For further information please contact:

The Province of Ontario:

CAR: Andrea Nokleby:

WSR: Mark Knell:

NRL: Mishal Naseer:



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

24 January 2023 at 17:20

To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for that information - I have followed up with the caterer. They have added one pescatarian meal (shrimp) to the order and will label it as such so it is identified for that person. There is soup and salad being served with the meal that do not contain any meats.

I have also attached an agenda for review. If possible, could you please send back any revisions by noon tomorrow?

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Agenda

Subject: Nation-to-Nation Meeting
Date: January 26, 2023
Timing: 10:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Location: [REDACTED]
Venue: The Courthouse Hotel
Co-Chairs: Chief Towedo and Chief Achneepineskum
Purpose: To provide an opportunity for Aroland and MFFN Councils to meet to discuss issues and a path forward for working together and engaging on the MFFN Community Access Road in a respectful way.

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5.	The Path Forward Together <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Engagement and Consultation - Custom Consultation Process• Relationship building• Information sharing• Actions and Next Steps	Co-chairs	1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
6.	Closing Remarks		3:00 p.m.



Nation-to-Nation Meeting Agenda - January 26, 2023

Zielbauer, Kyla [REDACTED] 25 January 2023 at 17:13

To: Chief Dorothy Towedo [REDACTED], Bernard Gagnon [REDACTED], Chad Kashkish [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], Eunice Magiskan [REDACTED], Mark Bell [REDACTED], Rob M [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], Samson Meshake [REDACTED], Sheldon Atlookan [REDACTED],
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[REDACTED],
[REDACTED],
[REDACTED],
Cc: Qasim Saddique [REDACTED], Jennifer Bruin [REDACTED], Lawrence Baxter [REDACTED],
bbaxter48 [REDACTED], Jackmoonias [REDACTED], Andrew Peach [REDACTED],
Jeremy Shute [REDACTED], "Ross, Kathryn" [REDACTED], Don McKinnon [REDACTED]

Good Evening Chief and Council Members,

Please find attached, a proposed agenda for tomorrow's Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation.

Wishing you all a productive and pleasant meeting.

Warm regards,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Subject: Follow up on the ATRI Forum



MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
to ▾

Wed, Feb 1, 10:05 AM

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Hello,

We are following up on our invitation to the Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Forum hosted by the Province of Ontario in Thunder Bay on February 8 & 9, 2023. If you have not already RSVP'd, it is not too late to do so!

We are re-attaching the invitation for further information on the Forum and additional contact information. Please also join us for dinner and entertainment on the first evening!

We look forward to seeing you there.

MFFN Community Access Road Project Team

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On 2023-01-13 11:07, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Happy New Year!

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project, please find attached an invitation for an upcoming Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum that is being held in Thunder Bay on February 8 & 9, 2023. Information on participant funding and how to RSVP is included in the invitation. Additional contact information is also included in the invitation.

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February, 8 & 9
2023



Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation encourage you to participate in a 2-day forum focused on discussing potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests as they relate to the following Projects:

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL)
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR)



Participant Funding

The Province of Ontario will fund up to 3 representatives from your community to attend, including travel, accommodation and meals. All questions about funding or the coordination of funding should be directed to the Province of Ontario at ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca.

Additional community representatives are welcome to attend.



Purpose

The Purpose of this Forum is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests in any of the Project areas (WSR, MFFN CAR, and NRL) as your Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests and Interests may be impacted by these Projects. *Please note the purpose of this event is to discuss Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests and not to collect Indigenous Knowledge.*



Who Should Attend from your Community

Representatives who are knowledgeable about and comfortable speaking to the Rights and Interests of your community in any of the Project areas are encouraged to attend.

RSVP to ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca by January 27th
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PRELIMINARY AGENDA

Wednesday, February 8

- 7:00 - 8:45 ○ Breakfast
- 9:00 ○ Welcome and Opening Ceremony
- Purpose/Overview of the Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum
- Presentations on the roles of the Proponent, Crown and Indigenous Communities in understanding and assessing Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests
- Questions & Answers
- 12:00 ○ Lunch
- 1:00 ○  Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Individual Community Breakout Sessions
-  Plenary/Group Sessions: Presentations and Activities
- 4:30 ○ End of Day 1 Regroup
- 6:00 ○ Dinner

Thursday, February 9

- 7:00 - 8:45 ○ Breakfast
- 9:00 ○ *Continued* - Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Individual Community Breakout Sessions
- *Continued* - Plenary/Group Sessions: Presentations and Activities
- 12:00 ○ Lunch
- 1:00 ○ *Continued* - Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Individual Community Breakout Sessions
- *Continued* - Plenary/Group Sessions: Presentations and Activities
- 4:30 ○ Regroup: Closing Comments & Next Steps

Community representatives are also invited to meet with members of the Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Teams.



Individual Breakout Sessions: Representatives from NRL, MFFN CAR, WSR, Impact Assessment Agency of Canada, and the Province are each hosting separate meeting spaces for individual community representatives to discuss Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests related to each Project.



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MFFN CAR IK Program Key Dates

Nokleby, Andrea <[REDACTED]>

3 February 2023 at 09:29

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo,



I hope the start of 2023 has found you and your community well.

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team, please find attached a letter outlining some key dates related to the Indigenous Knowledge Program. If you have any questions on the IK Program or information contained in the letter please do not hesitate to contact me or members of the Project Team.

We look forward to meeting with representatives of Aroland First Nation at the upcoming Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum in Thunder Bay on February 8th and 9th.

Thank you and have a great day,

Andrea

Andrea Nokleby
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 **MFFN CAR Indigenous Knowledge Program Schedule and Reporting Update - February 3, 2023 - Aroland First Nation.pdf**
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February 3, 2023

Chief Dorothy Towedo



Re: Indigenous Knowledge Program Schedule and Reporting Update

Dear Chief Dorothy Towedo:

In December 2019, the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road (CAR) Project Team first introduced an Indigenous Knowledge Program to potentially impacted northern Indigenous communities to support the federal and provincial assessments for the MFFN CAR Project.

The Indigenous Knowledge Program is a critical component for assessing potential project impacts including impacts to Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests. The information generated through the Indigenous Knowledge Program will be used and considered equally alongside scientific approaches to:

- Describe existing environmental, social, and cultural conditions in the MFFN CAR Project area;
- Predict potential impacts on the physical and social environment, and Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests in the MFFN CAR Project area; and
- Determine appropriate ways to avoid, minimize, and monitor potential impacts on the physical and social environment, Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests.

As noted above, the MFFN CAR Project Team began communicating with Indigenous Communities in December 2019, and funding support for those communities who have expressed an interest in participating in the Indigenous Program Knowledge began in the summer of 2020 and is on-going.

The federal government has recently granted a timeline extension for the completion and submission of the Impact Statement due to study delays resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic and other considerations (e.g. forest fires that resulted in delays to field studies etc.). Under the extended study timeline existing conditions reporting is to be largely completed by mid-2023 for environmental (e.g., fish and fish habitat) and social (e.g., visual) disciplines. Furthermore, the evaluation of the alternative routes to select a preferred route is to be completed by the end of this year (2023).

Indigenous Knowledge received through the Indigenous Knowledge Program will allow for a more complete, robust, and accurate picture of the Project area to emerge. Our goal is to create existing condition reports that meaningfully includes Indigenous Knowledge which is also considered in the selection of the preferred route for the project. In order to meet the study schedule, it is **critical that Indigenous Knowledge and information on**





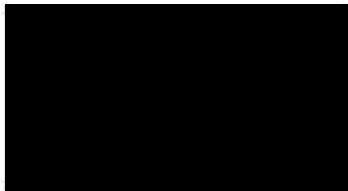
Indigenous Land and Resource Use be shared with the MFFN CAR Project Team by June 2023 so that this information is included in the draft existing conditions reporting and is available for consideration in route selection which will begin in September 2023.

We will continue to support communities in sharing Indigenous Knowledge 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). We are here to work with your community to support you in your efforts. Please contact us if you would like to discuss this schedule further and how we can work with you on upcoming milestones.

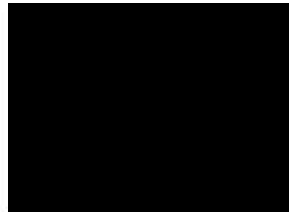
If your community has Indigenous Knowledge or information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use related to the Project that you would like to share or if you would like to learn more about the Indigenous Knowledge Program please do not hesitate to reach out to Bob Baxter [REDACTED] or Andrea Nokleby [REDACTED].

We hope you and your community are safe and well, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

CC:

- Sheldon Atlookan, Councillor, Aroland First Nation
- Mark Bell, Councillor, Aroland First Nation
- Bernard Gagnon, Councillor, Aroland First Nation
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- Samson Meshake, Councillor, Aroland First Nation
- Ernie Gagnon, Lands and Resource Coordinator, Aroland First Nation
- Jerry Shabogamik, Community Consultation Coordinator, Aroland First Nation
- Andrew Peach, Consultant, Aroland First Nation





- Jeremy Shute, Consultant, Aroland First Nation
- Kate Kempton, Legal Council, OKT Law
- Bob Baxter, MFFN CAR Senior Community Member Advisor
- Andrea Nokleby, MFFN CAR Project Consultant



Aroland First Nation Contacts

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 8 February 2023 at 11:10
To: Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
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Bcc: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Hello Mr. Gagnon,

I wanted to follow up on an email you sent to the MFFN CAR Project Team on February 4, 2023, mentioning we can delete your information from our contact list as Jerry Shabogamik would be taking over.

Can you confirm you would like to be removed from all communications related to the MFFN CAR Project? If not, please let me know which ones you'd still like to receive.

Thanks so much for your feedback and work on this project.

Sincerely,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Aroland First Nation Contacts

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 8 February 2023 at 12:58
To: Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon,

I appreciate you sending along that information. I have updated our contact list.

Best wishes!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team
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Re: Updated correspondence details

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 8 February 2023 at 11:34
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED], Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>
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Hi Andrew,

Thanks for your email - I will confirm only those people you mentioned are in the MFFN CAR Project contact list.

Kyla
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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 2 March 2023 at 10:41
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Greetings Chief Towedo and Andrew,

I hope you are well.

My apologies for the delay - a summary of the groundwater drilling activities is attached for your review. Please let me know of any concerns or revisions you may have.

We anticipate the drilling activities will restart in the near future. We will reach out to you once we have a schedule prepared and inquire if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitors for this work.

Thank you,

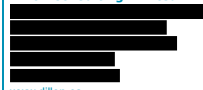
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Marc Crew, Christine Green, Ingrid Trimble

Date:
January 13, 2023

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16 (Aroland) Detailed Site	Drilled December 1	Drilling commenced at Site 16. Jack Shabogamik attended, John Towedo did not show up to be picked up. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	Jack Shabogamik was happy with the program and built a large fire to keep us warm and created a walking trail to the drill sites. Both monitors were pleased with progress and a big help to the staff on site.
	December 2	Drilling continued at Site 16, detailed site and lots of detailed site bedrock was encountered at shallow depths. Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
	December 3	Drilling completed at Site 16. John Towedo and Jack Shabogamik attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	All work completed and monitors were happy with the demobilize.
	December 4	Mobilization from Site 16 to Site 6 completed. Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	

Table 2 provides an overview of the Spring 2023 schedule. Aroland will be contacted to participate during the Spring 2023 Groundwater Sampling Program.

Table 2: Upcoming Groundwater Baseline Program

Site	Date to be Drilled
27 (Aroland)	Spring 2023

Conclusion

The site visits for Site 10 and Site 16 were very positive, and no concerns were noted by the monitors during their time on site. Site 27 will be drilled in Spring of 2023. We will continue to follow up and engage Aroland First Nation about their participation in this work.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Field Programs Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

3 March 2023 at 14:41

To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

I tried to reach you earlier by phone and left a voicemail. Could you let me know what time between 8 - 10am or after 2pm on Monday would work best for me to call back?

I'd like to discuss the upcoming field programs for the MFFN CAR Project and check in with you.

Have a great weekend,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MFFN CAR Field Programs Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

7 March 2023 at 13:33

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan

<[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake

<[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Could you please let me know a time that works for me to call you either this afternoon or tomorrow? The MFFN CAR Project Team wants to provide advance notice to Aroland First Nation regarding upcoming field work and coordinate monitors for the upcoming drilling work.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MFFN CAR Field Programs Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

7 March 2023 at 18:46

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan

<[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake

<[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks so much for reaching out. Sorry I missed your call.

I will call you tomorrow morning. If we are unable to connect then, let's plan to chat on Thursday.

Thank you,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

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Hello Chief Towedo and Andrew,

Thank you for speaking with me earlier today Andrew. As promised, I've provided some updates for the MFFN CAR Project Field Programs below.

The MFFN CAR Project Team is reaching out to provide advanced notice of upcoming Field Program work, in order to get your feedback on any concerns or conflicting activities (i.e. hunting) that may occur at the same time as the proposed work.

Wolverine Studies

- Re-baiting the hair snag traps occurring right now
- Re-baiting will occur each month from now until the end of May/early June

Wolverine Den Survey

- Helicopter flyover mid-March

Groundwater Drilling

- On the ground site reconnaissance mid to late March
- Drilling at Sites 16 and 27 in early April

We also wanted to inquire if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitors to participate in the drilling activities at Site 27 and if we could receive the names and contact information of those people as soon as possible. We will be able to accommodate two Aroland First Nation monitors and they will receive an honoraria payment through Working Warriors.

We also wanted to inquire if Aroland First Nation could provide specific details on the timing of their hunting season? We understand there is no formal window, but a general idea of the hunting period could help to inform future Field Program planning.

A notice for the Wolverine Den Surveys and zoomed in map showing the areas of work for the Wolverine Den Survey are attached. We intend to send the notice to the Project contact list tomorrow.

Please reach out if there are any concerns or comments. I can be reached at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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2 attachments

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 Map - Wolverine Den Sites.pdf
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Field Notice

Wolverine Den Surveys in Support of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program

Issued: March 2023

What's Happening?

Wolverine den surveys will be starting in advance of drilling activities for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program for the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) and federal Impact Assessment (IA) for Marten Falls First Nation's proposed Community Access Road

The purpose of this field program is to confirm the presence / absence of active wolverine dens within 4 km of groundwater monitoring well locations, located along both route alternatives. Field crews will fly parallel transects, or straight lines, within a 4 km radius around each groundwater monitoring well location and observe for wolverine tracks. If conditions are favourable, the field crew will land to verify observed tracks. Surveys will be completed prior to the commencement of groundwater drilling at remaining sites that were not drilled in the fall of 2022 for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program. If denning is confirmed, mitigation measures will be employed to avoid disturbance to denning wolverines during the sensitive period for wolverine (January 15 to May 31).

When?

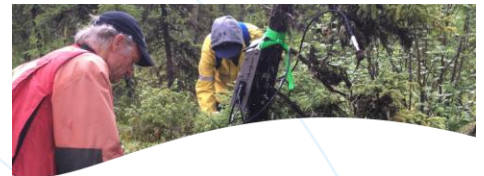
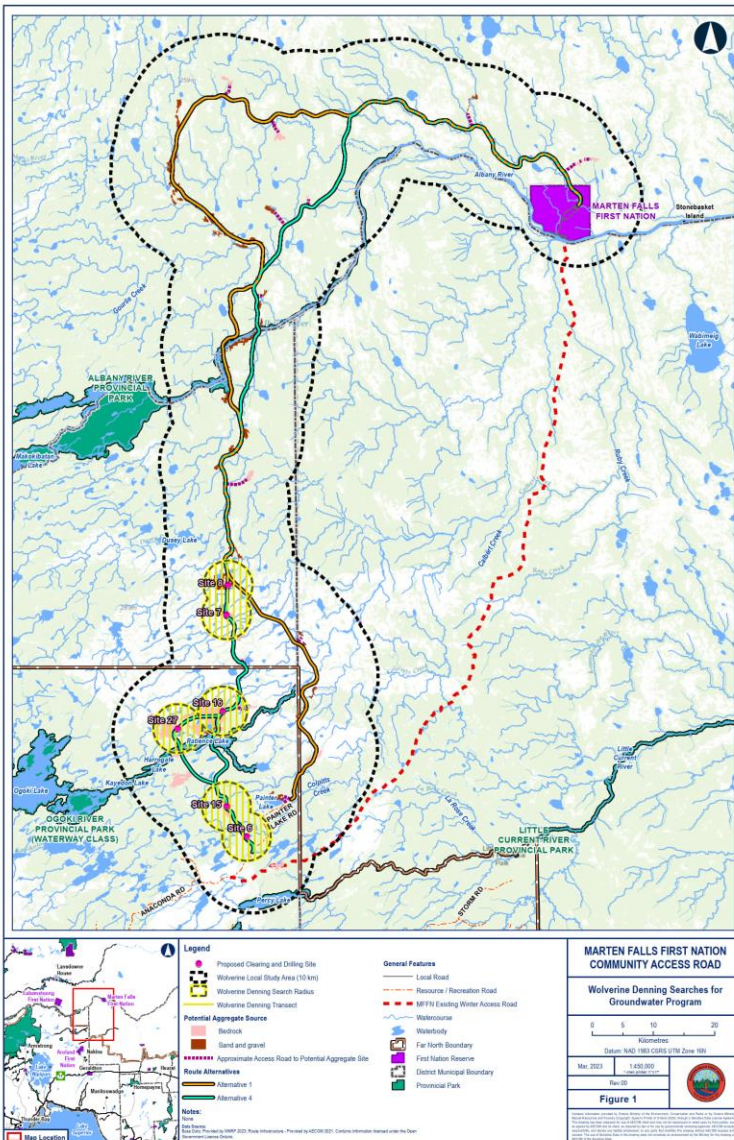
- Wolverine den surveys will be starting in March 2023, but exact dates aren't confirmed yet. We will provide updates once dates are confirmed.
- The field crews will be conducting the surveys by helicopter, so you may see helicopters in the area.

If wolverine den surveys are not required due to the Groundwater and Geochemistry field program timing, an update will be provided.





MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD



Contact Information

You are welcome to contact the Project Team at any time with questions or comments:

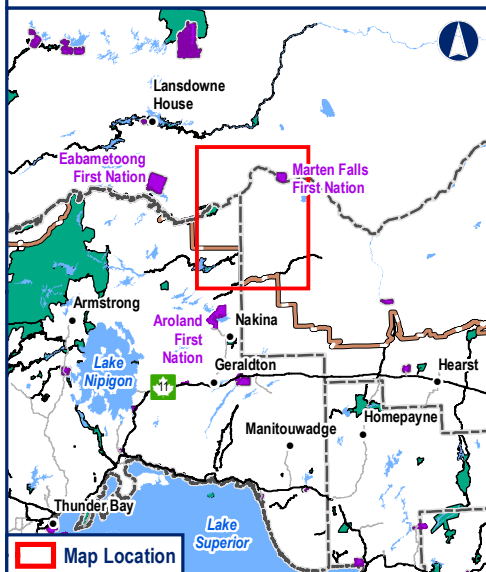
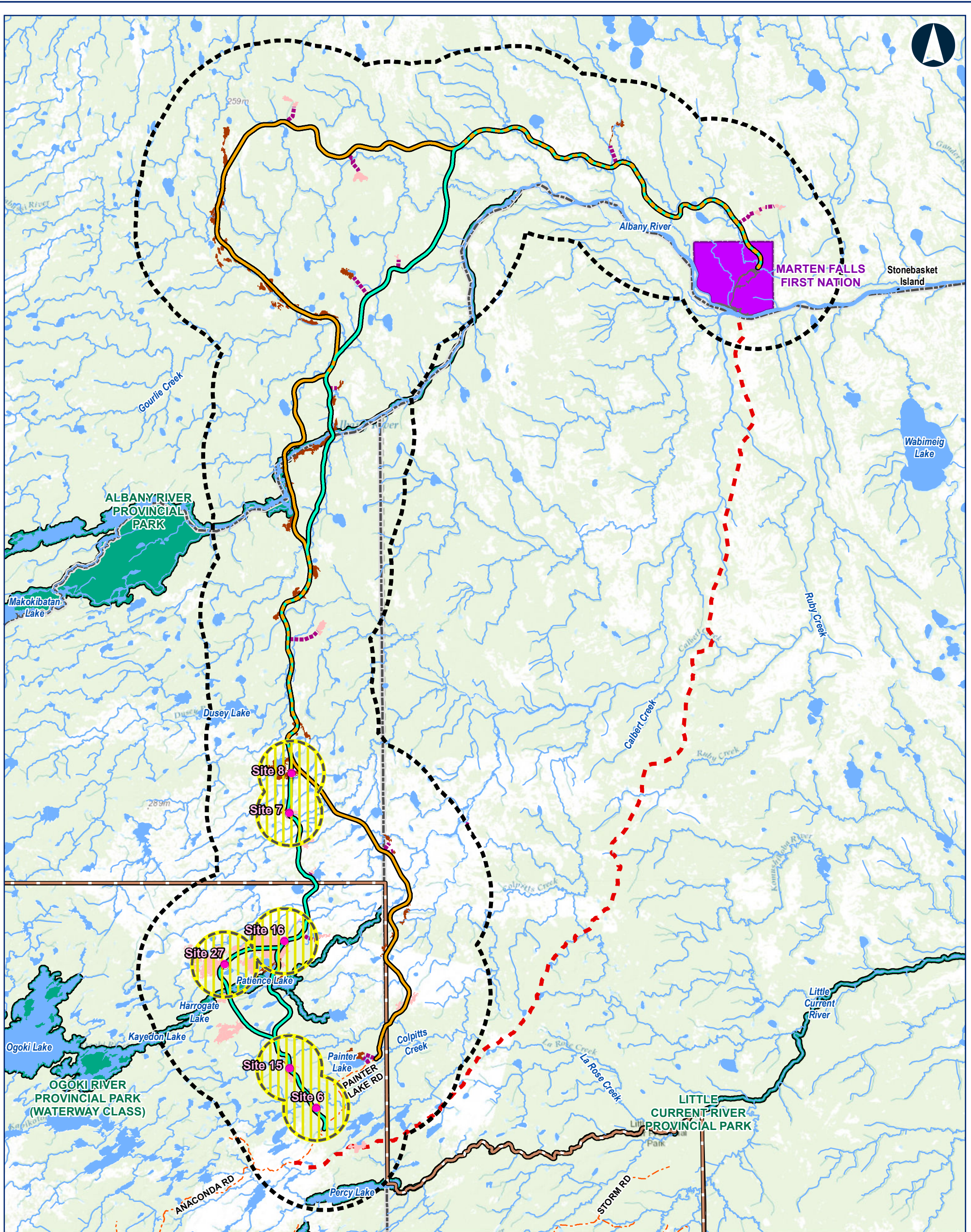
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Legend

- Proposed Clearing and Drilling Site
- Wolverine Local Study Area (10 km)
- Wolverine Denning Search Radius
- Wolverine Denning Transect

Potential Aggregate Source

- Bedrock
- Sand and gravel
- Approximate Access Road to Potential Aggregate Site

Route Alternatives

- Alternative 1
- Alternative 4

Notes:
None

Data Source:
Base Data: Provided by MNR 2023; Route Infrastructure - Provided by AECOM 2021. Contains Information licensed under the Open Government Licence Ontario.

General Features

- Local Road
- Resource / Recreation Road
- MFFN Existing Winter Access Road
- Watercourse
- Waterbody
- Far North Boundary
- First Nation Reserve
- District Municipal Boundary
- Provincial Park

**MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
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**Wolverine Denning Searches for
Groundwater Program**

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Figure 1

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MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 14 March 2023 at 14:09
To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED]
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Peach <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>

Greetings Chief Towedo and Ms Wolno,

I understand from speaking with Andrew last week that Jenna will be helping with this file while Andrew is on vacation.

I wanted to reach out and inquire if there have been any concerns, comments or questions about the field work mentioned in the previous email?

The MFFN CAR Project Field Program crews are waiting for a snowfall period followed by cold and clear weather to complete the wolverine den survey and are keeping an eye open for this type of weather in the near future. We will provide an update when the weather conditions line up and we anticipate this activity will begin.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team
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MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

14 March 2023 at 17:58

To: Jenna Wolno <[REDACTED]>

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Hi Jenna,

The only detail I have right now regarding the well drilling work is that it is anticipated in early April. My understanding is that the start of the well drilling activities is dependent on the results of the wolverine den surveys, which are anticipated for this month but are dependent on weather. Unfortunately this type of work doesn't tend to have firm timelines with the weather constraints, but I will do my best to provide updates when we have them.

I look forward to hearing from you once you're able to connect with Jerry next week. Some details we would need from the monitors:

- Names, phone numbers and addresses (should they require transportation to/from the helicopter)
- Preferred payment method (to be paid by Working Warriors)

Feel free to reach out any time.

Thanks very much,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 16 March 2023 at 09:36
To: Jenna Wolno <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>

Good Morning,

Sending along a quick update:

It looks like the weather may align today/tomorrow for the MFFN CAR Project field crews to begin the wolverine denning survey on Monday March 20th. If the survey is completed and weather cooperates, it is possible that field crews will start site reconnaissance for the upcoming groundwater drilling program late next week.

Should weather conditions and the survey/reconnaissance work be completed, it sounds like the groundwater drilling at sites 16 and 27 could start in late March/early April.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Vacation Alert: April 5 - 9 inclusive



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

27 March 2023 at 07:44

To: Jenna Wolno <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning,

Thank you for providing that information. I will pass that along to the Field Crew team.

Have a great day,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 28 March 2023 at 10:38
To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Jenna Wolno <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

I hope you had a restful vacation.

There are quite a few things I wanted to follow up on so I thought I would send those items in an email and then we could potentially discuss in a phone call later if needed.

Archeology Reports

- Two archeology reports were distributed to Aroland First Nation on February 3, 2023 with feedback requested by March 31, 2023.
- Does Aroland First Nation intend on providing feedback on these reports?

Interim RoCE/January 31 Letter

- Thank you for the letter sent on January 31, 2023 in response to the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Reports
- A letter response should be coming shortly.

Groundwater Drilling Field Work

- Jenna provided the names and phone numbers of the Aroland First Nation contacts who would be able to monitor the upcoming well drilling work.
- The Field Crew team will follow up with these contacts about timing for the upcoming drilling site visits.
- I understand that Jerry will follow up with the monitors to confirm the best payment method.
- A summary memo of the previous groundwater drilling work is attached to this email for review. Please let me know if you have any comments or revisions.

January 26, 2023 Meeting Record

- A summary and list of attendees for the January 26th meeting between Aroland First Nation are below for review. The purpose of this summary is to confirm/record that a meeting took place and will include no other details beyond what is included below.
- **Summary:** Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council representatives met for an in-person, closed door meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay. No notes were taken during the meeting, as this meeting was considered private and off the record. The purpose of the meeting was to build on and improve the relationship between the two Nations and to provide Aroland First Nation a platform to voice any concerns or issues related to the MFFN CAR Project. Overall, the meeting went well and both Nations agreed to work together to develop an agreement to solidify their partnership in the MFFN CAR Project, which is to be coordinated by the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation's Consultants.
- **Attendees:**
 - Chief Dorothy Towedo, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Bernard Gagnon, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Chad Kashkish, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Eunice Magiskan, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Mark Bell, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Robinson Meshake, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Samson Meshake, Aroland First Nation
 - Councillor Sheldon Atlookan, Aroland First Nation

In addition to these items, it is my understanding that you are working with Qasim on a collaboration proposal. Qasim has let me know that he is working with MFFN and will get in touch with you as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss these items and what dates you are available.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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	November 28	No drilling occurred. Inclement weather with freezing rain resulted in a no-fly order for the entire day. The monitors remained at the airport with the crew. Bob Baxter departed for Thunder Bay and Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo were brought back to Aroland at the end of the day.	
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16 (Aroland) Detailed Site	Drilled December 1	Drilling commenced at Site 16. Jack Shabogamik attended, John Towedo did not show up to be picked up. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	Jack Shabogamik was happy with the program and built a large fire to keep us warm and created a walking trail to the drill sites. Both monitors were pleased with progress and a big help to the staff on site.
	December 2	Drilling continued at Site 16, detailed site and lots of detailed site bedrock was encountered at shallow depths. Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
	December 3	Drilling completed at Site 16. John Towedo and Jack Shabogamik attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
	December 4	Mobilization from Site 16 to Site 6 completed. Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
All work completed and monitors were happy with the demobilize.			

Table 2 provides an overview of the Spring 2023 schedule. Aroland will be contacted to participate during the Spring 2023 Groundwater Sampling Program.

Table 2: Upcoming Groundwater Baseline Program

Site	Date to be Drilled
27 (Aroland)	Spring 2023

Conclusion

The site visits for Site 10 and Site 16 were very positive, and no concerns were noted by the monitors during their time on site. Site 27 will be drilled in Spring of 2023. We will continue to follow up and engage Aroland First Nation about their participation in this work.



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

4 April 2023 at 17:16

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew and Jerry,

I have some updates about the groundwater drilling work.

- The field crew is anticipating site preparation will begin on Monday April 10th and the drilling work to begin the following day on Tuesday April 11th at site 27.
- There is an opportunity for the monitors to help with site preparation on Monday, which would involve shoveling snow to clear the site. This is strictly voluntary, but the monitors would be paid for their time. Due to health and safety considerations surrounding the mobilization of equipment, the monitors may have to leave once the site is cleared and the mobilization begins.
- There will be room in the helicopter to accommodate 2 monitors each day.
- The field crew will pick up the monitors by helicopter in Aroland at 9:00am. Due to timing constraints for this field work, it is important that the monitors arrive as close to the meeting time as possible.
- The monitors will need to bring their own lunch/snacks, warm clothing, snowshoes if possible and safety gear (steel toe boots, as well as safety vest and hard hat if they can).
- The field crew has asked for the coordinates of the helicopter meeting location so that they can pass that on to the pilot.

I am away starting tomorrow until Monday, however, Selena Contardo (cc'd here) will be taking over to coordinate in my absence. I have given her your contact information as well as the contact information of the monitors previously provided by Jenna so that she can work with you to get this set up. Her number is [REDACTED] or [REDACTED].

Please respond by Thursday April 6th should anyone like to participate in the site preparation/snow shoveling work on Monday. If there are any other questions or concerns, please contact Selena.

I hope you both have a great Easter weekend.

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

4 April 2023 at 18:56

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon

<[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell

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<[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, Debbi Stanyer <[REDACTED]>

Great - thanks Andrew!

I noticed Debbi Stanyer on the email - should she be included in correspondence going forward?

Warm Regards,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR project Team

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Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]> 5 April 2023 at 14:12
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Jerry and Andrew,

Further to Kyla's update email yesterday afternoon, we will be planning to have our site supervisor and technician, Aaron Beard, fly with the Expedition Helicopter pilot to Aroland to meet the monitors and provide a health and safety meeting prior to mobilizing to the drilling site. Our plan will be to fly to the location near/in Aroland First Nation that has been identified as a landing and meeting place for 9 a.m. each day until drilling activities at Sites 27 and 16 are complete, review health and safety and fly to site. As our drilling contractor cannot conduct work on site until our supervisor/technician is also present, we kindly ask that you inform and arrange to have the monitors arrive at the meeting location by this time. If there is a delay in mobilizing the helicopter to Aroland for pick-up, we will communicate this to Jerry so that he can inform the monitors and set up a new pick-up time (please be aware that if there is snow, freezing rain, or fog, we will be delayed and not able to fly until the weather improves). If the monitors are not present and we haven't received an update on their arrival time within a half hour of the defined pick-up time (assumed to be 9:00 am) we will have the helicopter mobilize to site with our supervisor so that the crews are able to complete some work that day.

Andrew – I understand that you will be getting back to me before end of day tomorrow to confirm if the monitors are interested in participating and working on the site prep on Monday, April 10th. If they prefer not to, we would be planning to meet and bring them to observe drilling activities starting on Tuesday, April 11th at 9:00 am. Can you also please provide a description of the location that has been identified for the pick-up and coordinates, if possible? Let me know if this would be easier to discuss. If the monitors do not already have the safety gear Kyla mentioned, we will be planning to bring hardhats, vests and safety glasses for them just in case, but they will need their own safety footwear.

Please let me know if you have any questions or require any additional information.

Thank you,

Selena



Selena Contardo

Field Logistics and HSSE Coordinator

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

RE: re pick up landing

Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]> 6 April 2023 at 11:32
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Beard, Aaron" <[REDACTED]>

Hey Jerry and Andrew,

I believe that @[REDACTED] is supposed to get back to me today to let me know if the monitors were interested in assisting with the prep of the site (hand shovelling) which would be on Monday the 10th, if they prefer not to, then the plan would be to have them meet us at the pick-up location at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday the 11th (this would be the first day of drilling work). Our site supervisor/technician is Aaron Beard and our Pilot is Alan Tam.

And then each day at 9 a.m. following this until we complete the work at Sites 27 and 16. Please note that there will be another prep day for site 16 once site 27 has been completed and we will keep you and the monitors informed of this also.

Thanks,

Selena

Selena Contardo
Field Logistics and HSSE Coordinator

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RE: re pick up landing

Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]> 6 April 2023 at 11:55
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Beard, Aaron" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>

Awesome news Jerry!! Aaron and the pilot will plan to meet them Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. I will arrange to provide Aaron with copies of the timesheets we use so that we can keep track of their hours on site and we can then submit them to AECOM/Working Warriors following the work at both sites.

I suggest that they wear layers of clothing for cold and warm weather conditions, it is going to get quite warm starting early next week. Not a bad idea to bring extra socks/mitts, etc. in case stuff gets wet.

Thanks!

Selena

Selena Contardo
 Field Logistics and HSSE Coordinator

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[REDACTED]

RE: monitors from aroland first nation

Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]> 6 April 2023 at 13:05
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, " [REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Hi Jerry,

Please see the attached screenshot showing an aerial view of the lake at the end of Wawong Drive and an arrow I inserted where I think you are referring to as the landing and meeting location.

Can you please confirm that I have the correct spot?

Thanks,

Selena

Selena Contardo
Field Logistics and HSSE Coordinator

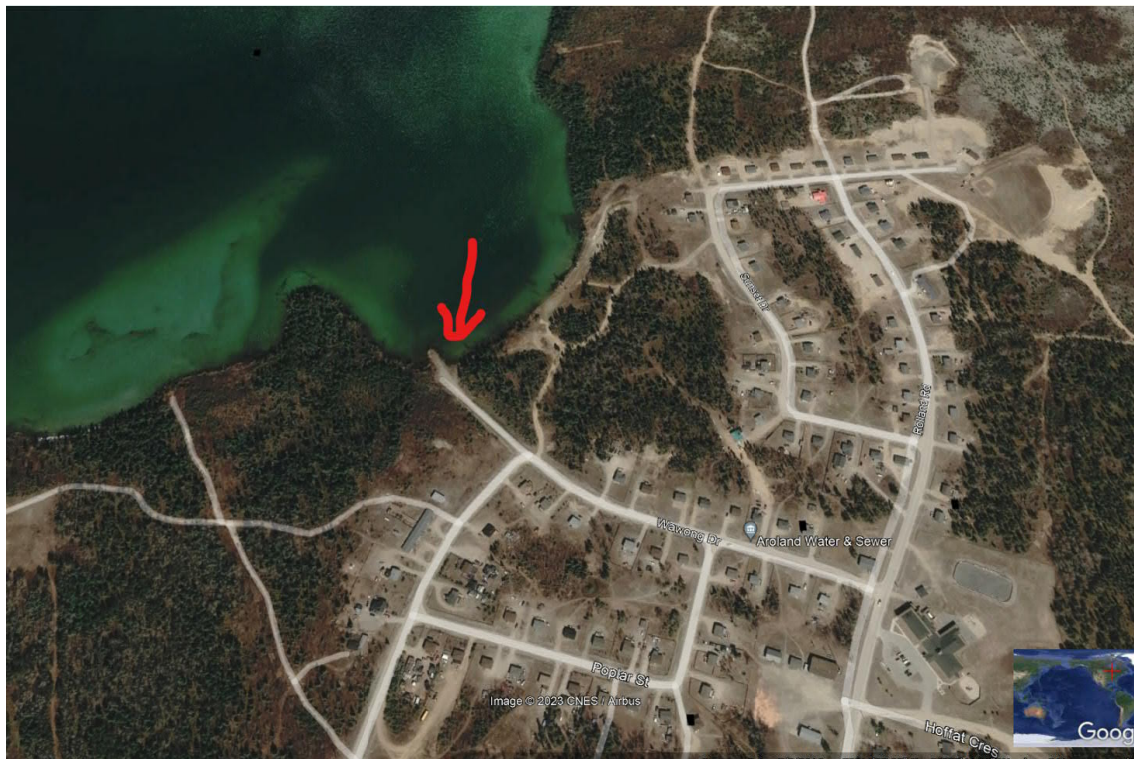
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

RE: monitors from aroland first nation

Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]>

6 April 2023 at 13:32

To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, " [REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla

Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Perfect, thanks for confirming Jerry. If you get a message to call me, you can ignore it, I was calling to ask about the pick-up location.

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Delayed Arrival in Aroland

Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]>
To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>

10 April 2023 at 09:04

Good Morning Jerry,

Apologies for not getting the message out sooner. The crew is leaving Nakina now for Aroland. The device we use for communication remotely can sometimes delay in sending a message so was only aware of their late departure now.

They should be there very soon.

Selena



Selena Contardo

Field Logistics and HSSE Coordinator

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Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]> 10 April 2023 at 15:46
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Kyla and Andrew,

Further to our telephone conversation this morning Kyla, we were delayed in getting to Aroland this morning and were not able to arrive until 9:15 a.m. I sent Jerry an email at 9:00 a.m. when I was notified by the crew that they were delayed in departing Nakina and also tried calling Jerry at the band office, but was not able to reach him by phone. I then proceeded to reach out directly to the monitors, John Atlookan and Jack Shabogamik to inform them of the delayed arrival time. John explained to me that he has a medical appointment today and he had let Jerry know that he would not be available to participate until tomorrow/Tuesday. In speaking with Jack, he expressed that the coordination of their participation should be done differently and he would not be participating today, but would be available tomorrow/Tuesday.

Jerry did arrive at the pick-up/meeting location around 9:20 a.m. and informed our site supervisor/technician, Aaron that the monitors would not be available to go to site today, but indicated that it was still okay for our crew to go to site and proceed with the prep work and equipment mobilization as required.

Please note that I received a call from Aaron via satellite phone from site 27 at approximately 12:00 p.m. explaining that the snow clearing was going a bit faster than expected there and that they would be planning to go to site 16 to start the clearing there. Based on the prep work remaining, Aaron anticipates that the clearing of snow would be completed by tomorrow morning and they would start the process of mobilizing the equipment to site 16 and have this completed by end of day tomorrow. Aaron also indicated that with sunrise at 7:00 a.m. now, they should be able to travel to and arrive in Aroland at 8:00 a.m. to gain some more time on site work. Based on this, the plan is for Aaron and the pilot to now meet the monitors in Aroland at **8:00 a.m., on Wednesday, April 12th**, to commence drilling activities.

Kyla and Andrew – further to Jack's concerns regarding coordination, perhaps you can suggest another means by which to coordinate with the monitors for future programs?

Thanks,

Selena



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Field Logistics and HSSE Coordinator

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

10 April 2023 at 17:23

To: "Contardo, Selena" <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[redacted]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>

Hi Selena,

Thanks very much for your help in coordinating this work while I was gone.

I phoned John, Jack and Jerry this afternoon to provide them with the updated schedule. I was able to confirm that John is available on Wednesday and provided him with my phone number. I was not able to reach Jack or leave a message, so I will call him again tomorrow. I left a message for Jerry at the office number .

Andrew, are you free for a call on Friday? I'd like to confirm the best way to coordinate this work going forward.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 11 April 2023 at 19:08
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Debbi Stanyer <[REDACTED]>, "Radoslav, Jarrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

Thanks for the update Andrew. It would be great if Jerry could be involved in our call. I can set up a virtual meeting if that's a better option.

For the monitoring tomorrow, I was unable to reach Jack on the phone today to confirm he is available to participate. The call kept going to voicemail and I was unable to leave a message.

The pick up will be at 8am tomorrow at the meeting spot Jerry previously provided to Selena. I believe John Atlookan will be attending.

Jerry, if you are able to reach Jack or another monitor, there should be room for one more person.

I am available by phone ([REDACTED]) tomorrow morning should there be any issues or alternatively Selena can be called.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

12 April 2023 at 13:54

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Debbi Stanyer <[REDACTED]>, "Radoslav, Jarrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Are you able to confirm that Chief and Council are okay with the field crews continuing on with the drilling work? I just want to double check as this involves the helicopter landing at the edge of the community to pick up/drop off the monitors.

If you could let me know as soon as possible, that would be ideal, as we plan on continuing with the work tomorrow morning and would need to reach out to the monitors.

Thank you,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 13 April 2023 at 14:36
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Debbi Stanyer <[REDACTED]>, "Radoslav, Jarrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for getting back to me.

An estimated timeline for the work is subjective, as the crew has run into some unexpected conditions while drilling. However, the crew has told me that they will be working over the weekend and estimate they will be done drilling at sites 27 and 16 by early next week.

The helicopter picking up the monitors in Aroland was suggested by Jerry during the last drilling event. If we were to move the pick up location to Nakina, unfortunately we don't have enough staff this time to help transport the monitors to/from Aroland and Nakina. Last time Bob Baxter was picking up the monitors as he was also participating in the work, however, he is unavailable to participate this time. If the monitors were able to get to Nakina by 7:30 at the latest, we would be able to coordinate the health and safety and departure from there, but I imagine that would be more challenging logistically.

If Chief and Council are agreeable to moving forward with pickup in Aroland, we can reach out to the monitors for their participation on Saturday, barring no weather constraints. Tomorrow will tentatively be a mobilization of equipment to the next site and we cannot have the monitors present due to health and safety concerns.

Please do let us know if any complaints or concerns come in - we will address them immediately. I should mention that the pilot and site supervisor were in contact with someone yesterday when they landed in Aroland to pick up any monitors. Below is a summary of the interaction from the site supervisor, which was positive overall:

- Landed in Aroland for 8:00 AM Monitor pick-up
- No Monitors were present
- 8:30 we got confirmation from Selena that we could leave Aroland and continue with drilling
- 8:35 the Pilot and I spoke with a community member who explained that a Councillor in the community had passed away on Tuesday. The community member also mentioned that it was his brother who passed away and that the Monitors would probably not be available for the day.
- He asked if he could watch the Helicopter take off, the Pilot said it would be perfectly fine but asked that back his truck up 100' so we didn't spray his vehicle with gravel while taking off. He waved as we departed.

Please let me know if we can proceed with landing in Aroland and contacting the monitors, as we appreciate that this is a sensitive time for the community.

Thanks very much for your help on this!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 18 April 2023 at 09:09
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "Ross, Kathryn" <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Debbi Stanyer <[REDACTED]>, "Radoslav, Jarrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, "Green, Christine" <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Andrew and Jerry,

The field crew have been down since Friday due to weather. The crew will be attempting to go out today to start work at site 16 but are unsure if they will be able to complete any work due to weather. It looks like the weather tomorrow will be better.

If Aroland First Nation would still like to send monitors, can you confirm that the helicopter is able to land at the meeting spot that Jerry previously provided? If you are able to confirm we can continue, I will reach out to the monitors this afternoon. The plan would be to pick up the monitors in the community at 8am tomorrow morning.

Please let me know if this is agreeable or if you have any suggestions for a better way to proceed. I have limited availability today but will respond as soon as I am able - you can call me directly at [REDACTED].

Thanks very much,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

Follow-up Re: MFFN CAR IK Program Key Dates

Nokleby, Andrea <[REDACTED]> 2 May 2023 at 09:15
To: [REDACTED]
Cc: Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo,

It was really nice meeting you at the Aboriginal and Treaty and/or Rights Forum in Thunder Bay in February.

I am following up on the Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program schedule for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project. There are a few key milestones that we want to continue to highlight for you:

- Preliminary draft existing conditions reporting is to be largely completed in 2023 for environmental (e.g., fish and fish habitat) and social (e.g., visual) disciplines. Please note this was previously stated as "existing conditions reporting" and not preliminary draft existing conditions reporting in the February 2023 letter.
- The evaluation of the alternative routes to select a preferred route is to be completed by the end of this year (2023).

In order to meet the study schedule, it is critical that IK and information on Indigenous Land and Resource Use be shared with the MFFN CAR Project Team by **June 2023**, so that this information is included in the preliminary draft existing conditions reporting and is available for consideration in the route selection which will begin in September 2023.

We will continue to support communities in sharing IK beyond this date and to incorporate this information in subsequent steps of the assessment processes (e.g. updates to the existing conditions, effects assessment, impact management, and project design).

We look forward to finalizing an IK Sharing Agreement and the Funding Agreement (re-attached) with Aroland First Nation to support this important work. If you have any questions on the IK Program or would like further information, I'd be happy to set up a time to discuss further.

Thank you and enjoy your day,

Andrea



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MFFN CAR Project - Socio-Economic Data Collection

3 May 2023 at 15:53

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
 To: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Debbi Stanyer <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Baker, Nadia" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Chief Towedo and Andrew,

I hope you are having a wonderful week.

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team, please find the attached letter requesting your feedback regarding socio-economic data collection process for the MFFN CAR Project Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment.

If you could provide a response by Wednesday May 17, it would be greatly appreciated.

Please reach out should you have any questions or concerns.

Kind regards,


Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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May 3, 2023

Aroland First Nation



Sent via email

Re: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) – Social, Economic, Land and Resource Use, and Health Information Collection

Dear Chief Dorothy Towedo:

To support the route selection and assessment of potential Project effects, the MFFN CAR Project Socio-economic Consultation Team would like to engage with representatives of Aroland First Nation to collect information related to Social, Economic, Land and Resource Use, Health and Safety, and Community Well-Being considerations.

The information that we are seeking is similar to information that we are collecting from the Marten Falls First Nation Community. We note that this information is different than other information that has previously been requested from Aroland First Nation, including Indigenous Knowledge. The information we would like to collect is based on Aroland First Nation members' knowledge and insights about life in the community, as well as non-traditional land use. A brief description of the nature of the information we are wanting to collect is outlined below:

Social – housing demand/supply, community services, road condition and traffic volumes, community issues, challenges and concerns, perspectives from sub-groups including, for example, women, youth, two-spirited, and Elders.

Economic – existing businesses, employment and skills, traditional economies, community development plans, community revenue sources.

Land and Resource Use – non-traditional land use activities (e.g. forestry), land use plans.

Health & Safety – health challenges of the community, health services and facilities, health and safety concerns related to the construction and use of the MFFN CAR.

Community Well-Being – cost of living, community connections/cohesion





There are a variety of ways that we could collect this information, including:

- Interviews (phone or in-person) with community representatives
- Focus group sessions (in-person)
- Surveys (online proposed)

Note that we would welcome direction from Aroland First Nation on how this information should be collected, particularly in relation to any sensitive information related to the health and safety of vulnerable members. The collection, storage, and use of this information would also adhere to OCAP® principles.

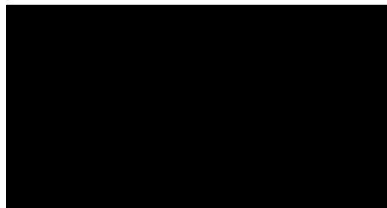
The information will be used to better understand both potential negative and positive effects of the MFCAR project on the Aroland Community. The information would also be documented in the Existing Conditions Reporting that is due this summer and be considered in route selection which is being undertaken this fall.

To explain further how the information will be used and documented, and review options for its collection, we would like to request an introductory meeting (virtual) be held with your community representatives and members of our Project Team and Socio-Economic team.

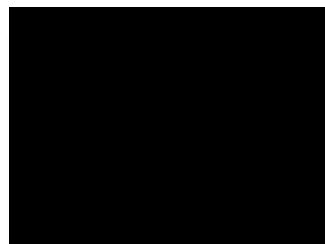
As the deadlines for this work is fast approaching, we respectfully ask that you inform us of your interest by **Wednesday May 17th**. If you are open to a meeting to discuss data collection, please reach out to and connect with Kyla Zielbauer at [REDACTED] to arrange a meeting time.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor





CC:

Aroland First Nation Council Members

Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator

Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant

Jeremy Shute, Shared Value Solutions

Debbi Stayner, Shared Value Solutions

Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team

Bob Baxter, Senior Community Member Advisor, MFFN CAR Project Team

Ingrid Trimble-Exner, MFFN CAR Project Consultant

Nadia Baker, MFFN CAR Project Consultant

Katelyn Price, MFFN CAR Project Consultant

Leah Deveaux, MFFN CAR Project Consultant

Don McKinnon, MFFN CAR Project Consultant





MFFN CAR Project - Socio-Economic Data Collection

15 May 2023 at 14:52

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Debbi Stanyer <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Baker, Nadia" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for your email.

I can appreciate that this is a busy time of year for everyone and will look forward to Aroland First Nation's response by May 25th.

In the meantime, please let me know if you require anything else in regards to the MFFN CAR project. I will send a project update email soon and highlight any outstanding action items.

I hope you have a great long weekend!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage Information Collection

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 23 May 2023 at 13:20
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Debbi Stanyer <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>
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Good Afternoon Chief Towedo and Andrew,

I hope you both had an enjoyable long weekend!

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Team and MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage Consultation Team, please see information below related to Cultural Heritage Information Collection.

To support the route selection and assessment of potential Project effects, the MFFN CAR Project Cultural Heritage Consultation Team would like to engage with representatives of Aroland First Nation to collect information related to Built Heritage Resources and Cultural Heritage Landscapes considerations.

The information that we are seeking is similar to information that we are collecting from the Marten Falls First Nation community. We note that this information is different than other information that has previously been requested from Aroland First Nation, including Indigenous Knowledge and Socio-Economic information. The information we would like to collect is based on Aroland First Nation members' knowledge and insights about built heritage and landscapes in the community. A brief description of the nature of the information we are wanting to collect is outlined below:

Built Heritage & Landscapes

- burial sites;
- cultural landscapes;
- oral histories;
- cultural values and experiences of being on the land, including harvesting specific resources;
- Indigenous governance systems and Indigenous laws tied to the landscape;
- sacred, ceremonial or culturally important places, plants, animals, objects, beings or things;
- history of the language; and
- culturally significant plants or wildlife.

Our Cultural Heritage Team would like to invite one Aroland representative to participate in a helicopter flyover of the project area on **June 11, 2023**. Following this flyover, on **June 12**, our Cultural Heritage Team will be in the Aroland area and would like to speak to community members that are knowledgeable of the area and would be able to provide information on Aroland First Nation's built heritage and landscapes.

There are a variety of ways that we could collect this information, including:

- Interviews (phone or in-person) with community representatives or Elders; and/or
- Focus group sessions (in-person).

The information will be used to better understand both potential negative and positive effects of the MFFN CAR project on the Aroland Community. The information would also be documented in the Existing Conditions Reporting that is due this summer and be considered in route selection which is being undertaken this fall.

Field programs for the MFFN CAR Project have been previously supported by Aroland First Nation, working alongside Marten Falls First Nation. These include flyovers attended by Bob Baxter of Marten Falls First Nation, Ernie Gagnon, Larry Baxter and Jerry Shabogamik of Aroland First Nation.

To explain further how the information will be used and documented, and review options for its collection, we would like to request an introductory meeting (virtual) be held with your community representatives and members of our Project Team and Cultural Heritage team. As the deadlines for this work are fast approaching, we respectfully ask that you inform us of your interest by **May 26, 2023**.

We appreciate your consideration of this request and look forward to hearing from you. Please reach out should you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,

Kyla

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MFFN CAR Project Updates

26 May 2023 at 06:37

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <j[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Andrew,

I was hoping we could have a phone call next week to catch up on some things related to the MFFN CAR Project, specifically the socio-economic and cultural heritage information requests.

I am available:
Monday after 130p
Tuesday 8a - 3p
Wednesday 11a - 2p, or after 3

Please let me know if any of those times work for you, and if there is anything else you would like to discuss.

Thank you, and have a great weekend!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



MFFN CAR, WSR, NRL ATRI Forum - Follow Up

Nokleby, Andrea <[REDACTED]> 31 May 2023 at 09:00
 To: [REDACTED]
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Michael Fox <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Mishal Naseer <[REDACTED]>, "Knell, Mark" <[REDACTED]>, "Wallace, Craig" <[REDACTED]>, "Ashawasegai-Pereira, Jennifer" <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo,

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR), Webequie Supply Road (WSR), and Northern Road Link (NRL) Project Teams, we want to thank Aroland First Nation for attending the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights (ATRI) and Forum that was hosted in Thunder Bay in February of this year. We really appreciate you participating!

We have consolidated all the comments/questions provided by representatives of your community. Please find attached the following documents for your review/comment:

- Thank You to Participants!
- General ATRI Comment Summary
- NRL ATRI Breakout Session - Community-Specific Summary
- WSR ATRI Breakout Session - Community-Specific Summary

Please let us know if you have any questions or comments on any of the information attached.

Representatives of the Project Teams, would also be happy to set up additional meetings to further discuss any aspects of the project, including Aroland First Nation's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights as they relate to each Project.

Each Project Team will also be following up separately on any Project-specific correspondence.

Thank you and have a wonderful day,





Andrea



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4 attachments

-  **ATRI Forum - Thank You to Participants.pdf**
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-  **General Summary - ATRI Forum - Feb 2023.pdf**
392K
-  **NRL Summary - ATRI Forum - Aroland First Nation.pdf**
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-  **WSR Summary - ATRI Forum - Aroland First Nation.pdf**
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ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (MFFN CAR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

MIIGWECH / MIIGWETCH / THANK YOU!

Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation greatly appreciate your community's participation in the 2-day Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum held in Thunder Bay on February 8th & 9th, 2023. The Forum focused on discussing potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests as they relate to the following Projects:

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL)
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR)

**AS PART OF THE ASSESSMENT PROCESSES FOR THE PROJECT(S),
OUR GOAL IS TO WORK WITH YOU TO:**



Develop an understanding of Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests by each community within each distinct Project area



By understanding Rights and Interests we will be in a better position to have discussions about potential Project(s) impacts



Together, we can then look at ways of avoiding, reducing and mitigating potential negative impacts while enhancing potential opportunities to support Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests

The Forum was also an important opportunity to:

- Meet face-to-face
- Connect on how we can work together
- Better understand the roles we all play in assessing potential impacts to Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests
- Reduce consultation fatigue
- Provide input into the MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Program

For your review and comment, please find attached:

- ➔ Summary of comments your community provided in the individual Project-Specific Breakout Session(s) and the MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage and Archaeology Workshop
- ➔ Summary of comments provided during the group plenary session (Day One Morning)

As First Nation Proponents we understand that assessing potential impacts to Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests is complex and iterative. As such, we would greatly appreciate the opportunity to meet with your community one-on-one to further our conversations on this important part of the assessment processes.

Based on positive feedback, we plan on hosting another session in the coming months.
Please stay tuned for more information.

To ***schedule a one-on-one meeting*** or to share further information about your Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests with Project Team Representatives please contact:

MFFN CAR: Andrea Nokleby: [REDACTED]

NRL: Mishal Naseer: [REDACTED]

WSR: Michael Fox: [REDACTED]



MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD



ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL) • Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR)

ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS FORUM FEBRUARY 7th & 9th, 2023 THUNDER BAY, ON GENERAL SUMMARY

#	Indigenous Community	Comment/Issue Raised	Post Forum Response
1.	Webequie First Nation	Need to condense information in a way communities can understand as big documents is not their way to looking at things.	The proponents are taking steps to ensure the project information is understood, such as generating fact sheets, newsletters, and plain language summaries of key documents. In addition, some key documents are translated to Indigenous languages. The proponents will endeavour to continue to provide project information in a way that is concise and uses layman's terms whenever possible.
2.	Webequie First Nation	Important to take the time to listen and learn from First Nations.	Comment acknowledged. The proponents are committed to pursuing open dialogue and consultation with Indigenous communities during the environmental assessment processes.
3.	Attawapiskat First Nation	Community members do not know what is going on with the road Projects. Proponents tend to deal with Chief and Council and information does not get down to the grassroots people. The colonial processes of Chief and Council do not always represent the interests of the Treaty Rights holders.	The proponents will continue to discuss with community leadership how to ensure that community members are reached directly during consultation and engagement activities.
4.	Attawapiskat First Nation	Do not see Treaty people at the forum, only business people.	All Indigenous communities scoped into the EA/IA processes by the Province and IAAC were invited to attend the ATRI Forum.
5.	Attawapiskat First Nation	Do not see Treaty people at the forum, only business people.	All Indigenous communities scoped into the EA/IA processes by the Province and IAAC were invited to attend the ATRI Forum.

ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL) • Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR)

#	Indigenous Community	Comment/Issue Raised	Post Forum Response
6.	Attawapiskat First Nation	We (Attawapiskat First Nation) only received notice for the IAAC Northern Road Link Project Open House one day before the session. IAAC is not advertising its consultation and they are not meeting with the people.	Thank you for this comment. We will share with IAAC.
7.	Attawapiskat First Nation	It is important to talk to Treaty Rights holders and that is why he is streaming the session back to the community.	The proponents will look into options to live-stream consultation and engagement activities when possible.
8.	Webequie First Nation (Chief)	Information being shared at the Forum will help the Proponents see what the impacts to Aboriginal and Treaty Rights may be and will help them make good decisions.	Comment acknowledged.
9.	Webequie First Nation (Chief)	Need to find balance between traditional way of living and the new way of life.	Comment acknowledged. The proponents looks forward to learning more about Indigenous communities' traditional way of life through the Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Programs.
10.	Webequie First Nation (Chief)	There are challenges of keeping Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests information confidential. It will be up to each community to decide whether to share information, get feedback and report back to their communities	The proponents acknowledge that it is up to each community to decide whether to share information. It is anticipated that Indigenous Knowledge (IK) collected through the IK Programs will be governed by IK Sharing Agreements that indicate how confidential information will be used to inform the effects assessment but will be protected from public or third-party disclosure.
11.	Webequie First Nation (Chief)	Transparency is important when discussing Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests.	Comment acknowledged.

ABORIGINAL AND/OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL) • Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR)

#	Indigenous Community	Comment/Issue Raised	Post Forum Response
12.	Aroland First Nation	Some communities pulled out of the Forum because they were told that advisors were not welcome at the Forum. Aroland First Nation decided to stay despite the fact they did not have their advisors with them to get information as they were not able to meet because of the COVID pandemic.	"The proponents acknowledge there was a miscommunication during the planning of the ATRI Forum. The proponents thank Aroland First Nation for staying in the forum despite this miscommunication. The proponents welcome Indigenous community Advisors/Consultants in all Indigenous consultation and engagement activities for the EA/IA processes.
13.	Aroland First Nation	The group is talking about consultation but this cannot be consultation if community advisors are not present.	The proponents welcome Indigenous community Advisors/Consultants in all Indigenous consultation and engagement activities for the EA/IA processes.
14.	Aroland First Nation	Aroland First Nation is key to the Projects but feels left out. Further, it is a hard position us (for Aroland First Nation) if our neighbours to the north want to do things. The Proponents need to do better.	Comment acknowledged. Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation have initiated a nation to nation dialogue to resolve concerns raised by Aroland First Nation and are working towards building a collaborative relationship.
15.	Aroland First Nation	The Proponents need to do better to understand what Aroland First Nation wants to do as well.	The proponents are committed to collaborating with Aroland First Nation throughout the EA/IA processes.
16.	Aroland First Nation	We (Aroland First Nation) is attending the Forum to build relationships with our neighbours.	The proponents thank Aroland First Nation for participating in the ATRI Forum. The proponents also aim to build relationships with our neighbours, and are committed to pursuing open dialogue and consultation with Indigenous communities during the EA/IA processes.

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#	Indigenous Community	Comment/Issue Raised	Post Forum Response
17.	Aroland First Nation	Aroland First Nation will not support any development until the federal Regional Assessment is completed. What will the cumulative effects be. Aroland First Nation has written letters to that effect.	<p>"The proponents acknowledge Aroland First Nation's request that the Regional Assessment precede the individual road assessments; however, completion of the Regional Assessment in the Ring of Fire Area is not a requirement for the proponents to proceed with the individual EA/IA processes. It is the proponents' understanding that the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) is currently engaging with interested Indigenous communities on a proposed approach for a Regional Assessment that could be co-led by the Agency, Indigenous communities and Ontario. Information generated by the Regional Assessment will be incorporated into the Project's EA/IA as it becomes available.</p> <p>The decision to proceed with the EA/IA processes for the three road projects is consistent with the agreements between the proponents and the Province of Ontario. The proponents are committed to realizing the intended/perceived benefits of the roads for their respective communities, and the region as a whole, within a reasonable timeframe. Deferring/pausing the individual EA/IA processes does not align with these objectives.</p> <p>The EA/IA for the road projects will each include a cumulative effects assessment. The scoping of the cumulative effects assessments will include other past, present or reasonably foreseeable projects and activities, including the other road projects as well as proposed mining projects in the region.</p>

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#	Indigenous Community	Comment/Issue Raised	Post Forum Response
18.	Aroland First Nation	The parties need to rethink the strategy about not allowing advisors. It is strange that government and Proponent advisors are here, yet First Nations are denied their advisors. Aroland First Nation will listen, watch, participate and report back to the community.	The proponent acknowledges there was a miscommunication during the planning of the ATRI Forum. The proponent welcomes Indigenous community Advisors/Consultants in all Indigenous consultation and engagement activities for the NRL Project's EA/IA process.
19.	Aroland First Nation (Chief)	Need to work with Council to answer to members. We came to listen and everyone needs to work together. Proponents need to work with Aroland First Nation.	The proponents are committed to collaborating with Aroland First Nation throughout the EA/IA processes.
20.	Aroland First Nation (Chief)	We (Aroland First Nation) welcome and support Marten Falls First Nation for the Community Access Road Project only, but now there are other things attached (NRL, WSR). Why is Aroland First Nation not involved and why wasn't the community been asked to participate in the development of the Project(s).	Comment acknowledged. Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation have initiated a nation to nation dialogue to resolve concerns raised by Aroland First Nation and are working towards building a collaborative relationship.
21.	Aroland First Nation (Chief)	The Road Projects will affect everyone and we (Aroland First Nation) are already seeing impacts that will change everything. You can not reverse impacts.	The proponents understand the roads would result in effects/changes, and are conducting individual EA/IA processes in an effort to better understand those effects and develop measure to mitigate negative effects and enhance positive effects.
22.	Aroland First Nation (Chief)	We (Aroland First Nation) want to build a relationship with Marten Falls First Nation and we don't want to fight with our relations. Government is making us fight with our relations and it is confusing.	The proponents appreciate Aroland First Nation's desire to build a relationship and work together.
23.	Aroland First Nation (Chief)	Received texts from other First Nations about opting out of the Forum. We thought about opting out, but I wanted to be open and share my feelings, so we stayed at the Forum.	The proponents appreciates Aroland First Nation's participation in the ATRI Forum.
24.	Marten Falls First Nation	Marten Falls First Nation representative asked to respond to some of the comments made by the Aroland First Nation Chief.	Comment acknowledged.

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#	Indigenous Community	Comment/Issue Raised	Post Forum Response
25.	Marten Falls First Nation	Marten Falls First Nation representative noted that the Proponents have made every effort to meet and consult with Aroland First Nation, but this has been refused for a number of reasons including the COVID pandemic.	Comment acknowledged.
26.	Marten Falls First Nation	There are many ways to communicate, so the Marten Falls First Nation representative disagrees with the notion that the Proponent is not consulting. Issues should not be construed as an argument but rather debating.	Comment acknowledged.
27.	Marten Falls First Nation	Marten Falls First Nation representative recalled a story of a proposed forestry agreement between 3 First Nations that was stalled for more than a year. The Chiefs finally met to discuss and they were able to reach an agreement. There needs to be meetings with just the Chiefs. They did not have advisors and consultants back then. Chiefs need to get together and talk. That is why they are elected.	Comment acknowledged.

B2.1 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence





Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Project Questionnaire (and outstanding items)

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

28 July 2022 at 16:44

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for the follow up. For future correspondence, please refer to the list of emails I sent to Clayton in May (attached) as to who to Cc on correspondence. It includes just Chief and Council as well as myself and my colleague Jeremy Shute.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Project Questionnaire (and outstanding items)

Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

28 July 2022 at 03:22

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Thanks for the update. Ernie Gagnon

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Ernie Gagnon
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MFFN CAR - Aroland First Nation Check-in

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 11 August 2022 at 12:30
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>,
[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>,
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Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>,
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[REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <[REDACTED]>,
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Hello Kyla,

Please find attached the signed confidential information sharing agreement for the upcoming flyovers. Because AECOM and MFFN representatives signed on the two lines we had Chief Towedo sign and date below their signatures.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Aroland Flyover Aug 16 to 18

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

11 August 2022 at 16:01

To: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer

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Aroland Flyover Aug 16 to 18

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 17 August 2022 at 17:10
To: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah"
<[REDACTED]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[REDACTED]>, "Edwardson, Amanda" <[REDACTED]>
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Hello Elaine,

I just wanted to provide you with a head's up that both Sonny and Joe will be unable to make it tomorrow morning as both of them have had unforeseen conflicts. Aroland will be sending Larry Baxter and Jack Shabogamik instead, and both of them are aware that they'll need to be at the Nakina airport at 8am tomorrow morning.

Would it be possible to add one more site to tomorrow's flyover? When we reviewed the materials back in February there were only three sites of major concern, but we've just noticed that the latest Groundwater and Geotechnical update from the Marten Falls Project Team includes a Site 4 that is in a location directly by one of the proposed water crossings over the Ogoki River just to the West of Patience Lake. The monitors tomorrow would like to take a good look at this site as well. I hope that won't complicate things too much, since it is directly south of Site 16.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Good Morning Elaine,

I hope that everything went smoothly on your end regarding the flyovers. I understand that some weather on Thursday morning delayed takeoff but that the flyover was still able to occur.

I just have a few brief follow-ups:

- Some of the participants have asked me about how and when they will receive their honorarium for participating in the flights. It was agreed upon that the Marten Falls Project Team would pay an honorarium of \$200 to each participant.
- Will your team be providing a summary or report of the findings from the flyovers and how information will be incorporated into the project?

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Aroland Flyover Memo

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

24 August 2022 at 09:59

To: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Aroland Flyover Memo

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

24 August 2022 at 13:54

To: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>

Thank you!

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Aroland Flyover Memo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 25 August 2022 at 16:37
To: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah"
<[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid"
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Hello Elaine,

Thank you for the updates from the flyovers. We are preparing a brief response that I'll share as soon as possible. Regarding the honoraria, would it be possible to eTransfer the full amount for the four monitors to Ernie Gagnon at [REDACTED] and he will distribute the \$200/person?

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Aroland Flyover Memo

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 1 September 2022 at 12:56
 To: "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>,
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 <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan
 <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

Hello Jean-Marc,

Thanks for reaching out. In response to the memo reporting the results of the flyover Aroland would like to make the following points:

- Aroland’s participation in the flyovers must not be misrepresented as Aroland First Nation providing consent for the proposed studies. Aroland First Nation would like assurances that any records the Marten Falls Project Team makes of the flyovers, including any consultation and engagement logs, must be clear and explicit that Aroland does not provide consent for these activities to occur on their Traditional Territory. This is consistent with the Confidential Information Sharing Agreement signed by Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation pertaining to the flyovers, Chief Towedo’s letter to Chief Achneepineskum on May 6th 2022, and correspondence between Aroland First Nation, Marten Falls First Nation and Ontario since July 2021. Aroland First Nation asks that the final version of the memo that will be provided to the consultation team make note of this in the conclusion.
- Since the proposed Geotechnical and Groundwater studies were first announced in June 2021, Aroland First Nation has raised the issue of capacity funding numerous times, both with the proponent and Ontario. I have attached a letter from Chief Towedo on February 11th, 2022 that outlines these issues in detail. This lack of funding means that Aroland First Nation does not have the resources to adequately engage their members on the proposed drilling locations, as suggested in the Flyover Memo. Please note in the Action Items section of the Memo that while monitors would ideally speak to the community about any potential concerns with the identified sites, and with all of the other proposed drill sites, the lack of appropriate funding will limit the degree to which this engagement is possible.
- The monitors that attended the flight on August 17th did have concerns with Site 16’s proximity to the flowing creek mentioned in the memo. Upon review of satellite imagery of the area one of the monitors was able to confirm that the creek did flow into the Ogoki River, and asked to have that noted as a concern. Please update the memo to reflect the monitor’s concern with this waterbody.
- Finally, I reached out to Elaine last week regarding the payment of honouraria for the monitors and I’d like to follow up with that. Would it be possible to eTransfer the full amount for the four monitors to Ernie Gagnon at [redacted] and he will distribute the \$200 to each of the monitors.

Please let us know if you have any further questions about this.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Aroland, Ontario
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February 11, 2022

Hello Amelie,

I write in response to the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry's December 8, 2021 letter. As you know, AFN has declared a state of emergency due to the rise of COVID cases in our community. As a result, we are prioritizing the health and wellbeing of our membership and have been challenged to respond to various consultation and engagement requests from government agencies and proponents over the last month and a half. Due to these challenges and the inadequate time, information and capacity provided by the Ministry, our response here is preliminary.

Overall, Aroland maintains its position that there has been inadequate capacity, information and time to support a meaningful consultation process.

In your letter, the Ministry states that "the existing funding can be used to support the review of field programs related to the MFCAR project, as per the Guide to Participant Funding." In reviewing our existing funding agreement we note that under *Outcome 3: Participation in Consultation Activities*, which is for information sharing and engagement externally with the Proponent and the Province, the following activities are eligible:

- Participate in and/or host digital and/or in person meetings or open houses and/or smaller group sessions, consistent with COVID-19 Guidelines, for the Recipient's membership and/or Chief and Council with the Province and/or the Proponent to share information and to discuss the CAR EA/IA Processes and, where appropriate, consultation protocols,
- Provide a variety of opportunities during CAR EA/IA Processes for community members to express any comments, questions or concerns regarding the CAR and/or consultation plans related to the review of the ToR, and, where applicable, the EA/IA report, to the Province and/or the Proponent, with particular focus on land-users, youth, women, and Elders, and
- Where appropriate, maintain a record of consultation discussions regarding the CAR EA/IA Processes that includes documentation of the questions, concerns and responses mentioned above.

These activities speak explicitly to community engagement with our membership on consultation plans relate to review of the ToR and the EA/IA Report, not ongoing permits and studies associated with the MFCAR Project. If we are expected to use this capacity funding for each permit or study notice that's provided by the Ministry or MFCAR Project Team, we will not have the financial support necessary to engage our membership on the EA/IA report and other MECP documents. In addition, this funding does not provide us with the capacity to retain the third party expertise necessary to thoroughly assess the impacts of this decision on our Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests. Third party technical advice is only supported through the existing funding for the review of the ToR, the EA/IA report and other MECP review documents.

Further, the Ministry states that “the MFCAR project team have additionally made efforts to connect with AFN regarding the groundwater and geochemistry work proposed and invited AFN to meet” and “that they continue to be available to provide technical details and answer any questions regarding this proposed work.” The Proponent continues to share information with Aroland, but sharing information in the absence of adequate capacity to review and retain the expertise necessary to provide comments and engage in meaningful dialogue around impact to Treaty and Aboriginal rights is not adequate consultation.

We are concerned that the Ministry has assessed that the proposed work will not adversely impact our Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests. However, we have been unable to review and draw our own conclusions for the reasons listed above and in our previous letters and because our Traditional Knowledge and Land Use Study (TKLUS) for the MFCAR Project is still in progress. Since the Ministry insists on moving ahead with a decision on the groundwater and geochemistry program, Aroland is only able to provide some preliminary Traditional Knowledge information and potential impacts at this time. *This information is not considered a comprehensive report and given the opportunity for more robust and meaningful participation, Aroland could have provided additional information related to impacts and adequate avoidance and mitigation measures for the Ministry’s consideration.* This information is summarized below.

In addition to the lack of adequate capacity to review the details of the proposed study, we are further challenged in providing an accurate response due to the poor quality of the map provided by the MFCAR Project Team, which was provided as a PDF with a small scale. This was despite a request we made in our letter dated July 30, 2021, asking for detailed GIS information that would allow us to locate the sites with more accuracy and compare them directly to our Indigenous Knowledge values. Due to these constraints the information summarized below can only provide general comments on the locations of prospective sites. The general nature of these comments must not be misinterpreted to mean that we do not take the protection of our cultural sites very seriously.

- Sites 27 and 16 are in close proximity to significant cultural sites and overnight locations along the Ogoki River and around Patience Lake.
- Site 10 is in close proximity to cultural sites near Dusey Lake.

We are very concerned with the potential for this work to cause disturbances at our cultural sites, and would consider *any* disturbances to be an unacceptable impact. The MFCAR Project Team must provide us with the archaeological protocols that they will adhere to throughout this study before conducting any work at these sites. We also request that AFN be allowed to have an environmental monitor observe on-the-ground activities, with adequate capacity funding to support this activity.

Sincerely,



Chief Dorothy Towedo

Aroland First Nation

Cc:

Aroland Council

James Bennett, NDMNRF

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Andrew Peach, Shared Value Solutions



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Aroland Flyover Memo

Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

6 September 2022 at 18:41

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Thank you for the information.

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

RE: [EXTERNAL] Re: honarariums

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

7 September 2022 at 10:06

To: "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Thanks for the update.

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 13 September 2022 at 10:38
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for the updates. Aroland's Project Team will be meeting with Chief and Council to discuss the option of sending monitors to the identified drilling sites next week (Most likely Tuesday, September 20th) and will be able to provide more details about their intent to participate, as well as contact information for monitors following that meeting.

We'll keep our eyes out for the revised memo regarding the flyovers.

Thank you,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

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Great, thanks for the update.

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Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]> 13 September 2022 at 16:44

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Thanks for the update. ERNIE GAGNON

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Inquiry re: potential project activity

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

16 September 2022 at 11:36

To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]"

<[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M

<[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy

Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla and Clayton,

Aroland's leadership has received a few reports that there are trailers being set up at the airstrip near Melchett Lake, along the Anaconda forestry road. I just wanted to check in with you to see if these might be connected to studies being conducted by the Marten Falls Community Access Road project team?

Thanks for your attention to this,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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From: Andrew Peach <[Redacted]>
Date: September 16, 2022 at 4:51:59 PM EDT
To: Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[Redacted]>
Cc: [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted], Qasim Saddique <[Redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[Redacted]>, Jackmoonias <[Redacted]>, Larissa Mikkelsen <[Redacted]>, Kate Kempton <[Redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[Redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[Redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[Redacted]>, [Redacted], Eunice Magiskan <[Redacted]>, Mark Bell <[Redacted]>, Rob M <[Redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[Redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[Redacted]>
Subject: Re: Letter from Chief Towedo

Hello Chief Achneepineskum,

Please find the attached letter on behalf of Chief Towedo from Aroland First Nation.

Respectfully,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant
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September 16, 2022

Hello Chief Achneepineskum,

It has come to our attention that the Marten Falls Community Access Road project team has been using the airstrip along the Anaconda forestry road near Melchett Lake as a staging ground and helicopter landing zone for the groundwater and geochemistry study for about the past two weeks. The Marten Falls project team never engaged or consulted with Aroland about this use of our territory. We were not even informed. We have not provided our consent for you to use our territory in this way.

Please remove all equipment and personnel from our lands immediately

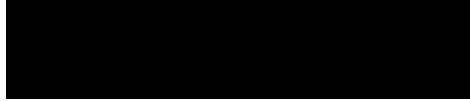
The ongoing activities, which include the frequent arrival and departure of helicopters, creating noise and wind, will have a significant impact on our ability to exercise our Aboriginal and Treaty Rights in our territory, especially as our annual moose hunt is underway.

We have informed you already that Aroland's consent is required for activity in our territory that is toward the ultimate construction of the Community Access Road – a road that is designed to provide access to the Ring of Fire mining as well as to your community. You are aware that we have repeatedly told the Crown governments that no roads or other infrastructure for the Ring of Fire should be built until a comprehensive cumulative effects regional assessment, developed, implemented and enforced by all First Nations in the region, is completed.

We will not provide our consent for any Marten Falls project team activities on our territory before our Councils are able to come together and make an agreement on how to work together which includes our oversight of the road EA and agreement from Marten Falls about the regional assessment as stated above. We have been clear in our opposition to the process by which Marten Falls First Nation is advancing the proposed Community Access Road, but have understood that the Environmental Assessment will continue to proceed despite our cautions and objections. However, staging this work from directly within Aroland's territory without our consent, without even informing us of your intentions, is unacceptable.

Please remove your equipment and personnel from our territory immediately. If you agree to engage toward an agreement as indicated above, please let us know and we will meet.

Respectfully,



Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation

Cc:

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Subject: Re: Current and Upcoming Fall Field Programs



Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
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Thank you for the information. Ernie Gagnon

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Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>

13 October 2022 at 12:31

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Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>

13 October 2022 at 12:37

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

13 October 2022 at 17:31

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla Zielbauer,

Due to a number of circumstances we have not had an opportunity yet to meet with Aroland's Chief and Council to discuss this topic. I have spoken with Chief Towedo and we are planning to meet with Council on Tuesday to discuss this topic. I will let you know immediately following that meeting to coordinate logistics.

I understand that timing will be tight as you plan to begin the work as early as October 19th, but we hope that your team will be able to accommodate. Please note that Aroland has not provided consent for any activities related to these studies to occur within their Traditional Territory and are only considering sending monitors in order to protect their cultural values at the identified sites.

I will reach out on Tuesday, October 18th following our meeting with Chief and Council.

Kind regards,

[Quoted text hidden]

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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

18 October 2022 at 16:14

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

Aroland's Chief and Council, despite not providing consent for this work to occur on their territory have decided to send environmental monitors to the drilling sites due to the potential impacts to their territory. It will likely take a couple of days to coordinate the monitors and the scheduling. Does the project team have a detailed schedule of when the drilling will occur at these sites and from where they will depart? These details will assist us in identifying the appropriate monitors as quickly as possible.

Thanks very much,

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Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

31 October 2022 at 10:06

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>

Good Morning,

Are there any updates on the schedule for the drilling work at these sites?

Thanks very much!

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

7 November 2022 at 12:10

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for the updates. We will review and respond to your questions as soon as possible.

While we're reviewing and preparing our response, are you able to confirm that Environmental Monitors will also be receiving an honorarium for each day that they participate in the drilling?

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

18 November 2022 at 09:22

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for following up and providing the additional details. Aroland's offices were closed on Tuesday and Wednesday, so we are still working to confirm the monitors but are hopeful that we'll have confirmed names and contacts by the end of the day today.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

18 November 2022 at 14:43

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

good afternoon just wanted to give out the names of people willing to take part on monitoring of the up coming drilling and water sampling

here are a the names

JOHNNY TOWEDO PHONE [REDACTED]

JACK SHABOGAMIK PHONE [REDACTED]

TIFFANY MENDOWAGON PHONE [REDACTED]

THANKS AND HAVE A GOOD DAY
IF YOU NEED INFO PHONE ME OR EMAIL

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

22 November 2022 at 10:09

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>

I will find out and get back to you. if they have emails but im sure that jack dont but ill ask if johnny towedo has one . also they require transportation from here in aroland to nakina is it posible that they can be picked up here in aroland by helicopter cause the helicopter us to pick people right here in the ball field on the east side of the community

.
thanks just a tough or arrange other ways

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

23 November 2022 at 10:04

thanks for any the info will forward to the monitors and call you this afternoon if they have any questions
talk later or if there is changes forward to me so i can relay

thanks

[Quoted text hidden]



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Update

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

23 November 2022 at 14:03

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Clayton Coppaway <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[redacted]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[redacted]>

Thank you for the information.

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Hello?

Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>
To: [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

23 November 2022 at 21:10

Hey? Is this Kyla? I'm just wondering if I'll be getting on a airplane? And what to bring??



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Hello?

Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

23 November 2022 at 21:51

Sounds great, thank you!

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Letter from Chief Towedo to Chief Achneepineskum

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 1 December 2022 at 17:02
 To: Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Jackmoonias <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Kate Kempton <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Hello Chief Achneepineskum,

Please find the attached letter from Aroland First Nation’s Chief Dorothy Towedo.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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[REDACTED]
Aroland, Ontario

December 1st, 2022

Hello Chief Achneepineskum,

Thank you for your letter from September 23rd. Aroland First Nation appreciated your response to our concerns about the establishment of a staging ground within our Territory. Thank you for your invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting between our two councils. We would like to suggest that we look to the New Year to find a time that works for everyone in January 2023. We believe that scheduling the meeting in Thunder Bay would best serve everyone, but we are willing to consider other locations as well if you would prefer. If you agree to move forward in scheduling this meeting, we can work with our respective advisors to find a mutually agreeable location and time.

We would also like to establish some mutually agreeable terms for the meeting. While we recognize the importance of working with our respective supporting staff to coordinate and plan the meeting, we would request that no consultants, lawyers, or other advisors are in attendance at the meeting itself. We also believe that we must make every effort to have all of the councillors from each of our First Nations attend the meeting. We firmly believe that with our two councils together we can focus on strengthening our relationship and reaffirming our shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe peoples to work together for the benefit of both of our nations as well as of our lands and waters.

We look forward to hearing from you and advancing our Nation-to-Nation relationship with everyone at Marten Falls First Nation.

Miigwetch,

[REDACTED]

Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation

Cc:

Aroland First Nation Council
Marten Falls First Nation Council
Qasim Saddique, MFFN Advisor

Bob Baxter, MFFN Advisor

Jack Moonias, MFFN Advisor

Kyla Zielbauer, MFFN Advisor

Kate Kempton, OKT Law

Jeremy Shute, Aroland Advisor, Shared Value Solutions

Andrew Peach, Aroland Advisor, Shared Value Solutions

Subject: Re: MFFN CAR Winter / Spring 2023 Field Programs

 **Ernie Gagnon** <[REDACTED]>
to MFFN Community Access Road Project Team ▾

Fri, 2 Dec, 09:09

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Thanks for the update!



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Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

13 December 2022 at 11:12

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

re monitors pay

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

15 December 2022 at 10:22

can tell me if the cheques where made and when can this be resolve.
message me so i can relay to them.

meegwetch



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

re monitors pay

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

15 December 2022 at 14:14

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>

Thank you for the update.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Notification of Upcoming Tree Clearing and Drilling

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 21 December 2022 at 11:50
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "LeeHo, Elaine" <[REDACTED]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[REDACTED]>, Clayton Coppaway <[REDACTED]>, "Jackman, Lindsay" <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Jerry Shabogamik has been overseeing this activity and is currently off for the holidays. I will reach out to him, but we may not be able to confirm with him until he is back in the office in the New Year.

Thanks for your attention on this file,

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Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

20 December 2022 at 17:53

Yes I got it, I'll be getting my mail tomorrow .

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Well Drilling

Tiffany Mendowegan <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

21 December 2022 at 12:14

Thank you, you too!
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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Bruce Achneepineskum [Redacted]

11 January 2023 at 14:22

To: Andrew Peach [Redacted]

Cc: Bernard Gagnon [Redacted], Chad Kashkish [Redacted], Eunice Magiskan
 [Redacted], Mark Bell [Redacted], Qasim Saddique [Redacted], Rob M
 [Redacted], Dorothy Towedo [Redacted], Samson Meshake [Redacted]
 Sheldon Atlookan [Redacted], Bob Baxter [Redacted], Jackmoonias [Redacted], Kyla Zielbauer
 [Redacted], Jeremy Shute [Redacted], Linda Moonias [Redacted]
 [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted]
 [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted]
 [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted], [Redacted], Lawrence Baxter

Hi thanks I agree to meet in Thunder Bay in January 26 with our respective councils . If our consultants can set up a room and send out meeting invites to lock down the date that would be fine .

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Maria Baxter [REDACTED] 12 January 2023 at 11:31
To: Bruce Achneepineskum [REDACTED], Andrew Peach [REDACTED]
Cc: Bernard Gagnon [REDACTED], Chad Kashkish [REDACTED], Eunice Magiskan [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], Mark Bell [REDACTED], Qasim Saddique [REDACTED], Rob M [REDACTED],
Dorothy Towedo [REDACTED], Samson Meshake [REDACTED],
Sheldon Atlookan [REDACTED], Bob Baxter [REDACTED], Jackmoonias [REDACTED], Kyla Zielbauer [REDACTED],
Jeremy Shute [REDACTED], Linda Moonias [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED],
[REDACTED], Lawrence Baxter [REDACTED]

Good morning

I will be available for January 26, 2023

Looking forward to seeing everyone there and looking forward to a great gathering that will move us forward to a brighter future for all

Miigwech

Maria Baxter
Councillor
MFFN

[REDACTED]
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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

16 January 2023 at 11:31

To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

I hope that you're doing well. I'm hoping that we can connect to coordinate scheduling a room for Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation to meet in Thunder Bay on January 26th. Is there anyone else that should be included in this conversation?

To begin our coordination here are a few items for our consideration:

- **Location** – I am not super familiar with the variety of options in Thunder Bay for a meeting like this, but the first that comes to my mind is the Valhalla Hotel, because they have a lot of meeting rooms and would be able to supply all of the necessary catering as well. That said, we are open to any other suggestions that you might have.
- **Time** – How long should the meeting be scheduled for? Would 2 – 3 hours be sufficient? Chief Towedo has asked that the meeting be held in the afternoon, after 1pm.
- **Catering** – if we select a location with a kitchen/restaurant it should be straightforward to also plan the necessary catering (beverages, snacks, water on the table, etc.), otherwise we'll need to give this some consideration.

I also understand that Marten Falls First Nation's Council is developing a draft agenda. Are you able to confirm that this is in development?

Perhaps we could schedule a call to talk through these points sometime early this week. I am available at 11:00am or after 4:00pm tomorrow, if either of those times work for you.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

16 January 2023 at 16:13

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

That's great, thanks for booking the location. We can discuss all the details over the phone at 11am tomorrow.

Look forward to speaking with you then.

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

17 January 2023 at 16:07

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for following up. Unfortunately, we were unable to meet with Chief and Council today, so I have reached out to them to confirm their availability for timing and their preference for note taking at the meeting.

Jerry has confirmed that all of the monitors received their payments, and Aroland will be reviewing the Interim Record of Consultation.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

19 January 2023 at 14:30

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for following up. We're just waiting on confirmation from Chief and Council about the timing for the meeting, but I can confirm that all of Chief and Council are planning to attend.

I am hoping to be able to provide Aroland's confirmation on the other items as soon as possible.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

20 January 2023 at 09:35

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

I can now confirm that Aroland's Chief and Council are in agreement about having the meeting from 10:30 – 3pm on January 26th, and that they are in agreement to keep it a closed door meeting without notetakers. They are still considering any additions or amendments to the suggested agenda topics, but we can move forward on confirming all of the logistics now.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

23 January 2023 at 12:40

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

All of 8 members of Chief and Council will be attending the meeting on Thursday, and I am unaware of any food restrictions. I will double check with them to be certain and get back to you about it if there are any restrictions to be aware fo.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Subject: Re: Save the Date Aboriginal and Treaty Rights Forum - February 2023



Ernie Gagnon [redacted]
to MFFN Community Access Road Project Team, ea.participant.fund ▾

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I plan to attend. Ernie Gagnon

On Fri, Jan 13, 2023 at 2:08 PM MFFN Community Access Road Project Team [redacted] wrote:

Good Afternoon,

Happy New Year!

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project, please find attached an invitation for an upcoming Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum that is being held in Thunder Bay on February 8 & 9, 2023. Information on participant funding and how to RSVP is included in the invitation. Additional contact information is also included in the invitation.

We look forward to seeing you there.

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MFFN Community Access Road Project Team

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Ernie Gagnon

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Letter from Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Towedo

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

24 January 2023 at 13:17

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for letting us know about the changes. I have inquired about dietary restrictions and the only restriction is that one of AFN's councillors is pescatarian.

Regarding the agenda, the only suggestion from AFN is that the meeting open with remarks from each of the Chiefs, followed by a roundtable opportunity for all Councillors to speak and share their perspective before proceeding with the other agenda items. Let me know if you have any questions about this or need anymore input in order to finalize the agenda.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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To: "EA Participant Fund (ENDM)" <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

31 January 2023 at 12:31

Hello,

Aroland First Nation Councillors Bernard Gagnon and Mark Bell will be attending the ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay on February 8th and 9th and understand that the province is funding travel costs. Could you please provide details regarding how they may claim these expenses, as well as any other information that they will need prior to attending? I have Cc'd both Councillors on this email.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant
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Aroland Comments on MFFN CAR Progress Report

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 31 January 2023 at 13:39
To: "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
Cc: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

Please find the attached letter from Chief Towedo regarding the MFFN CAR project interim progress reporting.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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January 31, 2023

To the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project Team:

Aroland First Nation appreciates the opportunity to review the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement Report and Progress Report Record of Consultation and Engagement for the proposed Community Access Road project.

To adequately review and comment on each of these documents requires capacity funding to consult technical experts and cover other reasonable review costs. Under the current funding agreement with the Government of Ontario, Aroland First Nation only has funding to review the environmental assessment documents associated with the draft and final submissions of the assessment by the proponent. Because we do not have adequate funding to conduct a thorough review of these reports we are not able to confirm with certainty that the consultation and engagement record presented by the proponent is an accurate reflection of the activities and correspondence to date.

While we do not have adequate capacity funding to conduct a full review of all six documents provided by the proponent, due to the importance of these interim and progress reports to the assessment process, we have provided a couple of comments in an appendix to this letter.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Respectfully,

[REDACTED]

Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation

Cc:

Aroland First Nation Council

Qasim Saddique, Suslop Consulting

Kyla Zeilbauer, Dillon Consulting

Andrea Nokleby, Dillon Consulting

Jeremy Shute, Shared Value Solutions

Andrew Peach, Shared Value Solutions

APPENDIX: Aroland First Nation comments on Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement, Summary of Feedback Received and Response/Action – Aroland First Nation

#	Page Number	Topic Issue/ Comment Raised	Comment	Recommendation
1	33	Item #1 mischaracterizes the reasons that discussions between MFFN and AFN regarding an MOU between the First Nations came to and end.	In summarizing the letter received from AFN’s Chief Towedo the proponent states that “In October 2020, MFFN requested Aroland First Nation to begin negotiating an MOU from first principles. Aroland First Nation declined but indicated their preference to begin the development of a custom consultation process instead of pursuing an MOU from first principles.” AFN’s letter was in response to correspondence from the proponent on October 14 th , 2020, in which Chief Achneepineskum stated that MFFN had decided not to continue legal negotiations over the MOU. Legal negotiations regarding the MOU had been ongoing between AFN and MFFN for many months prior to the proponent’s decision to discontinue them. It is AFN’s perspective that MFFN chose to end the MOU discussions by ending this ongoing process.	The Response/Action wording should be changed to reflect MFFN’s decision to end the ongoing MOU negotiations. AFN requests that the wording be updated to: “In October 2020, MFFN informed Aroland First Nation that they were choosing to end the ongoing legal negotiations regarding the MOU. MFFN invited Aroland First Nation to restart the process of drafting an MOU from first principles, but Aroland First Nation declined, instead indicating their preference to develop a custom consultation process. A custom consultation process has not yet been created.”
2	38	Email correspondence on Oct 14, 2020	The proponent’s summary of the attached letter’s contents are not an accurate reflection of the correspondence. The summary does not include MFFN’s decision to end legal negotiations over the MOU between the two First Nations.	The Summary for this email should be updated to reflect the full context of the letter. AFN requests that the wording be updated to: “The MFFN CAR Project Team sent Chief Dorothy Towedo a letter on behalf of MFFN Chief and Council regarding an update on the MOU process. MFFN informed Aroland First Nation that they had decided to end legal negotiations between the two First Nations over the MOU. MFFN requested that the MOU process be reinitiated from a ‘first principles’ perspective.”

Aroland First Nation Contacts

Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

8 February 2023 at 12:46

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Yes please, Kyla thank you for your response Jerry was hired to be the band coordinator for the Marten Falls Road Project and my name on the mailing list has caused unnecessary or duplication of work on my part. I am currently already involved with other projects for the Band under Lands and Resources for our community. With respect to our First Nations Community Consultation Protocol I hope this explains my concerns Ernie Gagnon

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Re: ATRI Forum February 8th-9th

EA Participant Fund (MINES) <[REDACTED]> 1 February 2023 at 09:54
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "EA Participant Fund (MINES)" <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Maclnnis, Paul (MINES)" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Hello Andrew, Mark and Bernard,

Thank you for the communities interest in participating in the Aboriginal Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) forum in Thunder Bay on February 8th and 9th, 2023.

We have space for up to 3 representatives per community, whom are community members. For Aroland we currently have Ernie and Godfrey signed up for the event but asked that they confirm their participation with community leadership and the community's PFI Consultation Coordinator (Jerry Shabogamik) working on the proposed road environmental assessments. At this point we can include an extra participant, so Aroland First Nation can send 4.

Ontario has a block of rooms on hold at the Victoria Inn for this event. Please contact Jordan Rowley at [REDACTED] to book rooms for the nights of February 7th, 8th and 9th if applicable by **February 4, 2023** and ensure that your community has arranged for the payment for the rooms (i.e. a Purchase Order from the band). Meals on February 8th and 9th will be provided as part of the event except for dinner on the evening of the 9th.

The rooms and travel to and from Thunder Bay can all be covered under the Participant Funding Initiative agreement that Ontario and your community has in place. Note that all reimbursements will be made at Ontario rates, as applicable.

We look forward to seeing you at the event. If you have any further questions please email me directly, [REDACTED] and cc Jason and the EA Participant Fund on your emails as Jason is not available to respond this week.

Thanks,

Paul Maclnnis

Indigenous Liaison Officer, Ring of Fire Operations Unit

Ministry of Mines, Indigenous Consultation and Partnerships Branch
[REDACTED]



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Re: ATRI Forum February 8th-9th

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
To: "EA Participant Fund (MINES)" <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "MacInnis, Paul (MINES)" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

3 February 2023 at 15:26

Hi Paul,

Thanks for your reply. I have confirmed with Aroland's leadership that their representatives for the forum will be Chief Towedo and Councillors Mark Bell and Bernard Gagnon. Jerry Shabogamik, the consultation coordinator may also attend if he is available.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant**(He/him – why is this here?)****SHARED VALUE SOLUTIONS**

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MacInnis, Paul (MINES) <[REDACTED]>
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "EA Participant Fund (MINES)" <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "EA Participant Fund (MINES)" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

3 February 2023 at 15:38

Thanks Andrew,

Please ensure that you email Jordan at Victoria Inn to secure room for each attendee.

We look forward to seeing everyone,

Paul MacInnis,

Senior Advisor – Indigenous Liaison Officer, Ring of Fire Unit

Indigenous Consultation and Partnership Branch

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Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>
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Thank you for the information. but in the future can you delete my email from your email list Jerry Shabogomik has been hired to do the work of this project Thank you in advance, Ernie Gagnon

On Fri, Feb 3, 2023 at 12:41 PM MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca> wrote:

Good afternoon,

The Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment reports for the provincial Environmental Assessment are ready for Indigenous community review. The reports are available for download here: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1_8lWWg_4-ZNINraqIRQygSVkwvYeoCmO?usp=sharing

The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report documents the archaeological and land use history, to determine whether there is potential for archaeological sites in the proposed area of impact. It incorporates a review of recent mapping, previous archaeological reports, a visual inspection of the impact area, and incorporation of any information collected from Indigenous communities. The visual inspection was conducted in the fall of 2019. The report also looks at the potential effects of the Community Access Road on cultural heritage and will be used to support recommendations regarding cultural heritage values or interests as well as assessment and impact management strategies

The Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Report takes a closer look at specific areas identified as retaining archaeological potential in the Stage 1 report in two targeted areas. It involved the physical testing of two locations next to the Albany and Ogoki Rivers. This fieldwork was also completed in the fall of 2019. Further Stage 2 archaeological assessments will be completed once the preferred route is selected, likely in 2025. Following this field work, another Stage 2 report will be prepared and circulated for Indigenous community review summarizing the results of the work, including any archaeological sites or materials found.

Feedback and comments on both Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Reports is requested by **March 31, 2023**. To support your review we encourage setting up a meeting with our team to help walk you through the reports, answer any questions you may have or as an opportunity to provide feedback.

Watch our recent webinar [here](#) if you are interested in learning more about Archaeology and Cultural Heritage.

If you have any questions or comments or would like to meet with the MFFN CAR Project Team to discuss these reports, please reply directly to this email.

Sincerely,
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

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Aroland First Nation Contacts

Ernie Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

8 February 2023 at 12:46

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

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Ernie Gagnon <[redacted]>

8 February 2023 at 13:11

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell

<[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake

<[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>

Great, thank you so much!

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Re: Updated correspondence details

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

8 February 2023 at 11:26

To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, " [REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, "shabogamikjerry202@gmail.com" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

In response to your email to Ernie Gagnon re: having him removed from communication related to the MFFN CAR Project, please see the email thread below. We communicated this with the MFFN Project Team back in May 2022.

Please remove Ernie Gagnon, and anyone else that is not included in the list below from all MFFN CAR Project correspondence and then add Jerry Shabogamik [REDACTED]

Thank you,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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MFFN CAR Field Programs Update

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 7 March 2023 at 17:06
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>

Hi Kyla,

I just left you a voicemail but thought I'd follow up here as well. I am going to be in Aroland tomorrow, so unless we were able to connect for a call between 8:00-8:30am I will be out of service. I could give you a call on Thursday afternoon to discuss the upcoming field work if that works for you?

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Jenna Wolno <[REDACTED]>

9 March 2023 at 16:37

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for the call yesterday, and for providing these updates. I've Cc'd my colleague Jenna Wolno who you can contact next week while I'm away on vacation regarding this file. I will be back in the office on March 22nd.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Jenna Wolno <[redacted]> 14 March 2023 at 16:24
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>
Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>,
Rob M <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell
<[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Andrew
Peach <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

Thank you for reaching out.

Regarding the groundwater drilling activities in April, I wonder if you can provide the specific dates for this work (or a range)? This will allow us to coordinate with Aroland monitors' availability.

Jerry is out of office this week so we can provide the names and contact information of two monitors from Aroland once he is back, early next week.

Thanks

Jenna

Jenna Wolno, MEnvSc | Regulatory Analyst | Project Manager
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Jenna Wolno <[REDACTED]>

16 March 2023 at 09:41

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>

Good morning Kyla,

Thanks for the update. I'll relay this information to Jerry when he returns next week to get you the names, contact info, and preferred payment method for two Aroland monitors.

Jenna

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Jenna Wolno <[REDACTED]>

24 March 2023 at 11:45

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Good morning Kyla,

We have the names of three Aroland monitors that are prepared to attend the upcoming drilling. The specific two monitors that will attend will depend on which day the fieldwork ends up occurring. Please see names and phone numbers below.

- John Atlookan: [REDACTED]
- Jack Shabogamik: [REDACTED]
- John Towedo: [REDACTED]

I have cc'd Jerry to this email. He will be collecting additional information (i.e. preferred payment method) on Monday.

Thanks,

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Aroland First Nation response to Draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Reports for MFCAR

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

31 March 2023 at 17:12

To: "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, "

<[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M

<[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Chief Bruce

Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Jackmoonias

<[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Debbi Stanyer <[REDACTED]>

Hello,

On behalf of Chief Towedo and Aroland First Nation, please find the attached letter response to the draft Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Reports for the Marten Falls Community Access Road.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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[REDACTED]
Aroland, Ontario
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March 31, 2023

RE: Notice of comment on Marten Falls First Nation's Draft Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Reports of Marten Falls Community Access Road

To Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team,

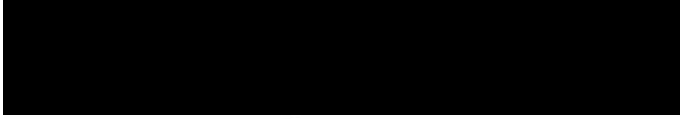
On behalf of Aroland First Nation, I write in response to your email from February 3, 2023, which provided the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Assessment Reports and requested feedback and comments. Aroland First Nation has not received adequate capacity funding from the proponent or the province to conduct a thorough technical review of these documents and our comments in this letter must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on our position regarding the impact of the project on our cultural and archaeological heritage.

The Archaeological Assessment Reports state that in accordance with the draft bulleting *Engaging Aboriginal Communities in Archaeology (MHSTCi 2011a)*, the project team has involved Marten Falls First Nation community members and works under their direction. However, Marten Falls First Nation is not the only Indigenous community affected by the Project and significant portions of the Local Study Area are within Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory, which extends north of the Albany River. The Project may have significant impacts on our historical and cultural sites, and we must be included as partners in this study throughout each step of the archaeological assessment process. Aroland First Nation participated in one flyover of the Local Study Area that's been included in the Stage 1 field review, but because of the significant overlap of the study area with our Traditional Territory we believe that we are entitled to a deeper level of engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to our territory.

Section 1.2.4 of the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment mischaracterizes Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory as only occupying the southern end of the study area. Our Traditional Territory extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the project. Our nation has many significant historical sites throughout this area and many of our ancestors are buried in these lands. Aroland First Nation acknowledges that significant portions of our Traditional Territory overlap with Marten Falls First Nation's territory, but the Stage 1 Assessment focuses primarily on Marten Falls First Nation's history and occupancy. Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory must be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Assessment and in all ongoing archaeological work.

We maintain that any archaeological and cultural heritage work undertaken as part of the environmental assessment for the Marten Falls Community Access Road project must acknowledge Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory and that we are to be involved in any Stage 3 assessments as they are required. To ensure that we are able to participate we must also receive adequate capacity funding.

Respectfully,



Chief Towedo
Aroland First Nation

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Hi Kyla,

Thanks for the updates on the groundwater drilling work. I will connect with Jerry about the monitors and we'll respond to Selena by Thursday at the latest once we have confirmation that he's able to line up a couple of monitors for Monday and Tuesday.

Have a great weekend,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Thanks again for reaching out about this,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Sent: April 6, 2023 10:58 AM

To: Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]>

Subject: monitors from aroland first nation

good morning just wanted to provide the team with names of our monitors

1 john atlookan sr [REDACTED]

2 jack shabogamik [REDACTED]

3 john towedo [REDACTED] alternative

pick up area by wowang lake on the west end of the community near the church access road to the lake.

phone me here if you need more info or one of the monitors

thanks



RE: re pick up landing

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From: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Sent: April 6, 2023 11:15 AM
To: Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]>
Subject: re pick up landing

just to confirm time of pick up date is it april 10 @ 9am was asked by one of the monitors

RE: re pick up landing

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From: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

Sent: April 6, 2023 11:47 AM

To: Contardo, Selena <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re: re pick up landing

hi just to let you know the boys are willing to do the shoveling if thats okey with you ,more work the better for them they say.

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Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

6 April 2023 at 13:31

, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Kyla

Yes, that is correct.
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Good morning Kyla,

Let me check in with Jerry to see if he is available for a call on Friday. Jerry is the main point of contact for coordinating monitors and should be part of the discussion. I'll get back to you once I have heard from him.

Thanks for reaching out,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Hello Kyla,

Chief Towedo has informed me that there was a death in Aroland over the weekend and that their offices will be closed this week. It looks like we may have to set up a time next week for the call instead of this Friday. I likely won't be able to connect with Jerry about his availability until the offices are open again next Monday, but I would suggest that we try and coordinate a meeting time on Tuesday morning in the hope that Jerry will be able to attend. Would 10am on Tuesday work for you?

For the remainder of this week, despite the office closures I would recommend continuing to reach out to Jack and John to coordinate availability and logistics for this week's monitoring.

Thanks very much,

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Hi Kyla,

I am not sure how Chief and Council feel about that. I will reach out to Chief Towedo to check in if it's OK for the helicopter to continue coming into the community this week. I will get back to you as soon as I hear from her.

Thanks for your considerations about this,

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Hello Kyla,

Aroland's leadership has not had the time or opportunity yet to review the MFFN CAR Project Team's proposed socio-economic data collection process and would require more time than your suggested response time of May 17th next week. Would it be feasible to receive their response by Thursday, May 25th?

Kind regards,

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Good Morning Kyla,

I hope that you're doing well. I have attached a letter from Chief Towedo in response to the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team's request regarding cultural heritage information collection.

Thank you,

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May 26, 2023

Hello Kyla and the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team,

We have received your request for your project team to conduct cultural heritage information collection with Aroland First Nation band members this June. While we agree that Aroland First Nation's cultural heritage and values must inform any potential Project effects within our Traditional Territory, we are surprised and disappointed that you have proposed that your own project team should collect this information directly from Aroland First Nation band members. We can not agree to your proposal to run and control the collection of our cultural heritage information.

Marten Falls First Nation must know that cultural heritage is a deeply protected set of values that are vulnerable to misunderstanding, misuse and misappropriation. For these reasons it is critical that Aroland First Nation has charge or oversight over the collection of our own cultural heritage information and values, and not allow others to have this level of control. We expect any collection and recording of our cultural heritage and values to adhere to the First Nations Principles of ownership, control, access and possession (OCAP®).

Aroland First Nation will not accept the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team's proposal for your own consulting team to run this information collection. What we would agree to is to conduct our own information gathering of cultural heritage from our own members, to create a redacted public version of this information so that highly sensitive information is protected, and to provide that public version to the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team for the Environmental Assessment. We would expect the Project Team to provide adequate funding for Aroland First Nation to undertake this work. We also understand that your proposed timelines for completing this work are tight, but if you are able to confirm the Project Team's agreement with our proposed approach quickly then we will do our best to mobilize as soon as possible to provide the report as expediently as is practical.

Aroland First Nation must be consulted on any proposed activities within our Traditional Territory. Understanding the potential impacts to our cultural heritage is an essential part of that consultation, but we must be supported to undertake that work ourselves. Once you confirm your acceptance of this in principle, we will provide you with a budget for our anticipated costs.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Chief Dorothy Towedo

Aroland First Nation

Cc: Aroland First Nation Council
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 - A2.8 January 2024 E-Blast
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B10. Kingfisher Lake First Nation

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Appendix C. Summary Notes

C.1 PIC #5 Summary Report

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
NDMNRF.....	Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry
NoC.....	Notice of Commencement
NRL.....	Northern Road Link
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
ToR.....	Terms of Reference
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 Public Information Centres (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 through submission of the final route recommendation memo to Chief and Council, along with request for Band Council Resolution for the final route.

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 Environmental Assessment (EA) / Impact Assessment (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 third and final progress report, and pertains to activities related to both the EA and IA processes, in support of the Environmental Assessment and Impact Statement (EA/IS) submission. The time period begins the day after the second progress report concluded on June 1, 2023 and ends July 31, 2024. The Identification of the Preferred Alternatives milestone concluded with the submission of the Final Route Recommendation memorandum and a request for a Band Council Resolution from MFFN Chief and Council, on July 29, 2024.

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

This progress report provides a detailed account of all engagement and communication between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Indigenous communities from June 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024 as part of the Identification of the Preferred Alternatives milestone. Note that government agencies and interested persons¹ are not included in progress reports, however, engagement between the MFFN CAR Project and interested persons will be included in the Record of Consultation and Engagement for the draft and final EA / IS. Engagement between the MFFN CAR Project and government and agencies will also be included in the 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 approach to consultation and engagement, the second section describes the consultation and engagement activities undertaken during this time period, and the third section summarizes community input and MFFN CAR Project Team's responses to this input for the EA milestone; and contains a discussion of how any input and information provided by the Indigenous communities have informed the development of the EA milestone.

1.2 Approach

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

- **Planned Activities for Indigenous communities²:**

- Circulate Notice of Public Information Centres (PIC) and Aboriginal Treaty Rights and Interest (ATRI) Forum
- Encourage engagement of Community Consultation Co-ordinators, as appropriate and by expressed community interest
- Hold Indigenous leadership and community discussions / meetings, considering applicable and relevant subgroups (e.g., women, youth, elders), in-person and virtual

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).*

2. *For additional information on dates please see table 2-1 below.*

- Host additional PICs and ATRI Forums (in-person / or virtual)
 - Support organization of the Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo
 - Host virtual webinar(s)
 - Develop plain language Project updates (translated, as required)
 - Host Key informant interviews
 - Produce Website update(s)
 - Circulate Newsletter and email update(s)
 - Post Social media update(s)
 - Follow-up communication to confirm information was received and the material(s) provided were understood
 - Inform on Field Studies and associated program
- **Targeted Input (request information to determine and identify):**
- Seek feedback on the technically preferred route recommendation
 - Engage regarding Indigenous community values and topics of interest
 - Engage regarding potential effects and impact management measures to be considered
 - Engage regarding impacts of Project on Aboriginal or Treaty Rights, socio-community and economic impacts and potential impact management measures to avoid, mitigate and off-set the impact(s)
 - Seek feedback on Reports including Aboriginal Treaty Rights and Interests Existing Conditions Report and Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report
 - Seek feedback on cumulative effects
 - Seek feedback on GBA+ from relevant subgroups including elders and youths meetings
 - 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 Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone, including:

■ **PIC #5: Existing Conditions Report and Route Selection Milestone**

A formal notice and invitation to PIC #5 was emailed to the Project contact list and published on the Project website on October 10, 2023, and was also distributed in print, online and on the radio via multiple media outlets. Notices in English, French, Cree, Ojibway and Oji-Cree were available for download on the website. Multiple notices were distributed for the MFFN community members meetings, including a formal invitation and poster, a reminder email, and information posted on the MFFN and Geraldton private Facebook groups. The format of the community member meetings included (in sequence) opening remarks, a presentation with an informal Q&A session, followed by an open house period where MFFN community members could review maps, discuss and provide feedback to MFFN Community Member Advisors and Project Team members.

PIC #5 and the MFFN community member meetings were held from October 23rd to October 26th, 2023, and provided information on the following topics:

- what has happened since PIC #4, including what we have heard and how feedback is being considered;
- what we heard at the Aboriginal Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) forum in February 2023 and plans for the forum in November 2023;
- existing conditions results for completed studies;
- how Indigenous Knowledge (IK) is used and how it informs the process;
- achieving the next major milestone, to identify the preferred route;
- how route alternatives have been assessed and recommended, and how a preferred route will be chosen;
- cumulative effects and why it is important; and,
- next steps and future opportunities to get involved.

PIC #5 was held in an open house format and featured a series of display boards and large printed maps. MFFN Community Member Advisors, Project Team members and Consultants were available to guide attendees through the display boards and maps. Attendees were also invited to provide comments and feedback using the feedback forms, or by having one-on-one discussions with the Project Team members and associated Project representatives. These materials are provided in Appendix A. A summary of key feedback is included below.

Approximately 35 individuals attended PIC #5, with 21 attendees in Thunder Bay on October 25, 2023, and 14 attendees in Geraldton on October 26, 2023. Attendees who chose to self-identify from a community or organization on the sign-in sheets included members of: Marten Falls First Nation and Eabametoong First Nation.

Throughout the PIC, attendees were encouraged to share feedback, concerns and pose questions throughout the meeting or provide them in writing using the available feedback form.

PIC #5 was heavily concentrated on obtaining feedback for the final route selection. There were two alternative routes presented at PIC #5 which were divided into three separate segments, allowing MFFN community members and attendees of the public PIC to assess the different options that aligned with both route alternatives. Many comments and questions from the MFFN community member meetings and PIC #5 were related to the route alternatives. This feedback was used to modify the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation and inform the decision making process of the Band Council Resolution to select a final route. In addition, a definition and overview of the Cumulative Effects Assessment process was provided along with the inclusions list for their review and comment in person or through the feedback form.

■ **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.

A second ATRI Forum was held in Thunder Bay from November 21 to 23, 2023 with the province offering to fund up to 3 representatives 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. ATRI Forum #2 discussions focused on Aboriginal Treaty Rights and Interest, existing conditions, and cumulative effects. The format of day one of the forum included an opening ceremony, an overview of the agenda and projects, participant question and answer period, breakout discussion sessions and a movie screening. Day two consisted of both individual breakout discussions sessions and plenary / group discussion sessions. Day three included a cumulative effects overview presentation, a presentation on assessing potential cumulative effects for federal assessments, a question and answer period and a roundtable discussion on cumulative effects. 37 representatives from 10 indigenous communities and 1 indigenous organization attended the ATRI Forum, including Attawapiskat First Nation, Constance Lake First Nation, Eabametoong First Nation, Ginoogaming First Nation, Long Lake #58 First Nation, Marten Falls First Nation, Nibinamik First Nation, Webequie First Nation, Weenusk First Nation, Matawa First Nations Management and Red Sky Métis Independent Nation. Attendance is also noted in their community specific sections below.

Throughout the second ATRI Forum, dedicated discussion sessions were held to facilitate conversation and gather feedback on the three road projects. Individual breakout sessions were also held where representatives from each road project, and the Province, with the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada hosted separate meeting spaces for individual community representatives to discuss ATRI, related to each project, in a smaller-group setting. For those participants not in an individual breakout session, plenary / group sessions were hosted with a series of presentations and activities.

Some topics discussed included:

- Indigenous Knowledge work;
- Sites of importance and their inclusion in the ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report;
- Impacts to wildlife, fish and the environment;
- Land utilization; Information sharing for the ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report; and,
- General questions about the ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report and the review process.

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

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

Marten Falls has adjusted the approach to engaging each Indigenous community based on these criteria but understands the list evolves as new information becomes available and more neighbouring Indigenous communities engage in the consultation and engagement opportunities provided.

The criteria noted above were also used to identify which communities would be offered funding to participate in the Indigenous Knowledge Program and in the Community Co-ordinator Program. This list has evolved as new information became available and more communities engage in the consultation and engagement program. **Table 1-1** identifies the status of funding offers for the Indigenous Knowledge Program and for participation in the Community Co-ordinator Program (as of July 31, 2024).

■ **Three Roads Project Gathering & Expo**

A Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo was held in Thunder Bay from June 11 to 13, 2024 with the province offering to fund up to 3 representatives from each Indigenous community to attend the event in person. The forum was hosted by Indigenous Community and Engagement (ICE), with the support of MFFN CAR, Webequie Supply Road and Northern Road Link. The purpose of this forum was to build on the last two forums, which were focused on Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests. The Gathering and Expo provided a space where participants could engage, consult and learn more about the three unique road projects, ask questions and share feedback.

The first day of the Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo invited community Elders to gather and engage with Project Teams for all three road projects and share their perspectives. The

second and third day of the gathering was open to other community members and government representatives to join discussions. Day two began with technical presentations on water, peatlands and building roads on peatlands. The afternoon of day two was reserved for an expo style forum where participants could visit various booths hosted by Project Team members for all three road projects and engage in discussion the various studies conducted by the different projects. The final day of the forum consisted of a half-day workshop to review the anticipated schedules for circulating the draft EA / IS for the MFFN CAR and the Webequie Supply Road. The goal was to inform participants about the proposed approach for the review process and seek clarification of the details in advance of the release of the draft EA / IS.

Approximately 44 individuals attended. Communities who attended the Tri-Road Forum are noted in their community specific sections below.

■ **Targeted In-community Meetings**

Several community meetings occurred during the identification of preferred alternatives milestone. These meetings are captured in Section 2 Consultation Snapshot, and the individual community chapters. The below meetings summarize the Project-related meetings occurred between the MFFN CAR Project Team, Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation prior to the completion of the Identification of the Preferred Alternatives Milestone.

● **Aroland First Nation**

In Fall of 2023, the MFFN CAR Project was targeting to submit a request for Band Council Resolution (BCR) from MFFN on December 4, 2023. The MFFN CAR postponed the BCR to ensure adequate time to engage Aroland First Nation in key conversations; these were delayed due to the election cycle and change in leadership; discussions with Aroland First Nation occurred throughout June and July 2024 in advance of the MFFN CAR Project Team submitting the BCR. In April of 2024, a Task-Force was created between the two communities to discuss several items, including to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that help connect the CAR to the highway system and to support collaboration between the Nations. The MFFN CAR Project is aware that several Task-Force meetings have occurred between the two communities, at which the Project has been discussed, but these meetings are not exclusive to the Project, and fall outside of the scope of this Report.

Several Project-related meetings occurred between the MFFN CAR Project Team, Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation prior to the completion of the Identification of the Preferred Alternatives Milestone. These meetings occurred in the months of June and July 2024, with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council representatives and community members, in Aroland and Thunder Bay. The purpose of these meetings was to provide updates on the Project and to obtain feedback on the technically preferred route recommendation, cumulative effects and feedback on Segments 1, 2 and 3, and on the area around Dusey Lake.

The first set of meetings occurred with Aroland First Nation on June 19 in Thunder Bay and on June 20, 2024, in Aroland. During these meetings, the MFFN CAR Project Team presented an overview of the Project and latest updates, the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation, cumulative effects approach and inclusions list, the Draft EA / IS schedule, collaboration and engagement and next steps. Approximately 72 individuals attended these meetings. Participants were encouraged to share feedback, concerns and pose questions throughout the meeting or provide them in writing using the available feedback form. Questions were answered by MFFN Community Member Advisors and Project Team members. Questions and comments from Aroland First Nation community members included:

- Inquiries regarding who will be maintaining the road.
- Statements that the road seems to be a good thing for the MFFN community.
- The need to continue to build relationships
- Requests for an Open-House style meeting in-community for Aroland First Nation, in July.

The second round of meetings with Aroland First Nation occurred on July 15 in Thunder Bay and July 16, 2024, in Aroland. During these meetings, the MFFN CAR Project Team and Consultants presented information through an expo style forum. Display boards provided information on the purpose of the road, Segment 1, 2 and 3, the area around Dusey Lake, cumulative effects evaluation approach and inclusions list, engineering considerations, existing conditions and the Draft EA / IS schedule. Approximately 63 individuals attended these meetings. Participants were encouraged to share feedback, concerns and pose questions throughout the meeting or provide them in writing using the available feedback form. Questions were answered by MFFN Community Member Advisors and Project Team members. Questions and comments from Aroland First Nation community members included:

- The road will be beneficial to Marten Falls First Nation community members.
- Inquiries regarding engineering and road building.
- Discussions on safety.

- **Marten Falls First Nation**

Two MFFN community meetings occurred on October 23, 2023 in Thunder Bay and October 24, 2023 in Marten Falls First Nation in advance of PIC #5. Following the in-community meetings, an in-person PIC took place on October 25, 2023 in Thunder Bay and October 26, 2023 in Geraldton, Ontario. The first hour of the event was reserved for Indigenous community members, who were also welcomed to stay for the remainder of the event; the public was invited to join during the last two hours of the event.

A total of approximately³ 30 Marten Falls First Nation community members attended the community member meetings. At these meetings, attendees were encouraged to share their

3. Sign-in at the events was voluntary, therefore numbers have been approximated.

feedback, concerns and pose questions or provide them in writing using the available feedback form. Questions were answered by MFFN Community Member Advisors and Project Team members / Consultants. The MFFN community meetings and PIC focused on the route selection milestone, existing conditions results of completed studies, and cumulative effects. The MFFN community members feedback centred around the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation presented. Community members did not support a portion (Segment 2) of the route that aligned with the Albany River. Community members shared that the area is special to them and would like to keep the road away from the river as much as possible. They also cited concerns related to long-term enjoyment of the river following construction of the route and the potential impact to wildlife.

Meetings with Marten Falls First Nation community members occurred on July 17 in Marten Falls and July 18, 2024, in Thunder Bay. During these meetings, the MFFN CAR Project Team presented information on the final route recommendation, cumulative effects evaluation approach and inclusions list, engineering considerations, existing conditions and the Draft EA / IS schedule. Approximately 55 individuals attended the meetings on July 17 and 18, 2024. Participants were encouraged to share feedback, concerns and pose questions throughout the meeting or provide them in writing using the available feedback form. Questions were answered by MFFN Community Member Advisors and Project Team members. Questions and comments from MFFN community members included:

- Road design, construction details and timelines;
- Post-construction concerns related to traffic, road safety, and access;
- Safety concerns related to the potential of more drugs and alcohol entering the community
- Optimism that the road would benefit the community, offering better access to mental health support, building materials, groceries and fuel, and more job opportunities.

The purpose of the meetings with Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation, in June and July 2024, was to present the final technically preferred route recommendation that had been refined based on feedback received to date and solicit any additional comments, feedback or concerns on the route. The feedback received by attendees of both Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation demonstrated support for the recommendation that would contribute to the Band Council Resolution on selecting a final route.

■ **Field Studies and Education, Consultation and Engagement on Valued Components**

Several field programs took place during the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone. To help Indigenous communities better understand the field studies related to valued components, Field Notices were distributed with plain language information about what the Project is studying, why it is important, when the field studies are taking place, and what to expect when crews are in the field (e.g., an increase in air traffic as crews travel by helicopter). Field crews were accompanied by a MFFN community member Field Assistant or Community Member Advisor, and in several cases, opportunities were extended to Aroland First Nation to participate in

Groundwater and Geochemistry programs due to their interests and proximity to the Study Area. The following notices were published in advance of their respective field studies:

- **Summer 2023 Field Notice** was distributed in July 2023 and provided information about the seasonal Groundwater and Geochemistry program, and Vegetation program.
- **Fall 2023 Field Notice** was distributed in September 2023 and provided information about the seasonal Groundwater and Geochemistry Program, and Atigwag / Caribou Collaring and Mortality Investigation.
- **Winter 2024 Field Notice** was distributed in January 2024 and provided information about the Atigwag / Caribou Collaring and Mortality Investigation.
- **Spring 2024 Field Notice** was distributed in April 2024 and provided information about the seasonal Groundwater and Geochemistry Program.
- **Summer 2024 Field Notice** was distributed in July 2024 and provided information about the seasonal Groundwater and Geochemistry Program, as well as the Geotechnical Investigation Program for aggregate sites and water crossings.

Each notice included links to educational videos and webinars on valued components related to the upcoming field programs. Field notices were distributed by email and posted on the MFFN CAR website. Social media posts with information about upcoming field programs were timed to coincide with the publication of field notices, and information was also shared through the MFFN CAR monthly electronic newsletter.

In addition to published field notices, plain language summaries of existing conditions reports for each of the MFFN CAR disciplines were distributed at PIC #5, the Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo, and in-person meetings with Aroland First Nation, Long Lake #58 First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation. The existing conditions plain language summaries were between 2-3 pages in length and included information about project findings relevant to each discipline, and maps of study areas.

■ **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. The public Marten Falls Community Access Road Facebook account and the private MFFN members only Facebook account was used to share information and promote upcoming events. An MFFN CAR Instagram and LinkedIn accounts were created to reach a wider audience in sharing information and promoting events. The MFFN CAR website was continuously updated to reflect information that had been shared via the electronic newsletters and social media accounts.

1.3 Project Notifications and Information Releases

A formal notice and invitation to PIC #5 was published on the Project website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices) on October 10, 2023 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 A**.

■ Print Advertisements:

- The Chronicle Journal: October 23, 2023
- Geraldton Times Star: October 18, 2023
- Thunder Bay Source: October 19, 2023

■ Online Advertisements

- MFFN All Season Community Access Road Project Website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices): October 10, 2023
- MFFN CAR Facebook page: October 11 and 23, 2023
- MFFN Greenstone Facebook Private page: October 26, 2023
- MFFN members only Facebook page: October 20, 2023
- Northern Ontario Business: October 11 – 26, 2023
- NWO NewsWatch: October 13, 2023
- SN NewsWatch: October 13, 2023
- Thunder Bay News Watch: October 11, 2023
- Wawatay News: October 16 – 26, 2023

■ Radio Advertisements

- Wawatay Radio: three times per day on October 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, 2023 (in English)
- CFNO Radio: 30 second ad from October 16 – 25, 2023

The electronic Project mailing list (anyone who opts-in to receive Project emails) also received the notice on October 10, 2023, 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

MFFN Chief, Council members and community members also received a reminder email for PIC #5 and the community meetings in preparation for PIC #5 on October 19, 2023.

In addition to PIC #5 notifications, the Project website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca) 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.

1.4 Summary of Indigenous Community and Organization Consultation

As outlined in Milestone Progress Report #1, 23 Indigenous communities and 8 Tribal Councils were identified for engagement. This list is included in **Table 1-1**.

The following remaining communities continue to receive general information about the Indigenous Knowledge Program, including opportunities to participate in the program, and should their interest change, future discussions will take place regarding funding for the Indigenous Knowledge Program (up to milestone 5). If participation in the Indigenous Knowledge Program changes, their involvement in the Community Co-ordinator Program will also be re-assessed.

- Kingfisher Lake First Nation;
- Wapekeka First Nation;
- Wawakapewin First Nation;
- Wunnumin Lake First Nation;
- Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation;
- Mishkeegogamang First Nation;
- Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO); and
- Red Sky Métis Independent Nation.

Table 1-1: Status of Neighbouring Indigenous Communities' Participation in the Community Co-ordinator Program and Funding Offer for the Indigenous Knowledge Program

No.	Community	Offered Participation in Community Co-ordinator Program	Status of Uptake in Community Co-ordinator Program	Offered Funding for Indigenous Knowledge Program	Status of Funding Offer for Indigenous Knowledge Program
1.	■ Aroland First Nation	■ Yes	■ Aroland First Nation is reviewing applicants for the position	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Final versions of sharing and funding agreements have been signed by Community Access Road team and are with Aroland First Nation for review ■ Received Indigenous Knowledge Report from the Community
2.	■ Attawapiskat First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Indicated they do not want to participate in the Indigenous Knowledge Program
3.	■ Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated version of sharing agreement is with the community for review ■ The funding agreement is with the Community Access Road team to sign
4.	■ Constance Lake First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Community Co-ordinated funding agreement with the community for review 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The sharing agreement is with the community to sign ■ The updated funding agreement is with the community for review
5.	■ Eabametoong First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review
6.	■ Fort Albany First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Acknowledged offer 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The final versions of the sharing and funding agreements have been signed by the Community Access Road team and the community ■ Received Indigenous Knowledge Report from the Community
7.	■ Ginoogaming First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Have expressed interest in program; actively recruiting. 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The sharing agreement is with the community for review and sign-off ■ The final version of the funding agreement has been signed by the Community Access Road team and the community
8.	■ Kasabonika Lake First Nation	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer 	■ Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review

No.	Community	Offered Participation in Community Co-ordinator Program	Status of Uptake in Community Co-ordinator Program	Offered Funding for Indigenous Knowledge Program	Status of Funding Offer for Indigenous Knowledge Program
9.	■ Kashechewan First Nation	■ Yes	■ Offered ■ Acknowledged offer	■ Yes	■ The final versions of the sharing and funding agreements have been signed by the Community Access Road team and the community
10.	■ Long Lake #58 First Nation	■ Yes	■ Offered ■ Acknowledged offer	■ Yes	■ The sharing agreement is with the community for review and sign-off ■ The funding agreement is with the community for review
11.	■ Marten Falls First Nation	■ Yes	■ One previous Community Co-ordinator hired; one current Community Co-ordinator	■ Yes	■ The final versions of the sharing and funding agreements have been signed by the Community Access Road team and the community ■ Received Indigenous Knowledge Report from Community
12.	■ Neskantaga First Nation	■ Yes	■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer	■ Yes	■ The first draft of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review
13.	■ Nibinamik First Nation	■ Yes	■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer	■ Yes	■ Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review
14.	■ Webequie First Nation	■ Yes	■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer	■ Yes	■ Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review
15.	■ Weenusk First Nation	■ Yes	■ Offered ■ Has not responded to offer	■ Yes	■ The final version of the sharing and funding agreements have been signed by the Community Access Road team and the community ■ Received Indigenous Knowledge Report from the Community

As of July 31, 2024, the Project has received communication from 19 of the communities or tribal councils listed in Table 1-1. Those communities or tribal councils MFFN CAR has met with during the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone are indicated with an asterisk (*) below:

- Marten Falls First Nation*;
- Aroland First Nation*;
- Attawapiskat First Nation*;
- Constance Lake First Nation;
- Chiefs of Ontario;
- Fort Albany First Nation;
- Ginoogaming First Nation*;
- Kashechewan First Nation;
- Long Lake #58 First Nation*;
- Métis Nation of Ontario;
- Mushkegowuk Council;
- Nibinamik First Nation*;
- Nishnawbe Aski Nation;
- Nokiwin Tribal Council;
- Matawa First Nations Management;
- Wapekeka First Nation;
- Weenusk First Nation*;
- Red Sky Métis Independent Nation (RSMIN)*
- Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nation (AZA); and
- Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation.

The remaining 12 communities or tribal councils have not communicated with MFFN between June 1, 2023 and July 31, 2024. 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 and 8 Tribal Councils being engaged. These communities include:

- Eabametoong First Nation (Fort Hope);
- Independent First Nations Alliance;
- Kasabonika Lake First Nation;
- Kingfisher Lake First Nation;
- Mishkeegogamang First Nation;
- Neskantaga First Nation;
- Shibogama First Nations Council;
- Union of Ontario Indians;
- Webequie First Nation;
- Wunnumin Lake First Nation;
- Wawakapewin First Nation.

Those Tribal Councils, Nations and Alliances listed in the table above, as well as Independent First Nations Alliance the 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.

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 Energy, Northern Development and Mines and the Agency for capacity funding, participation in the Indigenous Knowledge program or participation in the Community Co-ordinator 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 these 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.

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 #5; invitation to the second 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 Milestone #2 Progress Report via email;
- Completed follow-up phone calls and emails to confirm receipt of notifications and other distributed materials;
- Circulated Project updates, including 13 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 key milestone reminders and information sheet;
- 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;
- Several offers to meet;
- Distributed Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report;
- 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 #5 Existing Conditions Report and Route Selection Milestone;
- Held PIC #5 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, along with two in-community MFFN meetings, and online version of the PIC #5;
- Distributed 10 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;
- Distributed notices for the online Webinar Series, including Route Selection Milestone and Climate Change and Adaptation. Follow-ups included encouragement to provide feedback for the Climate Change Webinar via a survey;
- Hosted an online Webinar Series; and
- Held the second 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.

1.5 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 Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone development or will inform the EA. While there was some specific feedback received that has directly informed the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone development / EA, the majority of feedback was broad with limited specific details (therefore requiring ongoing 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

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA has been or may be Informed
<p>Specific Feedback Provided on Environmental Existing Conditions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Specific feedback was provided on the bird field program, including birds observed and comments on their habitats. ■ Specific feedback was provided on the wolverine field program. ■ Confidential information regarding the Albany River was provided and is considered as IK. ■ Caribou were identified in the District of Kenora. ■ Request to participate in field studies. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Birds and comments on their habitats were noted for the bird field program. ■ One site of the wolverine hair snag was changed based on feedback provided. ■ The EA has been informed by confidential information regarding the Albany River and details are being kept confidential. ■ The general identification of caribou location(s) has been noted. ■ Members of Aroland First Nation were invited to participate in the Groundwater and Geochemistry field program, including a flyover and planning for subsequent drilling program (outside of this reporting time period); any feedback provided during the flyover will be considered as part of the EA.
<p>Concerns Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Additional Details Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ It was noted that a spawning area could be relocated if it would be disrupted by the Project ■ Concern was expressed for watersheds ■ Concern was expressed regarding caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights ■ Concern was expressed related to salting on the road and impacts to nearby rivers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Relocating spawning areas has not yet been determined due to insufficient details provided. Ongoing follow-up is taking place to receive additional information to help identify the spawning area. ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for watersheds. As part of the alternative selection, effects to Natural Environment will be taken into consideration. ■ More specific details are required related to concerns for caribou migration and impacts to gathering rights. ■ The concern regarding salting and nearby rivers has been noted and maintenance of the Community Access Road, including usage of salt, will be one of the indicators for the evaluation.
<p>Interests Related to Environmental Existing Conditions; Additional Details Required</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Several communities indicated interest in different topics related to existing conditions without providing specific feedback or comments. Some examples include receiving field study results when they become available for caribou 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Interest in topics has been noted for each community. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to distribute Discussion Guides related to field studies, educational videos and webinars on valued components. Information on field studies is shared in the monthly Project updates and in seasonal Field Notices (sent via email and posted on the project website). Early observations and methods for field studies completed to-date have been provided at PIC #3, PIC #4 and PIC #5 as information has become available. Meetings will continue to be offered based on specific topics of interest to solicit additional feedback and issues.

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA has been or may be Informed
<p>Route Alignment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ A variety of comments were provided on the route alignment near MFFN, including: river and ice levels can be high near MFFN and there are locations where the bank is eroding and could affect the road; intense rain could damage the road and impact streams due to erosion; safety concerns were raised regarding truck activities (including dust, noise, low visibility and speeding) north of the airport and children who play in the same area; and concerns regarding how the Community Access Road may interfere with MFFN community activities (e.g., gathering firewood, social events) ■ Feedback was obtained through community meetings and PIC #5 contributing to the final route selection. During October 2023, two in-community meetings and PIC #5 were held to receive feedback on the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation. Many comments were received regarding the proposed route for Segment 2 (Alternative 1: Albany Crossing). Community input did not align with the technically preferred segment proposed by the Project Team. Community members indicated that they did not want the route running along the Albany River and cited a range of concerns including short term and longer-term impacts on the river, wildlife and vegetation and enjoyment of the river. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Concerns related to the route alignment closer to MFFN have been noted and will continue to be considered as part of the EA. As part of the EA, the evaluation will identify the preferred route for the Community Access Road, temporary infrastructure and aggregate sources with the least potential for negative effects, greatest opportunity for mitigating negative effects and greatest benefits to the community. Safety is a crucial consideration when evaluating the route and is featured in every study within the EA and starts with the road design. Design of the CAR includes consideration for drainage, visibility, speeding, ice and riverbank stability. The Air and noise reports consider and include mitigations where impacts from noise and dust may be a concern. The water reports consider potential effects due to erosion, and the climate change report considers concerns related to extreme weather events such as intense rainfall. ■ Based on community members' feedback, the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation was refined to reflect the feedback heard during the October 2023 meetings. The final route recommendation was altered to reflect the community's preference to have Alternative 4 be the preferred alternative for Segment 2 (Albany Crossing). Receiving Indigenous Knowledge for the area between late 2023 and mid 2024 further confirmed that Alternative 4 for Segment 2 was the decision supported by Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council and community members. The Band Council Resolution for the final route recommendation was sent to MFFN Chief and Council on July 31, 2024,
<p>Cumulative Effects, Road Projects and Regional Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some communities expressed concerns regarding cumulative effects / impacts in the Project area, including the scope of the EA, impacts from all three road projects (the Community Access Road, Webequie Supply Road and Northern Road Link), the Regional Assessment and a moratorium on the Ring of Fire activities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some of the comments received were directed to government agencies (e.g., NDMNRF, MECP, the Agency) to respond to as they were outside of the scope of the Community Access Road Project. In terms of cumulative effects, if specific details from other projects are provided they will be considered as part of the EA; the EA will predict cumulative effects of the preferred alternative with the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods were shared during the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone at PIC #4 at the ATRI Forum #2 and again during community meetings in July 2024.
<p>Impacts from COVID-19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Some communities expressed inability to effectively engage with their community members due to the COVID-19 pandemic. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team worked with each Indigenous community's preference in how they would like to be consulted and engaged, whether virtually or in-person and 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.

Input and Information Provided by Indigenous Communities	How the Development of the EA Milestone or EA has been or may be Informed
<p>Timeline Extensions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some communities requested extended Project timelines, for both the provincial and federal processes. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team will work with communities to understand their individual needs regarding timeline extensions. The request for an IS extension was granted. Communities will continue to be kept informed on timelines.
<p>Request for Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some communities expressed need for provincial participant funding to participate in consultation and engagement activities. There has also been ongoing co-ordination to onboard communities to the IK Program and Community Co-ordinator Program, with funding provided by the MFFN CAR Project Team. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 Co-ordinator Program. Additionally there is funding associated with participation in field monitoring program(s) for Marten Falls First Nation and in some instances, Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Team has followed up with Indigenous communities via phone and email throughout this milestone regarding funding opportunities.
<p>Revision to ATRI Study Areas for the Impact Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Based on feedback from Indigenous communities and the information collected to select a technically preferred Route Alternative, concerns were expressed to revise the ATRI study areas for the Impact Assessment to focus on the technically preferred Route Alternative. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The ATRI environmental discipline made changes to the ATRI study area for the Impact Assessment which included an increase to the local study area from a 5 km buffer to a 10 km buffer and changed the Regional Study Area to increase in size of more than double the area.

A detailed record of the efforts made to consult and engage with each of the 31 Indigenous communities and indigenous organizations communication received from the communities from June 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024 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 Identification of Preferred Alternatives 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.

2. Consultation Snapshot

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

Items in black occurred during the NoC of EA Milestone between October 29, 2021 to June 30, 2022 and the Effects Assessment Milestone from July 1, 2022 to May 31, 2023. Items in blue occurred during the Identification of Preferred Alternatives Milestone from June 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024.

Table 2-1: Consultation Snapshot – From June 1, 2023, to July 31, 2024

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment and Identification of Preferred Alternatives			
Activity	Audience		
	<i>Indigenous Communities</i>	<i>Interested Persons</i>	<i>Agencies & Government Bodies</i>
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.	✓		
Milestone Progress Report #2			
■ Draft Progress Report distributed to Indigenous communities for review (November 27, 2023)	✓		
■ Email follow-up to request re-download of Draft Progress Report (November 29, 2023)	✓		
■ Archaeology Assessment Reports for Stage 1 and Stage 2 distributed (February 3, 2023)	✓		
Public Information Centres (PIC)			
■ PIC #3 Notice distributed (June 13, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #3 in Thunder Bay (June 27, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #3 in Geraldton (June 29, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #4 Notice distributed (November 22, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #4 in Thunder Bay (December 7, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #4 in Geraldton (December 8, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #5 Notice distributed (October 10, 2023)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #5 in Thunder Bay (October 25, 2023)	✓	✓	✓
■ PIC #5 in Geraldton (October 26, 2023)	✓	✓	✓
■ Follow-up letters, emails, and phone calls to Indigenous communities regarding the Project.	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment and Identification of Preferred Alternatives			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
Individual Project Meetings			
■ In-person meeting with Marten Falls First Nation to provide an update on the Project and the approval of the Terms of Reference (November 16-17, 2021)	✓		
■ Presented to the Mushkegowuk Council AGM (in-person, November 24, 2021)	✓		
■ A teleconference meeting with Marten Falls First Nation to discuss the Environmental Assessment and Impact Assessment (February 2, 2022)	✓		
■ 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 Co-ordinator section below	✓		
■ Teleconference presentation to Mushkegowuk Tribal Council's Terrestrial Working Group (May 18, 2022)	✓	✓	
■ In-person meeting with Marten Falls First Nation community members in advance of PIC #3 (June 28, 2022)	✓	✓	
■ In-person meeting regarding Community Co-ordinator 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).	✓		
■ In-person meeting with Marten Falls First Nation community members in advance of PIC #4 (November 2, 2022)	✓	✓	
■ In-person meeting with Marten Falls First Nation community members in advance of PIC #4 (December 6, 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 Co-ordinator 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).	✓		
■ 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).	✓		
■ A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation's legal counsel to discuss the IK Sharing Agreement (May 17, 2023).	✓		
■ A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation was held to provide a Project overview (August 29, 2023).	✓		
■ In-person meeting with Marten Falls First Nation community members in advance of PIC #5 (October 23, 2023)	✓	✓	

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment and Identification of Preferred Alternatives			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
■ In-person meeting with Marten Falls First Nation community members in advance of PIC #5 (October 24, 2023)	✓	✓	
■ A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation was held as a follow-up to discuss the Community Co-ordinator and IK Program meeting (November 10, 2023).	✓		
■ A virtual meeting held with Attawapiskat First Nation representatives to discuss the MFFN CAR Project and Caribou Study Plan (December 4, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person meeting with Nibinamik First Nation to provide a Project update (January 16, 2024).	✓		
■ A virtual meeting with Red Sky Métis Independent Nation to review the Draft preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report (March 19, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation to build on and improve the relationship between the two nations and to provide both Nations the opportunity to discuss any concerns or issues, including the previously drafted Communication Protocol Agreement (April 19, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person taskforce meeting between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (May 7, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person taskforce meeting between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (May 28, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person Chief and Council meeting with Marten Falls First Nation to provide a Project update (May 29, 2024).	✓		
■ Virtual meeting with Attawapiskat First Nation to discuss the Spring Groundwater Program (May 31, 2024).	✓		
■ A virtual meeting with Weenusk First Nation to provide a Project update and discuss the IK Program and socio-economic programs (June 5, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person meetings with Aroland First Nation community members to obtain feedback on the final route recommendation, existing conditions and cumulative effects, including inclusions list (June 19-20, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation Elders and community members to present the preliminary technically preferred routes (June 20, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person meetings with Aroland First Nation community members to obtain feedback on the final route recommendation including Segment 1, Dusey Lake, Segment 2, Segment 3, cumulative effects, evaluation approach and inclusions list, engineering considerations and existing conditions (valued component studies) (July 15-16, 2024).	✓		
■ In-person meetings with Marten Falls First Nation community members to confirm selection of the final route selection, cumulative effects, evaluation approach and inclusions list, engineering considerations and existing conditions (valued component studies) (July 17-18, 2024).	✓		
■ A virtual meeting held with Attawapiskat First Nation to discuss the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report (July 23, 2024).	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment and Identification of Preferred Alternatives			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
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) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – October 2021 (November 3, 2021) – November 2021 (November 30 2021) – 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) – May 2023 (June 7, 2023) – June 2023 (June 28, 2023) – July 2023 (August 2, 2023) – August 2023 (September 1, 2023) – September 2023 (September 28, 2023) – October 2023 (November 2, 2023) – 2023 Year In Review (December 12, 2023) – January 2024 (January 31, 2024) – February 2024 (March 1, 2024) – March 2024 (April 3, 2024) – April 2024 (April 30, 2024) – May 2024 (May 30, 2024) – June 2024 (July 9, 2024) 	✓	✓	✓
■ Circulated Field Study Notices & Discussion Guides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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 (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) 	✓	✓	✓

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment and Identification of Preferred Alternatives			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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) – Summer 2023 Field Notice (July 12, 2023) – Fall 2023 Field Notice (September 15, 2023) – Winter 2024 Field Notice (January 18, 2024) – Spring 2024 Field Notice (April 17, 2024) – Spring Groundwater Program Update (May 23, 2024) – Summer 2024 Field Notice (July 16, 2024) 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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) 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Webinar Series: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 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) – Route Selection Milestone (November 16, 2023) – Climate Change Webinar (February 8, 2024) 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report (June 3, 2024) 	✓		
Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario (MNO) to discuss the IK Program (February 4, 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation to discuss the IK Program (and Community Co-ordinator Program) (April 21, 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ IK Program Update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI Shapefiles were distributed via email. (August 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Distributed a Save the Date for the upcoming ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop via email (December 20, 2022) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Invitation to ATRI Forum distributed (January 13, 2023, and February 1, 2023) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ ATRI Forum and Cultural Heritage Workshop in Thunder Bay (February 8 – 9, 2023) 	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment and Identification of Preferred Alternatives			
Activity	Audience		
	<i>Indigenous Communities</i>	<i>Interested Persons</i>	<i>Agencies & Government Bodies</i>
■ IK Program timeline and update letter (March 22, 2023)	✓		
■ IK Program timeline and update letter (June 22, 2023)	✓		
■ IK Program timeline and update letter (October 5, 2023)	✓		
■ IK Program timeline and update letter (November 10, 2023)	✓		
Community Co-ordinator Program			
■ Distribution of letter introducing the Community Co-ordinator Program to 13 neighbouring Indigenous communities including job posting (March 17, 2022)	✓		
■ Teleconference with Constance Lake First Nation to discuss the Community Co-ordinator Program (and the IK Program) (April 21, 2022)	✓		

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

4. References

AECOM, 2019:

Draft Terms of Reference Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road – Environmental Assessment.

AECOM, 2020:

Proposed Terms of Reference Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road – Environmental Assessment.

Hatch, 2016:

Technical Review of Industrial Transportation Infrastructure Proposals.



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2. Aroland First Nation

2.1 Community Profile

Location: PO Box 10, Aroland ON, P0T 1B0
Tribal Council: Matawa First Nations Management
Treaty: 9
Project Team Lead: Kyla Zielbauer

Figure 2-1: Aroland First Nation Distribution of Communication

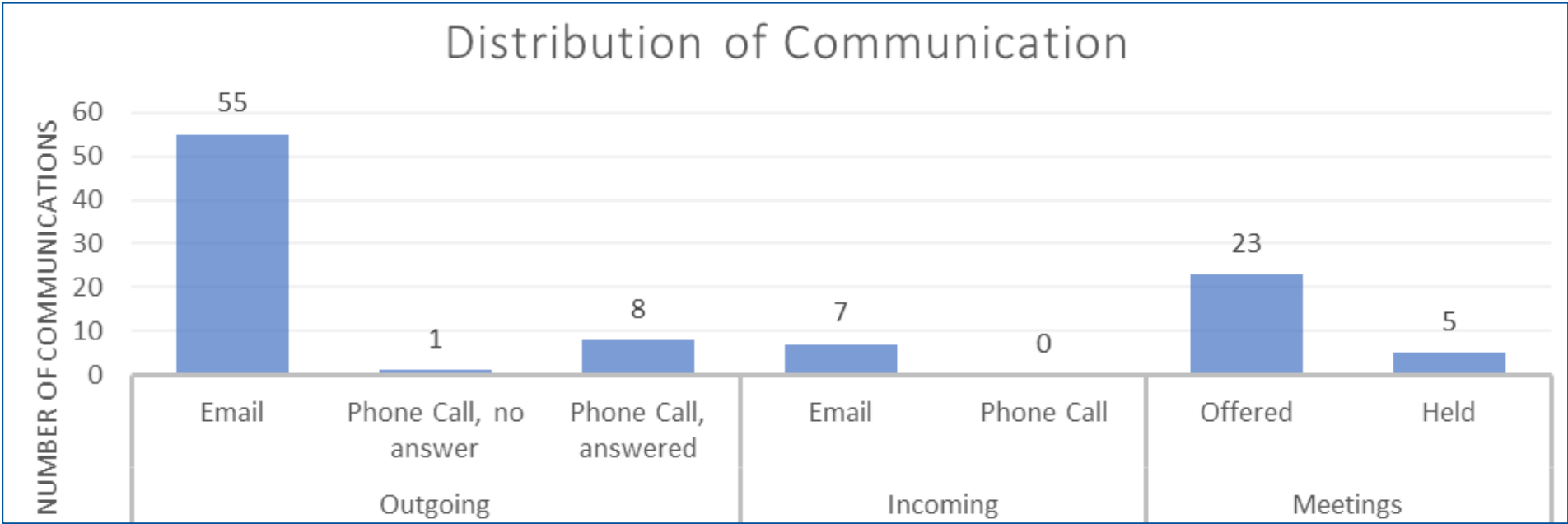


Table 2-1: Summary of Participation During Milestone 3 Reporting Period

Summary of Participation During Reporting Period	
Date of Last Outgoing Communication from MFFN CAR Project Team (Email or Phone):	July 31, 2024 (email)
Date of Last Incoming Communication from Community (Email or Phone):	July 31, 2024 (email)
Participating in IK Program:	Status of IK Sharing Agreement: Finalized
	Status of IK Funding Agreement: Finalized
	IK information provided: Yes
Participating in Community Coordinator Program:	No

Table 2-2: Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During EA / IA

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
June 07, 2023	May 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
June 09, 2023	Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN to outline their position on the Cultural Heritage information collection.
June 19, 2023	Email sent to follow up on the upcoming IK Milestone.
June 22, 2023	Sent follow up email on the IK Program milestone and timeline.
June 28, 2023	June 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
July 13, 2023	Summer 2023 Field Notice distributed via email.
July 27, 2023	Information on the open position for a Community Coordinator for the Project was provided.
August 02, 2023	July 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
August 02, 2023	Sent a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Report comments.
August 03, 2023	Sent a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's Cultural Heritage data collection letter.
August 23, 2023	Sent a letter summarizing Aroland First Nation's participation in the Groundwater Baseline Program helicopter flyover and drilling monitoring and provided information regarding the April and June 2023 drilling work.
September 01, 2023	August 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
September 15, 2023	Fall 2023 Field Notice distributed via email.
September 28, 2023	Phone call and email to discuss Project updates including the Collaboration Proposal Agreement, PIC #5 and a potential meeting with Aroland First Nation.
September 28, 2023	September 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
October 06, 2023	Notification received that Aroland First Nation was entering an election period and would be unable to consult and engage on the Project until the new Chief and Council were in place.
October 10, 2023	PIC #5 invitation distributed via email.
October 10 to 23, 2023	Sent emails offering a shuttlebus to pick up and drop off Aroland First Nation community members in order to facilitate their attendance at PIC #5.
October 17, 2023	ATRI Forum #2 invitation distributed via email.
October 17, 2023	ATRI Forum #2 invitation sent to Aroland First Nation.
November 02, 2023	October 2023 MFFN CAR E-Blast distributed via email.
November 09, 2023	Reminder for Route Selection Milestone Webinar distributed via email.
November 10, 2023	IK update distributed via email.
November 14, 2023	Project update distributed via email.
November 16, 2023	Reminder for Route Selection Milestone Webinar distributed via email.
November 17, 2023	Received a letter from Aroland First Nation providing feedback on ATRI Forum #2, meaningful consultation and the duty to consult.
November 27 and 29, 2023	Milestone #2 Progress Report distributed via email.
November 28, 2023	Draft ATRI Existing Conditions report distributed via email.
December 04 and 15, 2023	Confirmation of receipt of the Milestone #2 Progress Report received via email.
December 12, 2023	2023 Year In Review E-Blast.
December 14 and 15, 2023	Phone and email outreach about Project updates including the Milestone #2 Report, ATRI Forum #2, the webinar series and Aroland First Nation's IK, Socio-economic and Cultural Heritage Information collection studies. A potential meeting was also discussed.
January 10, 2024	Reminder sent via email regarding the Milestone #2 Progress Report and the ATRI Existing Conditions Report.
January 11, 2024	Aroland First Nation stated that no consultation and engagement on the Project could occur until after Chief and Council inauguration on February 8, 2024. A potential meeting in February to re-engage on the Project was also mentioned.
January 16, 2024	Invitation for Climate Change Adaptation and the Community Access Road Webinar distributed via email.
January 17 to 19, 2024	Phone and email outreach about Project updates, including, the Milestone #2 report, the ATRI Existing Conditions report, and the webinar series.
January 18, 2024	Letter sent in response to ATRI Forum letter received from former Chief Towedo on November 17, 2023. Preliminary Route Selection mapping was shared.
January 18, 2024	Winter 2024 Field Studies distributed via email.
January 31, 2024	January 2024 E-Blast distributed via email.

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
February 08, 2024	Climate Change Adaptation Webinar Reminder distributed via email.
February 09, 2024	Phone outreach about Project updates including the Milestone #2 Report, the ATRI Existing Conditions Report, IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage studies and a potential meeting.
February 13, 2024	Climate Change Adaptation Webinar Follow-Up distributed via email.
February 15, 2024	Aroland First Nation provided an update on their review of the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and Milestone #2 Report and when comments would be provided.
February 16, 2024	Received comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report from Aroland First Nation.
February 22, 2024	Email outreach about Project updates including the Project webinar series, ATRI Existing Conditions Report, Community Coordinator Program and a potential meeting.
March 01, 2024	February 2024 E-Blast distributed via email.
March 04, 2024	Received inquiry about alternative uses for the Community Coordinator Program funding.
March 08, 2024	Provided job description for the Community Coordinator Program for consideration.
March 21, 2024	Email outreach about Project updates including the ATRI Existing Conditions Report, the Milestone #2 Progress Report, the Route Selection Video, new social media platforms and the Community Coordinator Program.
March 27 to 28, 2024	Emailed a letter to reconnect and reengage with Aroland First Nation after the election. Potential meetings, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the pushing of the release date of the Draft EA / IS were noted.
April 3 to 18, 2024	Coordinated a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN, to be held on April 19, 2024.
April 03, 2024	March 2024 e-blast distributed via email.
April 17, 2024	Spring 2024 Field Notice and Caribou Collaring Update distributed via email.
April 19, 2024	Closed-door, Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN in Thunder Bay.
April 30, 2024	April 2024 e-blast distributed via email.
May 07, 2024	Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting. Meeting information is confidential.
May 21 to 22, 2024	Coordination of a meeting between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation Project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together.
May 22 to 30, 2024	The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating as field assistants in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling and tried to coordinate the community's participation. Aroland First Nation did not participate in the program due to scheduling conflicts.
May 23, 2024	Spring 2024 Groundwater Program Update distributed via email.
May 28, 2024	Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting. Meeting information is confidential.
May 30, 2024	May 2024 E-Blast distributed via email.
June 03, 2024	Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report link distributed via email.

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
June 05, 2024	Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting. Meeting information is confidential.
June 06, 2024	Invitation for Three Road Forum shared via phone
June 11, 2024	In person attendance at the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo
June 13 -18, 2024	Emails to coordinate in-person meetings with Aroland First Nation
June 19 and 20, 2024	In-person meetings with Aroland First Nation
June 28, 2024	Revised IK Sharing and IK Funding Agreements submitted by Aroland First Nation
July 9, 2024	June 2024 E-Blast distributed via email.
July 11, 2024	Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting. Meeting information is confidential.
July 15 and 16, 2024	In-person expo style events held for Aroland First Nation members in Thunder Bay and in Aroland.
July 16, 2024	Summer 2024 Field Notice distributed via email.
July 19 and 20, 2024	Representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN participated in a helicopter flyover to inform the Geotechnical Program. Future aggregate and water crossing sites were reviewed.
July 31, 2024	Signed IK Program Funding Agreement was sent to Aroland First Nation.

Table 2-3: Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action – Aroland First Nation

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Consultation Methods	<p>Assessment of Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation noted concerns regarding the robustness of the assessment of their ATRI during the EA process in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECF. Aroland First Nation noted on April 1, 2022, a lack of adequate capacity, information and time to support meaningful consultation and proper assessment of the impacts the MFFN CAR Project 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> While MECF has responded to Aroland First Nation’s concerns on February 4, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue with Aroland First Nation as information becomes available. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022, that the Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Opportunities to provide input on the Project, the IK Program and the Consultation and Engagement Program will continue throughout the EA / IA and will be integrated in the EA / IA process, as applicable.

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
	<p>field study programs may have on their ATRI.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ■ Representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the ATRI Forum #1 in February 2023 in Thunder Bay. ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on the same date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods and relationships between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ In response to the December 1, 2022 letter, MFFN sent a letter on December 15, 2022. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ Aroland First Nation was invited to attend the ATRI Forum in February 2023 in Thunder Bay. ■ On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter on behalf of the Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023 letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and 	

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
	<p>on their cultural and archaeological heritage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined Aroland First Nation's attendance at the ATRI Forum #2. The letter noted that the road and the activities it will generate and facilitate will have significant impacts on Aroland First Nation's ATRI and required their consent and engagement design to garner their consent. Aroland First Nation outlined their concerns regarding the ability of the ATRI Forum to meet any reasonable requirements of engagement to meet their consent, which included: the open conference style of the Forum, the involvement and sharing of IK, and whether the Forum will be used to check boxes in the Crown's Duty to Consult and Accommodate. Aroland First Nation outlined that how the community exercises their ATRI within their traditional territory is considered part of their IK and that they could not discussed potential impacts to their ATRI without referencing, discussing or sharing their IK. ■ On January 11, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation's perspectives and comments must inform the final 		<p>noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email with a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First Nation to participate in the IK program and data collection, provided documents and materials to support their data collection and noted funding opportunities through the IK Program. The Project Consultant also noted the Project would receive and incorporate any information received from Aroland First Nation throughout the assessment process. ■ On October 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a community-specific invitation for ATRI Forum #2 to Aroland First Nation. ■ On November 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed receipt of the ATRI Forum response letter. 	

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
	<p>ATRI Existing Conditions Report and into the draft EA / IS report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report including their concerns related to the incorporation of their information in the report and requested the report be updated to reflect their comments. The letter noted instances where information provided to the Project was missing or minimally referenced in the report which could misrepresent their ATRI, their intent to submit a forthcoming IKLOUS and their attempts to communicate potential impacts to their ATRI. Appendices were included in the letter which provided specific examples of missing or minimally referenced information and new information to be included in the report. The letter also noted that it is a violation of Aroland First Nation's right to be informed to proceed without cumulative effects are determined as part of the Regional Assessment and that Aroland First Nation is committed to working the Project in considering the potential impacts of the Project on their Traditional Territory. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a response letter. The letter noted that the Forum is not a public event and included confidential, closed, and private sessions with invitations to Indigenous communities to meet one-on-one with members of the project teams, which were held similarly to Forum #1. Information collected would also be shared with the communities for review and comment. The letter outlined that MFFN, as a First Nation proponent, understands the interdependency between IK and ATRI and are respectful of following community-specific protocols for collecting, sharing and using IK. It was noted that the IK Program was launched to address confidentiality, sharing and the use of IK in the assessment process, and that the Project has provided information and offered funding, and will continue to do so to help Aroland First Nation in sharing their information with the Project. The letter mentioned that with the communications protocol in place with MFFN, that the Project looked forward to discussing how to best consult and engage with Aroland First Nation, including to gain a better understanding of their rights and interests related to the proposed Project. A meeting was offered. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received and noted they had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach submitted revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. Andrew requested that the signed final versions be sent back as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute sent an email to inquire about the status of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm that the Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and potential meeting dates to present the Project were under review. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would review both agreements and send final versions as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team noted that updates on the IK 	

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue / Comment Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
			<p>Program Sharing and Funding Agreements would be shared soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent the signed IK Program Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation and inquired about payments methods for the program. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to seek opportunities to engage with Aroland First Nation as part of the ATRI assessment. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to update the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report with information provided by Aroland First Nation. 	
Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Consultation Methods	<p>ATRI Forum Format and Sharing of IK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. In the letter, it was noted that Aroland First Nation had concerns regarding the format of the event including: the open conference style of the Forum and indication through the invitation that the event does not involved IK. The letter noted that the invitation indicated that the Forum is intended to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed receipt of the ATRI Forum response letter. ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a response to the November 17, 2023, letter. The letter noted that the Forum is not a public event and included confidential, closed, and private sessions with invitations to Indigenous communities to meet one-on-one with members of the project teams, which were held similarly to Forum #1. Information collected would also be shared with the communities for review 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>include discussions about how attendees ATRI may be impacted by the projects but that discussions will not include collection of IK. Aroland First Nation explained that how they exercise their ATRI within their traditional territory is their IK and they cannot propose to understand potential impacts to ATRI without referencing, discussing or sharing their IK. The letter also mentioned that their IK is confidential and proprietary and they will only share it if all parties commit to respecting their data sovereignty and upholding the OCAP principles. In Aroland First Nation's view, it is not possible to protect their data and adhere to OCAP principles at a forum attended by multiple First Nations and their advisors, as well as consultants for the three (MFFN CAR, NRL, WSR) road projects and Crown representatives, and that simply declaring a space as respectful and culturally sensitive does not make it true.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report, which noted Aroland First Nation's intention to provide a forthcoming Project-specific IKLOUS. 		<p>and comment. The letter outlined that MFFN, as a First Nation proponent, understands the interdependency between IK and ATRI and are respectful of following community-specific protocols for collecting, sharing and using IK. It was noted that the IK Program was launched to address confidentiality, sharing and the use of IK in the assessment process, and that the Project has provided information and offered funding, and will continue to do so to help Aroland First Nation in sharing their information with the Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm that the Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the ATRI 	

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Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Lands, Territory, and Title, Study Area, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Provincial EA Process	<p>Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In a letter dated March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo provided comments on the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Significant portions of the Local Study Area are within Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory, which extends north of the Albany River. The Project may have significant impacts on their historical and cultural sites. Aroland First Nation must be included as partners in the Archaeological study throughout each step of the assessment process and that due to overlap in the Project study area with their Traditional Territory, they are entitled to a deeper level of engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to our territory. Section 1.2.4. of the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment mischaracterizes Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory as 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter on behalf of the Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023 letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. On June 3, 2024, the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report was sent to Aroland First Nation. The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report examined archaeological and land use history to assess potential sites in additional areas needed for aggregate impacts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>only occupying the southern end of the study area and that their Traditional Territory extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – That Aroland First Nation has many significant historical sites throughout the area and many ancestors are buried in those lands. – Aroland First Nation acknowledges that significant portions of their Traditional Territory overlap with MFFN's territory, but the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment primarily focuses on MFFN's history and occupancy. Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory must be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Assessment and in all ongoing archeological work. ■ Any archaeological and cultural heritage work undertaken as part of EA for the MFFN CAR must acknowledge Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory and that they are to be involved in any Stage 3 assessments, which will require adequate capacity funding. 		<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to include Aroland First Nation on Stage 3 Archaeology assessments. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to update Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports where necessary. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding Traditional Territory and relevant on-going work. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to meet with Aroland First Nation regarding representation in Project reporting. 	

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Consultation Methods	<p>Engagement Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP their concerns with the engagement process of the Project. ■ On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project, noting dissatisfaction with attempts to work with MFFN on the EA / IA. ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ■ On January 11, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN, where Chief Dorothy Towedo suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ While MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns on February 4, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue, as needed. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet and to find ways to develop a custom consultation process with the community. ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022, noting a commitment to develop a better relationship with and work with Aroland First Nation to better understand their concerns and comments on the Project. The helicopter flyover and North South Alliance were noted as examples of how the communities have and can continue to work together. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On September 29, 2022, an in-person meeting between Chief Bruce Achneepineskum and Chief Dorothy Towedo was offered. A response to the offer was not received. ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS

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	<p>Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted that the details of the meeting should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 9, 2023, Aroland First Nation's Consultant noted they were working with MFFN on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement and that Aroland First Nation would require the agreement be finalized before engaging in any data collection. ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation had received the signed version of the Collaboration Agreement Proposal and were ready to finalize and send the fully executed version of the agreement to MFFN shortly. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation was about to enter an election cycle and decision making and meetings with Chief and Council will be on hold but that meetings with the community may be possible. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a fully executed 		<p>meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between January 16 - 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant coordinated a Nation-to-Nation meeting with the Aroland First Nation Consultant. On January 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a proposed agenda for the January 26, 2023 Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. ■ On August 9, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email noting they are looking forward to working with Aroland First Nation on their data 	

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	<p>version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 6, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023, would not be possible as the community was in election. ■ On November 17, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. In the letter, it was noted that although Aroland First Nation was unable to attend ATRI Forum #2 due to their election, it must not be construed as a lack of willingness to participate in engagement activities. ■ From October 2023 to January 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community was unable to engage and consult on the Project due to the election cycle and that consultation and engagement could continue after the inauguration scheduled on February 8, 2024. ■ On February 9, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that a Project presentation was requested by Aroland First Nation and provided potential meeting dates in March. Andrew also noted that the agreement with MFFN was to be followed until further notice. 		<p>collection once the communications protocol was finalized.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement and proposed a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023. On the same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email summarizing the phone call. ■ On November 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed receipt of the ATRI Forum response letter. ■ On January 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted to Andrew Peach that the ATRI Existing Conditions report should be prioritized for review, as feedback is needed to continue to work on the EA / IS. ■ In a phone call on January 17 and in a follow up email on January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant discussed the importance of including Aroland First Nation's community information in the EA / IS report and that the community would be providing their information and feedback shortly. Plans to engage with the community and upcoming meetings were discussed and Andrew noted that a community meeting would be necessary and would provide details after the Chief and Council inauguration set for early February. A response to the November 17, 2023, 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter outlined Aroland First Nation's concerns regarding the incorporation of their information into the report and inadequate consultation throughout the EA / IA process to date including Aroland First Nation's requests for a deeper, distinction's based approach to consultation on the Project. The letter included provided specific examples of the community's efforts to participate in the EA / IA, missing and/or minimally referenced information and their attempts to communicate consultation process concerns. The letter also noted inadequate timelines and funding to review the report and that the community remains committed to working with the Project to engage in a deep and meaningful way. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received and noted they had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the 		<p>letter was also provided and noted the Project was looking forward to consulting and engaging with the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm that the Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and potential meeting dates to present the Project were under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's 	

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	<p>proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between May 21 and 22, Andrew Peach inquired about the MFFN CAR Project Team's availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. ■ From June 11 – 13, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo (the Expo), hosted by Marten Falls First Nation and Webequie First Nation. ■ On June 17, Andrew Peach responded to an email regarding the coordination of a meeting with Aroland First Nation, which answered questions about catering, payment, and translation services. 		<p>IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times between September 2023 and March 2024. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew Peach discussed the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed- 	

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			<p>door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between May 21 and 22, the MFFN CAR Project Team confirmed their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. ■ Between June 13 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent emails to coordinate the logistics of a meeting with Aroland First Nation. ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation which discussed preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. ■ On July 15 and 16, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation. The meetings were held in an expo style and aimed to receive feedback on the preliminary technically preferred route, baseline studies, the EA / IS process and cumulative effects. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to provide ongoing Project updates. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. 	

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Federal IA Process, Provincial EA Process, Consultation Methods	<p>Lack of Input into the EA / IS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter sent to IAAC on August 29, 2019, Aroland First Nation asserted that a proper collaborative planning process was required for their support on the Project. It was noted that the community would like to be involved for the life cycle of the Project and would like to develop a communication protocol with the Project proponent. ■ On December 20, 2019, a Draft MOU with MFFN was provided to the Project. ■ On January 29, 2020, Aroland First Nation noted they cannot engage on the Project due to the lack of an MOU. ■ Aroland First Nation noted in a letter dated October 20, 2020, that they would like to negotiate a custom consultation process since MOU negotiations have stalled. ■ On May 6, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project, noting dissatisfaction with attempts to work with MFFN on the EA / IA. ■ A meeting was held on January 26, 2023, between Aroland First Nation and MFFN Chief and Councils. The meeting was closed-door and no meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In-person ■ Conference Call ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ At a meeting on May 23, 2019, the development of an agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN was discussed. ■ Prior to October 2020, the Project Team discussed and negotiated the development of an MOU between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. In October 2020, MFFN requested to begin negotiation of an MOU from first principles. ■ Efforts were made to meet with Aroland First Nation to develop a custom consultation plan since October 2020. ■ In December 2022, Aroland First Nation was invited to ATRI Forum #1. ■ A meeting was held on January 26, 2023, between Aroland First Nation and MFFN Chief and Councils. The meeting was closed-door and no meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a collaboration proposal agreement, to be coordinated by their consultants. ■ In May 2023, the Project requested the opportunity to meet with Aroland First Nation and participate in collection of Socio-economic and Cultural Heritage information. ■ In October 2023, Aroland First Nation was invited to ATRI Forum #2. ■ On January 17 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on Aroland First Nation's input into the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>MFFN agreed to work on a collaboration proposal agreement, to be coordinated by their consultants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Representatives from Aroland First Nation attended ATRI Forum #1 in February 2023. Comments and feedback were received from the representatives. ■ In May 2023, Aroland First Nation noted they would like to conduct their own IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information collection studies. ■ On September 28, and October 6, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation would be entering their election cycle and that decision making and meetings would be on hold until after the election. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ Aroland First Nation has noted a lack of funding capacity to review Project reports on several occasions between 2020 and 2023. ■ On January 11, 2024, Aroland First Nation stated that no consultation and engagement on the Project could occur until after Chief and Council inauguration on February 		<p>Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that receiving the community's input on the Route Selection was a priority, reiterated the importance of including the community's information in the EA / IS and that the Project had been discussing ways to engage with Aroland First Nation and inquired about potential meetings and/or workshops. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage collections.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation has been invited to all PICs, ATRI Forums and webinars. Aroland First Nation has been invited to join the IK and Community Coordinator Programs, including their program-specific funding. No feedback or attendance at any of the events has been recorded as of May 2024. Aroland First Nation was not participating in these programs as of May 2024. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm that the Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and 	

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	<p>8, 2024. A potential meeting in February to re-engage on the Project was also mentioned.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17 and 18, 2024, Andrew Peach and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant discussed Aroland First Nation's input into the Project and noted the importance of including the community's information in the EA / IS. Andrew noted that no consultation could occur until after February 8, 2024, and noted the community would be ready to meet soon afterward. Andrew noted that the new Council had reviewed the agreement with MFFN and would continue to operate on those terms until further notice and would confirm if they would like to move forward with that agreement. Andrew noted a community meeting would be necessary and would follow up after the inauguration. Andrew also noted the community had yet to begin their IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage studies, as they had yet to meet with the Project Team and that the community intends on conducting their own studies. ■ In a phone call on February 9, 2024, Andrew Peach reiterated that Aroland First Nation would like the Project to present in the 		<p>Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged Andrew Peach's comments on the Community Coordinator Program, noted they would review the alternative funding uses with the Project Team, noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and inquired about the status of comments on the Milestone #2 Progress Report. Potential dates to present the Project the community were noted as under review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a 	

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	<p>community and provided potential meeting dates in March. Andrew also noted that the community would be ready to move forward with their IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage studies shortly after the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter outlined concerns related to the inclusion of information in the EA / IA to date, inclusion of Aroland First Nation's IK and inclusion of Aroland First Nation's requests for deeper consultation and a distinctions-based approach to consultation on the Project. ■ On March 4 and 19, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that Chief Sonny Gagnon would like the Project Team to visit the community to host a meeting and introduce the Project. Andrew also noted that Aroland First Nation was interested in discussing alternative uses for the Community Coordinator Program funding to support their participation and involvement in studies and engagement. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received and noted 		<p>follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times between September 2023 and March 2024. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew Peach discussed the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ On May 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team confirmed their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. ■ Between June 13 and 18, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent emails to coordinate the logistics of a meeting with 	

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	<p>they had not received any route selection mapping.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ Between May 21 and 22, Andrew Peach inquired about the MFFN CAR Project Team's availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. From June 11 – 13, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo (the Expo), hosted by Marten Falls First Nation and Webequie First Nation. ■ On June 17, Andrew Peach responded to an email regarding the coordination of a meeting with Aroland First Nation, which answered questions about catering, payment, and translation services. ■ On June 26, Andrew Peach sent an email to confirm Aroland First Nation's interest in hiring a Community Consultation Coordinator, and inquired about 		<p>Aroland First Nation, including catering and translation services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation which discussed preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team noted that updates on the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements would be shared soon. ■ On July 15 and 16, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation. The meetings were held in an expo style and aimed to receive feedback on the preliminary technically preferred route, baseline studies, the EA / IS process and cumulative effects. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent the signed IK Program Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged receipt of Aroland First Nation's interest in the Community Coordinator Program and provided additional information, including next steps and the contact information of an Aroland First Nation community member who expressed interest in the role. 	

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	<p>the next steps for getting the program set up. It was noted that Aroland First Nation would post the Community Coordinator job posting shortly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 27, Jerry Shabogamik called to inquire if the Community Coordinator job posting could be shared with the community. ■ On June 28, July 2 and July 8, 2024, an Aroland First Nation community member expressed interest in applying for the Community Coordinator position via phone or email. ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute sent an email to inquire about the status of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. 		<p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to support Aroland First Nation in their IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information collections to inform the Project. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant to help coordinate the onboarding of a Community Coordinator for Aroland First Nation. 	
Field Studies, Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods, Groundwater (Quality and Quantity)	<p>Field Programs, Funding and Consent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation indicated on May 13 and July 30, 2021 that they would like the custom consultation process to be developed before the start of the Project's Field Study Programs and indicated a lack of funding to determine potential impacts caused by the Project studies. ■ On September 3, 2021 and July 30, 2021 Aroland First Nation noted they do not consent to Field Study Programs on their territory, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Memo ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team responded to the September 3, 2021 letter and offered to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss the field study programs. However, some field study programs have commenced but the groundwater drilling program permitting has been postponed. ■ Aroland First Nation sent a letter on October 7, 2021 to the MECP and on October 22, 2021 to the MNRF regarding their concerns with funding and the Field Study Programs. The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter on November 10, 2021 to offer to meet with the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Field Study Programs are continuing, and updates will be provided regularly, along with opportunities for feedback on the programs in advance of them starting. ■ Opportunities to provide feedback on field programs in advance of them starting will be

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	<p>as no custom consultation plan was in place.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation sent a letter on October 7, 2021 to the MECP and on October 22, 2021 to the MNRF regarding their concerns with funding and the Field Study Programs. ■ On April 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation noted that their participation in the helicopter flyover for the geotechnical and groundwater study programs does not mean they consent to field studies in their Traditional Territory. ■ On August 17 and 18, 2022 Aroland First Nation representatives participated in two helicopter flyovers of the proposed drilling sites of interest as identified by Aroland First Nation. ■ Aroland First Nation noted on August 25, 2022, that they would send a response to the flyover summary memo. ■ On September 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the draft helicopter summary memo. ■ Between November 25 and December 4, 2022, Aroland First Nation representatives participated in the Groundwater Program for drilling sites 10 and 16. 		<p>community to discuss their concerns and funding opportunities. MFFN Leadership sent a letter to Chief Dorothy Towedo on March 9, 2022 requesting a meeting to discuss the Project including allocation of funding, creating a custom consultation plan, developing and IKSA and an offer to participate in the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs. On April 14, 2022, it was noted in an email to Aroland First Nation that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 23, 2022 a summary documenting the results and responses to questions from the flyover were submitted to Aroland First Nation in the form of a summary memo. ■ Aroland First Nation's feedback was incorporated into the final version of the helicopter flyover memo, which was sent back to Aroland First Nation on September 28, 2022. Further feedback on the summary was not received. ■ In January 6 and 17, 2023 phones call with Andrew Peach, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors had received honoraria payments for participation in the groundwater program (November / December 2022) and noted a summary of the drilling activities would be sent shortly. 	<p>carried forward into the EA / IS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Comments or concerns raised during the flyover and drilling activities will be considered during the EA / IS.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In January 2023 Andrew Peach noted during a phone call he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors received honoraria payments for their participation in the groundwater program drilling activities that took place from November 25 to December 4, 2022. On January 17, Andrew Peach confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik confirmed the Aroland First Nation monitors had received their honoraria payments for participation in the groundwater program drilling activities. ■ On March 8, 2023, Andrew Peach spoke with the MFFN CAR Project Consultant regarding upcoming Field Program work. Andrew noted that there were likely no concerns related to the proximity of the fieldwork to Aroland, but would confirm with Jerry Shabogamik. ■ In a letter sent on March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo noted that Aroland First Nation participated in one flyover of the Local Study Area that was included in Stage 1 field review, but noted that because of the significant overlap of the study area with Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory, the community believes they are entitled to a deeper level of 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 3, 2023, a summary of the groundwater drilling activities for November and December 2022, was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments or revisions have been provided by Aroland First Nation to date. The email also inquired if Aroland First Nation would have any interest in sending monitors for the upcoming groundwater drilling activities. ■ On March 8, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant spoke with Andrew to discuss the upcoming Field Program work near Aroland First Nation, including wolverine denning surveys and site reconnaissance for the groundwater drilling program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitoring for the upcoming groundwater drilling activities, asked for information related to payment methods and contact information for the monitors and noted that a follow up email with details would be sent to Aroland First Nation key contacts, which was sent later that day. Further details related to the surveys being completed, area of work and information needed by the Project Team was included and asked for feedback or concerns regarding the work timing and locations. ■ Between March 8 and April 18, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent follow up emails and phone calls to 	

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	<p>engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to their territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation had received the signed version of the Collaboration Agreement Proposal and were ready to finalize and send the fully executed version of the agreement to MFFN shortly. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ On October 6, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023, would not be possible as the community was in election. ■ From November 2023 to January 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community was unable to engage and consult on the Project due to the election cycle and that consultation and engagement could continue after the inauguration scheduled on February 8, 2024. ■ On February 9, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that a Project presentation was requested by Aroland First Nation and provided potential meeting dates in March. 		<p>coordinate Aroland First Nation monitor participation in the groundwater drilling activities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter on behalf of the Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023 letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. ■ On August 23, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email with a letter regarding the Groundwater Baseline Program and re-attached past summary memos. The letter summarized Aroland First Nation's participation in the helicopter flyover and drilling monitoring in support of the Groundwater Baseline Program and summarized the most recent drilling activities for transparency, as Aroland First Nation monitors were unable to participate in the April and June 2023 work. An offer was made to 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ On May 22, 2024, Andrew Peach noted his availability for a call to discuss Aroland First Nation's participation in the Groundwater Program field work. ■ On May 23, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the information on the upcoming opportunity to participate in the Groundwater program, noted the job posting had been shared with Aroland First Nation's Ontario Works representative and that the job posting would be shared on Facebook. ■ On May 24, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the updates regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program. On the same date, Jerry provided the name and phone number of two potential community members to participate in the program. ■ On May 28, 2024, Andrew Peach provided an updated cell phone 		<p>discuss the follow up monitoring program for all of the groundwater monitoring sites.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement and proposed a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023. On the same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email summarizing the phone call. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video, reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and noted potential dates to present the Project the community were noted as under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date 	

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	<p>number for one of the community members to potentially participate in the Groundwater program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a voicemail from an Aroland First Nation community member inquiring about the opportunity to participate in the Groundwater program. ■ On July 16, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation had expressed interest in having monitors participate in fieldwork activities and hoped they could work together to identify monitors and ensure participation in future field work. ■ On July 19 and 20, 2024, a representative from Aroland First Nation participated in a helicopter flyover to inform the Geotechnical Program, where future aggregate sites and water crossings were reviewed. 		<p>for the draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times between September 2023 and March 2024. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew Peach discussed the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ Between May 22 and 30, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about 	

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			<p>Aroland First Nation's interest in participating as field assistants in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant tried to coordinate the community's participation and a field assistant was identified but did not participate in the program due to scheduling conflicts.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation to provide information regarding upcoming Geotechnical Program fieldwork and to inquire about their interest in sending monitors to participate. ■ On July 25 and 29, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation to inquire about their interest in sending a monitor to participate in the upcoming Groundwater Program fieldwork. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to offer funding opportunities to Aroland First Nation, and request feedback through field program Discussion Guides. ■ A summary documenting the results of the Groundwater Program will be sent to Aroland First Nation. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to offer opportunities to participate in the field study programs and monitoring. 	

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General Project	<p>Mining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project due to the possibility of multiple road segment projects opening up the region to large scale mining. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ From October 2023 to January 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community was unable to engage and consult on the Project due to the election cycle and that consultation and engagement could continue after the inauguration scheduled on February 8, 2024. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach confirmed receipt of the letter sent on behalf of MFFN, which requested a meeting and to reengage Aroland First Nation on the Project. Andrew noted a response to the meeting offer would be provided soon. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022. The letter noted that the MFFN CAR Project had not yet been approved and is in the preliminary design and analysis phases of the EA and IA. The letter also mentioned that potential impacts of the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined through these processes, but will be informed through field studies and consultation with Aroland First Nation. The importance of a relationship between MFFN and Aroland First Nation was noted and a meeting was offered. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted potential dates to present the Project the community were noted as under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided sent a letter on behalf of MFFN, which requested a potential meeting and to reengage Aroland First Nation on the Project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS. The EA / IS will outline the objectives for the CAR and how those differ from the other two projects (e.g., Northern Road Link and Webequie Supply Road), including a description about how this is not a mining project.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times between September 2023 and March 2024. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew Peach discussed the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to address Aroland First Nation's concerns noted in the May 6, 2022 letter. 	

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Human Health, Socio-Community, Economy, Land and Resource Use, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Provincial EA Process	<p>IK, Socio-Economic, and Cultural Heritage Information Collection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 12, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation required more time to review the proposed socio-economic data information request and that a response may be provided by May 25, 2023. ■ On May 26, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter in response to the information collection requests. The letter outlined that although they agreed that their cultural heritage and values information must inform the Project, Aroland First Nation could not agree to the request, but would be willing to conduct their own collection in order to control the misunderstanding, misuse and misappropriation of their information. The letter also noted the information would be redacted and provided to the Project for use in the EA. Aroland First Nation requested funding to help undertake the work and would complete their collection as quickly as practical and would provide a budget with anticipated costs. ■ On June 9, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter to Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, MFFN, in response to the request to conduct 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter to request the opportunity to collect social, economic, land and resource use, health and safety, and community well-being information from Aroland First Nation. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided and noted that the information collected would adhere to OCAP principles. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested. ■ On May 15, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant responded to Andrew Peach's May 12 email, noting they are looking forward to Aroland First Nation's response and would be available to help with any requests regarding the Project. ■ On May 23, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to request the opportunity to collect built and cultural heritage landscape information from Aroland First Nation members. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided. The email noted that Aroland First Nation was offered the opportunity to participate in a helicopter flyover on June 11, 2023 and that the Project Team cultural heritage team would like to meet with Aroland First Nation members on June 12, 2023 to collect information. A meeting to discuss the collection, use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>a Cultural Heritage information study and noted that Aroland First Nation provided a response to the Project Team on May 26, 2023 which indicated that Aroland First Nation would agree to conduct their own study should adequate funding be provided, that they were waiting on MFFN to complete edits to the Communications Protocol, that once the protocol was finalized the Project Team would be welcome to meet with members of the community. The letter also noted that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council are committed to following processes to support their band members in sharing their knowledge and heritage on the land and are committed to taking part in decision making in their Traditional Territory. The same letter as forwarded to the MFFN CAR Project Consultant on June 20, 2023, in response to the IK Program data collection reminder.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 20, 2023, Andrew Peach, who forwarded the June 9, 2023 letter correspondence from Chief Dorothy Towedo, noted it was relevant to the inquiry about IK/LRU information collection. The letter previously outlined that Aroland First Nation was waiting 		<p>and documentation of information was requested.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On June 6, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to thank Andrew for providing a response letter on May 26, 2023, regarding the Cultural Heritage information collection request and to let Andrew know a response to the letter would be sent shortly. It was noted that the June 11, 2023, helicopter flyover that was scheduled as part of the information collection was cancelled due to forest fires and scheduling issues. On June 22, July 5 and July 11, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email letter Andrew Peach know that a response to the May 26, 2023 letter would be sent shortly. On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email with a letter response to the May 26, 2023 letter and included documents and information to assist Aroland First Nation in their IK, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage data collections. The letter outlined the June 30, 2023 deadline for data collection to help with the route evaluation and existing conditions reporting but noted that the Project would incorporate any information received from Aroland First Nation throughout the assessment process. The letter noted that the Project would support Aroland First Nation with 	

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	<p>for MFFN to finalize their communications protocol before information collection could occur. Andrew noted that this may impact the MFFN CAR Project timelines for data collection but that they would work together to complete the work quickly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation intends on conducting their own Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information collection studies. ■ In a phone conversation on January 17, 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community had not yet begun their IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information studies, as the community had not yet met with the Project Team. Andrew noted they would like to conduct their own studies and provide information to the Project, and would follow up Chief and Council. ■ In a phone call on February 9, 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community would be able to provide IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information studies shortly after a Project update meeting in the community. 		<p>materials and guidance and outlined funding opportunities through the Project and the Province of Ontario. A meeting with discipline leads was offered to help with data collection.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information collections. On the same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email summarizing the phone call. ■ On December 8 and 14, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would continue to support Aroland First Nation in their community-specific study to help inform the Project. ■ On January 17, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on the status of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information collection. A summary of the conversation was sent in an email on January 18, 2024. ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report, which noted a forthcoming Project-specific IKLOUS to be shared. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ In a phone call on May 22, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that funding for Project-specific studies would likely be a topic for the May 28, 2024, meeting between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation project team. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach submitted revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. Andrew requested that the signed final versions be sent back as soon as possible. 		<p>preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged Andrew Peach's comments on the Community Coordinator Program, noted they would review the alternative funding uses with the Project Team, noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would review both agreements and send final versions as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team noted that updates on the IK 	

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			<p>Program Sharing and Funding Agreements would be shared soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent the signed IK Program Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation and inquired about payments methods for the program. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to follow up with Aroland First Nation regarding socio-economic and cultural heritage information collection. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to review and send back a signed copy of the IK Sharing Agreement. 	
Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use	<p>IKSA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation provided proposed amendments to the IKSA in July 2019 as part of the MOU negotiations at that time. ■ In July 2021, Aroland First Nation requested that a custom consultation process be initiated before the IKSA can be developed. ■ In a conversation on November 15, 2022 regarding the IK Program and funding, Andrew Peach noted that although he could not speak on behalf of the community, he believed this could be considered after a Nation-to-Nation meeting 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN re-engaged Aroland First Nation on the IKSA discussion on March 31, 2021 and in a letter on March 9, 2022, where the Project Team requested a meeting to discuss details such as the development of an IKSA. ■ Aroland First Nation provided a fully executed Confidential Information Agreement to the MFFN CAR Project Team on July 29, 2022. ■ On April 14, 2022, the July 2019 template version of the IKSA with Aroland First Nation's comments, email exchanges, and IK Funding Agreement were attached to an email for their 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The results of ongoing efforts to develop an IKSA will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>was executed, as Aroland First Nation had yet to determine whether or not to move forward with the program. Andrew also mentioned the Confidential Information Agreement could be specific to field work but would follow up to confirm if it could be used as the IKSA.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a phone conversation on November 15, 2022, Andrew Peach agreed to follow up and confirm if the Confidential Information Agreement could be considered an IKSA. ■ On August 9, 2023, Aroland First Nation's Consultant noted they were working with MFFN on a communications protocol and that Aroland First Nation would require the agreement be finalized before engaging in any data collection. ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation had received the signed version of the Collaboration Agreement Proposal and were ready to finalize and send the fully executed version of the agreement to MFFN shortly. Andrew also noted that the community intends to conduct their own IK collection study. 		<p>review and consideration. It was noted that Aroland First Nation asked to initiate a custom consultation process before dealing with the IKSA, but that process has not yet been initiated despite efforts from the MFFN CAR Project Team. It was also noted that any IK shared with the MFFN CAR Project Team during the helicopter flyover for geotechnical and groundwater study programs would be protected and respected in accordance with the community's wishes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 29, 2022, MFFN sent a signed version of the Confidential Information Agreement was sent to Aroland First Nation. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team distributed an IK Program update on the Proposed ATRI Study Areas Memo and ATRI shapefiles on August 16, 2022. A meeting was offered. ■ In a phone conversation on November 15, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked about the IK Program and funding, and whether the previously signed Confidential Information Agreement could be considered an IKSA. ■ On March 22, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a letter with an update on the IK Program Timeline, which included schedule and reporting information. The letter notified the community that route selection for the MFFN CAR Project would begin in 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach submitted a revised and signed draft of the IK Program Sharing Agreement. Andrew requested that the signed final version be sent back as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute sent an email to inquire about the status of the IK Program Sharing Agreement. ■ On July 31, 2024, Andrew Peach noted he was available to discuss the IK Sharing Agreement. 		<p>summer 2023 and that IK and ILRU is requested by June 30, 2023 to be included in the selection, but will continue to incorporate information where possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email reminder about the IK Program milestones and timelines. ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email with a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First Nation to participate in the IK program and data collection, provided documents and materials to support their data collection and noted funding opportunities through the IK Program. ■ On August 9, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email noting they are looking forward to working with Aroland First Nation on their data collection once the communications protocol was finalized. ■ In a phone conversation on September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement and inquired about the status of the community's IK collection. On the same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email summarizing the phone call. ■ On November 14, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted in an email that 	

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			<p>the Project will continue to support Aroland in their IK collection study and inquired if a sharing agreement would be needed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In an email on December 14, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the submission date for IK to be considered in the draft EA / IS had closed but that IK submitted after the date would be woven into the subsequent stages of the assessment process and road design. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would continue to support Aroland First Nation with their community-specific study to help inform the Project. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR 	

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			<p>Project Team would review the agreement and send final version as soon as possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team noted that updates on the IK Program Sharing Agreement would be shared soon. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue efforts to support Aroland First Nation in their IK collection study and the development of an IKSA with Aroland First Nation. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to review and send back a signed copy of the IK Sharing Agreement. 	
Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods	<p>Consent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 6, 2022 Aroland First Nation sent a letter in opposition of the Project as a portion of the road is located within Aroland First Nation traditional territory. Aroland First Nation has not consented to the Project in their territory. ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter thanking MFFN for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members. The letter also noted that the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Letter ■ Email ■ In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022 and September 23, 2022, that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022, acknowledging Aroland First Nation’s opposition to the Project and mentioned that the Project is in the preliminary design and analysis phase of the EA and IA, and has not been approved. MFFN noted the potential impacts for the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined, but field programs, like the ones in which Aroland 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Issue resolution is ongoing. Any unresolved issues and remaining expressed concerns will be documented in the EA / IS.

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	<p>meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 11, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN, where Chief Dorothy Towedo suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023 in Thunder Bay. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. Chief Dorothy Towedo noted that the details of the meeting should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant. ■ Between January 16 - 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant coordinated a Nation-to-Nation meeting with the Aroland First Nation Consultant. On January 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a proposed agenda for the January 26, 2023 Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined 		<p>First Nation had participated, will help to determine the conditions and inform the assessments. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods and relationships between Aroland First Nation and MFFN.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. ■ In response to the December 1, 2022 letter, MFFN sent a letter on December 15, 2022. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. 	

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	<p>that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory was mischaracterized as only occupying the southern end of the study area, as it extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project. Aroland First Nation requested their Traditional Territory be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Archaeology assessment and all ongoing archaeology work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On November 17, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. In the letter, it was noted that Aroland First Nation takes the position that the road project proponents and Crown must obtain their consent for projects and activities that use and affect or harm their homeland territory. It was noted that Aroland 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter on behalf of the Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023 letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email with a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First 	

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	<p>First Nation is one of ten Treaty Nine Nations that are pursuing a court case regarding jurisdiction in their homeland territories. It was stated that Aroland First Nation maintains their decision-making authority and control and their permission or consent is required when others want to use their homeland. The letter also noted that the road and the activities it will generate and facilitate will have significant impacts on Aroland First Nation's ATRI and requires their consent and engagement to garner their consent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter noted that Aroland First Nation is committed to working with the Project in considering the potential impacts of the Project within their Traditional Territory. The letter outlined that the UNDRIP and Bill C-15 require decision makers to accommodate sufficiently and seek consent of the affected First Nation, which requires demonstrating how the First Nation's concerns about effects on rights and interests are being sufficiently addressed to 		<p>Nation to participate in the IK program and data collection, provided documents and materials to support their data collection and noted funding opportunities through the IK Program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a response letter to the November 17, 2023, letter. The letter noted that the Forum is one of many opportunities to engage Aroland First Nation on the project as well as the community's rights and interests related to it. The letter mentioned that with the communications protocol in place with MFFN, that the Project looked forward to discussing how to best consult and engage with Aroland First Nation, including to gain a better understanding of their rights and interests related to the proposed Project. A meeting was offered. ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation the letter sent on January 18, 2024, was received. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and inquired about the 	

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	<p>warrant the First Nation to give consent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter was received. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. 		<p>status of comments on the Milestone #2 Progress Report. Potential dates to present the Project the community were noted as under review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times between September 2023 and March 2024. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew Peach discussed the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation which discussed preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to provide ongoing Project updates. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. 	

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Mitigation, Compensation, Accommodation, Provincial EA Process	<p>Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation indicated to the Province of Ontario they cannot engage on the Project until they receive adequate participant funding. ■ Aroland First Nation noted concerns with the lack of funding to participate in the EA in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECP. ■ On November 15, 2022, Aroland First Nation's Consultant noted that although he could not speak on behalf of the community, he believed the IK Program and Community Coordinator Program funding could be of consideration after a Nation-to-Nation meeting was executed, as Aroland First Nation had yet to determine whether or not to move forward with these programs. The Aroland First Nation Consultant noted that Aroland only has participant funding from Ontario but does not have funding to review reports related to the Project. ■ In a letter from Chief Dorothy Towedo on January 31, 2023, Aroland First Nation noted they lacked the funding to review the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report. ■ On March 31, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation entered a participant funding agreement with Ontario in February 2020. ■ While this issue was brought up directly to MECP, the MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss and understand their participation funding needs. The MFFN CAR Project Team provided updates on available IK Program funding in January 2022 and the Community Coordinator Program in February 2022. On April 14, 2022, it was noted in an email to Aroland First Nation that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. ■ On November 15, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked about the IK Program, the Community Coordinator Program and the program related funding. ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email with a letter response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First Nation to receive funding from the Project and Province of Ontario to help fund their IK, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage data collection. ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Concerns regarding funding will be tracked as part of the Record of Consultation and Engagement in the EA / IS. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to review and send back signed copies of the IK Sharing and Funding Agreements.

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	<p>that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report, in which a lack of funding to review the report was noted. ■ On March 4 and 19, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that Chief Sonny Gagnon would like the Project Team to visit the community to host a meeting and introduce the Project. Andrew also noted that Aroland First Nation was interested in discussing alternative uses for the Community Coordinator Program funding to support their participation and involvement in studies and engagement. ■ In a phone call on May 22, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that funding for meetings and for Project-specific studies would likely be a topic for the May 28, 2024, 		<p>First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating in the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On March 8, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the Community Coordinator Program job description for consideration and noted the Project Team was available to meet to discuss any questions. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged Andrew Peach's comments on the Community Coordinator Program, noted they would review the alternative funding uses with the Project Team. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would review both agreement and send a final version as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team noted that updates on the IK Program Funding Agreement would be shared soon. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent the signed IK 	

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	<p>meeting between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation project team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 26, Andrew Peach sent an email to confirm Aroland First Nation’s interest in hiring a Community Consultation Coordinator, and inquired about the next steps for getting the program set up. It was noted that Aroland First Nation would post the Community Coordinator job posting shortly. ■ On June 27, Jerry Shabogamik called to inquire if the Community Coordinator job posting could be shared with the community. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach submitted a revised and signed draft of the IK Program Funding Agreement. Andrew requested that the signed final version be sent back as soon as possible. ■ On June 28, July 2, July 8 and July 16, 2024, an Aroland First Nation community member expressed interest in applying for the Community Coordinator position via phone or email. ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute sent an email to inquire about the status of the IK Program Funding Agreement. 		<p>Program Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation and inquired about payments methods for the program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged receipt of Aroland First Nation’s interest in the Community Coordinator Program and provided additional information, including next steps and the contact information of an Aroland First Nation community member who expressed interest in the role. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to work with Aroland First Nation to understand funding needs while also facilitating their access to existing funding, including the Community Coordinator Program and the IK Program. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to review and send back a signed copy of the IK Sharing Agreement. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant to help coordinate the onboarding of a Community Coordinator for Aroland First Nation. 	

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Provincial EA Process, Cumulative Effects	<p>Inadequate Scope of the EA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their October 7, 2021 letter to MECF, concerns that the three road projects should be assessed together for their cumulative effects and highlighted the associated potential impacts of industrial traffic on the road. ■ Aroland First Nation noted in their May 6, 2022 letter the potential cumulative effects of development on their territory including threatening the land, environment, climate and their culture and rights. The letter also referenced opposition to the Project noting the Regional Assessment needs to cover all potential development in the James Bay lowlands area. ■ At the ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay in February, 2023, Aroland First Nation noted they will not support any development until the Regional Assessment is completed and cumulative effects have been determined. It was noted that this statement has been written in several letters from Aroland First Nation. The community also stated that they welcome and support MFFN on the CAR Project only, but now there are other things attached (NRL and WSR). Aroland First Nation asked why they are 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person 	<p>Status: Ongoing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MECF responded to Aroland First Nation’s letter with a letter via email on February 4, 2022. The letter indicated that the NDMNRF intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all road projects, and would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate. While MECF has responded to Aroland First Nation’s concerns, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue. ■ MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022 letter on September 23, 2022, acknowledging Aroland First Nation’s opposition to the Project and mentioned that the Project is in the preliminary design and analysis phase of the EA and IA, and has not been approved. MFFN noted the potential impacts for the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined, but field programs, like the ones in which Aroland First Nation had participated, will help to determine the conditions and inform the assessments. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Input provided on cumulative effects will be considered as part of the EA / IA.

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	<p>not involved and why the community wasn't asked to participate in the development of the projects. Aroland also stated that the road projects will affect everyone and the community is already seeing impacts that will change everything, and impacts cannot be reversed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation sent a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ On November 17, 2023, Chief Dorothy Towedo sent a letter that outlined Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. Aroland First Nation requested transparency on whether the Forum was intended to fulfill the Crown's duty to consult. The letter mentioned that Aroland First Nation understands the Crown has delegated procedural aspects of the duty to consult to the road project proponents and that Aroland First Nation is concerned about the appropriateness of the Forum as a venue to meaningfully consult with the community. The letter outlined that the Forum does not strike the community as an appropriate method for meeting the threshold of meaningful consultation, particularly for 		<p>Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 31, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team provided a response to Aroland First Nation's comments from the ATRI Forum regarding cumulative effects. The response outlined that the completion of the Regional Assessment is not a requirement for the road projects to proceed with the individual EA / IA processes and that the decision to proceed with the EA / IA processes for the road projects is consistent with the agreements between the proponents and the Province of Ontario. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The response also noted that the EA / IA for the road projects will each include a cumulative effects assessment which will include other past, present or reasonably foreseeable projects and activities in the scope. – That MFFN is working towards building a collaborative relationship with Aroland First Nation and have initiated a Nation-to-Nation dialogue to resolve concerns. – The proponents understand the roads would result in effects / changes and are conducting individual EA / IA processes in an effort to better understand those effects and develop measures to mitigate negative effects and enhance positive effects. 	

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	<p>Aroland First Nation, as a community who stands to be adversely impacted by the road projects. It was stated that is it Aroland First Nation's opinion that the Forum must not be counted toward fulfillment of the Crown's duty to consult.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In a letter received on February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter stated that no decision should be made on the Project until a Regional Assessment and consideration of cumulative effects has been completed, and that it is a violation of Aroland First Nation's right to be informed to proceed without that information. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received and noted they had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19 and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ Between May 21 and 22, Andrew Peach inquired about the MFFN 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a response to the November 17, 2023, letter. The response letter noted that the Forum is one of many opportunities to engage Aroland First Nation on the project as well as the community's rights and interests related to it. The letter mentioned that with the communications protocol in place with MFFN, that the Project looked forward to discussing how to best consult and engage with Aroland First Nation, including to gain a better understanding of their rights and interests related to the proposed Project. A meeting was offered. ■ On February 16 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up to confirm that the Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland 	

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	<p>CAR Project Team's availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together.</p>		<p>First Nation's comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and potential meeting dates to present the Project were under review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a letter to Aroland First Nation, which noted the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council and inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew Peach discussed the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and noted the meeting 	

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			<p>would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ Between May 21 and 22, Andrew Peach inquired about the MFFN CAR Project Team's availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024. ■ Between May 21 and 22, the MFFN CAR Project Team confirmed their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation which discussed preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to continue to provide Aroland First Nation 	

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			<p>ongoing Project updates and hear feedback regarding the cumulative assessment components as they become available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team to respond to the February 16, 2024, letter regarding the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. 	

Table 2-4: Consultation and Engagement Log – Aroland First Nation

Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary
June 06, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to thank Andrew for his update and letter response regarding the Cultural Heritage information collection request sent on May 23, 2023 and to notify Aroland First Nation that the helicopter flyover that was scheduled for June 11, 2023 was cancelled due to forest fires and helicopter scheduling issues and would be rescheduled. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Chief Dorothy Towedo’s May 26, 2023 letter should be sent soon.
June 07, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the May E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast provided updates on the Cultural Heritage Program, IK Program and spring field studies. An information sheet for the Cultural Heritage Report was attached.

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June 09, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Towedo (Aroland First Nation Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Aroland First Nation Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Aroland First Nation Councillor) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Andrew Peach, who attached a letter on behalf of Chief Dorothy Towedo. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation had received a request from the MFFN CAR Project Team on May 23, 2023, to conduct a Cultural Heritage information study and that Aroland First Nation responded on May 26, 2023 noting they would agree to conduct their own study should adequate funding and time be provided. The letter also outlined that Aroland First Nation was waiting on MFFN to complete edits to the communications protocol between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and that once the agreement had been finalized, members from the MFFN CAR Project Team would be welcome to meet with band members in the community. The letter mentioned that Aroland First Nation is committed to taking part in decision making for all activities on their Traditional Territory, which they never surrendered, and that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council are committed to following processes in their jurisdiction to support their band members in sharing their knowledge and heritage on the land.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Eli Coaster (MFFN Councillor) ■ Sam Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Patricia Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) 		
June 19, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Aroland First Nation, highlighting key IK Program dates including the upcoming preliminary draft existing conditions reporting that will start in the Summer 2023 and the evaluation of the alternative route selection which will begin in September 2023 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2023. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant advised on 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 into subsequent steps of the assessment process (e.g., updates to the existing conditions, effects assessment, impact management and project design). The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also offered to organize a meeting to discuss the IK Program and Project schedule, and to answer any questions Aroland First Nation should have.

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June 20, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who forwarded the June 9, 2023, letter correspondence from Chief Dorothy Towedo and noted it was relevant to the inquiry about IK/LRU information collection. The letter previously outlined that Aroland First Nation was waiting for MFFN to finalize their communications protocol before information collection could occur. Andrew noted that this may impact the MFFN CAR Project timelines for data collection but that they would work together to complete the work quickly.
June 22, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, who noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was working on a response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023, letter and that it should be sent shortly.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 		
June 22, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent a follow up email to Aroland First Nation, highlighting key IK Program dates including upcoming preliminary draft existing conditions reporting that will start in the Summer 2023 and the evaluation of the alternative route selection which will begin in September 2023 and is expected to be completed by the end of 2023. The MFFN CAR Project Team advised on 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 into subsequent steps of the assessment process (e.g., updates to the existing conditions, effects assessment, impact management and Project design). The MFFN CAR Project Team also offered to organize a meeting to discuss the IK Program and project schedule, and to answer any questions Aroland First Nation may have.

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June 28, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the June E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast included a brief description on the Archaeology and Cultural Heritage Program and a link a new video for the program. It was noted that members of the MFFN CAR Project Team were in-community for National Indigenous People’s Day for a community meeting and celebrations. An update was provided on the Existing Conditions Report and IK project milestone, including a June 30, 2023 milestone to provide IK to be included in the report. The E-Blast included a link to the Spring Field Notice and an update on upcoming field studies including the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program, Socio-Economic and Human Health, Cultural Heritage, Vegetation Field Program and Groundwater Well Sampling. Completed field studies were also noted and included Vegetation and Peatlands Aerial and Ground Surveys, Wolverine Hair Snag Decommissioning and Ungulate Remote Camera Retrieval. Links for related field program notices, videos and Discussion Guides were included.

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July 05, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to let him know that a response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter would be sent shortly and to inquire about contacts who had previously been cc'd on emails and whether they should be added to the Project contact list.
July 05, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Laura Sayers, who noted that Andrew Peach was on vacation that week and to include Andrew, Rojin Amani and herself on correspondence.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 		
July 11, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Laura Sayers and Andrew Peach, noting that the contact list had been updated, that a response to the May 26, 2023 letter was coming shortly and to let them know if they could assist with anything related to the Project including a phone call or meeting.

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July 13, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Summer 2023 Field Notice to Aroland First Nation. It was noted that the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program and Vegetation Program will take place in August and exact dates will be provided when determined. The Field Notice was attached and on the website with more information. Links were provided for webinar recordings and videos on the Vegetation and Groundwater and Geochemistry programs.
July 27, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation regarding the open position for a Community Coordinator. A list of responsibilities for the position, the funding and length of the position was also included. Contact information was provided for interested applicants.
August 02, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Dorothy Towedo and Andrew Peach, noting that a response to Aroland First Nation's March 31, 2023 letter was attached. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and noted that the Project has mapping that reflects Aroland First Nation's comments. The letter acknowledged the request for Aroland First Nation to participate in future archaeology fieldwork and provided contact information

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) 		<p>should the community wish to provide information about sensitive areas to avoid or be included in the reports. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the Project Team would like to meet to discuss how to represent Aroland First Nation in Project reporting.</p>
August 02, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Debbi Stayner (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the July E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast provided updates on the Cultural Heritage Program that took place in Marten Falls First Nation in July. New valued components videos on Peatlands and Birds were released on the website with links included. Field study updates were provided, including a link to the latest summer 2023 Field Notice and mention of the Vegetation Field Program taking place August 2 to 6, 2023 and the Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program taking place August 7 to 21, 2023. Links were included to field program notices, videos and discussion guides.

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August 03, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, noting that a response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023 letter was attached, as well as documents and information to assist with IK, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage data collection. The letter outlined the June 30, 2023 deadline for data collection to help with the route evaluation and existing conditions but noted the Project would receive and incorporate any information received from Aroland First Nation throughout the assessment process. The letter also noted that the Project Team is happy to support Aroland First Nation in their data/information collection and would support the community through funding, materials, and guidance as requested and mentioned \$30,000 could be provided to support Cultural Heritage and Socio-Economic data collection as well as other funds to support IK collection through the IK Program. The letter outlined examples of Socio-Economic, IK and Cultural Heritage data and the materials provided related to each discipline. A Province of Ontario contact was provided to help Aroland First Nation to use their PFI funding to help with data collection, meeting was offered with the discipline leads and directed the community to speak with the Project Consultant for anything outstanding.

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August 09, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who noted that Aroland First Nation and MFFN were working together on a communications protocol, Aroland First Nation would require that agreement to be finalized before engaging in any data collection and that they were hopeful the agreement would be finalized soon.
August 09, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, noting that the Project was looking forward to working with Aroland First Nation on their data collections and to let the consultant know if anything else was needed in the meantime.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 		
August 23, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, noting a letter regarding the Groundwater Baseline Program and field work was attached as well as the past summary memos from November/December 2022 and August 2023. The intent of the letter was to provide Aroland First Nation with a summary of the drilling activities in April 2023, as representatives from Aroland First Nation were unable to attend. The letter outlined the purpose for the Groundwater Baseline Program, summarized past field work with Aroland First Nation monitors and a summary of the most recent work.

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September 01, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the August E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast provided field study updates, including the Vegetation Field Program from August 3 to 6, Summer Groundwater and Geochemistry Program from August 7 to 18 and the upcoming Fall Groundwater and Geochemistry Field Program in late September. Final results from these programs will be available once all data is collected and analyzed and shared during the Draft Environmental Assessment and Impact Assessment Phase in 2024. Links to field program notices, videos and Discussion Guides were included. New videos on the Social-Community Studies and Human Health and Community Safety were noted and links were provided. The E-Blast noted upcoming opportunities to connect in-person this Fall with more information to come.
September 15, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Fall 2023 Field Notice to Aroland First Nation. The Field Notice was attached to the email and noted dates and information for the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program and the Caribou Collaring / Mortality Investigation. A link to the Field Notice on the website was included as well as links to the webinar recordings and videos for more information.

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September 27, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to inquire if he was available for a phone call that week and if Andrew could suggest some times that would work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they wanted to discuss updates from Aroland First Nation, the Project, potential meetings and upcoming events.
September 27, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who suggested he was available for a phone call the following day between 11 and 2 to discuss updates from Aroland First Nation, the Project, potential meetings and upcoming events. Andrew requested a time that worked for the MFFN CAR Project Consultant.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 		
September 28, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, letting him know they would call him around 1:30 pm that day to discuss updates from Aroland First Nation, the Project, potential meetings and upcoming events.

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September 28, 2023	Phone		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	<p>■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach to discuss updates from Aroland First Nation, the Project, potential meetings and upcoming events. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the Collaboration Proposal Agreement between MFFN and Aroland First Nation, to which Andrew noted Aroland First Nation had received the signed version and were ready to finalize and send the fully executed version of the agreement to MFFN shortly. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted an upcoming PIC and inquired about a meeting with Aroland First Nation while members of the Project Team were in the area. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation was about to enter an election cycle and decision making and meetings with Chief and Council will be on hold but that meetings with the community may be possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Project Team had suggested October 26 for a meeting and inquired if Aroland First Nation would be comfortable with the Province or IAAC attending the meeting. Andrew said he would follow up with Chief and Council and noted that the community would likely prefer a meeting in the afternoon/evening. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew discussed the Community Coordinator Program and data collection (Socio-Ec, IK and Cultural Heritage) for the Project and Andrew mentioned that the community wants to conduct their own studies and data collection, and would prefer to not have a</p>

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						community member reporting to and/or corresponding directly with the Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted there are some upcoming Project events and that they would send a follow up email summarizing the phone call and Project event information. Andrew mentioned he would provide updated contact information, particularly after the election and requested that updated information for MFFN Chief and Council be provided once their election had completed.
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September 28, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the September E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast provided updates on the Fall Groundwater and Geochemistry Program from September 18 to 25 and the Caribou Collaring / Mortality Investigation Program on September 26. For more information on field studies, links were provided to field program notices, valued component videos and webinars. The E-Blast noted the dates for PIC #5 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton and that planning for the ATRI Forum #2 is underway. Links were included to the newly released Physiography, Terrain and Soils and Wildlife: Reptiles, Amphibians, Pollinating Insects and Bats videos.
October 04, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to follow up on a phone call from the previous week. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Andrew had a chance to speak with Chief and Council about a meeting in October and mentioned that the Project Team had suggested a meeting on October 26, 2023 as they would be in Thunder Bay and Geraldton that same week to host PIC #5. It was noted that more information on PIC #5 would be shared shortly.

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October 06, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach. Andrew noted that he had spoken with Chief Dorothy Towedo who confirmed that Aroland First Nation would be entering their election period the following week, that Chief and Council would be unable to host meetings or events related to the Project during the election period and that consultation and engagement will have to wait until the new Chief and Council are elected. Andrew confirmed that Aroland First Nation would be unable to meet with the Project Team on October 26, 2023 and that Andrew would reach out to coordinate a meeting once the election was complete.
October 10, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to provide details for PIC #5 and to offer a shuttlebus to pick up and drop off Aroland First Nation community members in order to facilitate their attendance at PIC #5 in Geraldton. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a proposed pick up and drop off time for the shuttlebus, asked for confirmation if it would agreeable with Chief and Council and mentioned a flyer to advertise the event could be provided.

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October 17, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an invitation for the upcoming ATRI Forum #2 to Aroland First Nation. The ATRI Forum is to be held in Thunder Bay from November 21 – 23, 2023. The invitation provided information on the Forum including purpose, funding, contact information, the preliminary agenda and how to RSVP. The purpose is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of ATRI in the Project area. Funding would be provided by the Province for up to 3 community representatives to

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 		attend. The preliminary agenda focuses on ATRI for November 21 – 22 and Cumulative effects on November 23. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided contact information for any questions or information from Aroland First Nation.
October 17, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to follow up on the offer to provide a shuttlebus to transport Aroland First Nation community members to and from PIC #5 in Geraldton on October 26, 2023 and requested feedback if there was a better way to promote the opportunity.

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October 17, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who noted that Aroland First Nation's election is underway and they do not have a Council to approve travel. Andrew mentioned Chief Dorothy Towedo was out of office and Andrew would follow up with her regarding the shuttlebus offer.
October 17, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an invitation for the upcoming ATRI Forum #2. The ATRI Forum is to be held in Thunder Bay from November 21 – 23, 2023. The invitation provided information on the Forum including purpose, funding, contact information, the preliminary agenda and how to RSVP. The purpose is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop an understanding of ATRI in the Project area. Funding would be provided by the Province for up to 3 community representatives to attend. The preliminary agenda focuses on ATRI for November 21 – 22 and Cumulative effects on November 23.

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October 18, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to provide updated contact information for the new MFFN Chief and Council.
October 23, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to follow up on the offer to provide a shuttlebus to transport Aroland First Nation community members to and from PIC #5 in Geraldton on October 26, 2023 and requested confirmation by Wednesday October 25, 2023, in order to facilitate scheduling, otherwise transportation could not be provided.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 		
November 02, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Laura Sayers (Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the October E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast provided an overview of PIC #5 that was held in Thunder Bay, Geraldton, and MFFN. Information on the upcoming Webinar Series, including Route Selection on November 16, 2023, the Caribou Collaring / Mortality Investigation Program scheduled for spring 2024, an article with Chief Bruce Achneepineskum addressing the Community Access Road, and the notification that invitations were sent out for the ATRI Forum #2 from November 21-23, 2023, was also included. A registration link was provided for the Route Selection Webinar, along with links to PIC #5 materials and feedback form, existing conditions reports, field program notices, valued component videos, past webinars, and Chief Bruce Achneepineskum's full article.

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November 09, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Route Selection Milestone Webinar to Aroland First Nation. A link to register and the opportunity to ask questions ahead of time was included. The MFFN CAR Project Team shared upcoming webinar topics that included Engineering and Construction, Cumulative Effects and Climate Change. A link to the MFFN CAR website was provided.
November 10, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder to Indigenous Communities requesting the Communities provide IK to MFFN CAR Project Team by December 11, 2023, to be incorporated into the draft EA / IA. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted the final submission date for the EA / IS to IAAC would be in July 2025. The MFFN CAR Project team explained that IK submitted after December 11, 2023, and / or after the draft EA / IS is submitted would be woven into subsequent stages of the assessment processes and road design. Contact information, including email addresses and phone numbers, was provided to Indigenous Communities for questions or discussion on IK Program.

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November 14, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide an update on the Project and upcoming activities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided an invitation to the upcoming Route Selection Webinar, an update on ATRI Forum #2 and an update on the upcoming Climate Change Workshop. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant highlighted the upcoming IK submission milestone of December 11, 2023, to be included in the draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Project Team has not yet met with Aroland First Nation and the community is in an election, but that the Project Team is looking forward to meeting with the community after the election, that the Project Team will continue to support Aroland First Nation with their IK collection study and that funding is still available to support the collection. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if a sharing agreement is needed in the event that if Aroland First Nation does share IK information with the Project and noted they would send an updated MFFN CAR IKSA for their consideration.

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November 16, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed a reminder for the Route Selection Milestone Webinar to Aroland First Nation. 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.
November 17, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation - Legal Counsel) ■ Sasha McLeod (MECP) ■ Dorothy Moszynski (MECP) ■ Caitlin Cafaro (IAAC) ■ Michael Fox (WSR Project Team) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who sent a letter on behalf of Chief Dorothy Towedo and Aroland First Nation in response to the invitation to ATRI Forum #2. The letter thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the invitation to ATRI Forum #2, noted that Aroland First Nation was in an election period and unable to participate as a result. Andrew mentioned that the community's decision not to attend the Forum must not be construed as a lack of willingness to participate in engagement activities. The letter noted that Aroland First Nation takes the position that proponents and the Crown must obtain their consent for projects/activities that use, affect or harm their territory, that they maintain their decision-making authority and that Anishinaabe and Canadian law must both be respected. The letter also noted the roads (MFFN CAR, NRL and WSR) and project

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						<p>activities will generate and facilitate impacts to Aroland First Nation’s ATRI. The letter outlined three key issues with the Forum including the format in which it is held impacting the ability to share information, the idea that the Forum will not involve IK, and whether the Forum will be used to check boxes in the Crown’s duty to consult and accommodate. The letter went on to note that Aroland First Nation considers how the community exercises their ATRI within their territory to be part of their IK and therefore one cannot be discussed without the other, that discussion of their IK is confidential and all parties must respect their data sovereignty and uphold the OCAP principles, and that discussion of their IK and ATRI cannot be protected if multiple First Nations, their advisors, project proponents and Crown representatives are in attendance at the Forum. Aroland First Nation requested transparency on whether the Forum was being used to fulfill the Crown’s duty to consult and noted that meaningful consultation could not take place in a venue such as the Forum and must consider a First Nation’s potential level of interest, concern and impacts as a result of the project. The letter mentioned that now that a communications protocol was in place with MFFN, that the community was looking forward to resuming discussions about the MFFN CAR Project after the election and that they are confident an understanding of how Aroland First Nation expects to be consulted and engaged will be understood.</p>

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November 27, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent the Milestone #2 Progress Report to Aroland First Nation for review. The Milestone #2 Progress Report covers July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023. Aroland First Nation was asked to make any edits or comments to their community-specific section by February 15, 2024. The report 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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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 		
November 28, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Dorothy Towedo (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Robinson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Sheldon Atlookan (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation attaching the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report (draft report), which was prepared based on information that was provided directly to Marten Falls First Nation and publicly available sources of information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant expressed interest in working with Aroland First Nation to update the Draft Report with information Aroland First Nation chooses to share and asked that communities provide input on the draft report by January 19, 2023, so that it may be included in the Draft EA / IS Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that additional information, feedback, comments, and edits can be shared after this date, as the Draft Report will not be finalized until later in 2024 and information provided after January 19, 2023, will be woven into the next phases of the assessment processes including the Final EA / IS Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also expressed interest in meeting with Aroland First Nation to listen to feedback, discuss optimal ways to update the draft report, and to review and discuss the Project schedule and next steps. Finally, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that this is an iterative process and will continue to update their understanding of Aroland First Nation's ATRI.

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November 29, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email noting that due to technical issues, the Milestone #2 Progress Report was updated. The link provided on November 27, 2023, remains valid. If the report had already been downloaded, it was requested that the updated version is re-downloaded.
December 04, 2023	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, thanking the Project for providing the updated link to the Milestone #2 Progress Report.
December 07, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent Aroland First Nation a letter via email regarding potential socioeconomic assessment interest from the community. The letter provided a brief update on the status of the Project and mainly asked if the community had any interest or concern related to potential socio-economic impacts as a result of the Project and included an attachment of a list of possible social and economic effects of the Project that are to be assessed. The letter

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						welcomed any input from the community in regards to social and/or economic effects from the MFFN CAR Project. Contact information was provided in the case the community would like to provide input.
December 08, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent Aroland First Nation an email regarding the socioeconomic letter sent the previous day, noting the letter was sent in error and could be disregarded. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would continue to provide support to the community in the collection of their community-specific socioeconomic information.
December 12, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Year in Review E-Blast to Aroland First Nation The E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's 2023 project highlights which included: Public Information Center #5, Preliminary Technically Preferred Route Recommendation, Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forums, Community Access Road Webinar Series, field studies, and valued component videos. Information on the 2023 Field Study summaries included: Birds, wildlife, ungulates, groundwater and geochemistry, and vegetation and peatlands, and details on upcoming winter 2024 field studies were also included.

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December 14, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation providing an update regarding the CAR, including the Route Selection Webinar, ATRI Forum #2, Milestone #2 Progress Report, the upcoming webinar series, and Aroland First Nation's IK, Socioeconomic and Cultural Heritage Information collection studies. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Project Team is interested in meeting with Aroland First Nation in order to re-engage the community on the Project and inquired about dates and times the community was available for a meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted they would phone the following day to follow up on the mentioned topics.
December 14, 2023	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach to discuss project updates provided the previous day through email. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about Aroland First Nation contact information and the potential for a meeting with the Project Team following the community election. Andrew noted that he had not had the chance to meet with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council since the election and noted that a new band administrator, Richard Herbert, should be added to the contact list in the interim and that Andrew would provide new contact information when available. Andrew also noted that a meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN, as well as a meeting with the Project Team would be desired by the community, that there was potential to

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						meet the week of January 29, 2024, and that Andrew would confirm which dates and times were possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if there were any materials or information the Project could provide to help Aroland First Nation Chief and Council get familiar with the MFFN CAR Project. It was discussed that route selection mapping could be useful and that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant would provide that to Andrew to share with the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also followed up on the Milestone #2 Progress Report and the ATRI Existing Conditions Report as well as the feedback deadline dates. Andrew noted he had not received the ATRI Existing Conditions Report, but confirmed he had received the Milestone #2 Progress Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would forward the ATRI Existing Conditions Report to Andrew that day and to let them know if more time was required to review the report.
December 15, 2023	Email	x		■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who provided the contact information for the new Aroland First Nation band administrator, Richard Herbert.

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December 15, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach and Richard Herbert to follow up on phone call from earlier that same day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Andrew had asked that Richard be included on key correspondence going forward, inquired if Richard would like to receive regular Project updates, and provided the Project website to Richard for review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they had discussed the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and the Milestone #2 Progress Report, that the ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be forwarded to Andrew that same day, and inquired if Aroland First Nation would be providing feedback on the reports. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that meetings between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and the Project Team were discussed, there was potential for some meetings to occur the week of January 29, 2024, and that Andrew would provide some dates and times that would work to meet. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned they had inquired if any materials could be sent to help Aroland First Nation Chief and Council in reviewing the Project, and it was discussed that route selection mapping should be sent to Andrew to provide to the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would be on vacation the following week and provided their phone number for anything urgent.

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December 15, 2023	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to forward the ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report, as it was noted in a phone call that Andrew had not received the report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked that Andrew share the report with the community as needed and to review the original email previously send by a different MFFN CAR Project Consultant, with report details including the feedback deadline date of January 19, 2024.
January 10, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, on behalf of Aroland First Nation, in order to follow up on the Milestone #2 Progress Report and the ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested feedback for the Milestone #2 Progress Report by February 15, 2024, and the feedback for the ATRI Existing Conditions Report by January 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a meeting could be scheduled to discuss the reports and inquired about Andrew's availability to discuss the reports the following week.

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January 11, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for following up on the reports and provided the update that Aroland First Nation’s inauguration for the new Chief and Council was scheduled for February 8, 2024, and that the community requested no project work, including consultation and engagement, to be scheduled before that time. Andrew noted he was working with the community to provide a date and time in February to schedule a meeting to continue community engagement on the Project. Andrew mentioned that Aroland First Nation is aware of the Milestone #2 Progress Report and the ATRI Existing Conditions Report, as well as the deadlines, and that the community would be unable to meet the ATRI Report deadline to provide feedback. Andrew also noted that the community is aware of the deadline to provide feedback for the Milestone #2 Progress Report and that the community would try to provide feedback on both reports by February 15, 2024. Andrew also commented that the reports contain critical information related to consultation, interpretations of impacts of the Project on the environment and Aroland First Nation’s ATRI and that the communities’ perspectives and comments must inform the final report and any information woven into the draft EA / IS Report. Andrew commented that the reports were shared prior to the holiday season/office closures and also while the community was in an election period, and

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						they were therefore unable to engage in Project activities. Andrew requested the Project remain flexible given the context of the reports, best practices for consultation and the timing of the requested feedback. Andrew provided some dates and times that worked for a follow up phone call the following week.
January 12, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach, to thank Andrew for his response and feedback on the Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Condition Report reminders. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a revised February 15, 2024, deadline to provide feedback would work for the Project and suggested prioritizing the ATRI Existing Conditions Report as that information is important to continue work on the EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed they would follow up with a phone call the following week.
January 16, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed an invitation for the Climate Change Adaptation and the Community Access Road Webinar on Thursday, February 8, 2024, to Aroland First Nation. 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.

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January 17, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach to provide an update regarding the CAR, including updates on the upcoming webinars for the Project, Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report. Andrew noted he had not yet spoken with the new Chief and Council, that their inauguration was scheduled for February 8, 2024, at which time engagement and consultation on the Project could continue. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew discussed the importance of including the community's information in the EA / IS reporting and that the community would be ready to meet with the Project after the inauguration in order to get the ball rolling on consultant and engagement. Andrew mentioned the new Council had seen the Community Consultation Protocol between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and that he would have to confirm if they would want to move forward with the agreement. Andrew also noted he had wanted to schedule the meeting in January 2024, but with the inauguration happening in February, it would have to wait. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the Project had been discussing plans and ideas to engage with Aroland First Nation, noting that the community's input on the route selection was a priority, and inquired about a potential in-community meetings or workshops as well as virtual meetings. Andrew noted a community meeting would be necessary, but he could not provide any details until after the Council

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						<p>inauguration. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation had begun this IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information collection studies, to which Andrew said they had not begun the studies as the community had not yet had a meeting with the Project and had intended to start after that meeting. Andrew noted that the previous Council had instructed that they would like to conduct their own studies and provide their IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage studies to the Project but he would have to inquire about this with the new Council. They discussed the ATRI Existing Conditions and Milestone #2 Progress Reports and Andrew noted they would try to provide feedback on the reports by February 15, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they had a response to former Chief Towedo's November 17, 2023, letter as well as upcoming webinar details and route selection mapping, which would be provided in a follow up email and continue to provide Project updates to Andrew as needed.</p>
January 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to provide an update regarding the CAR, including updates on the upcoming webinars for the Project, Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided key points summarizing a phone call from earlier that day including discussion regarding Aroland First Nation's engagement and consultation on the Project including the incorporation of their information

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 		and feedback into the EA / IS and when a meeting would be possible, the community's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information collection studies, that the community would provide feedback on the ATRI Existing Conditions and Milestone #2 Progress Reports by February 15, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided webinar information, attached a response letter to former Chief Towedo's November 17, 2023, letter as well as route selection mapping and noted they would continue to provide Project updates to Andrew as needed.
January 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the Winter 2024 Field Notice to Aroland First Nation. The Field Notice was attached to the email and noted dates and information for the Caribou Collaring / Mortality Investigation. A link to the Field Notice on the MFFN CAR Project website was included as well as links to the webinar recordings and videos for more information.
January 19, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to provide a revision to the email provided the previous day, as a sentence had been left incomplete. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the sentence should have said that Aroland First Nation would try to provide feedback on the ATRI Existing Conditions and Milestone #2 Progress Reports by February 15, 2024.

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January 31, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed the January E-Blast to Aroland First Nation. The E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's current and upcoming activities including: A New Year Greeting from Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, the Climate Change Adaptation & Upcoming Webinars, and Winter Field Studies. Links to the Project website and Facebook page, along with contact information was provided.
February 07, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, inquiring about Andrew's availability for a phone call to discuss Project updates as well any information available after Aroland First Nation's Chief and Council inauguration on February 8, 2024.
February 08, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, noting that he was available for a phone call on February 9, 2024, after 2 pm to discuss Project updates and updates after Aroland First Nation's Chief and Council inauguration.

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February 08, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Aroland First Nation a reminder for the Climate Change Adaptation and the Community Access Road Webinar on Thursday, February 8, 2024. 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.
February 09, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Richard Herbert, requesting that Councillor Joe Baxter be included on emails and provided Councillor Baxter's email.
February 09, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Richard Herbert, requesting that Councillor Joe Baxter be included on email correspondence going forward and provided Councillor Baxter's email.

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February 09, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Richard Herbert, noting that Councillor Joe Baxter would be included on any emails going forward.
February 09, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach to provide Project updates and receive updates following Aroland First Nation's Chief and Council inauguration on February 8, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Milestone #2 Progress and ATRI Existing Condition report reviews, which Andrew noted they were hopeful they would be able to provide feedback on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report close to February 15, 2024, and the Milestone #2 Progress Report shortly afterwards. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation Council would like the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a Project update presentation to the community and would be looking at potential dates in the second week of March. Andrew also noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting was also requested and business was to be conducted as usual under the previous agreement with MFFN until otherwise indicated. The MFFN

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						CAR Project Consultant noted that Councillor Joe Baxter was added to the project contact list, to which Andrew requested Laura Sayers be removed from the contact list. Andrew noted the community is prepared to complete studies quickly after meeting with the MFFN CAR Project Team and that Andrew would send an update email the following week.
February 13, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Aroland First Nation a thank you for attending the Climate Change Adaptation and the Community Access Road Webinar. Links to view the webinar online and to the Climate Change survey were included.
February 15, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who noted that Aroland First Nation was working to complete their review of the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and Milestone #2 Progress Reports and that they are hopeful they could provide their feedback by February 23, 2024.

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February 15, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, thanking him for the update on Aroland First Nation’s review of the ATRI Existing Conditions and Milestone #2 Progress reports and noted they would look forward to receiving their feedback once available.
February 16, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation - Legal Counsel) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach with a letter attached on behalf of Aroland First Nation. The letter contained Aroland First Nation’s comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report which outlined their concerns related to the incorporation of their information in the report, the impact to their ATRI and inadequate consultation throughout the EA / IA process which has required Aroland First Nation to focus on establishing an accurate record of their concerns and engagement in the Project and requested the Report be updated. The letter outlined three main points of concern: inclusion of information provided by Aroland First Nation in the EA / IA process to date, inclusion of Aroland First Nation’s IK from a forthcoming Project-specific IKLOUS, and inclusion of Aroland First Nation’s ongoing requests for a deeper consultation process and for a distinctions-based approach to consultation for the Project. The letter

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Corinna Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Sasha McLeod (MECP) ■ Dorothy Moszynski (MECP) ■ Caitlin Cafaro (IAAC) 		<p>describes Aroland First Nation’s efforts to participate in the EA / IA and that information provided to the Project was missing from the report or minimally referenced, which could misrepresent their ATRI. The letter also discussed Aroland First Nation’s intention to submit a Project-specific IKLOUS, that their IKLOUS information must be considered before the route selection is finalized and reminded the Project that their protocols and the principles of OCAP must be adhered to. The letter expresses that Aroland First Nation has attempted to communicate potential impacts to their ATRI and their consultation process concerns and outlines their consultation requirements related to legal precedent, UNDRIP and the duty to consult. Three appendices were provided with the letter which provided specific comments or instances of gaps of missing information in the report, IK/ATRI information to be incorporated and outlined times when Aroland First Nation provided feedback on, requested or provided solutions for deeper consultation. The letter closes with comments on procedural issues including the inadequate timeline to review the report and the lack of funding to review the report and / or generally participate in the EA / IA since the ToR. The letter states that no decision should be made on the Project until a Regional Assessment and consideration of cumulative effects has been completed and that it is a violation of Aroland First Nation’s right to be informed to proceed without that information. The letter</p>

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						notes that Aroland First Nation remains committed to working with the Project in considering the potential impacts to the project within their Traditional Territory and the commitment to engage with the community in a deep and meaningful way.
February 20, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Aroland First Nation - Legal Counsel) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Corinna Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, thanking him for providing the letter with comments on the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report and noted that a response would be provided shortly.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Sasha McLeod (MECP) ■ Dorothy Moszynski (MECP) ■ Caitlin Cafaro (IAAC) 		
February 22, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to provide an update regarding the MFFN CAR Project, including updates on the Project webinar series, ATRI Existing Conditions Report and Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledge the comments sent by Aroland First Nation on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report, inquired about updated contacts for Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and provided a link to past Project correspondence, as there had been an error on the Project contact list and some Aroland First Nation contacts may not have received emails from the Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to a recording of the Climate Change Adaptation webinar and a link to a survey to share how Climate Change has/is affecting the community, and mentioned that the

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						Engineering and Cumulative Effects webinars would be held in Q1 2024 with formal notices shared soon. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating in the Community Coordinator Program and whether a previously discussed meeting in Aroland with the Project Team was possible and requested an update.
March 01, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation detailing the February E-Blast. The E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's current and upcoming activities including: Updated Route Video, Climate Change Adaptation Webinar and Survey, and Spring Field Studies. Links to the Project website and social media pages, along with contact information was provided.
March 04, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, inquiring about updates to the Project contact list and a potential meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked if Aroland First Nation Chief and Council should be added to the contact list and requested direction on when they should be included in correspondence. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also inquired about a potential meeting to present the Project to Aroland First Nation and asked Andrew to confirm whether a meeting the following week was still being planned.

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March 04, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who provided responses to previous inquiries received during general Project outreach. Andrew provided the emails for Chief Sonny Gagnon and Councillor Joe Baxter and noted they should be included on all Project correspondence and that Andrew would follow up with the other Councillors to confirm if they should be included. Andrew noted that Chief Gagnon confirmed he would like the Project Team to visit the community to host a meeting and introduce the Project, and that staff availability was to be confirmed. Andrew requested possible dates that worked for the Project team to meet and present in Aroland First Nation. Andrew responded to the inquiry about Aroland First Nation's possible participation in the Community Coordinator Program and noted that Aroland First Nation may be interested in discussing alternative uses for the funding to support their participation and involvement in studies and engagement.
March 08, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, thanking him for the response and noted they would follow up on potential dates for an in-community meeting to present the Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a job description for the Community Coordinator Program was attached for consideration and that a meeting to discuss the program or any questions was possible.

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March 11, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm the Project Team's response sent on January 18, 2024, to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received and to confirm the draft preliminary route selection mapping had been received.
March 19, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach to confirm the Project Team's response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received on January 18, 2024, and noted that Aroland First Nation had not received any preliminary route selection mapping.
March 19, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach in regards to the Community Coordinator Job posting which was previously shared by the MFFN CAR Project Consultant. Andrew reiterated a previous email he had sent where he suggested a meeting between MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss alternative uses for the funding

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 		available for the Community Coordinator Program.
March 21, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide an update regarding the MFFN CAR Project, including updates on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report, Milestone #2 Progress Report and Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to an updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant invited the community to follow two new social media platforms in order to stay up to date on the Project and included links to both. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged Andrew's comments on the Community Coordinator Program, noting they would discuss alternative uses for the funding with the Project Team. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent shortly, inquired about the status of the community's review of the Milestone #2 Progress Report, and noted they were reviewing dates that might work for the Project to present in Aroland First Nation.

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March 26, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach requesting the names and contact information for the Aroland First Nation Councillors, in order to send an email to Chief Sonny Gagnon on behalf of Chief Bruce Achneepineskum.
March 27, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who provided the names and emails for the Aroland First Nation Councillors. Andrew requested that Richard Herbert, Band Administrator, also be included and provided Richard's email.
March 27, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Chief Sonny Gagnon and Andrew Peach, which included a letter on behalf of Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted they would be out of office April 2 – 9, 2024, and provided the contact information of another consultant to be reached during that time. The intent of the letter was to reconnect and reengage Aroland First Nation on the Project after the election of the new Chief and Council including a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to Aroland First Nation, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK, Socio-economic and Cultural Heritage Information and the scheduling of regular update meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of relationship building and consulting with Aroland First Nation, and as such, the release date for the Draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order include Aroland First Nation's input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) 		<p>noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were understood as a prerequisite to move forward and suggested April 19, 2024, as a potential meeting date, and requested the First Nation's consultants to confirm a meeting date and coordinate meeting logistics.</p>
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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor -Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) 		<p>building and consulting with Aroland First Nation, and as such, the release date for the Draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order include Aroland First Nation's input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in community presentation were understood as a prerequisite to move forward and suggested April 19, 2024, as a potential meeting date, and requested the First Nation's consultants to confirm a meeting date and coordinate meeting logistics.</p>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor -Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN)) 		
March 28, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Samson Meshake (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who expressed gratitude for the clarification on the details of the proposed meeting to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay and noted he would provide a response as soon as possible after speaking with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor - Marten Falls First Nation) 		
April 03, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach to provide an update regarding the scheduling of the Nation-to-Nation meeting with MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that MFFN had announced community cultural days from April 19 - 21, 2024, and are now suggesting a dinner meeting in Thunder Bay between the two nations on April 17 or 18 instead. Andrew thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update and noted he would confirm if either of these dates could work with Aroland First Nation's Council as soon as possible.

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April 03, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Andrew Peach after a phone call they had earlier that day. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant summarized the conversation by noting the announcement from MFFN Chief on community cultural days from April 19 - 21, 2024. The Nation-to-Nation meeting is now being suggested as a dinner meeting on April 17 or 18 in Thunder Bay. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to please confirm if either of the dates proposed would work for Aroland First Nation Council.

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April 03, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Rojin Amani (Planning Consultant) ■ Meghan Buckham (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation detailing the March E-Blast. The E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current and upcoming activities including: the Employment Readiness Project Meeting, infrastructure and exploration agreements signed by Marten Falls First Nation and Spring Field Studies. Links to the Project website and social media pages, along with contact information was provided.
April 04, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for confirming the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting details and noted he would follow up with Aroland First Nation Council for their preferences on venue and catering. Andrew inquired if consultants and legal counsel would not be present for the meeting and requested confirmation that MFFN was in agreement.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 05, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to confirm that MFFN agrees that no legal counsel or consultants are to be present at the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 05, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team understands and agrees that no legal counsel or consultants are to be present at the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would follow up with MFFN Council to confirm.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 10, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who was following up on the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting details noted that Aroland First Nation Council did not suggest any venue or catering and could move forward with booking both. Andrew mentioned he would be out of office from April 15 – 24 and would be unable to assist in planning the meeting, but that his colleague Laura Sayers would be available to support if needed.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 10, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Richard Herbert, who noted his understanding was that MFFN was planning the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting details (i.e., venue, meals, etc.). Richard mentioned that if he was not correct, he would have to follow up with Aroland First Nation Council.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 12, 2024	Email		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, inquiring if Andrew had time for a phone call that day to discuss the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting details.
April 12, 2024	Email	x		■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who mentioned he was available for a phone call to discuss the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting at 11 am that day.
April 12, 2024	Email		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, confirming they would call Andrew around 11 am that day to discuss the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting details.

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April 12, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, to discuss the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting details. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation Council would require travel and accommodations for the meeting, to which Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation Council would make plans to cover their travel and accommodations to attend the meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew agreed that the Project would plan the meeting details and that they would relay that information to Richard Herbert. Andrew suggested that a meeting agenda, similar to the agenda for the January 2023 Nation-to-Nation meeting should be provided but requested that discussion of the agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN be added to the agenda, which was agreed upon by the MFFN CAR Project Consultant. Andrew also followed up to confirm that only Aroland First Nation and MFFN Council members were to be present at the meeting and inquired if MFFN would be agreeable to Jerry Shabogamik attending the meeting to take notes on behalf of Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would update the agenda, inquire about Jerry Shabogamik's attendance at the meeting, confirm that only Council would be present, and send an email to the necessary contacts. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew noted they were both happy the meeting was moving forward, which would allow for Aroland First Nation to reengage and

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						consult on the Project, allow the Project to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. Andrew mentioned that Meaghan Buckham and Rojin Amani were no longer involved in the Project and that he would send new contact information for Ashley Childs and Andrew Dieleman who were to be added to the Project contact list and any correspondence. Andrew reminded the MFFN CAR Project Consultant that he would be on vacation April 15 – 24, 2024, and that Laura Sayers should be contacted in his absence.
April 12, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who provided details for Ashley Childs and Andrew Dieleman, who were new contacts to be added to the Project contact list and future communications from the Project and were cc'd on the email. Andrew noted Laura Sayers was also cc'd on the email and should be contacted while Andrew was on vacation April 15 – 24, 2024.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 15, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Laura Sayers (Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant ■ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Laura Sayers, advising Laura that the venue was having technical difficulties but the details for the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting were being finalized and that the meeting was scheduled at the Delta hotel from 9 am to 2 pm. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Andrew had previously attempted to obtain a list of any food restrictions for Aroland First Nation Council for the meeting catering and asked for confirmation of any details. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted an agenda for the meeting would be sent soon.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 15, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Chief Bruce Achneepineskum to the attendees of the April 19, 2024, Nation-to-Nation meeting. Chief Achneepineskum noted that the meeting venue was the Delta hotel by the marina, the meeting would be held from 9 am to 2 pm with breakfast and lunch to be provided. Chief Achneepineskum also mentioned that only Council members were to attend the meeting with one recorder/assistant from each First Nation, that other staff or consultants will not be present, and a Zoom meeting would be set up for any Council members who could not attend.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 17, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Laura Sayers, inquiring if Jerry Shabogamik would be able to attend the Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN on April 19, 2024. Laura mentioned no dietary restrictions were noted from Aroland First Nation Council members and also shared a draft agenda that was prepared by Andrew Peach and reviewed by Aroland First Nation Council so that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant could update, finalize and circulate the minutes to the meeting attendees

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April 17, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Laura Sayers, noting that Chief Achneepineskum had sent an email earlier that week which confirmed MFFN would have a note taker present and that it was their understanding Jerry Shabogamik was welcome to join the meeting. Chief Achneepineskum's email was attached. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they had updated the proposed agenda and also attached it to the email. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the Zoom meeting details were being finalized and they would be shared with the attendees as well as the agenda as soon as possible.
April 17, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation providing the Spring 2024 Field Notice and Caribou Collaring Update. The email included information on the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program to occur late May to June, 2024, and the field notice was attached. The MFFN CAR Project Team also included an update on the Caribou Collaring Program, and stated that the atigwag / caribou collar retrieval could not be carried out as planned between April 8-12, 2024 due to poor weather conditions, and will occur from April 19 to April 23, 2024. Links to the field notice, webinar recordings, videos and contact information for the Project Team was provided.

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April 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Laura Sayers (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation and MFFN Council to provide a proposed agenda for the Nation-to-Nation meeting scheduled for April 19, 2024. Additional logistical details for the meeting were provided and noted that a Zoom meeting invite would be sent shortly for anyone who needed to attend the meeting virtually.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 		
April 19, 2024	Meeting (In-person and virtual)			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkeesh (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (Chief, MFFN) ■ Linda Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Shane Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Maria Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Rob Moonias (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Bob Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (Councillor, MFFN) ■ Yvonne Baxter (Councillor, MFFN) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation met for an in-person/virtual, Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay. A joint taskforce was created to support the advancement of the CAR. The mandate of the taskforce is to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support the collaboration between the Nations. Meeting details are confidential.

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April 30, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the April E-Blast. The April E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current and upcoming activities including, an update on Spring Field Studies and news articles featuring, "Bridges to the North" a documentary film by an Anishinaabe filmmaker, and another on MFFN's future access to clean electricity. Links to the Project website and social media pages, along with the Project Team's contact information.
May 07, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 7, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. Meeting minutes and attendees are confidential.
May 21, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who inquired about the MFFN CAR Project Team's availability to attend a meeting in Thunder Bay to discuss Project updates and working with Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024. Andrew asked for confirmation that the May 28 date worked for an afternoon meeting so that an agenda could be compiled. Andrew noted a location for the meeting had not been determined but would share that detail when the plans were finalized.

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May 22, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team member sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide availability for a meeting on May 28, 2024, noting that two other members from the MFFN CAR Project were available to meet that day but only in the morning, otherwise the Project Team was available early on May 28 or on in the afternoon on May 30. The MFFN CAR Project Team member noted their appreciation for accommodating their schedule and their availability to discuss the meeting scheduling over the phone that day.
May 22, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who noted that a meeting in the morning on May 28, 2024, was possible and asked if 9 am to 10 am, or 10:30 am would work. Andrew asked what time the MFFN CAR Project Team member would need to be at the airport and noted the schedule would be updated to accommodate that time.
May 22, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team member sent an email to Andrew Peach to note the 9 am start time worked but they would have to leave the meeting just after 10 am to be available for the flight at noon. The MFFN CAR Project Team member noted appreciation for the flexible schedule.

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May 22, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to inquire if Andrew was available for a phone call later that day, as the MFFN CAR Project Team had an opportunity for Aroland First Nation to participate in the sampling for the Groundwater Program but noted that the opportunity was time sensitive.
May 22, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who noted he was available for a call at 4:30 pm that day to discuss Aroland First Nation's opportunity to participate in the sampling for the Groundwater Program.
May 22, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach to discuss the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to participate in the Groundwater Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant highlighted key information to Andrew but noted a follow up email with all the details would be sent after the phone call. Information provided included that the opportunity is for one person from Aroland First Nation to participate as a field assistant, the field work is tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024, the participant would need to be available the last week of May for onboarding and the MFFN CAR Project Team required confirmation of participation by the end of the day on May 24. Andrew and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant discussed putting together a list of Aroland First Nation members who are interested in field work for future use, as there are two other opportunities for Aroland First Nation to participate in the sampling for

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						the Groundwater Program in 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew briefly discussed the upcoming May 28 meeting between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team, which Andrew noted was part of the agreement to have more frequent meetings between the two Nations and noted that the meeting was to share updates and schedule future meetings. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they had spoken with a Project Team member attending the meeting and that the Project Team member had mentioned some ideas for discussion to be added to the agenda would be provided to Andrew. Andrew mentioned that funding for meetings and funding for Aroland First Nation to complete Project studies was something Aroland First Nation would likely add to the agenda.
May 22, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and key contacts at Aroland First Nation to present the opportunity for one participant from Aroland First Nation to participate as a field assistant in sampling for the upcoming Groundwater Program, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided information about the Groundwater Program sampling field work, the requirements from the field assistant before and during the field work, details regarding reporting hours worked and payment, and that the MFFN CAR Project Team would require confirmation of participation by the end of the day on May 24, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant

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						acknowledged the short timeline to coordinate the work and mentioned two other opportunities (Summer and Fall) to participate in the same work, which were outlined in the attached Spring Field Notice.
May 23, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the 2024 Spring Groundwater Program Update. The update provided the dates, June 2-9, 2024, that field crews are scheduled to carry out groundwater sampling and a notice was provided regarding the increase in traffic and noise within the study area during this time. Links to the field notice and MFFN CAR's website were included.
May 23, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received and email from Jerry Shabogamik who expressed gratitude for the information on the opportunity for a member from Aroland First Nation to participate as a field assistant in sampling for the upcoming Groundwater Program, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024.

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May 23, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received and email from Jerry Shabogamik who provided an update regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. Jerry noted that he asked their Ontario Works representative to forward the job details and that they will provide any names of potentially interested persons. Jerry mentioned he would post the job on the community Facebook page, as well as reaching out to some people himself to see if there was any interest.
May 23, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, thanking him for providing an update regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024, and noted they hoped they could find someone who would be interested in participating. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant highlighted that confirmation of participation was required by the end of the day on May 24, 2024, which was the following day, and that the participant would need to be available to attend onboarding and safety training the last week of May. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also mentioned that two other opportunities for participation would be available later in the year and to send an email or call if there were any questions.

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May 23, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received and email from Jerry Shabogamik who provided an update regarding Aroland First Nation’s participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. Jerry provided the name of someone who would be interested in participating as a field assistant and asked for Project Team information to share with them (names, phone numbers, etc.).
May 23, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik regarding Aroland First Nation’s participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for the phone number of the person Jerry found to participate in the field work and noted that someone from the Project Team would reach out with the information the participant requested. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Jerry to let the participant know that they must be available the last week of May for onboarding with Artech, Artech would reach out to coordinate the onboarding, the field work is tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024, someone from WSP would reach out after the onboarding is complete and that the location for the participant to meet in Geraldton would be provided by WSP next week.

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May 24, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received and email from Jerry Shabogamik who provided an update regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. Jerry provided the phone number and address of the person previously noted as interested in participating in the field work and provided the name and phone number of an alternate person to participate.
May 24, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Jerry for providing the phone numbers and names of potential participants and noted the information would be sent to the Project Team.
May 24, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received and email from Jerry Shabogamik who thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024.

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May 28, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant let Jerry know that the phone number for one of the potential participants was not in service and asked for confirmation of the phone number or another way to reach the participant.
May 28, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. Andrew noted that Jerry suggested reaching out to the participant at a new cell phone number, which Andrew provided.
May 28, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the phone number for the potential participant was not working, as the number was not assigned and asked for other ways to get in contact with the

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 		<p>participant. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the Project Team had been in contact with the other potential participant but did not hear back and would let them know when they had.</p>
May 28, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 28, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. Meeting minutes and attendees are confidential.
May 30, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the May 2024 E-Blast. The E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current and upcoming activities including, an update on Spring Field Studies, news articles featuring new economic and employment opportunities for Indigenous communities, and a description of the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment Process. Links to the E-Blast and MFFN CAR's website were included.
May 30, 2024	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation Community Member 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a phone voicemail from an Aroland First Nation community member regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The community member provided their phone number and asked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to phone them back, as they were interested in participating in the field work.

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May 30, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation Community Member 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned the Aroland First Nation community member regarding their participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling, tentatively scheduled for June 2 – 9, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant discussed with the community member that the number previously provided to the Project was not correct and they mentioned they had tried to get in contact with Jerry Shabogamik that week to follow up on participating but had not heard back from Jerry. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the deadline to get the community member onboarded and prepared to participate had passed, as it was due earlier that day, it was after working hours and the mobilization to field was expected to take place only a few days later, to which the community member mentioned they would still like to participate in the work if possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the onboarding was necessary for safety and couldn't be rushed, but that the community member could complete the onboarding process, as two other opportunities to participate in the program would be available later that year, to which the community member noted they would be interested but may not be able to attend due to school/training. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant told the community member they would pass along their new number to the company responsible for onboarding in the event that they were able to participate in any of the field work opportunities and told the community member to expect to hear from them the following day. The MFFN CAR Project

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						Consultant told the community member to reach out if they did not hear from the company or had any other questions.
June 03, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with a link to the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report. The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report examined archaeological and land use history to assess potential sites in additional areas needed for aggregate impacts. The Report considers recent mapping, previous reports, and input from Indigenous communities, focusing on the CAR's impact on cultural heritage. The MFFN CAR Project Team encouraged Aroland First Nation to setup a meeting with the Project Team to review the reports and have their questions answered.
June 05, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 5, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. Meeting minutes and attendees are confidential.
June 06, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Aroland First Nation to follow up on an invitation shared May 23, 2024, regarding the Three-Road Forum being held June 11 – 13 in Thunder Bay. The call was not answered and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant left a message inquiring if Aroland First Nation was planning to attend and provided their phone number should there be any questions.

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June 11, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendee(s) from Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> From June 11 – 13, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo (the Expo), hosted by Marten Falls First Nation and Webequie First nation. The Expo was intended to provide an opportunity for participants to learn more about the projects, ask questions and share feedback. The first day of the Expo was for Elders only to provide them with the opportunity to engage with the project teams and share their perspectives. Day two of the Expo included overview presentations on the projects and presentations on peatlands, road building, water and fish. Day two also included an expo with booths representing different disciplines and groups involved with the projects, such as IK/ATRI, engineering, and wildlife, and booths from Agency and Ministry representatives. Day three of the Expo included presentations on the common approach to review the project-specific draft EA/IS reports, project-specific EA/IS information, funding information from the Province of Ontario.
June 13, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sonny Gagnon (Chief) Joe Baxter (Councillor) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to inquire about details for the upcoming meetings between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team on June 19 and 20, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked how many Aroland First Nation community members could be expected for the June 19 meeting, as they had prepared for 30-35 community members to attend but could adjust the catering as

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 		needed. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also inquired about the payment method for the dinner being prepared by the community for the June 20 meeting and asked for an approximate cost if cash was requested.
June 17, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to send an additional question for the upcoming meetings between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team on June 19 and 20, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked if a translator would be needed for either of the meetings and requested confirmation of the previous questions regarding attendee numbers for the June 19 meeting and payment for the dinner for the June 20 meeting.
June 17, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who responded to questions regarding the upcoming meetings between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team on June 19 and 20, 2024. Andrew noted that they had not used a translator for meetings in the past, that they had never had more than 25 community members attended meetings in the past and that Jerry Shabogamik could help coordinate payment for the dinner on June 20. Andrew noted he was in the office that week for any questions.

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June 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Richard Herbert (Band Administrator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik to follow up on details for the upcoming meetings between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team on June 19 and 20, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Jerry how Aroland First Nation would like to be paid for providing the dinner for the June 20 meeting and thanked Andrew for the responses to the questions and for the information he provided regarding the meetings.
June 19, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Members of Aroland First Nation ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry) ■ Jason Frechette (Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN Leadership ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 19, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted a meeting in Thunder Bay to present updates on the Project and to present the preliminary technically preferred routes to Aroland First Nation community members. Mapping of the technically preferred route was provided for review and questions. Feedback and comments were received from the community members to be considered in the draft EA / IS and for the route selection. Topics of discussion included resource use including materials required to build the road, the need for community planning, economic development opportunities, potential impacts from the Project, the EA/IA process and timelines and Aroland First Nation and MFFN working together. Another meeting to further discuss these topics and to receive more feedback from the community was mentioned as being scheduled soon.

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June 20, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Members of Aroland First Nation ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry) ■ Jason Frechette (Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 20, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted a meeting in Thunder Bay to present updates on the Project and to present the preliminary technically preferred routes to Aroland First Nation community members. Mapping of the technically preferred route was provided for review and questions. Feedback and comments were received from the community members to be considered in the draft EA / IS and for the route selection. Topics of discussion included opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built.
June 26, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach to confirm Aroland First Nation's interest in hiring a Community Consultation Coordinator as part of the MFFN CAR Project and asked what the next steps were to get the program set up. Andrew noted they had a copy of the Community Coordinator Program job posting and would post that shortly.
June 27, 2024	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project phone received a voicemail from Jerry Shabogamik, who inquired if it is okay to post the Community Coordinator Program job description in the community and requested a call back.

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June 28, 2024	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Community Member (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project phone received a voicemail from an Aroland First Nation community member, who noted interest in the Community Coordinator Program job description that was posted on the community webpage and requested a call back.
June 28, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Andrew Peach, who noted that as discussed in a previous meeting in June, Aroland First Nation would like to initiate their involvement the MFFN CAR Project IK Program and access the IK Funding for the Project. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation's legal counsel has reviewed the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements and made minor edits to both documents. Andrew attached two copies of both agreements to the email; one with tracked changes for Project Team review and a clean version signed by Chief Sonny Gagnon. Andrew requested the signed final versions be sent back as soon as possible, as Aroland First Nation would like to mobilize a study team the week of July 22, 2024, dependent on the funding being in place. Andrew also noted he would be out of office July 2 – 9, 2024, and to direct inquiries to Jeremy Shute.

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June 28, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team member sent an email to Andrew Peach, thanking Andrew for providing revised versions of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements to the Project and noted they would be reviewed and finalized shortly. The MFFN CAR Project Team member noted the timeline for the July study and Project funding should work, but would provide an update after discussing with the Project Team.
June 28, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team member sent an email to key contacts at Aroland First Nation, to provide a poster for the upcoming Project meeting with the community in July 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Team member asked for it to be posted internally.
July 02, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Community Member (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project received an email from an Aroland First Nation community member who attached their resume to apply for the Community Coordinator Program for the MFFN CAR Project.

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July 04, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Jeremy Shute to the MFFN CAR Project Team, inquiring about the status of IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. Jeremy noted he would be happy to discuss them if it was helpful.
July 04, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Jeremy Shute, noting they should have updates on the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements to provide the next day and would try to connect with Jeremy the next day or the following Monday.
July 05, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ariane Heisey (Suslop) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Jerry Shabogamik to the MFFN CAR Project Team, noting that he would post the July meetings poster internally.

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July 05, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Jeremy Shute, inquiring if Jeremy had time to discuss the IK Program Agreements on the following Tuesday and provided some times they were available to discuss.
July 05, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Councillor Mark Bell, inquiring if it was possible to discuss the IK Program Agreements at the next taskforce meeting.
July 05, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Councillor Mark Bell, noting that it was possible to discuss the IK Program Agreements at the next taskforce meeting, although a date had not yet been set for the meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Team suggested meeting on July 15 or 16, 2024, before or during the next community meeting.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 		
July 05, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Councillor Mark Bell, who provided a screenshot of a date and time that was being tentatively held in his calendar for a taskforce meeting.
July 05, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Councillor Mark Bell, noting they could send a virtual meeting invite for the suggested date and time tentatively being held for a taskforce meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted they hoped this date and time worked for the entire team so they can discuss the matter of the IK Program Agreements and get the funds moving.

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July 08, 2024	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Member (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project received a phone call from an Aroland First Nation community member who attached to apply for the Community Coordinator Program for the MFFN CAR Project and asked that someone phone them back.
July 09, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sonny Gagnon (Chief) Joe Baxter (Councillor) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the June 2024 E-Blast. The E-Blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current and upcoming activities including, National Indigenous History Month, a summary of the Three Road Projects Gathering & Expo, and an update and description of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment. Links to the E-Blast and MFFN CAR's website were included.
July 11, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 11, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. Meeting minutes and attendees are confidential.
July 15, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attendee(s) from Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted an expo style event in Thunder Bay to discuss and receive feedback from Aroland First Nation on the preliminary technically preferred route. The expo included booths with mapping of segments of the technically preferred route, information on baseline studies, the EA/IS process, cumulative effects and why the road is

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						important to MFFN. Feedback and comments on the different booth topics and the technically preferred route were requested from the community members to be considered in the draft EA / IS report and for the route selection.
July 15, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide notice of the upcoming Geotechnical Program field work tentatively planned for July 19 and 20, 2024, and to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in sending one monitor to participate in the helicopter flyover during Phase 1 of the work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided additional information regarding the work to be conducted during Phase 1 and 2 of the geotechnical investigations including proposed activities, locations and potential impacts. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a figure that outlined the areas to be reviewed during the helicopter flyover, requested feedback if there were any concerns regarding the proposed work and provided contact information should there be any interest in participating in the field work.
July 16, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Attendee(s) from Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 16, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted an expo style event in Aroland First Nation to discuss and receive feedback from Aroland First Nation on the preliminary technically preferred route. The expo included booths with mapping of segments of the technically preferred route, information on baseline studies, the EA/IS process, cumulative effects and why the road is important to MFFN. Feedback and comments on the different booth

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						topics and the technically preferred route were requested from the community members to be considered in the draft EA / IS report and for the route selection.
July 16, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, responding to the offer for Aroland First Nation to participate in the upcoming Geotechnical Program field work tentatively planned for July 19 and 20, 2024. Andrew mentioned that he had reached out to Jerry Shabogamik to see if they could find someone but noted that Jerry was travelling to Thunder Bay for the MFFN CAR meeting and may be unavailable to help. Andrew mentioned that Aroland First Nation had previously expressed interest in having monitors participate in fieldwork activities where possible, but that it takes time to identify and confirm availability of potential monitors. Andrew mentioned he hoped they could work together to identify and confirm monitors and ensure Aroland First Nation's participation further in advance of Phase 2 field work planned for fall/winter 2024.
July 16, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the Summer 2024 Field Notice. The email included information on the Geotechnical Investigation occurring between July 19 and 21, 2024, and the continuation of the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program in late July / August 2024. The Summer 2024 Field Notice was attached. Links to the field notice, webinar recordings, videos, and contact information for the Project Team were provided.

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July 16, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Member (Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project received an email from an Aroland First Nation community member who attached their resume to apply for the Community Coordinator Program for the MFFN CAR Project.
July 19, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 19, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik was accompanied by Bob Baxter of MFFN, where they participated in helicopter flyover reconnaissance to inform permitting for the Geotechnical Program. The flyover was conducted to inspect areas of future aggregate sites and water crossing areas in and around the CAR and to inform the installation of groundwater monitoring wells and geotechnical sampling at each potential aggregate location and water crossing.
July 20, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Community Member Advisor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On July 20, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik was accompanied by Bob Baxter of MFFN, where they participated in helicopter flyover reconnaissance to inform permitting for the Geotechnical Program. The flyover was conducted to inspect areas of future aggregate sites and water crossing areas in and around the CAR and to inform the installation of groundwater monitoring wells and geotechnical sampling at each potential aggregate location and water crossing.
July 25, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating in the upcoming Groundwater Program monitoring field work to take place in early August 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that previously identified monitor was not available and inquired if other

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						<p>candidates would be available, noting that access to a vehicle and the ability to drive to and from Geraldton would be preferred. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for the name, phone number and email address of any potential monitors by noon on August 2, 2024, so the monitor could be onboarded and complete the safety training provided by Artech, in addition to discussing other details including PPE and meeting locations. A phone number was provided for any questions.</p>
July 29, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating in the upcoming Groundwater Program monitoring field work to take place in early August 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the reminder that potential monitors would need to be identified and on-boarded by noon on August 2, 2024.
July 31, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide an approved and signed copy of the IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that direct deposit or cheque were both options for payment and asked for Andrew to let them know Aroland First Nation's payment preference to coordinate and set up the payments. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the IK Program Sharing Agreement was under review and would be provided shortly.

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July 31, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to acknowledge receipt of Aroland First Nation's interest in the Community Coordinator Program and to provide additional information as well as an updated job poster for the position. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the names of two individuals who had expressed interest in the position and attached a resume they had received for Aroland First Nation's review, noting that the next step in the process would be for Aroland First Nation Chief and Council to identify a person for the position. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that once the person was identified, they would work with the individual to onboard them into the role. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Aroland First Nation could continue to advertise the position and receive additional candidates, however, it would be beneficial to get someone onboarded for the position prior to the release of the draft EA/IS report.
July 31, 2024	Email	X		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant/Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who noted he would speak to Jerry Shabogamik about setting up the payment options and provide a response. Andrew mentioned he was available to discuss the IK Sharing Agreement if there were any questions.

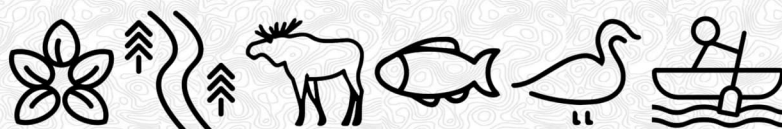
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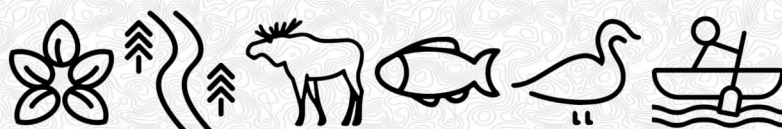
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B2.3 Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interest Preliminary Existing Conditions Report

B2.4 Community Specific Meeting Materials



B2.1 Outgoing Community Specific Correspondence





MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage Information Collection

6 June 2023 at 12:16

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Debbi Stanyer <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, "Jenkins, Tara" <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "Baker, Nadia" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew,

Thank you very much for the quick response regarding the cultural heritage information collection.

Although we are in the process of drafting a formal response to Chief Towedo's letter, I wanted to check in with you regarding the helicopter flyover that was scheduled for June 11, 2023. Unfortunately due to the ongoing forest fires and helicopter scheduling issues, we are going to have to cancel the cultural heritage work for now and hope to reschedule for the end of the month. We will re-engage Aroland First Nation for their participation in the flyover once we regroup.

In the meantime, please let me know if there is anything else you would like to discuss.

Sincerely,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team
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Follow-up Re: MFFN CAR IK Program Key Dates

Nokleby, Andrea <[redacted]> 19 June 2023 at 09:00
To: [redacted]
Cc: Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo,

I hope this email finds you and your community well. We just wanted to follow up with you on the email below and the **June 30, 2023 milestone** for sharing Indigenous Knowledge (IK) and information on Indigenous land and resource use. Please note, that we will continue to work with you following this date to share information for subsequent phases of the assessment processes.

If you would like to meet to further discuss the IK Program, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Have a wonderful week ahead,

Andrea



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Follow-up Re: MFFN CAR IK Program Key Dates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 22 June 2023 at 12:49

To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: [redacted]
[redacted], Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for continuing to follow up on this.

I wanted to let you know that the team is working on a response to Aroland First Nation's May 26th letter and that it should be coming very soon. In the meantime, if Aroland First Nation requires anything urgently, please let me know.

Sincerely,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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From: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
Sent: Thursday, July 27, 2023 10:16 AM
To: undisclosed-recipients:
Subject: Join the Community Coordinator Program!



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Community Coordinator Program

Since March 2022, the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road Project Team has shared on-going communications about providing funding for a Community Coordinator from your community.

We believe a Community Coordinator will strengthen our collective efforts on the Community Access Road, while keeping your community up-to-date and involved.

Responsibilities

- Coordinate between the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and community members living in / outside of your community as per your local practices and in collaboration with Chief and Council;
- Provide advice and guidance on appropriate ways to engage your community – in-person and virtually;
- Keep informed on Community Access Road Project activities (e.g., timelines, documents, events) and communicate relevant Project information to community members;
- Participate in meetings with the Project Team and other Community Coordinators;
- Provide support for community engagement activities related to the Project including:
 - Coordinate and organize logistics for meetings, workshops, events and / or school visits (e.g., book meeting spaces, order refreshments, help with truck / boat rentals and accommodations)
 - Help identify meeting participants and information providers (e.g., youth and / or elders);
 - Assist with meeting facilitation, note taking and meeting minute preparation, and coordinate translation services, if needed; and
 - Organize distributing Project advertisements and notices in your community; either online (e.g., Facebook) or posting in community;
- Assist in collecting data / information in your community (e.g., Indigenous Knowledge, community information and socio-economic information);
 - Assist in reviewing draft documents, questionnaires or Project updates / information sheets.

How much funding is available?

The funding available for a Community Coordinator is \$25/hour for 16 hours per week. Communities can choose to go with milestone-based payments where the First Nation distributes funding directly to the Community Coordinator or direct payments from the Project to the Community Coordinator—the choice is up to your community!

How many months will the funding be available for?

Funding is available as soon as you agree to start and the hiring process is completed, until the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement is issued. Our current schedule for issuing this document is July 2025.

Next Steps

If you would like to learn more, contact Jennifer Bruin or Demetri Poulakas at info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca or 1-800-764-9114.

Aroland First Nation response to Draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeological Reports for MFCAR

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

2 August 2023 at 16:38

To: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Samson Meshake <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Jackmoonias <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca" <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Good Afternoon Chief Towedo and Andrew,

We appreciate your patience while we prepared this letter (attached) in response to Aroland First Nation's March 31 letter regarding the Draft Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeology Assessment Reports.

As mentioned in the letter, we would like to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in future reporting. Please let me know if this is agreeable and I will work with Andrew to get that set up.

Thank you,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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August 2, 2023

Aroland First Nation
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Sent via email

Re: Aroland First Nation March 31, 2023 Letter Regarding MFFN CAR Project Draft Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeology Assessment Reports

Dear Chief Dorothy Towedo,

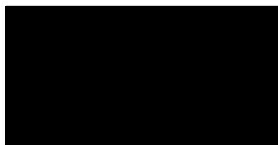
Thank you for your comments on the Draft Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeology Assessment Reports for the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road (CAR), received on March 31, 2023.

The MFFN CAR Project has mapping that reflects your suggested edits. The MFFN CAR Project Team would like to meet with you to discuss how we represent Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory in future reporting.

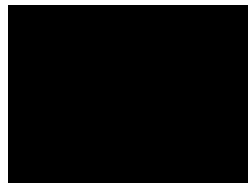
We acknowledge the request from Aroland First Nation regarding participation in future Archaeology / Cultural Heritage fieldwork. We will continue to engage with Aroland First Nation on your participation.

If Aroland First Nation has information they would like to provide about sensitive areas that should be avoided or included in the Archaeology / Cultural Heritage work to be evaluated for impacts, please don't hesitate to reach out by responding to the email in which this letter was attached to or by calling Kyla Zielbauer at [REDACTED].

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor





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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 3 August 2023 at 08:05
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
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 MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Good Morning Andrew,

Please find a letter attached in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26 letter. Supporting documents and information to assist Aroland First Nation in their Socio-Economic, Cultural Heritage and Indigenous Knowledge information collection is contained within the compressed file attached.

Once you have had a chance to review these files, please let me know if you would like to set up any meetings. The MFFN CAR Project Team and/or discipline teams would be happy to meet to discuss any concerns or questions Aroland First Nation might have regarding this work.

We look forward to hearing from you!

Sincerely,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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On Fri, 26 May 2023 at 11:40, Andrew Peach <[redacted]> wrote:
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2 attachments

-  MFFN CAR to Aroland _ SocioEc_IK_Cultural Heritage Response_Aug 3, 2023.pdf
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-  MFFN CAR Socio-Ec_IK_Cultural Heritage Guidance Documents.zip
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August 3, 2023

Aroland First Nation
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Sent via email

Re: Aroland First Nation May 26, 2023 Letter Regarding MFFN CAR Project Cultural Heritage Information Collection

Dear Chief Dorothy Towedo,

Thank you for your letter on May 26, 2023. We are very pleased to hear that Aroland First Nation would like to provide Cultural Heritage, Socio-Economic and Indigenous Knowledge information related to the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) project. We had hoped to complete data collection by June 30 of this year so that this information can help to inform the evaluation of the alternative routes to select a preferred route, which will begin in September and is expected to be completed by the end of this year (2023). This information will also help inform the preliminary draft existing conditions reporting (e.g., Socio-Economic) which is largely to be completed in 2023. Although the June 30 deadline has passed, we will happily receive and incorporate any information sent by Aroland First Nation throughout the assessment processes.

It is our understanding that Aroland First Nation would like to conduct your own data/information collection of Cultural Heritage, Socio-Economic and Indigenous Knowledge information. The MFFN CAR Project Team is happy to support Aroland First Nation in conducting this data collection through funding, project materials, and guidance as requested. We have communicated to your consultant, Andrew Peach that the MFFN CAR Project can provide supplemental funding in the amount of \$30,000 to support your community level collection of data for the Cultural Heritage program and the Socio-Economic program. There is additional funding available for the Indigenous Knowledge program through the project, which we would like to discuss further with Aroland First Nation as well.





Cultural Heritage Information Collection

The Cultural Heritage Team is focussed on information related to built heritage and landscapes including:

- Burial sites;
- Cultural landscapes;
- Oral histories;
- Cultural values and experiences of being on the land, including harvesting specific resources;
- Indigenous governance systems and laws tied to the landscape;
- Sacred, ceremonial or culturally important places, plants, animals, objects, beings or things;
- History of the language; and,
- Culturally significant plants or wildlife.

Some of this information overlaps with information that may be collected to inform an Indigenous Knowledge Report. In those instances, our Cultural Heritage Team can review the Indigenous Knowledge report directly and would not need to have that information duplicated. An overview of Cultural Heritage Reporting and data collection is attached to this letter, and our Cultural Heritage Team would be happy to discuss how we can support your collection and reporting efforts, as well as our data needs.

Socio-Economic Information Collection

The Socio-Economic Team is focussed on information related to:

- Social;
- Economics;
- Land and resource use;
- Health and safety; and
- Community well-being.

Similar to information we are seeking to collect from MFFN, this information would be informed by Aroland First Nation Members' knowledge and insights about life in the





community, as well as any non-traditional land use activities. A brief description of the nature of the information is outlined below:

- Social – housing demand/supply, community services, road condition and traffic volumes, community issues, challenges and concerns, perspectives from sub-groups including women, youth, two-spirited and Elders;
- Economic – existing businesses, employment and skills, traditional economies, community development plans, community revenue sources;
- Land and Resources Use – non-traditional land use activities (e.g. forestry), land use plans;
- Health and Safety – health challenges of the community, health services and facilities, health and safety concerns related to the construction and use of the MFFN CAR; and
- Community Well-Being – cost of living, community connections/cohesion.

We have prepared a Socio-Economic Data/Information Collection Guide that provides more detail on the type of information we are seeking and will be sending this to you shortly. Our Social Sciences team would also be happy to discuss how we can support your collection and reporting efforts, as well as our data needs.

Indigenous Knowledge Information Collection

We were informed through conversations with Andrew Peach that Aroland First Nation is in the process of completing an Indigenous Knowledge Study specific to the MFFN CAR project. We continue to offer funding to support Aroland First Nation in this important work. We are re-attaching a Draft Indigenous Knowledge Sharing Agreement and the Indigenous Knowledge Funding Agreement for your review and comment or signature. The Indigenous Knowledge Guidance Document is also re-attached for your reference. The Indigenous Knowledge Team is available to discuss anything related to this specific information.

Moving Forward

We would be glad to organize a meeting with Aroland First Nation and our Project Leads to discuss the above and/or to answer any questions you may have. Should a meeting or more information be required, please let our consultant Kyla Zielbauer know and she will work with you to schedule any meetings or gather any information needed.

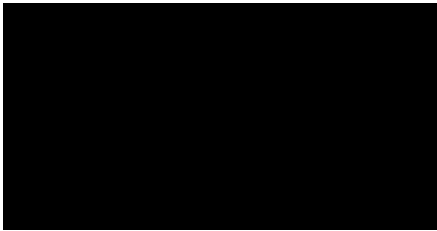




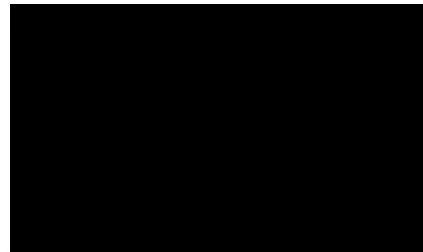
As mentioned above, the MFFN CAR Project is able to provide funding to Aroland First Nation to complete Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information collection, as well as funding through the Indigenous Knowledge Program Sharing Agreement for the collection of Indigenous Knowledge. The MFFN CAR Project Team spoke to the Province of Ontario, who informed us that Aroland First Nation is able to use their PFI funding to help with this work and that Aroland First Nation is to connect with Andrew Locke to discuss details related to the use of that funding. Andrew Locke can be contacted at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

We look forward to collaborating with you on these important programs.

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
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- Samantha Markham, MFFN CAR Project Consultant
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Enclosure

- MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage Information Collection Memo
- MFFN CAR Socio-Economic Guidance Document
- MFFN CAR Indigenous Knowledge Program Guidance Document
- Aroland First Nation/MFFN CAR Confidential Indigenous Knowledge Program Sharing Agreement
- Aroland First Nation/MFFN CAR Confidential Indigenous Knowledge Program Funding Agreement





Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

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9 August 2023 at 17:56

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Hi Andrew,

Thank you for your email and the update regarding the protocol. We are looking forward to assisting Aroland First Nation in their Indigenous Knowledge, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information studies once the time arrives!

In the meantime, please let me know if there are any questions or concerns regarding the information/documents I sent on August 3rd and I can connect you with a member of the relevant discipline team if needed.

Have a great rest of your week,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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MFFN CAR - Upcoming Field Program Studies

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 23 August 2023 at 09:11
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Good Morning Andrew.

Please find attached, a letter from the MFFN CAR Project Team in regards to the Groundwater Baseline Program and the associated drilling work, as well as supporting memos.




Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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 Marc Crew, Christine Green, Ingrid Trimble

Date:
 August 1 2023

Memo

Subject: Groundwater Baseline Program at Sites 6,15,16,27

The objective of the Groundwater Baseline Program is to provide baseline conditions field data to support the Impact Assessment (IA) / Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR) Project.

The groundwater baseline study will include installation of hydrogeological stations within the Local Study Area (LSA). The study focuses on areas where the Project has potential to affect groundwater quantity or quality, specifically in areas near sensitive receptors.

As a continuation from the 2022 winter groundwater program, further groundwater drilling and investigation was completed in April of 2023. This memo provides a summary of the April 2023 groundwater effort.

As part of continued commitment to incorporate traditional knowledge concerns, Aroland was invited to participate in the drilling activities proposed at these sites. Unfortunately, Aroland members were unable to join the activities.

Table 1 provides a daily summary on the progress of the April groundwater sampling program.

Table 1: Groundwater Sampling Site Summary

Site	Date	Daily Summary Notes
27 and 16	April 10	Began snow removal at site 27 and site 16.
27	April 11	Set up equipment at site 27.
	April 12	Aroland monitors unable to join the drilling program due to a death in the community. Began drilling at site 27. A bear was seen about a 10 minute helicopter ride from the site.
27 and 16 16	April 13	Completed site 27 and began moving equipment to site 16. No Aroland Monitors (see notes from April 12)

	April 14	<p>Poor weather delayed the program until 10:00 am.</p> <p>Moved remaining equipment from site 27 to 16 and set up drill at site 16.</p> <p>Matt from MFFN joined the program and spotted possible Marten Scat. A bear was spotted 15 minutes out of Nakina on a logging road.</p>
N/A	April 15, 16, 17	No work due to poor weather.
27	April 18	<p>Crew stopped at site 27 on the way to site 16 to install monuments and well tags.</p> <p>A hydraulic fitting broke at 11:00 am which could not be repaired or replaced. As result, the workday was ended early.</p> <p>Matt from MFFN joined the program.</p>
27, 16, 15	April 19	<p>Still unable to fix hydraulic fitting.</p> <p>Monitoring well 15-3 and 15-4 were redrilled and decommissioned.</p> <p>The drill rig was moved to Monitoring well 15-1 for coring,</p> <p>Matt from MFN joined the program.</p>
15 and 16	April 20	<p>Fixed hydraulic fitting.</p> <p>Continued drilling at site 16 (Monitoring well 15-1)</p> <p>Flew to site 15 to see the area and leave snowshoes and shovels for clearing.</p> <p>Matt from MFFN joined the program.</p>
N/A	April 21	No work due to poor weather
15 and 16	April 22	<p>Cleared snow at site 15 and moved remaining equipment from site 16 to 15.</p> <p>The day was ended early due to poor weather</p>
	April 23	Began drilling at site 15.
15	April 24	<p>Continued drilling at site 15 and begin clean-up of site.</p> <p>A crew member spilled methanol on their hands. An Incident report was completed.</p>
15 and 16	April 25	<p>Finalized clean up of site 15</p> <p>Cleared snow at site 6 to prepare for equipment set up.</p>
N/A	April 26	No work completed this day
6	April 27	Set up equipment at site 6. There was a slight delay due to weather.
	April 28	<p>Weather turned bad halfway through flight to site 6 which forced the helicopter to return to Nakina. At 11:00 the weather was good enough to fly again.</p> <p>Finished demobilization of site 6,</p>

All the Groundwater Monitoring Wells planned under this program have been successfully installed. The team continues to conduct seasonal groundwater sampling though to the end of 2024. Notifications of those programs are available through the Marten Falls Project Email.



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Jennifer Bruin, Bob Baxter, Lawrence Baxter, Qasim
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Project name:
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road

Project ref:
60593122

CC:
Jarrid Radoslav, Elaine Lee-Ho, Leah Deveaux, Jean-
Marc Crew, Christine Green, Ingrid Trimble

Date:
January 13, 2023

Memo

Subject: Aroland Monitors for the Groundwater Baseline Program at Sites 10, 16, and 27.

The objective of the Groundwater Baseline Program is to provide baseline conditions field data to support the Impact Assessment (IA) / Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR) Project.

The groundwater baseline study will include installation of hydrogeological stations within the Local Study Area (LSA). The study focuses on areas where the Project has potential to affect groundwater quantity or quality, specifically in areas near sensitive receptors.

A helicopter flyover with Marten Falls and Aroland Community members was completed in August 2022 at three potential groundwater sites (10, 16 and 27) to determine if the site locations can be suitably cleared for the purpose of drilling and installing the groundwater wells proposed for the groundwater baseline program. As part of continued commitment to incorporate traditional knowledge concerns, Aroland was invited to participate in the drilling activities proposed at these sites.

From November 25 to December 4, 2023, Aroland First Nation monitors accompanied the drilling team during their work on Sites 10 and 16 which is located within Aroland First Nation territory in November 2022. The site visits were very positive, and no concerns were noted by the monitors during their time on both sites. Due to weather and time constraints, drilling activities at Site 27 could not be completed in 2022, and will be completed in Spring of 2023. We will continue to follow up and engage Aroland First Nation about their participation in this work. **Table 1** describes Aroland's participation in the Groundwater Baseline Program.

Table 1: Groundwater Sampling Site Summary

Site	Drilling Date	Daily Summary Notes	Comments from Aroland
10 (Aroland)	Drilled November 25	Started mobilizing for Site 10 set up and started drilling at Site 10. Bob Baxter and John Towedo attended. Monitors stayed back until mobilization was over and came to site as we began drilling. Bob Baxter and John Towedo were happy with the progress.	Bob Baxter and John Towedo were pleased with the drilling operation and site work. Bob had no issue with us drilling ahead of them getting to site. Bob Baxter found Wolverine tracks near site. All three monitors were interested in the work we were doing and did not have any issues with the site work.
	November 26	Drilling continued at Site 10. Bob Baxter, John Towedo and Jack Shabogamik attended.	
	November 27	Drilling completed for Site 10 and began demobilize to Site 16. Due to the approaching mid-day inclement weather, a decision was made to remain on site and finish with the work for the day, rather than leaving to pick up the monitors. This plan was confirmed with Bob Baxter.	
	November 28	No drilling occurred. Inclement weather with freezing rain resulted in a no-fly order for the entire day. The monitors remained at the airport with the crew. Bob Baxter departed for Thunder Bay and Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo were brought back to Aroland at the end of the day.	
	November 30	No drilling occurred. Monitors were told to stay home as we couldn't work with weather conditions. Heavy snow and no power at Nakina.	
16 (Aroland) Detailed Site	Drilled December 1	Drilling commenced at Site 16. Jack Shabogamik attended, John Towedo did not show up to be picked up. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	Jack Shabogamik was happy with the program and built a large fire to keep us warm and created a walking trail to the drill sites. Both monitors were pleased with progress and a big help to the staff on site.
	December 2	Drilling continued at Site 16, detailed site and lots of detailed site bedrock was encountered at shallow depths. Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
	December 3	Drilling completed at Site 16. John Towedo and Jack Shabogamik attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
	December 4	Mobilization from Site 16 to Site 6 completed. Jack Shabogamik and John Towedo attended. AECOM staff provided transportation to and from Aroland.	
<p>Table 2 provides an overview of the Spring 2023 schedule. Aroland will be contacted to participate during the Spring 2023 Groundwater Sampling Program.</p>			
Site	Date to be Drilled		
27 (Aroland)	Spring 2023		

Conclusion

The site visits for Site 10 and Site 16 were very positive, and no concerns were noted by the monitors during their time on site. Site 27 will be drilled in Spring of 2023. We will continue to follow up and engage Aroland First Nation about their participation in this work.



August 23, 2023

Aroland First nation



Sent via email

Re: Aroland First Nation Monitoring for the Groundwater 2023 Spring Field Work at Sites 16 and 27

Greetings Chief Dorothy Towedo and Aroland First Nation Council,

In order to uphold our commitment to engage and consult in all aspects of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) assessment process, we wanted to provide a summary of the drilling activities completed between April 10 and April 20, 2023 at Sites 10, 16 and 27, as part of the groundwater field program. Aroland First Nation monitors were invited to participate in the 2023 spring field work, but unfortunately they were unable to attend.

The groundwater field program objective is to provide existing conditions data to support the Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement for the MFFN CAR Project, which includes the installation of groundwater monitoring stations throughout the Local Study Area and the collection of baseline data including water levels and chemical parameters.

Prior to completing field work, MFFN CAR previously shared a map with Aroland First Nation of the proposed sites where monitoring wells would be installed. Aroland First nation indicated that they were interested in Sites 10, 16 and 27. A helicopter flyover with Aroland First Nation monitors and MFFN members was completed in August 2022 to review the suitability of clearing Sites 10, 16 and 27 for the drilling and installation of the groundwater wells. A draft summary of the helicopter flyover (the flyover memo) was provided to Aroland First Nation for review, feedback was incorporated, and a revised flyover memo was sent back on September 28, 2022. To date, no additional feedback has been received on the revised flyover memo.

In addition to the flyover, Aroland First Nation monitors accompanied the team while drilling on Sites 10 and 16 from November 25 to December 4, 2022. To our knowledge, no concerns were raised during this field work. Due to weather and time constraints, drilling activities at Sites 16 and 27 could not be completed in 2022. A summary of this work was sent to Aroland First Nation on March 2, 2022 (the drilling memo). To date, we have not received any feedback on the drilling memo. In the 2022 drilling memo, the MFFN CAR Project Team committed to continue to follow up and engage Aroland First Nation about their participation in the remaining work in Spring 2023.

Outreach to Aroland First Nation began in early March 2023 to follow up on your community's interest in sending monitors to oversee the remaining drilling work at Sites 16 and 27. Despite both parties' continued efforts to coordinate and schedule monitor participation, the Aroland First Nation monitors





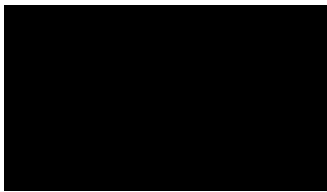
were unable to participate. We received notification of a death in the community on April 13, 2023. Out of respect to your community, we did not want to continue to land the helicopter in Aroland without your expressed consent. We did not receive confirmation that we could continue to come to the community, as such the decision was made to avoid entering Aroland with the helicopter. Due to Species at Risk timing constraints that put the study at risk of being pushed back another year, we continued with the drilling activities.

A MFFN community member was able to participate and assisted in monitoring the sites. No issues or concerns were brought forth from the MFFN monitor. The drilling activities at Sites 16 and 27 were completed on April 20, 2023.

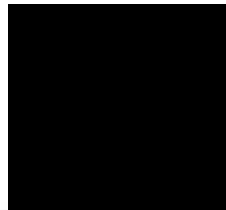
Attached to this letter is the summary memo from the last monitoring event and a memo for the work completed in April and June 2023. The drilling completed in June occurred on sites not previously identified by Aroland First Nation as within your traditional territory. We are happy to discuss the follow up monitoring program for all the groundwater monitoring sites should it be of interest.

We look forward to coordinating Aroland First Nation's participation in the fieldwork associated with our upcoming programming related to groundwater, cultural heritage and socio-economic data collection and in our continued efforts to create a Collaboration Proposal between Aroland First Nation and MFFN.

Best Regards,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

CC:

- Aroland First Nation Council Members
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Laura Sayers, Shared Value Solutions
- Rojin Amani, Shared Value Solutions
- Bob Baxter, Community Member Advisor, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team
- Selena Contardo, MFFN CAR Project Consultant
- Jean-Marc Crew, MFFN CAR Project Consultant
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- Ingrid Trimble-Exner, MFFN CAR Project Consultant





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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 27 September 2023 at 13:16
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

I hope you are well and you had a great summer! It's hard to believe fall is here already.

It has been some time since we last spoke and I wondered if you were available for a call sometime this week? I am available on Thursday and Friday this week if you could suggest some times that work for you.

I would like to discuss any updates from both Aroland First Nation and from the MFFN CAR Project, as well as potential meeting dates and upcoming events.

Thank you for your consideration,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 28 September 2023 at 07:05
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Hi Andrew,

Today at 1:30 works for me. I will give you call then.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Hi Andrew,

Thanks very much for speaking with me this afternoon. Below is a summary of the key points of our conversation and please do let me know if anything was misinterpreted.

Communication Protocol

- The signed agreement was received last week and Aroland First Nation will send over a signed copy soon.

Upcoming Elections

- Aroland First Nation will be entering their election cycle very soon. Aroland First Nation decision making will be on hold and will impact the ability of Chief and Council to meet with the MFFN CAR Project Team.
- You will provide the Project with any updates to contact information for Aroland First Nation Chief and Council when available.
- I will provide any updates to contact information for Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council when available.

Upcoming Potential Meeting

- The MFFN CAR Project Team will be in the area the week of October 23 - 27 for PIC #5 and would like to meet with Aroland First Nation.
- You will advise Aroland First Nation Chief and Council of this request and get back to me. I asked if Aroland First Nation would be agreeable to having the Province and/or IAAC at the meeting and you would mention this to Chief and Council.
- You mentioned that a general meeting where the Project Team could provide information about the Project to the community and receive questions would be appropriate and would have to occur in the afternoon/evening.

Data Collection

- We discussed that Aroland First Nation would still like to conduct their own studies (IK/Socio-Ec/Cultural Heritage) and provide that information to the Project.

Community Coordinator Program

- Aroland First Nation does not have any interest in this program due to the reporting process (to MFFN CAR Project Team).

Key Dates

- Public Information Centre (PIC) #5 is happening the week of October 23 - 27, 2023
- ATRI Forum #2 is happening November 21 - 23, 2023 in Thunder Bay
- A climate change workshop will be held in early 2024
**More information and formal notices will be sent to the community*

Contacts

- Megan and Chloe are to be added to the contact list and you will provide their contact information.

I will look forward to hearing from you early next week regarding a possible meeting in October.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 4 October 2023 at 13:55
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Hi Andrew,

Following up on our conversation last week to see if you have had a chance to speak with Chief and Council about a potential meeting? The MFFN CAR Project Team would like to propose a meeting on October 26th but are open to suggestions from Aroland First Nation.

The Project Team will be in the Thunder Bay and Geraldton area the week of October 23rd and will be hosting PIC #5. More information related to the PICs will be shared shortly.

Thank you,
Kyla
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Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the update. I will let our team know.

As you may have seen, the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Public Information Centre (PIC) #5 information was distributed from the project email this afternoon. I have attached the invitation to this email.

The MFFN CAR Project Team will be hosting PIC #5 in Geraldton on October 26. Event details are outlined below:

Thursday, October 26, 2023

Geraldton Community Centre (the arena), 200 Wardrope Avenue, Geraldton, Ontario

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. – Indigenous Members Session

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. – Public Session

* The first hour of each meeting is reserved for Indigenous community members only. The public, including Indigenous communities, are invited to join beginning one hour following the reserved time.

Understanding that this is an extremely busy time for the community, we would like to inquire if Aroland First Nation community members would be interested in a shuttlebus pick-up and drop-off to facilitate their attendance at the Geraldton PIC? We would like to propose a pick-up in Aroland at 3:30 p.m. at the band office and leaving the PIC around 5:30 p.m. to head back to Aroland. We would ask that community members please RSVP by noon on Wednesday October 25 to reserve a seat on the bus.

Please let me know if this is agreeable to Chief and Council and if you would like us to provide a flyer that can be used to advertise the event.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Join us for the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) All-Season Community Access Road Public Information Centre #5: Existing Conditions Report and Route Selection Milestone

Join us to learn about and provide feedback on:

- Updates since Public Information Centre #4, including what we've heard and how feedback is being considered;
- Update on what we heard at the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) Forum and plans for the next forum;
- Update on existing conditions results for completed studies;
- How Indigenous Knowledge is used and how it informs the process;
- Achieving the next major milestone: Identifying the preferred route and how route alternatives will be assessed, recommended and a preferred route chosen;
- Cumulative effects assessment and why it is important; and
- Next steps and future opportunities to get involved.

Join us and share your feedback, ideas and values related to the proposed all-season access road.

About the Project

MFFN is a remote First Nation community in northern Ontario, located at the junction of the Albany and Ogoki rivers, approximately 170 km northeast of Nakina, Ontario.

MFFN Community Access Road is a proposed all-season road that will connect MFFN to Ontario's provincial highway network in the south, increasing access and helping foster economic development and improve quality of life for community members. The Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment will assess the potential impacts and benefits related to the proposed Community Access Road.

When and Where?

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

Best Western Nor'Wester
2080 Highway #61
Thunder Bay, Ontario

Indigenous Members Session:

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Public Session:

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 26, 2023

Geraldton Community Centre
200 Wardrobe Avenue
Geraldton, Ontario

Indigenous Members Session:

4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Public Session:

5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

*Light refreshments will be served.

Information panels will be available for review, along with maps, fact sheets and feedback forms. Project Team members will be available to answer questions and receive comments.

If you cannot make the in-person session, you can find the information posted on our website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca). Public Information Centres are wheelchair accessible; contact us if you require other accessibility accommodations.



MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL - SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

Understanding the Road's Potential Impacts

MFFN is preparing an Individual Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement for the proposed Community Access Road. On October 8, 2021, the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP) approved the Terms of Reference (ToR) with amendments.

The federal Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines were issued on February 24, 2020 and the federal government granted an extension on January 13, 2023. This will be the fifth Public Information Centre held to support the identification of the preferred route milestone of the Impact Assessment and Environmental Assessment processes.

Contact

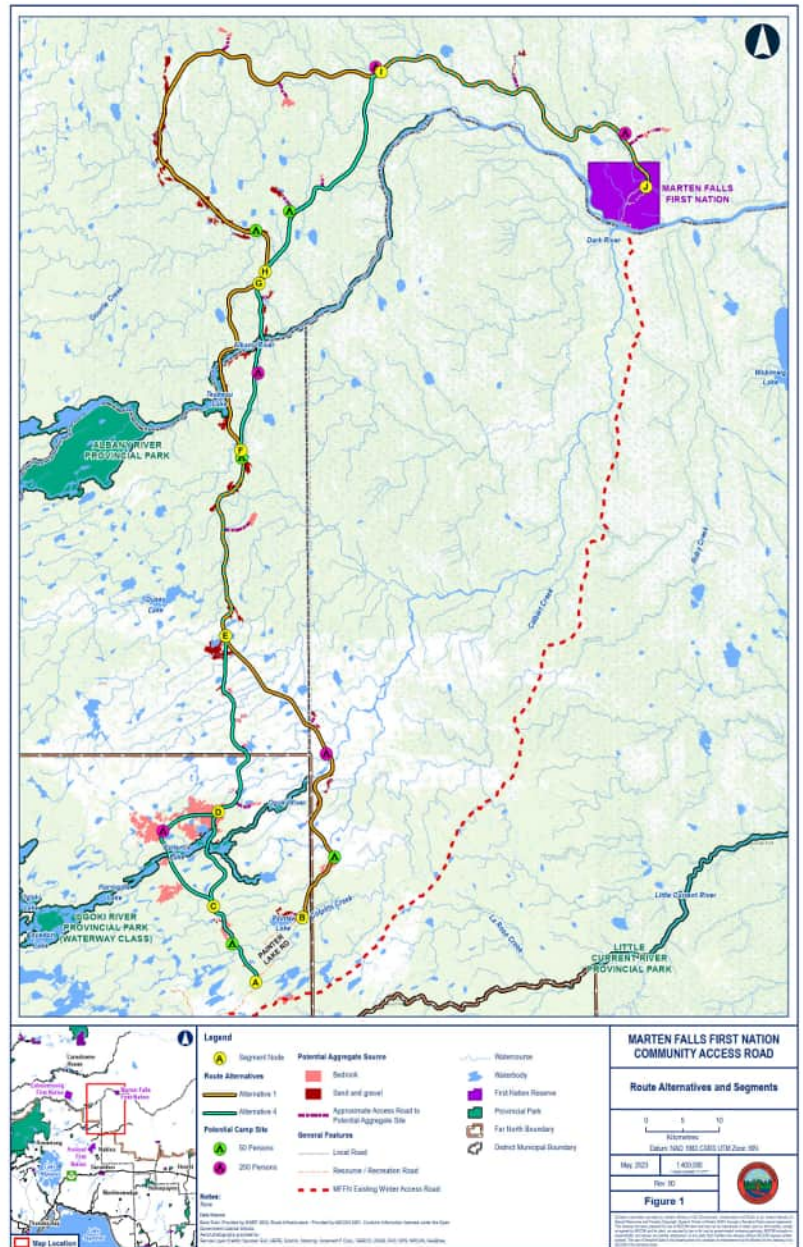
For information on the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment processes and progress related to this Project, please visit

<https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

If you are unable to attend the event, or have any comments or questions regarding the Project, you are welcome to contact the Project Team at any time during the process at 1-800-764-9114 or info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Thank you for your participation.

Personal information submitted (e.g., name, address and phone number) is collected, maintained and disclosed under the authority of the Environmental Assessment Act and the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act for transparency and consultation purposes. Personal information you submit will become part of a public record that is available to the general public, unless you request your personal information remain confidential.



Invitation - ATRI Forum Nov 21 - 23, 2023

Nokleby, Andrea <[REDACTED]>

17 October 2023 at 09:00

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Chief Towedo

On behalf of the Marten Falls First Nation and Webequie First Nation Project Teams, please find attached an invitation to attend the Second Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights Forum related to the following projects:

- Webequie Supply Road (WSR)
- Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR)
- Northern Road Link (NRL)

Building on the first Forum held in February 2023, this follow-up Forum provides an opportunity to identify and discuss potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and interests as they relate to the above Projects.

Day 1 and 2 of the Forum will focus on Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests. On Day 3, we will be hosting a half-day discussion on Cumulative Effects as they relate to the Projects.

If you have any questions regarding the Forum or need additional information to engage your community please do not hesitate to reach out to us using the following contact information:

WSR: Michael Fox: [REDACTED]

MFCAR: Andrea Nokleby: [REDACTED]

NRL: Mishal Naseer: [REDACTED]

We look forward to seeing you there.

Have a great day,

Andrea



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ABORIGINAL AND / OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • MARTEN FALLS COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (MFCAR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

YOU ARE INVITED!

ABORIGINAL AND / OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS FORUM

Led by Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation

Funded by Ontario, our Treaty partner



Thunder Bay

Valhalla Inn, 1 Valhalla Inn Rd

November 21 - 23, 2023



Building on the momentum of the first Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum in February 2023, Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation encourage you to participate in a follow-up Forum to discuss potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests as they relate to the following Projects:

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL) • Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR)



Participant Funding

The Province of Ontario will fund up to 3 representatives from your community to attend the Forum, including travel, accommodation and meals. All questions about funding or the coordination of funding should be directed to the Province of Ontario at ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca.

Additional community representatives are welcome to attend.



Purpose

The Purpose of this Forum is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop and/or confirm our understanding of the Project areas (WSR, MFCAR, and NRL) as your Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests may be impacted by these Projects. *Please note the purpose of this event is to discuss Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests and not to collect Indigenous Knowledge.*



Who Should Attend from your Community

Representatives who are knowledgeable about and comfortable speaking to the Rights and Interests of your community in any of the Project areas. Representatives who can continue this dialogue with their community to better understand and share Rights and Interests in any of the Project areas are also encouraged to attend.

On Day 3 of the Forum, we will be hosting a half-day discussion on Cumulative Effects as they relate to the Projects.

RSVP to ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca by October 23rd, 2023 to reserve your room at the Valhalla Inn. (Later RSVP for Forum attendance is OK!)



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Hi Andrew,

I wanted to follow up on our offer to provide a shuttle bus to transport Aroland First Nation community members to and from PIC #5 in Geraldton on October 26th.

I understand this is a busy time for the community, so please do let me know if you have any feedback on a better way to address and/or promote this opportunity.

Sincerely,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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18 October 2023 at 14:06

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Bcc: "Poulakas, Demetri" <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the updates. Please let us know as soon as possible if there is interest in the shuttle to/from PIC #5.

As you requested in our phone call in September, please find updated contact information for Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council below:

Achneepineskum	Bruce	Chief	[REDACTED]
Moonias	Linda	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Baxter	Shane	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Baxter	Maria	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Achneepineskum	Paul	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Moonias	Rob	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Baxter	Bob	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Achneepineskum	Russell	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Baxter	Yvonne	Councillor	[REDACTED]
Baxter	Corinna	Executive Assistant to C&C	[REDACTED]

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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Traveling for work and limited availability: October 23 - 27



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MFFN CAR - Project Updates

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23 October 2023 at 19:00

To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani

<[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin

<[REDACTED]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hi Andrew,

The date for the Geraldton PIC is quickly approaching. I wanted to find out if you have heard of any interest in a shuttle to pick up and drop off Aroland First Nation community members?

If you could please let me know by the end of the day on Wednesday, that would be ideal for our planning.

Thanks very much,

Kyla

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 14 November 2023 at 16:32
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
Bcc: "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

Understanding that Aroland First Nation is in elections, please share the information below as needed. I'm emailing today to provide some updates for the MFFN CAR Project and to specifically highlight upcoming events.

Route Selection Webinar

You are invited to join us for a new webinar series on the Community Access Road. The first webinar will be on Route Selection. Details are as follows:

Date: **Thursday November 16, 2023**

Time: **4:00 pm EST**

Please register [HERE](#) to receive the webinar link.

ATRI Forum #2

ATRI Forum #2 will be held at the Valhalla Inn in Thunder Bay from November 21 - 23, 2023. Building on the first Forum held in February 2023, this follow-up Forum provides an opportunity to identify and discuss potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and interests as they relate to the MFFN CAR and other local road projects.

Day 1 and 2 of the Forum will focus on Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and interests. On day 3, we will be hosting a half-day discussion on Cumulative Effects as they relate to the projects.

Please see the attached invite for more information.

Indigenous Knowledge Program

As you may have seen on the November 10th email, the MFFN CAR Project Team is requesting community-specific IK information be submitted by December 11, 2023 in order to be included in the draft EA/IS. Noting that the Project Team has not yet met with Aroland First Nation and the election is underway, we understand that the community will be unable to meet this timeline. We will look forward to meeting with Chief and Council after the election and will continue to support Aroland First Nation in their IK collection study. Funding to help the community with their IK collection is still available.

In the event that Aroland First Nation does share IK information with the Project, please advise if a sharing agreement should be in place. In the meantime, we will update the Project sharing agreement template for consideration and get that sent to the community once Aroland First Nation is ready to discuss the Project.

Climate Change Workshop

A workshop is to be held in early 2024 with interested Indigenous communities. Dates and more formal notice will be shared soon.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns regarding any of the above information. We look forward to meeting with the community in the near future and wish everyone good luck with the upcoming election.

Thank you,
Kyla



Kyla Zielbauer
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ABORIGINAL AND / OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS

WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD (WSR) • MARTEN FALLS COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD (MFCAR) • NORTHERN ROAD LINK (NRL)

YOU ARE INVITED!

ABORIGINAL AND / OR TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS FORUM

Led by Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation

Funded by Ontario, our Treaty partner



Thunder Bay

Valhalla Inn, 1 Valhalla Inn Rd

November 21 - 23, 2023



Building on the momentum of the first Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum in February 2023, Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation encourage you to participate in a follow-up Forum to discuss potential impacts to northern Indigenous communities' Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests as they relate to the following Projects:

Webequie Supply Road (WSR) • Northern Road Link (NRL) • Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR)



Participant Funding

The Province of Ontario will fund up to 3 representatives from your community to attend the Forum, including travel, accommodation and meals. All questions about funding or the coordination of funding should be directed to the Province of Ontario at ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca.

Additional community representatives are welcome to attend.



Purpose

The Purpose of this Forum is to create a respectful, culturally-sensitive, and collaborative space to develop and/or confirm our understanding of the Project areas (WSR, MFCAR, and NRL) as your Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests may be impacted by these Projects. *Please note the purpose of this event is to discuss Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests and not to collect Indigenous Knowledge.*



Who Should Attend from your Community

Representatives who are knowledgeable about and comfortable speaking to the Rights and Interests of your community in any of the Project areas. Representatives who can continue this dialogue with their community to better understand and share Rights and Interests in any of the Project areas are also encouraged to attend.

On Day 3 of the Forum, we will be hosting a half-day discussion on Cumulative Effects as they relate to the Projects.

RSVP to ea.participant.fund@ontario.ca by October 23rd, 2023 to reserve your room at the Valhalla Inn. (Later RSVP for Forum attendance is OK!)



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COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Re: Invitation - ATRI Forum Nov 21 - 23, 2023

Nokleby, Andrea <[redacted]> 17 November 2023 at 16:53
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, michaelfox <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Cafaro, Caitlin (IAAC/AEIC)" <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, "Moszynski, Dorothy (MECP)" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>


Good Afternoon Chief Towedo and Andrew,

Thank you for your email and letter. We will review in further detail and be sure to respond shortly.

I hope everyone has a nice weekend,

Andrea



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Milestone 2 Progress Report

MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

27 November 2023 at 12:03

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Dear Chief Dorothy Towedo,

We hope this email finds you well.

The Milestone #2 Progress Report for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road has been drafted and is ready for review. The following link includes the Report and associated appendices to view or download, for Aroland First Nation: [REDACTED].

The Milestone #2 Progress Report covers July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023.

We welcome any edits or comments to your community-specific section by **February 15, 2024**, before the reports are finalized and shared publicly with the Draft Environmental Assessment Report / Impact Statement.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the reports and timeline, please reply to this email. We also kindly ask if you could let us know if you received this email and can view / download the documents successfully.

If you have any questions or comments about the Community Access Road, please reply to this email or give us a call at 1-800-764-9114.

Sincerely,
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

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 MFFN Community Access Road Project Team
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

For Review - Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Existing Conditions Report

Nokleby, Andrea <[redacted]> 28 November 2023 at 14:09
To: [redacted], [redacted], [redacted], [redacted], [redacted]
Cc: Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>

Booshoo / Wachea,

Marten Falls First Nation is completing a Federal Impact Assessment and Provincial Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Community Access Road Project.

Marten Falls First Nation is **required** to complete an Assessment of Potential Impacts on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, as part of the assessment processes. Marten Falls First Nation also **wants** to understand your rights and how they may be affected by the proposed Project.

The Project Team has prepared the attached ***Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Existing Conditions Report***, which describes our current understanding of your community's Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests as they relate to the proposed Project.

This report is important because it will be used for the future impact / environmental assessment (i.e., this report is not the assessment). In order to do a meaningful impact assessment in the future, the Project Team really needs to understand your community's rights and / or interests with respect to the proposed Project.

The Report has been prepared based on any information provided directly to Marten Falls First Nation and publicly available sources of information.

We want to work with you to update the Draft Preliminary Existing Conditions Report with information your community chooses to share with Marten Falls First Nation. Important dates to note:

- We are asking for communities to provide input on the draft report by **January 19, 2024**, where possible, so it can be woven into the Draft Impact Statement / Environmental Assessment Report (2024).
- Additional information, feedback, comments and edits can be shared after this date. This Draft Preliminary Existing Conditions Report will not be finalized until later in 2024.
- Information **received after January 19, 2024** will be woven into the next phases of the assessment processes including the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Report (2025).

We would be more than happy to meet with you to:

- Hear your feedback - what did we miss, what did we get wrong, what is correct?
- Discuss the best way to update the report; and
- Review and discuss the Project schedule and next steps.

It is important to note that this is an iterative process, and we will continue to update our understanding of your rights and / or interests as we work towards completing the Impact Statement / Environmental Assessment.

We hope all is well with you and your community.

Andrea



Andrea Nokleby
Partner

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Milestone 2 Progress Report

MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

29 November 2023 at 11:24

To: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Due to technical issues, the Milestone #2 Progress Report was updated on November 28, 2023. The link in the original email remains valid. Please download the new version of the report provided in the community specific folder.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

Sincerely,

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

MFFN Community Access Road Project Team

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Email us: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Socio-Economic Interest Check Letter

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 7 December 2023 at 14:21
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Bethany Haalboom <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>




Hello Andrew,

Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is continuing the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) and Federal Impact Assessment (IA) for the proposed Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project that is to provide all season access to the community. Attached is a letter requesting if your community has any interests or concerns regarding possible social-community and/or economic impacts as a result of the MFFN CAR project. Please also note that this request is different from other requests sent to your community regarding the collection of Indigenous Knowledge and information pertaining to the assessment of impacts to Indigenous rights.

Should Aroland First Nation have socio-economic interests or concerns related to the MFFN CAR Project, we would like to hear from you by December 30, 2023.

As we do not have contact information for the new Chief and Council, I am hoping that you can provide this letter to Chief Gagnon and others as necessary.

Thanks very much,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team

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December 07, 2023

Aroland First Nation



Sent via email

Subject: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project – Socio-economic Assessment Interest

Dear Chief Sonny Gagnon,

Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is continuing the provincial Environmental Assessment (EA) and Federal Impact Assessment (IA) for the proposed Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project that is to provide all season access to the community. As per previous correspondence sent to your community, the Project is currently in the process of assessing alternative routes for the proposed access road. Most recently, Public Information Centres and webinars have been held to present information related to alternative route assessment. A preferred route is to be confirmed in early 2024.

Once the preferred route is selected, an assessment of possible Project impacts is to be undertaken. This impact assessment is to be completed in spring 2024 and a draft EA Report/IA Statement is to be completed and released in summer 2024.

The purpose of this letter is to again request **if your community has any interests or concerns regarding possible social-community and/or economic impacts as a result of the MFFN CAR project?** The construction of the Community Access Road has the potential to result in various social and economic effects, particularly for those communities that would be connected to or have access to the proposed road. This could include both potential positive and negative effects. Attached to this letter are a list of the possible social and economic effects of the Project that are to be assessed.

To meet the requirements of the Federal IA process, we are required to assess potential social and economic effects of the MFFN CAR project on all communities that have been identified for engagement. If your community has interests or concerns regarding possible social and/or economic effects from the MFFN CAR Project then we would like to hear from you. We would like to understand your concerns and explore related information collection that might include interviews with community representatives and/or community surveys.

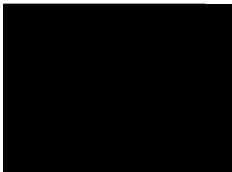




Please also note that this request is different than other requests sent to your community regarding the collection of Indigenous Knowledge and information pertaining to the assessment of impacts to Indigenous rights.

Please get in touch with Kyla Zielbauer at [REDACTED] should you have interest in or would like to talk about concerns related to potential social and/or economic impacts of the MFFN CAR project.

Yours truly,



Lawrence Baxter

MFFN CAR Project Team Member/MFFN Community Member





What Are the Possible Social and Economic Effects of the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project?

Social:

- Community populations.
- Supply and demand for housing and community services like education and childcare.
- Change in volume of traffic on existing roads that would connect with the Marten Falls Community Access Road.
- Change in local air quality and noise levels that could result in nuisance effects.
- Changes to community wellbeing.

Economic:

- New business opportunities.
- Change in regional economic activity.
- Project procurement opportunities (goods and services required for the project).
- Changes to the price of goods in local communities, traditional economies, job opportunities and training opportunities.
- Government expenditures and tax revenue.
- Regional economy, including changes to: prices for goods and services.
- Impact to local business operations, the labour market including employment and training, and public finances.





Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Socio-Economic Interest Check Letter

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 8 December 2023 at 09:06
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>
 Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>, Bethany Haalboom <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew,

Apologies as the previous email and attached letter were sent in error - please disregard.

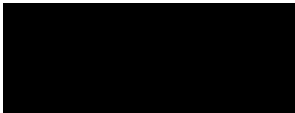
As previously mentioned, we will continue to support Aroland First Nation in collecting your community-specific socio-economic information related to the MFFN CAR Project.

Thanks and have a great day,

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 14 December 2023 at 16:44
 To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>
 Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, "Poulakas, Demetri" <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon Andrew and Jerry,

I hope you are both well!

I am reaching out to you today to provide some updates on the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project, as well as highlight some recent key events and information shared with your community.

Milestone #2 Progress Report

- An updated link to your community-specific Milestone #2 Progress Report was shared with you on November 29, 2023, and covers all consultation with Aroland First Nation from July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023.
- We welcome any edits or comments on your community-specific sections by **February 15, 2024**, before the reports are finalized and shared publicly with the draft EA Report / Impact Statement.
- If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the reports and timeline, please let me know.

Indigenous Knowledge, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage Information Collection

- The **December 11, 2023**, milestone for the submission of IK has now concluded. IK submitted after this date can be woven into subsequent stages of the assessment processes and road design. We will continue to support Aroland First Nation in their community-specific IK study in order to help inform the MFFN CAR Project and will include that information where possible.
- Please let me know if you have any questions about this or feel free to reach out to Bob Baxter at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] or to Andrea Nokleby at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]

ATRI Forum #2

- ATRI Forum #2 was held at the Valhalla Inn, in Thunder Bay on November 21 - 23, 2023. During the Forum, we heard from various Indigenous communities on their ATRI as they relate to the MFFN CAR Project

Route Selection Webinar and Webinar Series

- The webinar on Route Selection took place on Thursday November 16, 2023. A recording of the webinar can be accessed at this link: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/mffn-webinars>
- Webinars regarding Climate Change and Engineering and Cumulative Effects will be held in early 2024 with Interested Indigenous Communities. Dates and a formal notice will be shared soon.

Potential Meeting

- The MFFN CAR Project Team is interested in meeting with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council in order to re-engage the community on the Project. Please provide some dates and times with your availability to meet.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding the information above or anything else related to the MFFN CAR Project. I will phone you tomorrow to follow up on this information.

Thank you,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 15 December 2023 at 15:11
 To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Richard Herbert <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>
 Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Poulakas, Demetri" <[REDACTED]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon,

Thank you again for the phone call this afternoon Andrew. I've provided a summary of our discussion below. Please let me know if I misinterpreted or forgot anything.

New Aroland First Nation Band Manager

- Andrew mentioned that Richard Herbert is to be included in key correspondence with Aroland First Nation moving forward. It's nice to "meet" you Richard!
- Richard, please let me know if you would like to receive general project update emails from the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project, and I will add you to our contact list. We typically send out monthly notices regarding project updates, key events, and field work, as well as information regarding reporting. The MFFN CAR Project Website is: <https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/>

Draft ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report and Milestone #2 Progress Report

- We discussed the upcoming feedback deadlines for each report and noted that you had not received the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report. That report will be forwarded to you shortly.
- Please let us know if Aroland First Nation intends to provide feedback on these reports.

Potential Meetings

- Andrew indicated that Aroland Chief and Council are still getting settled into their roles and will be meeting in January 2024.
- There is potential for meetings to occur the week of January 29, 2024,.
- Meetings between Aroland First Nation and MFFN Chief and Council, as well as between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team should be scheduled.
- Kyla inquired if there was any information or materials that could be provided to help Aroland First Nation Chief and Council to get familiar with the MFFN CAR Project. We discussed that route selection mapping could be beneficial and that Kyla will send that to your team.

As discussed, I will be on vacation starting Monday December 18, 2023. However, should there be anything urgent, please reach out to me at [REDACTED]

We wish you all a happy and healthy holiday season and we are looking forward to meeting with Aroland First Nation in the new year!

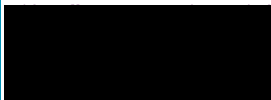
Sincerely,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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For Review - Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Existing Conditions Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 15 December 2023 at 15:15

To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>
Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

As mentioned in our phone call just now, I am reattaching the Draft ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report for review. If you could pass this on as needed, that would be great.

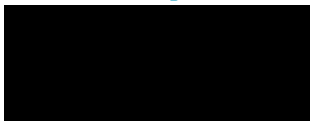
Please see the wording from Andrea below; notably the January 19, 2024, deadline to provide feedback.

Reach out if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR - Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 10 January 2024 at 16:30
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>
 Bcc: "Poulakas, Demetri" <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

I hope you had a great holiday!

I'm sending you a quick email to follow up on two reports sent to Aroland First Nation before the holidays.

Milestone #2 Progress Report

On November 27, 2023, we sent the Milestone #2 Progress Report for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR Project), with an updated link to Aroland First Nation's community-specific report on November 29, 2023, for your review.

The Milestone #2 Progress Report covers engagement that occurred for the MFFN CAR Project between July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023.

We welcome any edits or comments to the report by **February 15, 2024**.

ATRI Existing Conditions Report

On November 28, 2023, Andrea Nokleby sent the draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report to Aroland First Nation. The ATRI Existing Conditions Report describes our current understanding of Aroland First Nation's Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests, as they relate to the proposed Project.

We are asking for communities to provide input on the draft report by **January 19, 2024**, where possible, so it can be woven into the draft Impact Statement / Environmental Assessment Report.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the reports and/or timelines, please let me know.

I would like to discuss the above reports, as well as any updates from the community and from the Project. Please let me know a few times next week that would work for you.

Thank you!

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR - Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 12 January 2024 at 14:05
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nogleby <[redacted]>
 Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Poulakas, Demetri" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the quick response and update.

We understand that there have been some conflicts and that Aroland First Nation will/may require more time to review the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and Milestone #2 Progress Report.

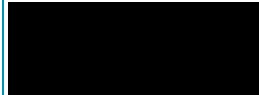
Your suggested deadline of February 15th to provide feedback on both reports will work for us. We would like to suggest prioritizing the ATRI Existing Conditions Report for review, as this information is important to continue our work on the EA / IS.

I will call you next week on Wednesday at 3pm and we can discuss any of these details further.

Have a great weekend,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR - Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 18 January 2024 at 16:18
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>
 Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Poulakas, Demetri" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me yesterday.

I wanted to highlight a couple of key points from our conversation:

- Aroland First Nation Chief and Council have asked that no consultation or engagement occur until after their February 8, 2024, inauguration and you indicated they would like to move forward with their engagement on the Project soon after this date
- You would let us know of a potential meeting date for the Project Team to present to the community once you have met with the new Council
- You mentioned that the new Council has seen the Consultation Protocol Agreement with MFFN and that you will confirm how to proceed with the new Council
- I mentioned that the Route Selection Webinar happened in November and feedback from Aroland First Nation about the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation was of high importance to the Project and would be a priority in our consultation and engagement with the community
- I shared that the Project had been brainstorming ideas and plans for future consultation and engagement with the community and you reiterated that discussion on this topic will have to wait until after the inauguration and that Aroland First Nation had previously noted they would like to conduct their own IK/Socio-ec/Cultural Heritage information collection studies
- Aroland First Nation has not started any IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information collection, as the previous Council required that a meeting with the Project Team occur prior to commencing the work
- I said that I would send the link to the Route Selection Webinar recording and information for the upcoming Climate Change Adaptation webinar, and that I would also include the previously discussed route selection mapping and a response to the November 17, 2023, ATRI Forum letter from Chief Dorothy Towedo
- We discussed the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and Milestone #2 Progress Report and that

Please let me know if I misinterpreted or left out any details.

Route Selection Webinar

A recording of the webinar can be found at this link: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/mffn-webinars>

Climate Change Adaptation Webinar

I have attached a copy of the email sent on January 16, 2024, which provides all of the details for this upcoming webinar on February 8, 2024. Registration for the webinar can be found at this link: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ze04DSZmSqSZS8c5k19vRQ

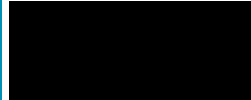
ATRI Forum #2 Letter

Please find a letter from the Project Team attached in response.

As we discussed, I will continue to provide project updates as needed and will look forward to hearing from you after the inauguration on February 8th.



Kyla Zielbauer
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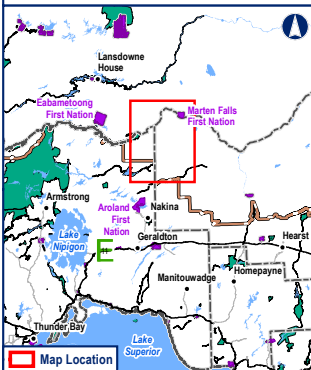
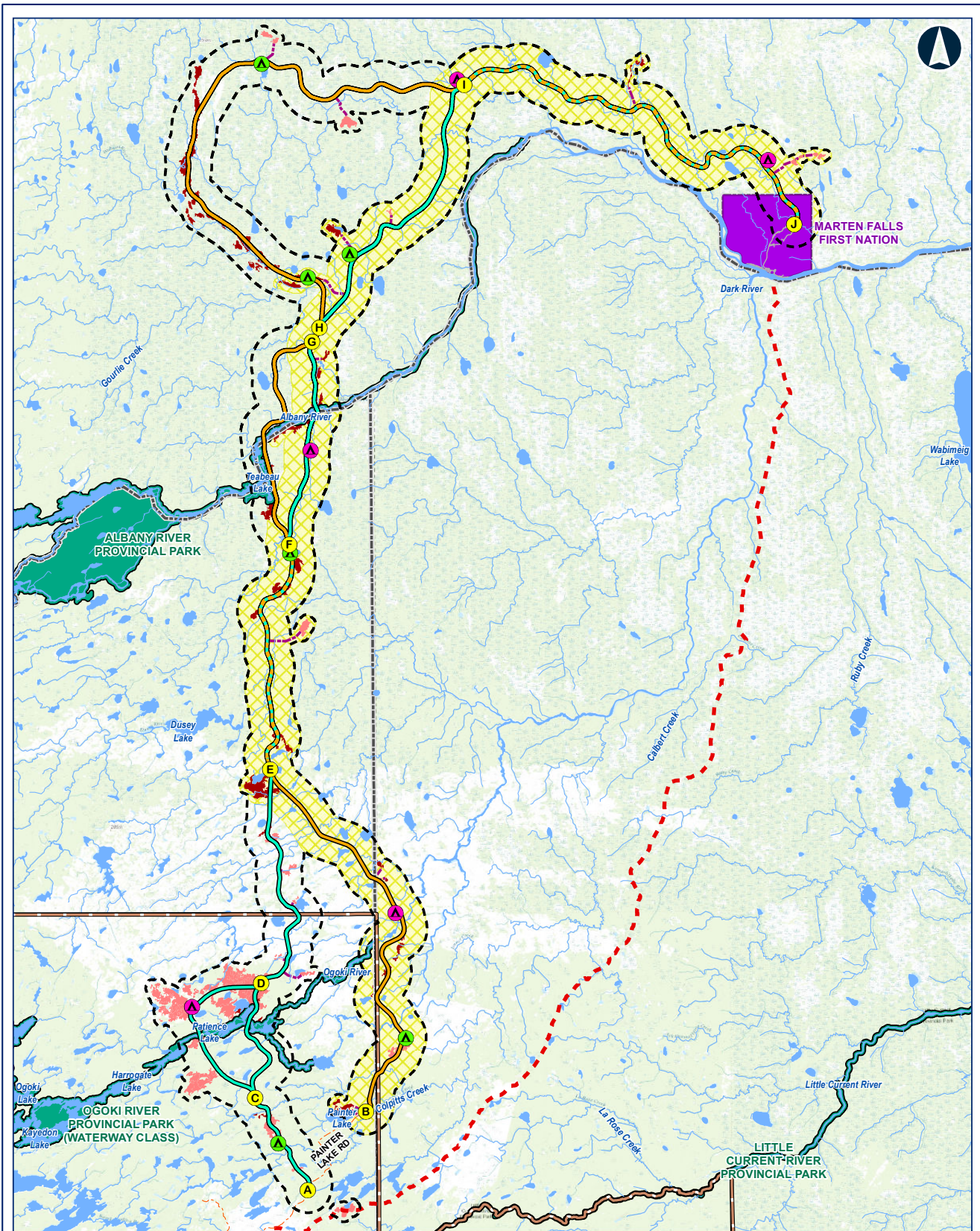


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Legend

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- Study Area
- Route Alternatives
 - Alternative 1
 - Alternative 4
- Preliminary Technically Preferred Route
- Potential Camp Site
 - 50 Persons
 - 200 Persons
- Potential Aggregate Source
 - Bedrock
 - Sand and gravel
 - Approximate Access Road to Potential Aggregate Site
- General Features
 - Local Road
 - Resource / Recreation Road
 - MFFN Existing Winter Access Road
- Watercourse
- Waterbody
- First Nation Reserve
- Provincial Park
- Far North Boundary
- District Municipal Boundary

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Join us live! New Webinar on Climate Change and the Community Access Road

MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

16 January 2024 at 16:21

The Community Access Road webinar series is back. Our next webinar is on **Climate Change Adaptation and the Community Access Road**. The Climate Change Adaptation and Resiliency Study looks at the future climate to ensure the Community Access Road is prepared for and can withstand the future climate. We are also eager to hear about changes you have observed or experienced on the land over time.

The webinar will take place **Thursday, February 8, 2024, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EST**.

You can register for the webinar at the link below and respond to this email with any questions you'd like answered: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ze04DSZmSqSZS8c5kl9vRQ

There are more webinars to come! To stay up to date on the Webinar schedule or to view past webinars, visit our [website](#).

Sincerely,
Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

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January 18, 2024

Aroland First Nation



Sent via email

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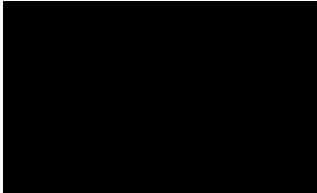
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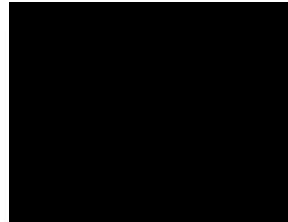


We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

cc:

- Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator
- Richard Herbert, Aroland First Nation Band Manager
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Laura Sayers, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Rojin Amani, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Meghan Buckham, Aroland First Nation Consultant
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 19 January 2024 at 13:48
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Hi Andrew,




My apologies! - I did not finish my thought on the last bullet point in the key items list:

- We discussed the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and Milestone #2 Progress Report and that Aroland First Nation will strive to provide feedback on both reports by February 15, 2024.

Please reach out if you need anything else from our team.

Have a great weekend,
 Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Hi Andrew,

I was hoping we could schedule a time to discuss project updates regarding the MFFN CAR, as well as any information you might have to share after the inauguration of Aroland First Nation's Chief and Council.

Please let me know a few times that might work for you. I am free most of the day this Friday or next Monday.

If there is anything I can provide in the meantime, please let me know.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 9 February 2024 at 10:52
 To: [redacted]
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Hi Richard,

Thank you for the update. I will ensure Councillor Baxter is included going forward.

Have a good weekend,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 15 February 2024 at 15:27
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for the update!

We will look forward to receiving Aroland First Nation's comments once available.

Have a great long weekend,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Aroland First Nation review of Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Preliminary Existing Conditions Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 20 February 2024 at 12:43
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, "Moszynski, Dorothy (MECP)" <[redacted]>, "Cafaro, Caitlin (IAAC/AEIC)" <[redacted]>
 Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the letter.

We appreciate Aroland First Nation taking the time to provide their feedback. We will review the letter and provide a response shortly.

Sincerely,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 22 February 2024 at 17:37
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: [redacted], Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
 Bcc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

I am reaching out today with a few Project updates and questions for Aroland First Nation.

Thank you again for providing comments on the ATRI Existing Conditions Report on behalf of Aroland First Nation. I noticed that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were cc'd. Could you please provide direction on whether or not Chief and Council should be included on future correspondence?

It has come to my attention that some Aroland First Nation contacts potentially did not receive some January correspondence from the Project email. The issue has been corrected on our end. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. If you would like to review the some of the information that may have been missed, please review the Winter 2024 Field Notice and January E-blast on the Project website under News/Events at <https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/>

MFFN CAR Webinars

The Climate Change Adaptation and the CAR webinar was held virtually on February 8, 2024. For those who were unable to attend or would like to view the webinar again, a recording is available at <https://vimeo.com/showcase/mffn-webinars>

Aroland First Nation's feedback, experience and insights are important to us. To share how Climate Change has/is affecting your community, please see the survey at the following link [redacted] The survey will take about 5 minutes to complete.

Upcoming webinars include discussions on Engineering and Cumulative Effects and will be coming shortly. Dates and more formal notices will be shared soon.

Community Coordinator Program

The Community Coordinator Program is still available. Would Aroland First Nation be interested in participating in this program? Are there any questions about the program?

Finally, in our phone call on February 9th, we discussed a potential meeting in Aroland where the MFFN CAR Project Team could present the Project to the community. Do you have any updates to share on when a meeting might be possible?

Please let me know if you'd like to set up a phone call to discuss any of these topics further.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Re: MFFN CAR Project Updates

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Hi Andrew,

I'm writing to follow up on my previous email. You had mentioned that representatives from Aroland First Nation would be attending PDAC this week, but I am hoping you can provide some insight to the following:

- Could you please confirm whether or not we should go ahead and add the Aroland First Nation Chief and Council emails to our contact list and if you could provide some direction on when they should receive correspondence from the MFFN CAR Project?
- We had previously discussed a potential meeting next week. Since we haven't received any additional details, I wanted to confirm that was no longer the case. Are there any updates you might be able to provide?

Thank you in advance,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 8 March 2024 at 08:23
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for your quick response.

I have made the updates to our contact list and get back to you as soon as possible with potential meeting dates that work for our team.

I've attached the job description for the Community Coordinator Program here for consideration. We welcome any questions Aroland First Nation may have on the program and are available to meet to discuss any details.

Have a great weekend,

Kyla


On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

WE'RE HIRING!

Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is undertaking a federal Impact Assessment (IA) and provincial environmental assessment (EA) for an all-season access road to our community. To support these studies, we are looking to hire **Community Coordinators**.

Are you a highly motivated person? Do you have strong organizational and relationship building skills? Would you like to work with a great project team and build experience in environmental management?

If so, this could be the role for you!

The Community Coordinator will be a primary point of contact between your community and the MFFN Project Team. We will work closely with you as you help to involve your community in the environmental assessment processes.

Responsibilities

- Coordinate between the MFFN Project Team and community members living in / outside of your community as per your local practices and in collaboration with Chief and Council;
- Keep informed on Community Access Road Project activities (e.g., timelines, documents, events) and communicate relevant Project information to community members;
- Participate in meetings with the Project Team and other Community Coordinators;
- Provide support for community engagement activities related to the Project including:
 - Coordinate and organize logistics for meetings, workshops, events and / or school visits (e.g., book meeting spaces, order refreshments, help with truck / boat rentals and accommodations);
 - Help identify meeting participants and information providers (e.g., youth and / or elders);
 - Assist with meeting facilitation, note taking and meeting minute preparation, and coordinate translation services, if needed; and
 - Organize distributing Project advertisements and notices in your community; either online or in person (e.g., Facebook or posting in community);
- Assist in collecting data / information in your community (e.g., Indigenous Knowledge, community information and socio-economic information);
- Assist in reviewing draft documents, questionnaires or Project updates / information sheets.

This position will receive \$25 per hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours per week for up to 2 years. If you would like to learn more, contact Jennifer Bruin or Niki Angelis at info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca or 1-800-764-9114.



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In addition, I wanted to follow up to confirm that the draft preliminary route selection mapping was received.

Please let us know if there are any questions or concerns regarding either item mentioned above.

Sincerely,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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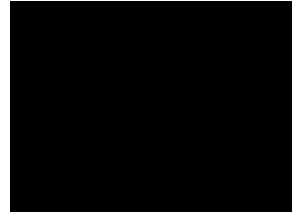


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Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

cc:

- Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Community Consultation Coordinator
- Richard Herbert, Aroland First Nation Band Manager
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Laura Sayers, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Rojin Amani, Aroland First Nation Consultant
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 21 March 2024 at 14:52
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>
 Bcc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the emails following up on Aroland First Nation's comments on the Community Coordinator Program and for confirming receipt of the November 17, 2023, letter sent by the MFFN CAR Project Team. I have a few updates on the MFFN CAR Project to share below:

Route Selection

A Route Selection Webinar was held on November 16, 2023. A recording of the webinar can be found at this link: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/mffn-webinars>

I had shared some mapping of the preliminary technically preferred route recommendation with you on January 18th but I have reattached it here if you could please share that with Chief Gagnon and Council.

As work on the CAR progresses, we continue to use community feedback to revise the route for the road. An updated technically preferred route recommendation* has been identified. Please find a video with updated information below:

[Marten Falls First Nation: Community Access Road Update](#)

**The technically preferred route recommendation is preliminary. The route will be further informed through consideration of Indigenous Knowledge.*

New Social Media Platforms

We are now on [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#) - You are welcome to follow these platforms to stay up to date on the MFFN CAR Project.

Community Coordinator Program

You have asked that the MFFN CAR Project Team reach out to Aroland First Nation to discuss alternative uses for the funding that's available through the Community Coordinator Program. I have noted this and will bring this back to the team for discussion.

ATRI Existing Conditions Report

We have received Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. A response will be shared shortly.

Milestone #2 Progress Report

A link to your community-specific Milestone #2 Progress Report was shared with you on November 29, 2023, and covers all consultation with Aroland First Nation from July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023. You let me know that Aroland First Nation would require more time to review the report and had previously suggested that February 23rd might work to provide feedback. Do you have any updates on when we might receive feedback on this report?

I am working with the Project Team to find some dates that might work to present the Project to the community and will send those as soon as I have them. Please let us know if you have any suggested dates.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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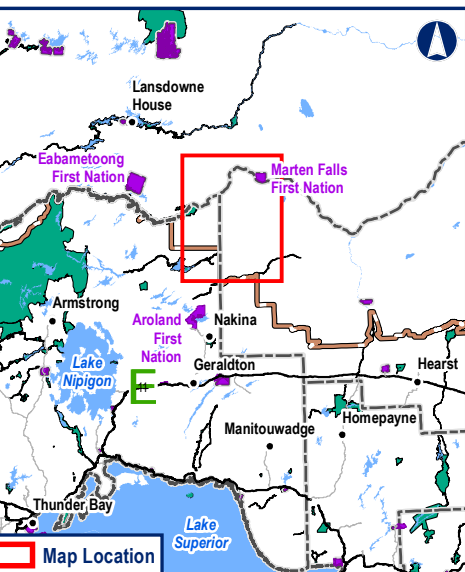
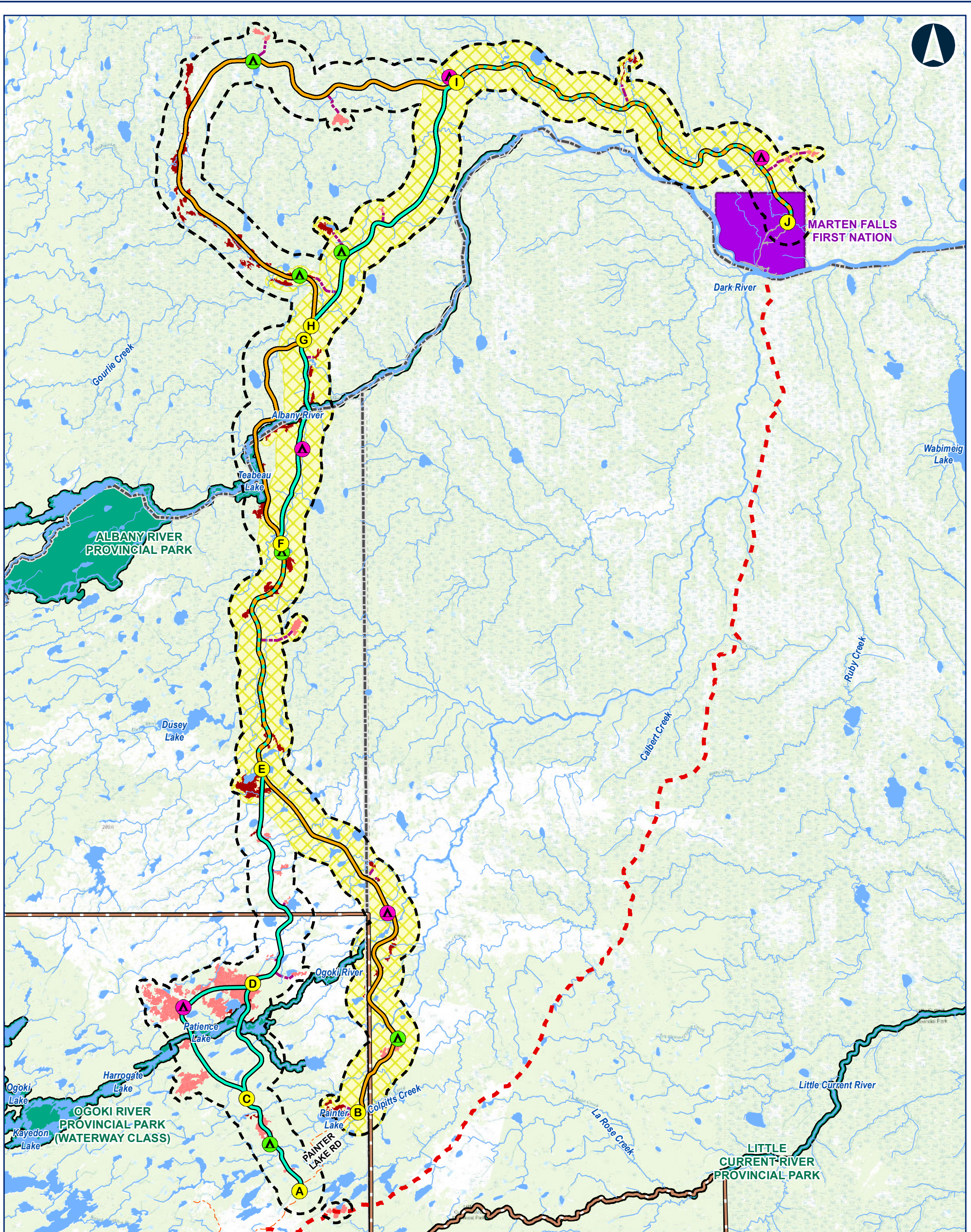
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Legend

- Segment Node**: (A) through (J)
- Study Area**: Dashed black line
- Route Alternatives**:
 - Alternative 1: Solid orange line
 - Alternative 4: Solid green line
 - Preliminary Technically Preferred Route: Yellow hatched area
- Potential Camp Site**:
 - 50 Persons: Green triangle
 - 200 Persons: Pink triangle
- Potential Aggregate Source**:
 - Bedrock: Red square
 - Sand and gravel: Dark red square
 - Approximate Access Road to Potential Aggregate Site: Dashed pink line
- General Features**:
 - Local Road: Solid grey line
 - Resource / Recreation Road: Dashed orange line
 - MFFN Existing Winter Access Road: Red dashed line
- Watercourse**: Blue wavy line
- Waterbody**: Blue irregular shape
- First Nation Reserve**: Purple square
- Provincial Park**: Green square
- Far North Boundary**: Dashed brown line
- District Municipal Boundary**: Dashed grey line

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**MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD**

**Technically Preferred Route
Recommendation Revision 2**

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Aroland First Nation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

26 March 2024 at 15:44

Hi Andrew,

I am looking to send a letter on behalf of Chief Achneepineskum to Chief Gagnon.

Could you please confirm the names of the Aroland First Nation Councillors and provide their emails if possible?

Thank you!
Kyla



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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 27 March 2024 at 14:17
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Chief Gagnon and Andrew,

Please find a letter from Chief Achneepineskum attached.

I am out of office from April 2 to April 9. My colleague Lucia (cc'd to this email) can be contacted at [redacted] for any questions or concerns during that time.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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My apologies - the letter is now attached below.

Thank you,
Kyla



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March 27, 2024

Aroland First Nation

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Sent via email

Subject: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Dear Chief Sonny Gagnon,

Congratulations on your election as the new Chief of Aroland First Nation, and on the appointment of several new Council members. We regret that we were unable to come together and congratulate you in person at our meeting scheduled for March 6 at Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC), however, we are optimistic we will be able to do so in the near future.

On behalf of Marten Falls First Nation, we are reaching out again today to reconnect and re-engage with Aroland First Nation and your new Council on some important items regarding the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project that were underway with former Chief Dorothy Towedo, including but not limited to:

- A relationship building meeting between Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and MFFN Chief and Council, and/or the MFFN CAR Project Team;
- A meeting in Aroland First Nation to present the Project to the community;
- The sharing and collection of Indigenous Knowledge, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information in relation to the MFFN CAR Project; and,
- The scheduling of regular update meetings with Aroland First Nation.

We believe it is important to continue to move forward with relationship-building and consulting with Aroland First Nation on the Project. Although the MFFN CAR Project had planned to release the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS) this summer, this release has been delayed considering that we have not yet received Aroland First Nation's input, knowledge and perspectives. We are now planning to release the Draft EA / IS later in the fall and look forward to your input in time for that.

It is our understanding that in order to move forward with Aroland First Nation and to receive your community's insights and perspectives, a Nation-to-Nation meeting as well as an in-community presentation of the MFFN CAR Project are necessary. We would like to suggest April 19, 2024, as a possible date our Council and members from the Project Team would be available to meet with Aroland First Nation Council, and present to your community. We would like to suggest a meeting between both Councils earlier in the day and a Project presentation to your community later in the afternoon / evening of the same day. We are, however, open to suggestions of what might work best for you.

Please have your consultant reach out to our consultant to confirm a meeting date and coordinate logistics for the meetings.

We are very much looking forward to meeting with you.

Sincerely,



Chief Bruce Achneepineskum
Marten Falls First Nation

cc:

- Councillor Joe Baxter, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Mark Bell, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Bernard Gagnon, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Chad Kashkish, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Eunice Magiskan, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Tyrell Gagnon, Aroland First Nation
- Richard Herbert, Aroland First Nation Band Administrator
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
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- Councillor Paul Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation
- Councillor Rob Moonias, Marten Falls First Nation
- Councillor Bob Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation
- Councillor Russell Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation
- Councillor Yvonne Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation
- Lawrence Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation, Senior Community Member Advisor
- Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team



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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 27 March 2024 at 15:56
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Following up on the letter, reattached here, I wanted to provide some clarification in regards to the meeting proposed on April 19th. We would like to propose a Nation-to-Nation meeting in **Thunder Bay on the morning of April 19th**, as many community representatives will be in Thunder Bay for the Matawa meeting.

Please let us know if there are any comments or questions.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Jara Moreno, Lucia <[redacted]>

Re: Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[redacted]> Wed, Apr 3, 2024 at 10:08 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, [redacted]

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me this morning.

Following up on the new dates suggested by Chief Bruce for the Nation to Nation meeting.

We had originally proposed April 19th, however the community announced cultural days April 19-21st. The Chief is now suggesting a dinner meeting on **April 17th or 18th with AFN Council in Thunder Bay.**

Please let me know if either of these dates would work for AFN.

Looking forward to hearing from you,

Thanks

Lucia



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[redacted]> 3 April 2024 at 15:21
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, [redacted] <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Appreciate the quick response.

I can confirm April 19th 9am EST to 2pm EST in Thunder Bay works for the Nation to Nation meeting.

We will take care of location arrangements/food - are there any preferences for either of those items?

Thanks,

Lucia



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[redacted]> 5 April 2024 at 11:33
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

We understand and can confirm that consultant and legal counsel will not be participating in the Nation to Nation meeting.

Have a great weekend,

Lucia



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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[redacted]> 5 April 2024 at 11:45
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
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Hi Andrew,

Apologies for the confusion. We understand consultants and legal counsel will not be participating in the Nation to Nation meeting but we are making sure the Chief and Council agrees. I will keep you posted on a final confirmation.

Lucia



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

12 April 2024 at 10:09

Hi Andrew,

Would you be available for a quick chat this morning?

I am just getting up to speed after my time off and wanted to make sure we are all on the same page.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

12 April 2024 at 10:29

Yes, that works for me. I will call you around 11!

Talk to you soon,
Kyla



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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 12 April 2024 at 14:37
 To: [redacted]
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Hi Richard,

I spoke with Andrew on the phone earlier today to discuss the meeting details.

I can confirm that we are arranging for the venue and food/refreshments for the meeting on Friday April 19, from 9 am - 2 pm. We are working on finalizing the other details and will provide that information, as well as a meeting agenda, as soon as they are confirmed.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 15 April 2024 at 15:54
 To: Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>
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Hi Laura,

I wanted to let you know that the venue is having some tech issues at the moment but we are hoping for finalized details today. As of right now, we are booking a meeting to be held at the Delta hotel from 9am - 2pm on April 19.

Andrew had previously inquired about dietary restrictions and/or preferences for Aroland First Nation's Council. Could you please confirm whether or not there are any details to note for catering purposes?

We will send over an agenda with the finalized details as soon as possible.

Thank you!

Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Laura Sayers <[redacted]>
Cc: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>

17 April 2024 at 14:32

Hi Laura,

Chief Achneepineskum sent an email on Monday (attached) and confirmed that MFFN will have a recorder/note taker present. It is my understanding that Jerry is welcome to join the meeting.

I have updated our proposed agenda based on the agenda you provided and attached it here for your review.

We are currently working on the zoom meeting details and will share that information plus the agenda to all attendees ASAP.



Let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Bruce Achneepineskum [redacted] 15 April 2024 at 16:12
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" [redacted]
 Cc: Laura Sayers [redacted], Chief Sonny Gagnon [redacted], Councillor Joe Baxter [redacted],
 Councillor Mark Bell [redacted], Councillor Bernard Gagnon [redacted],
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 "Jara Moreno, Lucia" [redacted]

Good afternoon, so the venue is delta hotel by marina and time is 9-2 pm with breakfast and lunch provided . This meeting is for Council to Council only and a recorder- assistant provided by each FN . Other than Council members and recorder - assistant no other staff or consultants will be there. A zoom should be set up also if Council that can't make it can join.



Agenda

Subject: Nation-to-Nation Meeting
Date: April 19, 2024
Timing: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location: Delta Hotels by Marriott
 2240 Sleeping Giant Pkwy, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7A 0E7
Venue: Ballroom C
Zoom Meeting Link:
Co-Chairs: Chief Sonny Gagnon and Chief Bruce Achneepineskum
Purpose: To provide an opportunity for Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation Councils to meet to discuss issues and a path forward for working together and engaging on the MFFN Community Access Road in a respectful way.

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1.	Breakfast Buffet	-	8:50 a.m.
2.	Welcome and Introductions	Co-chairs	9:00 - 10:30 a.m.
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ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MFFN CAR Project • Project Benefits • Anaconda/Painter Lake Road Project update from Aroland • Project Timelines 		
5.	Coffee Break	-	10:30 - 10:45 a.m.
6.	Communication Protocol Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are there any changes needed? • Are both parties satisfied with the protocol? 	Co-chairs	10:45 - 11:50 a.m.
7.	Lunch	-	11:50 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
8.	The Path Forward Together <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community meeting in Aroland to present the Project • Relationship building • Information sharing 	Co-chairs	1:00 - 1:45 p.m.
9.	Actions and Next Steps	Co-chairs	1:45 - 2:00 p.m.
10.	Closing Remarks	Co-chairs	2:00 p.m.





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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

18 April 2024 at 16:47

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
 To: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>
 Cc: b[redacted], Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon,

A proposed agenda for the Nation-to-Nation meeting scheduled for tomorrow is attached.

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- Time:** 9 am - 2 pm
- Location:** Delta Hotel, 2240 Sleeping Giant Pkwy, Thunder Bay, ON P7A 0E7
- Venue:** Ballroom C
- Parking:** Please be advised that the parking lot directly in front of the hotel, between the hotel & splash pad, is managed by the City of Thunder Bay who are enforcing the 3 hour parking limit as posted and are issuing parking tickets. Complimentary parking is located off the Pearl Street entrance.
- Food & Drinks:** Breakfast, lunch and refreshments will be provided.

The Zoom virtual meeting link will be sent out shortly. Anyone who is unable to attend the meeting in person will be able to join the meeting virtually through the link.

Please reach out with any questions or concerns.

Best wishes for your meeting tomorrow,
 Kyla
 On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Re: Potential May 28th Marten Falls-Aroland meeting in Thunder Bay

Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 22 May 2024 at 10:11
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, " [redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Good morning Andrew,

I hope you had a good long weekend. Things are good on our side, thank you.

I have been asked by Marten Falls to come to the community for community meetings with Chief and Council on the 28th and 29th. Lawrence Baxter is able to come and provide project updates with Don McKinnon, who has worked on the project from the start with our team, if we are able to meet in the morning of the 28th. Lawrence has existing commitments in the afternoon and would appreciate an opportunity to meet in the morning. If you are able to accommodate us early in the morning, I would also likely be able to attend since the charter departs at around noon.

Alternatively, I know we spoke about other dates that week that might be possible for the meeting. If that is possible then we would be able to meet on Thursday, May 30th in the afternoon.

I hope we can make one of those opportunities work and would really appreciate you accommodating our request. If a phone call works better to talk about availability, please call me at my number below. I am available most of the day.

Best wishes,
Qasim

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Re: Potential May 28th Marten Falls-Aroland meeting in Thunder Bay

Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 22 May 2024 at 12:06
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, " [redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Don McKinnon <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew,

Thank you for this quick confirmation.

I have been informed that the departure is just before noon and we will need to be there for around 10:30 am. We would really appreciate being able to meet at 9 am and will likely need to leave around 10:15 am. The hanger is usually a 10-15 minute drive from most places in Thunder Bay.


Thank you for this flexibility, we really appreciate it.

Qasim

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MFFN CAR - Phone call

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

22 May 2024 at 13:00

Hi Andrew,

Are you available for a quick phone call today?

We would like to share an opportunity for Aroland First Nation to participate in Groundwater Monitoring but it is fairly time sensitive.

I am free the rest of this afternoon.

Thank you!
Kyla



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MFFN CAR Groundwater and Geochemistry Program - Field Work Participation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 22 May 2024 at 17:54
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for taking the time to speak with me this afternoon.

As I mentioned in our call, the MFFN CAR Groundwater and Geochemistry Program Spring sampling event is anticipated to take place from June 2 - 9 and we would like to invite Aroland First Nation to participate in this field work. Key details for are highlighted below:

- This sampling will be happening at the same locations where the groundwater wells were previously installed. However, this work will not be as strenuous and will only require collecting water samples from those wells.
- One Aroland First Nation community member is invited to participate as a field assistant and we anticipate they will help to complete 50% of the sampling during the event.
- The field assistant must be available for onboarding and safety training next week. Once the field assistant is identified, our team will reach out with additional details for the onboarding.
- The field assistant will be required to stay with the field team for the duration of the program (tentatively June 2 - 9).
- The field assistant will be required to meet with the crew in Geraldton and will have to coordinate the travel to Geraldton on their own.
- Payment for the field assistant is \$25/hour up to a maximum of \$300/day.
- The field assistant will be required to fill out a paper time card provided by WSP, but this will also need to be filled out online and therefore will require access to the internet.
- We need to know **by Friday May 24th** if a field assistant has been identified to participate in the monitoring and will require their name and contact information.

We understand that this is a bit of a tight turnaround due to how the scheduling has lined up. We wanted to highlight that there will be two other sampling events happening as part of this program, which are anticipated to happen in the Summer and Fall of this year. More details are provided in the April 17, 2024, Spring Field Notice, which I have attached to this email.

Please reach out with any questions you have after you speak with Jerry tomorrow morning.

I have cc'd some folks on this email who are helping to coordinate this work, just in case they have updates or other information to share.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

good day

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 23 May 2024 at 11:35
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>,
 Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>,
 Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin
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 Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Jerry,

Thanks very much for the update! I hope that we are able to find someone who is interested in participating.

Please note that we will require confirmation by the end of the day **tomorrow** if someone is interested. They will need to be available to attend onboarding and safety training next week.

If we are not able to find someone who can participate in this round of groundwater sampling, there will be 2 other opportunities to participate in the sampling later this year.

If there are any questions that come up, please feel free to send me an email or call my cellphone at [redacted].

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 23 May 2024 at 16:14
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>,
 Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>,
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 <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis,
 Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Jerry,

Could you please provide me with [redacted] phone number and I will have someone reach out to them with the details?

In the meantime, you can let [redacted] know:

- Must be available for onboarding/safety training next week. Someone will reach out from a company called "Artech" to coordinate those details, including setting up payment for the work.
- The field work is tentatively scheduled for June 2-9. Someone from a company called "WSP" will reach out when the onboarding/training is set up.
- The location in Geraldton will be provided by WSP once the onboarding/training is complete next week.

Please let me know if you want me to include anything else or if any of those details are incorrect.

Thanks,
Kyla



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re onboard training names

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 24 May 2024 at 10:13
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>,
 Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew
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 "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki"
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Hi Jerry,

Thank you for providing that information. I will send it to the team right now and hopefully we will be able to get [redacted] or [redacted] set up to participate in the field work!

If there are any questions, please reach out.

Have a great weekend,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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re onboard training names

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 28 May 2024 at 08:20
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>,
 Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew
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 "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki"
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Good Morning Jerry,

We have been notified that the phone number for [redacted] is not in service. Are you able to confirm his phone number or maybe provide another phone number where we could reach him?

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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re onboard training names

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 28 May 2024 at 10:59
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

I can confirm that the new number for [redacted] is also not working, as it says the new number is not assigned when calling. Any ideas on how else to get in contact with [redacted]

We have reached out to [redacted] as well, but are waiting to hear back from him. I will let you know if/when we hear from him.

Thanks for your help,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Aroland First Nation - MFFN CAR Project Meetings June 19 & 20

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 13 June 2024 at 15:42

To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

We are looking forward to our meetings with Aroland First Nation next week! I have a few questions regarding the meetings below:

For the Wednesday meeting, we have prepared for no more than 30-35 Aroland First Nation community members to attend. Can you please advise if this number will work? We can adjust the catering order if needed.

Could you please advise of the best payment method for the dinner on Thursday evening? If cash is preferred, could you provide an approximate cost so we can plan accordingly?

Please reach out if you have any questions or would like to discuss any plans for the meeting.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team




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Traveling for work & limited availability: June 11 - 14 & June 18 - 21



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Aroland First Nation - MFFN CAR Project Meetings June 19 & 20

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 17 June 2024 at 11:16
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Cugnet, Jaimie" <[redacted]>, "Ratajczak, Gabbie" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

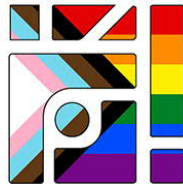
We have a follow up question regarding the meetings this week. Could you advise if a translator will be needed for either/both of these meetings?

If you could please let us know about the translator, the number of attendees for the meeting on Wednesday and the payment for dinner on Thursday night at your earliest convenience, that would be great.

Thanks very much,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Traveling for work & limited availability June 17 - 21



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Aroland First Nation - MFFN CAR Project Meetings June 19 & 20

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 18 June 2024 at 16:49
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Cugnet, Jaimie" <[redacted]>, "Ratajczak, Gabbie" <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon,

Andrew, thank you for that information. We will plan accordingly.

Jerry, could you please let us know how Aroland First Nation would like to be paid for the dinner for the meeting on Thursday night? I can call you to discuss if you'd prefer.

Thank you,
 Kyla
 On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Traveling for work & limited availability June 17 - 21



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AFN-MFFN CAR Indigenous Knowledge Funding Agreements

Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 28 June 2024 at 13:53
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew,

Thank you for sending this revised version back. We will review it shortly, finalize it, and get this one.

The timeline for July should work but I will update you once I have connected with the team next week.

Have a good long weekend.

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Poster for next meeting

Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 28 June 2024 at 14:51
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>
 Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Ariane Heisey <[redacted]>

Hello Everyone,

I hope you are well.

Please find the poster for the next meeting with Aroland on CAR attached below. Kindly post it internally, as required. We look forward to seeing you later in July. If anything else is needed, please let me know.

Have a good long weekend.

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Join us for a meeting with the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road (CAR) Project Team!

The MFFN CAR Project Team will host an Expo style event, with booths covering a range of topics related to the Project and a review of the preliminary technically preferred route.

Aroland First Nation Members Only Monday, July 15, 2024

Superior Inn Hotel & Conference Centre

555 Arthur Street West
Thunder Bay, On
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2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Buffet dinner served at 5:30 p.m.

Aroland In-Community Session Tuesday, July 16, 2024

Johnny Therriault Memorial School,
Gymnasium

118 Rolland Road
Aroland First Nation, On
P0T 1B0

2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Dinner served at 5:30 p.m.

Open to all Aroland First Nation community members.

The meeting will feature:

- Expo with booths including: Environment, Engineering / Construction, Draft EA / IS review process, maps, and more;
- Dinner;
- Kids zone; and
- Prizes including gift cards!



Have your say. Share your comments, ideas and community values with the Project Team. We look forward to seeing you!



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

AFN-MFFN CAR Indigenous Knowledge Funding Agreements

Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 4 July 2024 at 16:59
 To: Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>
 Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Leah Culver <[redacted]>

Hi Jeremy,

I am just working around summer schedules to line things up on our side.

I should have the updates on my side by tomorrow, so I will try and connect with you either tomorrow or on Monday.

Best wishes,
Qasim

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Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 5 July 2024 at 13:00
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Hi Jeremy,

Would you have some time on Tuesday to connect on this? I am available between 11 am and 2 pm or at 4 pm.

Thank you,
Qasim

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 To: Mark Bell <[redacted]>
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Hello Mark,

We absolutely can.

We don't have the next one scheduled but we can meet on the 15th or 16th, either before the meeting with the community or on the sidelines of that meeting, since we have the entire afternoon booked.

Hope you have a good weekend.

Qasim

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I can send a meeting invite for that time and we can do a virtual meeting. Hopefully it works for the entire team and we can pick up with this matter and get the funds moving.

Thanks!

Qasim

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFCAR: Invitation to Join Helicopter Fly-over July 19th

Deveaux, Leah <[redacted]> 15 July 2024 at 11:35
 To: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>
 Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Danny Kuenstler" <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, qsaddique <[redacted]>, jennifer <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

I am reaching out today on behalf of Kyla Zielbauer who is in the field. We wanted to provide advanced notice of upcoming field work being conducted within Aroland First Nation’s Traditional Territory, which is tentatively planned to take place between July 19 – 20, 2024

This upcoming work is Phase 1 of a multiphase activity to study resources related to aggregates and geotechnical investigations in and around the proposed Community Access Road. This current phase includes a helicopter flyover and limited on the ground review of areas of future aggregate sites and the water crossing areas. This reconnaissance is necessary to inform any permitting required to complete the installation of groundwater monitoring wells and geotechnical sampling at each potential aggregate location and major water crossings in support of future permitting. No environmental impacts are predicted, as the purpose of the flyover is strictly for reconnaissance purposes and will not require activities such as tree clearing or invasive testing.

We would like to extend an invite for Aroland First Nation to send one monitor to participate in this flyover along side one member from Marten Falls First Nation to note any concerns, share information, ask any questions about the process, and make note of any future commitments the community may require. Please provide the name and contact information of any potential participants by end of day on Tuesday July 16, 2024.

Phase 2 of this program will be conducted in the fall / winter of 2024. It will involve cutting helicopter landing pads, drilling geotechnical boreholes and installation of groundwater monitoring wells in the locations discussed as part of Phase 1 and will involve tree clearing, and invasive testing. This program will be similar to the groundwater monitoring program monitoring wells installation conducted in 2022. As part of permitting and approvals process, MNRF will conduct consultation with potentially affected stakeholders related to the Land Use Permitting process. Aroland First Nation’s interest in participating in phase 2 of this program will be discussed as a part of the Phase 1 activities.

The areas we are planning to review are outlined in the figure attached to this email.

Please reach out if there are any concerns regarding this work. If Aroland First Nation would like to send a monitor to participate, please reach out to Leah Deveaux at [redacted] or [redacted]

Leah Deveaux RPP, MCIP

She/Her

Senior Environmental Planner, Impact Assessment and Permitting



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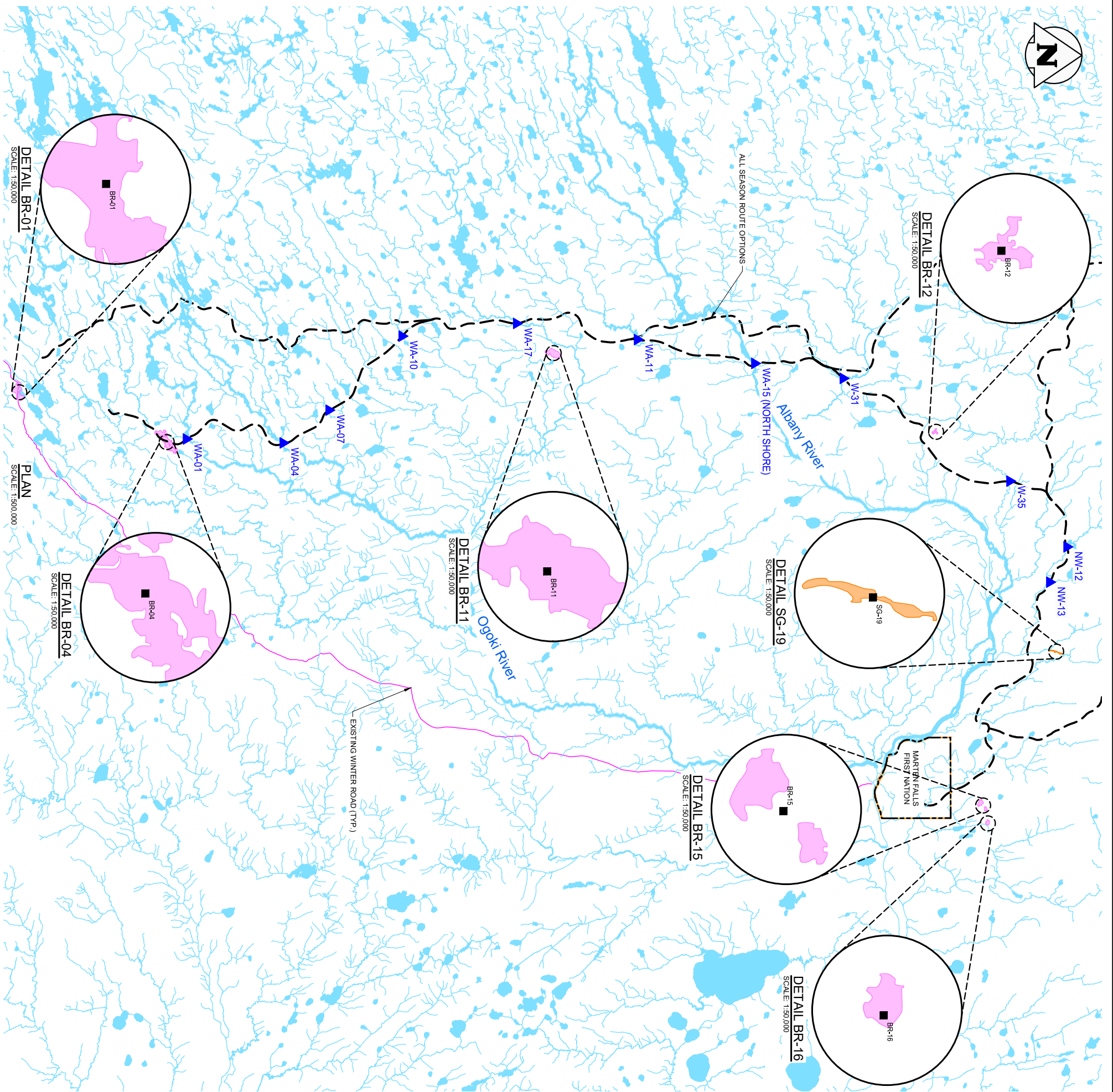
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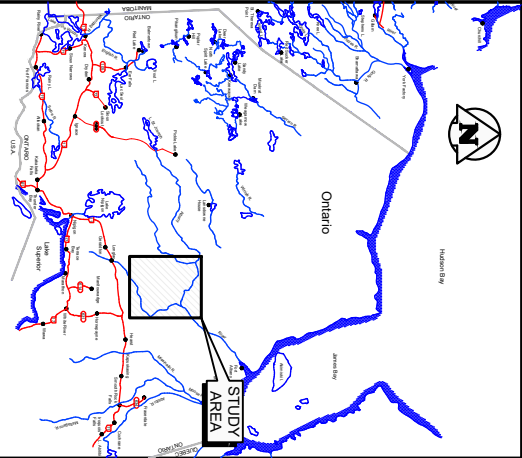


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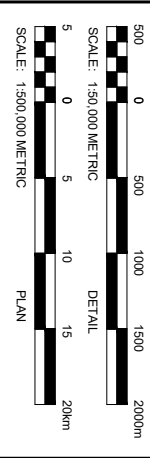
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NO.	NORTHING (m)	EASTING (m)
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WA-10	5663282	521642
WA-17	5678960	520124
WA-11	5691413	522057
WA-15 (NORTH SHORE)	5705431	524904
W-31	5718004	526893
W-35	5735924	538973
NW-12	5742745	546827
NW-13	5740884	551043



LEGEND:

- PROPOSED AGGREGATE SITE
- ▲ PROPOSED WATER CROSSING
- EXISTING WINTER ROAD (TYP)
- - - ALL SEASON ROUTE OPTIONS

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Groundwater Sampling Program - Field Monitor

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[REDACTED]> 25 July 2024 at 13:43
 To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Anderson, Victoria" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <Leah.Deveaux@aecom.com>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]", "[REDACTED]", "[REDACTED]", "Price, Katelyn" <[REDACTED]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Reaching out on behalf of Kyla Zielbauer who is currently off.

We are coordinating efforts for the next groundwater Sampling Program. It has been noted to us that Shawn Megan, who had expressed interest in the Field Monitor position, is no longer available.

Reaching out to you in the hope to identify additional candidates. The preference is for field monitors who have a vehicle and are able to drive themselves to/from Geraldton. The onboarding process is fairly straightforward, we will need:

- name
- phone number
- email address

of the potential candidate, and we'd need them to complete the onboarding/safety training very quickly. A company called Artech would reach out to walk them through that process.

We would need to have a monitor identified and on-boarded by Artech by no later than **noon on Friday, August 2nd** and I would also need to be in contact with them by that time to discuss details on timing, location to meet the crew and PPE needs.

Please let me know if you have any questions,

Feel free to give me a call if needed: [REDACTED]

Thanks

Lucia

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Lucia Jara Moreno
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Groundwater Sampling Program - Field Monitor

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[REDACTED]> 29 July 2024 at 16:08
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "Anderson, Victoria" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[REDACTED]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andres,

Hope you have a great weekend.

Following up on the below. Friendly reminder that we will need to have a monitor identified and on-boarded by no later than noon this **Friday August 2nd, 2024**.

Please let me know if you have any further questions,

Thanks!

Lucia

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 31 July 2024 at 15:36
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

The MFFN CAR Project Team has reviewed and approved the IK Funding Agreement. Please see the attached version for a signed copy of the IK Funding Agreement.

Valdine Walker, cc'd to this email, will help to coordinate and set up payments for the program. Cheque and direct deposit are both options for payment. Please let us know your preference and Valdine will work with you to get that set up.

The IK Sharing Agreement is still under review and will be provided to Aroland First Nation shortly.

Please let me know if you have any questions, or if there is anything else you need from us.

Thank you,
Kyla
On Behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 31 July 2024 at 16:09
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hi Andrew,

My sincere apologies for the delayed response. We are excited to hear that Aroland First Nation is interested in the program!

I have some updated information regarding the Community Coordinator Program position to share below, as well as an updated job poster attached to this email:

We are looking for a coordinator to represent your community as the primary point of contact between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team as we work through the Environmental Assessment processes. The Community Coordinator will provide advice, guidance and support for community engagement activities related to the Community Access Road and, at this stage in the Environmental Assessment /Impact Assessment process, will focus much of their time preparing the community for the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment/Impact Statement in November and for coordinating the review of this and associated documents.

This position will receive \$25 per hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours per week for up to 1 year (Summer 2025). We are flexible with respect to payment terms (i.e., to an individual or to the band council) and we are open to discussing what works best for your community.

I have received notification that two people, [redacted] are interested in applying for the position. [redacted]'s resume is attached to this email. My understanding is that the next step is for Aroland First Nation Chief and Council to review the potential applicants and to select a person they would like to see in that role. Once that person is identified, we will work to get them onboarded and working on the program. If you would like to continue to advertise the program and receive additional candidates, there is no hard deadline to identify and onboard anyone, however, it would be great to get them set up earlier than later and prior to the draft of the report being released.

Let me know if you have any questions or concerns, or would like to discuss this program further. We can set up a meeting to discuss this program if that is helpful.

Thanks very much,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team




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2 attachments

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 **[REDACTED] - Resume.pdf**
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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

WE'RE HIRING!



Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is undertaking a federal Impact Assessment (IA) and provincial environmental assessment (EA) for an all-season access road to our community. To support these studies, we are looking to hire **Community Coordinators**.

Are you a highly motivated person? Do you have strong organizational and relationship building skills? Would you like to work with a great project team and build experience in environmental management?

If so, this could be the role for you!

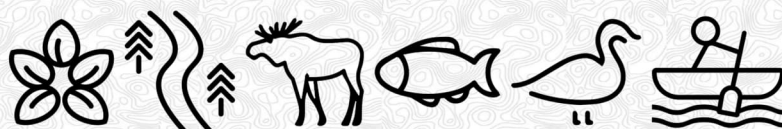
The Community Coordinator will be a primary point of contact between your community and the MFFN Project Team. We will work closely with you as you help to involve your community in the environmental assessment processes.

Responsibilities

- Coordinate between the MFFN Project Team and community members living in / outside of your community as per your local practices and in collaboration with Chief and Council;
- Provide advice, guidance and support for community engagement activities related to the Project including:
 - Coordinate and organize logistics for meetings, workshops, events and / or school visits (e.g., book meeting spaces, order refreshments, help with truck / boat rentals and accommodations);
 - Help identify meeting participants and information providers (e.g., youth and / or elders); Assist with meeting facilitation, note taking and meeting minute preparation, and coordinate translation services, if needed; and
 - Organize distributing Project advertisements and notices in your community; either online (e.g., Facebook or posting in community);
- Assist in collecting data / information in your community (e.g., Indigenous Knowledge Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests, community and socio-economic information);
- Assist in coordination of the review of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement, and / or Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Reports.

This position will receive \$25 per hour and is expected to be approximately 16 hours per week for up to 1 year (up to Summer 2025). If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the program, contact: Niki Angelis at info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca or 1-800-764-9114.

B2.2 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence



Fwd: Nation-to-Nation discussions and MFCAR project

Begin forwarded message:

From: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Date: June 9, 2023 at 12:08:41 PM EDT
To: Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, "Jenkins, Tara" <[REDACTED]>, "Baker, Nadia" <[REDACTED]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[REDACTED]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Kate Kempton <[REDACTED]>

Subject: Re: Nation-to-Nation discussions and MFCAR project

Hello Chief Achneepineskum,

I hope you are well. Please find the attached letter from Chief Towedo.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant(He/him – [why is this here?](#))**SHARED VALUE SOLUTIONS**www.sharedvaluesolutions.com

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June 9, 2023

Hello Chief Achneepineskum,

We hope that this letter finds you well. On May 23, 2023 Aroland First Nation received an email from the Marten Falls Community Access Road project team requesting permission to conduct a cultural heritage information study with Aroland First Nation band members. We were clear in our response letter dated May 26, 2023 (Appendix A) that we would agree to conduct our own cultural heritage information study if adequate funding and time were provided by the proponent team.

We are waiting for a written response from Marten Falls First Nation with your edits and changes to the communications protocol that we have drafted. Once we have signed and implemented the protocol we will be happy to invite the project team to Aroland for a community meeting with our band members. We are aware that our respective advisors discussed the draft protocol last week and that your Council has suggested some small changes. We are confident that together we can finalize the protocol quickly to ensure that we can begin moving forward on this important work together.

Aroland First Nation is committed to taking part in decision-making for all activities that are proposed in our traditional territory. This is in accordance with our inherent jurisdiction which we never surrendered. As Chief and Council, our mandate comes from our band members and we are committed to following processes that flow from our jurisdiction and that support members to undertake the important and vulnerable work of sharing their knowledge and heritage on the land.

We look forward to receiving an updated version of the draft communications protocol so that we can keep this process moving forward.

Sincerely,

[REDACTED]

Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation

Cc: Aroland First Nation Council
Marten Falls First Nation Council
Qasim Saddique, MFCAR Project Team
Jennifer Bruin, MFCAR Project Team

Bob Baxter, MFCAR Project Team
Leah Deveaux, MFCAR Project Team
Tara Jenkins, MFCAR Project Team
Nadia Baker, MFCAR Project Team
Samantha Markham, MFCAR Project Team
Katelyn Price, MFCAR Project Team
Jeremy Shute, AFN Consultant
Andrew Peach, AFN Consultant
Kate Kempton, AFN Legal Counsel

APPENDIX A: LETTER FROM CHIEF TOWEDO, MAY 26, 2023

May 26, 2023

Hello Kyla and the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team,

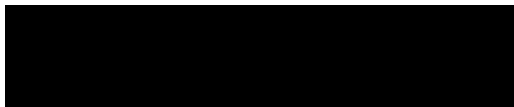
We have received your request for your project team to conduct cultural heritage information collection with Aroland First Nation band members this June. While we agree that Aroland First Nation's cultural heritage and values must inform any potential Project effects within our Traditional Territory, we are surprised and disappointed that you have proposed that your own project team should collect this information directly from Aroland First Nation band members. We can not agree to your proposal to run and control the collection of our cultural heritage information.

Marten Falls First Nation must know that cultural heritage is a deeply protected set of values that are vulnerable to misunderstanding, misuse and misappropriation. For these reasons it is critical that Aroland First Nation has charge or oversight over the collection of our own cultural heritage information and values, and not allow others to have this level of control. We expect any collection and recording of our cultural heritage and values to adhere to the First Nations Principles of ownership, control, access and possession (OCAP®).

Aroland First Nation will not accept the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team's proposal for your own consulting team to run this information collection. What we would agree to is to conduct our own information gathering of cultural heritage from our own members, to create a redacted public version of this information so that highly sensitive information is protected, and to provide that public version to the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team for the Environmental Assessment. We would expect the Project Team to provide adequate funding for Aroland First Nation to undertake this work. We also understand that your proposed timelines for completing this work are tight, but if you are able to confirm the Project Team's agreement with our proposed approach quickly then we will do our best to mobilize as soon as possible to provide the report as expediently as is practical.

Aroland First Nation must be consulted on any proposed activities within our Traditional Territory. Understanding the potential impacts to our cultural heritage is an essential part of that consultation, but we must be supported to undertake that work ourselves. Once you confirm your acceptance of this in principle, we will provide you with a budget for our anticipated costs.

Sincerely,



Chief Dorothy Towedo
Aroland First Nation

Cc: Aroland First Nation Council
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Jennifer Bruin, MFCAR Project Team
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Katelyn Price, MFCAR Project Team
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Jeremy Shute, AFN Consultant
Andrew Peach, AFN Consultant
Kate Kempton, AFN Legal Counsel



Follow-up Re: MFFN CAR IK Program Key Dates

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 20 June 2023 at 14:18
To: "Nokleby, Andrea" <[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]>
<[REDACTED]>
Cc: Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>

Hello Andrea,

In response to your inquiry about the Indigenous Knowledge and information on Indigenous land and resource use, I am forwarding the latest correspondence from Aroland's Chief and Council to Marten Falls' Chief and Council (See PDF letter in attached email).

Aroland's Chief and Council is currently waiting for a response from Marten Falls' Chief and Council to advance the necessary steps to undertake this work. They understand that this will impact the deadlines the Marten Falls Project Team would like to meet for data collection, but they are hopeful that in working together with Marten Falls' Chief and Council that everything can get underway fairly quickly.

Thanks for reaching out,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant
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MFFN CAR Cultural Heritage Information Collection

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 9 August 2023 at 15:24
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Rob M <[REDACTED]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, "Jenkins, Tara" <[REDACTED]>, "Baker, Nadia" <[REDACTED]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[REDACTED]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Chloe Boone <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thank you for your email following up Aroland First Nation's letter from May 26. Aroland and Marten Falls are currently working to finalize a communications protocol between the two First Nations. Aroland's Chief and Council are committed to finalizing and signing that protocol before engaging in the Cultural Heritage and Indigenous Knowledge information collection project. Once the communications protocol is in place Aroland's leadership will then be prepared to begin discussing the details of Indigenous Knowledge collection with the Marten Falls Project team.

Chief Towedo and Aroland's Council are hopeful that the communications protocol will be finalized in the next few weeks. Thank you for your patience.

Kind regards,

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

27 September 2023 at 18:35

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[redacted]>, Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Rob M <[redacted]>, Sheldon Atlookan <[redacted]>, Samson Meshake <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for reaching out. I am available tomorrow anytime between 11am and 2pm for a call. Let me know if there's a timeslot in there that would work for you.

Looking forward to speaking with you.

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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6 October 2023 at 13:40

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

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<[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for following up about this. I've just spoken with Chief Towedo and she did confirm that Aroland will be entering into their election period next week. Chief Towedo also confirmed that during the election period they will be unable to host any meetings or community events related to these projects, and that all consultation and engagement will have to wait until the election is over and the new Chief and Council are in place. Unfortunately, this means that the timing won't work to have the MFFN CAR Project Team conduct a meeting in Aroland on October 26th.

Once the election is over at the end of November and the new leadership team is in place we'll reach out to coordinate setting up a time for the meeting.

Thanks very much,

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

17 October 2023 at 15:54

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Chief Dorothy Towedo <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "McEwen, Kate" <[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Aroland's election is currently underway so they do not currently have a Council to approve travel. Chief Towedo is also out of the office at the moment. When she is back in the office I will speak with her about the offer for transportation on October 26th.

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Re: Invitation - ATRI Forum Nov 21 - 23, 2023

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 17 November 2023 at 16:44
To: Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>
Cc: "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, michaelfox <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "Cafaro, Caitlin (IAAC/AEIC)" <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, "Moszynski, Dorothy (MECP)" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>

Good afternoon,

Please find the attached letter in response to the invitation to the ATRI Forum on November 21-23, on behalf of Chief Towedo and Aroland First Nation.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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November 17, 2023

Andrea Nokleby
Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Team
Dillon Consulting Limited

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To Andrea Nokleby,

Thank you for inviting Aroland First Nation to the upcoming Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum ("the Forum") being held in Thunder Bay from November 21-23, 2023. Unfortunately, we must decline this invitation, since Aroland First Nation is currently in an election period and unable to participate as a result.

Our decision not to attend the Forum must not be construed as a lack of willingness by Aroland First Nation to participate in engagement activities. As you know, Aroland First Nation takes the position that proponents and the Crown must obtain our consent for projects and activities that use and affect or harm our homeland territory and we are one of ten plaintiff First Nations in Treaty Nine pursuing a court case that says that the Treaty Nine Nations have maintained our jurisdiction over our homeland territories. We maintain our decision-making authority and control and our permission or consent is required when others want to use our homeland. Our jurisdiction, or decision-making governance rights, are based on our Anishinaabe laws and run parallel to those of the Crowns jurisdiction based on Canadian laws. Any co-jurisdiction regime developed as a result of this case or otherwise, must respect both sets of laws.

The roads and activities they will generate and facilitate will have significant impacts on our Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights and interests, and as such, these require our consent and engagement designed to garner our consent.

We have several problems with the Forum in being able to meet any reasonable requirements of this kind of engagement:

1. It is more of an open conference forum involving many parties where detailed information and sharing cannot occur.
2. You indicate it does not involve Indigenous Knowledge, but that knowledge forms and underpins our Anishinaabe laws and we cannot engage from our perspective without engaging from our knowledge and legal base; we are not mere stakeholders in Canada's legal system.
3. It is unclear whether the Forum will be used to check boxes in the Crown's duty to consult and accommodate. While this duty under Canadian law has not yet adapted to legal changes such as those required by UNDRIP, it is still being applied and imposed and we must be assured that the Forum is not going to allow the Crown to say that this duty is met or partly met. This duty is weak enough without creating methods for its exercise that enable it to be weaker still.

In the Invitation for the ATRI Second Forum, October 17, 2023 it was shared that the Forum is intended to include discussions about how attendees Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights and interests may be impacted by the projects, but that discussions will not include collection of Indigenous Knowledge. But for Aroland First Nation, how we exercise our Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights and interests within our traditional territory *is* our Indigenous Knowledge. And that knowledge forms the basis of our laws and jurisdiction. We can't propose to understand potential impacts to our Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights without referencing, discussing or sharing our Indigenous Knowledge.

But some of our Indigenous Knowledge is confidential and proprietary and we will only share it when all parties commit to respecting our data sovereignty and upholding the principles of OCAP (Ownership, Control, Access and Possession). In our view, it is not possible to protect our data sovereignty and adhere to OCAP principles at a forum attended by multiple First Nations and their advisors, as well as consultants for all three projects and Crown representatives. Simply declaring a space as respectful and culturally-sensitive does not make it true.

We also seek transparency from you on whether the Forum is intended to fulfill the Crown's duty to consult. We understand that the Crown has delegated certain procedural aspects of the duty to consult to the proponents of the projects. We are concerned about the appropriateness of the Forum as a venue to meaningfully consult with Aroland First Nation. For consultation to be meaningful, the process must be commensurate to the potential level of impact a First Nation may experience and therefore, must be distinctions based and tailored to the interests of each individual First Nation. A forum attended by multiple First Nations facing varying levels of impacts and with unique concerns does not strike us as an appropriate method for meeting the threshold of meaningful consultation. This is especially true for Aroland First Nation, where the duty to consult falls to the deep end of the spectrum as a community that stands to be

adversely impacted by the proposed road projects. It is our perspective that the Forum must not be counted toward fulfilment of the Crown's duty to consult.

With the communications protocol now in place with Marten Falls First Nation we are looking forward to resuming discussions about these projects following our election. We are confident that we can come to an understanding about how we expect to be consulted and engaged regarding the three proposed projects.

Kind regards,



Chief Dorothy Towedo

CC:

Bob Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation Advisor

Lawrence Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation Advisor

Qasim Saddique, Marten Falls First Nation Advisor

Kyla Zielbauer, Dillon Consulting

Michael Fox, Webequie First Nation Advisor

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Dorothy Moszynski, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Sasha McLeod, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Caitlin Cafaro, Impact Assessment Agency of Canada

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MFFN CAR Milestone 2 Progress Report

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

4 December 2023 at 09:47

To: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Cc: [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]
[REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Thank you for the update.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

15 December 2023 at 14:24

Hi Kyla,

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Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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MFFN CAR - Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

11 January 2024 at 13:23

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Richard Herbert <[REDACTED]>, Laura Sayers

<[REDACTED]>, Rojin Amani <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham

<[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Andrea

Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

I had a great holiday, thanks! I hope that you also had an excellent break.

Thanks for reaching out to follow up on these reports. Before I provide an update on the reports I have a brief update from Aroland First Nation. The new Chief and Council have set February 8th, 2024 as the date for their inauguration and have asked that we don't schedule any project work, including community engagement and potential project meetings before the inauguration. We are currently working with Aroland First Nation to schedule a time after February 8th to continue community engagement and will keep you informed as to potential dates in February for a community meeting.

Aroland First Nation is aware of both the ATRI Existing Conditions and Milestone #2 Reports and the requested deadlines. It won't be possible for Aroland First Nation to review the ATRI Existing Conditions Report by January 19th, 2024. This was discussed during our call on Friday, December 15th, 2023 and is still the case. In addition, Aroland acknowledges the February 15, 2024 deadline for the edits and comments on the Milestone #2 report. At this time, Aroland will make best efforts to provide comments on both reports by February 15th, 2024. However, given that this deadline is close to the Chief and Council's inauguration, and in honouring Aroland's internal approval processes, we will reach out to you if Aroland requires more time.

Given that the reports contain critical information related to consultation and interpretations of impacts of the project on the environment and on Aroland First Nation's Aboriginal and/or treaty rights and interests, Aroland's perspective and comments must inform the final report and any information that is woven into the draft Impact Statement/ Environmental Assessment Report. These reports were initially shared while Aroland First Nation was in an election period when leadership was unable to engage in project activities. After the election, there were only a few short weeks before the holiday season and corresponding office closure. Now with inauguration set for February 8th, its reasonable and in line with consultation best practice, for the MFFN CAR project team to remain flexible given the context these reports were shared and when responses were initially expected.

I am available to meet to discuss updates on Tuesday, January 16th anytime between 10:00am and 2pm ET or Wednesday, January 17th between 2pm and 5pm ET. Please let me know if there's a time that works best for you.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 8 February 2024 at 10:05
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Hi Kyla,

I'm available for a call tomorrow anytime after 2pm ET if that works for you.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

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J. Richard Herbert <[redacted]> 9 February 2024 at 10:48
Reply-To: [redacted]
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham
<[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>,
Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>

Please, include Joe Baxter in these streams.

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Thank you

Richard

Dr. J. Richard G. Herbert B. SC., D.V.M.
Band Administrator

Aroland First Nation

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Thank you

Richard

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- Climate Change Adaptation & Upcoming Webinars
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- Connect with the Team

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- Chief Bruce Achneepineskum

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MFFN CAR - Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 15 February 2024 at 11:51
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
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Good morning Kyla,

I just wanted to touch base with you to let you know that Aroland is working hard to finalize their review of the ATRI Existing Conditions Report and should be ready to share that with your team very soon. However, it does not look like the review will be finalized by the end of day today and Aroland will require a couple more days before we're able to circulate the review.

As Aroland has prioritized the review of the ATRI Existing Conditions Report at your direction, they will also require a few more days to complete the review of the Milestone #2 Progress Report.

We're hopeful that these reviews will be finalized and circulated prior to the end of next week, Friday, February 23rd.

Don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions for us.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant
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Aroland First Nation review of Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Preliminary Existing Conditions Report

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 16 February 2024 at 16:03
 To: Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: "[REDACTED]", Mark Bell
 "[REDACTED]", Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>
 "[REDACTED]", Bob Baxter
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 "[REDACTED]", "Cafaro, Caitlin (IAAC/AEIC)" <[REDACTED]>
 Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>

Good afternoon,

Please find the attached letter and review of the Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Preliminary Existing Conditions Report on behalf of Chief Gagnon and Aroland First Nation.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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February 16, 2024

Dear Andrea Nokleby,

The purpose of this letter is to provide initial comments on the Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests: Preliminary Existing Conditions Report (“the Report”) that we received on December 15, 2023, for the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project (“the Project”).

Summary of Review and Comments

Summary review of the Report

Overall, Aroland First Nation (“AFN”) is deeply disappointed that the substance of the Report does not adequately convey information that AFN has provided to the Marten Falls Community Access Road (“MFCAR”) Project Team and regulators to date, the impact of the project on AFN’s Treaty and Aboriginal Rights, and the backdrop of inadequate consultation that AFN has experienced throughout the environment/impact assessment process. Rather than having the opportunity to participate in a meaningful consultation process, AFN has been compelled to focus our participation on establishing an accurate record of our previously disclosed concerns and recommendations. As a result, we urge the MFCAR Project Team to update the Report to reflect the following:

1. Inclusion of information provided by AFN in the environmental/impact assessment process to date

AFN has made every reasonable effort to participate in each step of the environmental/impact assessment process for the proposed MFCAR Project and has provided numerous comments about the potential impacts the Project may have on our Treaty and Aboriginal Rights. However, we found substantive omissions in the Report. Much of what AFN has shared already in the environmental/impact assessment process has been omitted or given only passing or minimized reference. This severely downplays the effects on AFN’s Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests and constitutes a misrepresentation which could have serious consequences. In Appendix A, we have provided an overview of our submissions to date that describe current exercise of and possible impacts to AFN’s Treaty and Aboriginal Rights, and an assessment of whether the Report reflects that information. The Report must be updated to reflect the gaps AFN points out in Appendix A of this document.

2. Inclusion of AFN’s Indigenous Knowledge from a forthcoming Project-specific Indigenous Knowledge, Land Use and Occupancy Study

AFN recognizes that we have not yet submitted a Project-specific Indigenous Knowledge, Land Use and Occupancy Study (“IKLUOS”) and acknowledges that the MFCAR Project Team has offered additional funding for this specific task. We have been clear with the MFCAR Project Team about the need to follow our community protocols to compile and share this sensitive information with you while adhering to the principles of Indigenous Data Sovereignty, including OCAP® (Ownership, Control, Access and Possession). We require that the MFCAR Project Team come to AFN to present the Project to our members prior to conducting interviews, so that our community understands the details of the Project that they are speaking about. We also require that AFN is in control of the IKLUOS process, including being able to select trusted practitioners to undertake an IKLUOS with the AFN community and not be required to participate in an externally imposed process to receive much needed capacity funding. In Appendix B, we provide more detail to demonstrate why it is critical that decisions about route selection must not be made before we have provided this information. The Report, and any rights impact assessment work that may be undertaken prior to submission of the IKLUOS, will need to be redone once the IKLUOS is completed.

3. Inclusion of AFN’s ongoing requests for a deeper consultation process and for a distinctions-based approach to consultation for the Project

AFN has continuously endeavoured to communicate potential impacts to rights, consultation issues and inadequacies, as well as specifying ways the MFCAR Project Team and/or the province could foster a meaningful and distinctions-based consultation process with us. However, AFN has not seen tangible action around these requests. In Appendix C, we outline the instances where we have requested a deeper consultation process, expressed concerns about the adequacy of consultation, and offered solutions on how the consultation process could be approached to be truly meaningful for AFN. The Report must be updated to reflect this critically important context.

AFN’s expectations of how we are consulted on the Project are grounded in the Crown’s duty to consult meaningfully with potentially impacted First Nations, which is understood through legal precedent established by the Supreme Court of Canada. By not addressing AFN’s requests for a deeper and more meaningful consultation process the Crown and the MFCAR Project Team have not met the following legal precedents:

- a. The Duty to Consult and Accommodate has both procedural and substantive aspects.
 - *Haida Nation v British Columbia (Minister of Forests)*, 2004 SCC 73 at paras 43-47.
 - *Clyde River (Hamlet) v. Petroleum Geo-Services Inc.*, 2017 SCC 40 at para 34.
- b. Procedural requirements include allowing sufficient time for meaningful engagement and providing costs for at least technical support.
 - *Clyde River (Hamlet) v. Petroleum Geo-Services Inc.*, 2017 SCC 40, at paras 47-52.
 - *Chippewas of the Thames First Nation v Enbridge Pipelines Inc.*, 2017 SCC 41 at para 52.
- c. The affected First Nation must be fully informed about potential impacts to their rights, and the decision-maker must ensure it is fully informed about same.
 - *Clyde River (Hamlet) v. Petroleum Geo-Services Inc.*, 2017 SCC 40, at paras 47-52.
 - *Chippewas of the Thames First Nation v Enbridge Pipelines Inc.*, 2017 SCC 41 at para 2.

Furthermore, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People (UNDRIP) and the federal Bill C-15 (CANDRIP) require decision-makers to accommodate sufficiently and to seek consent of the

affected First Nation. This requires demonstrating how the First Nation's concerns about effects on rights and interests are being sufficiently addressed to warrant the First Nation to give consent.

Procedural Issues

Procedural Issues Experienced by AFN with Consultation on the Report

AFN received the Report on December 15, 2023, and were asked to review and provide comments by January 19, 2024. This tight timeline was inadequate given the scope and importance of what MFCAR Project Team was asking of AFN (a comprehensive review of the MFCAR Project Team's current understanding of AFN's Treaty and Aboriginal Rights), that AFN had just elected a new Chief and Council, and the report was received on the Friday before AFN's holiday office closure. While AFN is grateful that the MFCAR Project Team agreed to extend the timelines to mid-February, we remain frustrated that it was considered appropriate to request those timelines in the first place given the circumstances.

In addition, no additional capacity funding was offered for AFN to conduct this review. Despite AFN receiving participant funding from the province to review the Terms of Reference and Environmental Assessment report, the province and the MFCAR Project Team continue to request AFN's participation at workshop and meetings, ongoing engagement through phone calls and emails, and feedback on additional permit, study reviews and documents without providing adequate capacity. AFN's review of the Report is another request for engagement that is not accompanied by acceptable support to nurture a meaningful and deep consultation process.

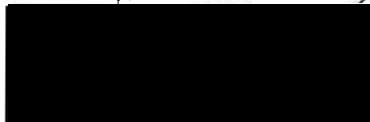
AFN's review and comments on the Report are scoped to Section 3.0 due to both insufficient time and capacity funding to support a thorough assessment. The absence of comments related to Sections 1.0 and 2.0 of the Report are not an indication that AFN agrees with the characterization made by the MFCAR Project Team. Rather, this submission is prioritized to address areas and interests that were most concerning to AFN.

Closing

AFN has stated repeatedly that no decisions should be made on the Project until the Regional Assessment for the Ring of Fire, which will consider cumulative effects from all development including roads in the region, is completed. It is a violation of AFN's right to be informed in the consultation process to proceed without this critical information. It is certainly a violation of AFN's right to give or withhold free, prior and *informed* consent. AFN is one of many First Nation plaintiffs asserting that right in a court case about Indigenous jurisdiction over the lands in Treaty 9. We hold to that assertion, and in no way are our remarks here to be taken as any derogation from that. We are essentially forced to comply with the Duty to Consult and Accommodate in Canadian law, as it has been imposed on us.

AFN remains committed to working together with the MFCAR Project Team in considering the potential impacts of the Project within our Traditional Territory. We look forward to your response and commitment to engage with AFN in a deep and meaningful way.

Sincerely,

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Chief Gagnon

CC:

AFN Council

Chief Achneepineskum and MFFN Council

Qasim Saddique, MFCAR Project Team

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Meghan Buckham, AFN Consultant

Andrew Peach, AFN Consultant

Kate Kempton, AFN Legal Counsel

APPENDIX A

High-Level Summary of All AFN's Submissions to Date

AFN has consistently voiced our communities' concerns about the Project to the MFCAR Project Team, the province, and the federal government, by providing input at various stages of the environmental/impact assessment process. Notably, we submitted comments and recommendations on the Initial Project Description, Indigenous Engagement Participation Plan (IEPP), Tailored Impact Statement Guideline (TISG), Notice of Commencement, and Draft Terms of Reference.

Upon reviewing the draft Report, we found that many of the concerns that we have raised in these various submissions remain unidentified and unaddressed. In the following paragraphs, we provide a brief summary of each previous submission, followed by a detailed comment table. The table outlines instances where AFN has expressed concerns about our rights and interests and indicates whether it was included in the Report.

AFN submitted comments to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the "Agency") on the Initial Project Description on August 29, 2019. AFN conditionally supported the concept of a MFFN Community Access Road to link the community with the provincial highway network. However, we emphasized that all four of the Project's proposed right-of-ways traverse AFN's Traditional Territory, and that additional road access through our territory and community would be required for traffic to reach the provincial highway system. AFN asserted that the Project will significantly impact our inherent and established Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, affecting our ability to hunt, fish, trap, gather, and engage in ceremony and traditional activities. AFN is the Nation most at risk and impacted by the Project and the accumulation of other road projects in our territory.

On January 27, 2020, AFN submitted feedback to the Agency about the Draft TISG and IEPP. Following the publication of the TISG and IEPP, AFN noticed that several of their comments on the Draft IEPP and TISG were not included. On March 23, 2020, additional comments were submitted on the Notice of Commencement, emphasizing concerns unaddressed in the finalized IEPP and TISG. Some examples of unaddressed comments included AFN participation in baseline studies, free, prior and informed consent, collaborative development of valued components and indicators, joint participation in assessment, co-development of mitigation measures, and analysis of impacts of increased access on Aroland's ability to exercise Treaty and Aboriginal Rights and interests.

AFN further expressed their concerns to the province and the MFCAR Project Team by providing feedback on the Project's Terms of Reference on January 20, 2020. Our concerns centred around direct effects on our community and Traditional Territory, linked to the Project's ties to the provincial highway system, and cumulative impacts from other proposed and prospective roads and mining developments. AFN conditionally supported the concept of a sole-purpose community access road that would connect the community to the provincial highway network. However, as the proposed community access road is now also planned to connect into proposed access to the Ring of Fire, the Project now has the potential to deepen the significance of impacts on affect AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty rights.

AFN has emphasized multiple times that the Project has the potential to significantly, permanently, and irreversibly affect their ability to hunt, fish, trap, gather, and engage in ceremony and traditional activities. We've noted that, among First Nations in the region, AFN is the most at risk and will be the most affected by the Project and its cumulative effects. Therefore, there is a critical need for a deep and meaningful consultation process, coupled with adequate capacity funding.

In the following table, we present a comprehensive overview of instances where AFN provided information to the MFCAR Project Team, the province and/or the federal government about current use and potential impacts of the Project on our rights and interests. The table is structured with three columns to enhance clarity and organization:

- The first column, titled "Comment Reference," categorizes each comment by specifying the document name and submission date for easy reference.
- The second column, labelled "AFN's Comment and Recommendation," includes the content of each comment and recommendation. This column serves as a valuable resource for understanding the nature and scope of AFN's input to date.
- The third column uses a colour-coded system to indicate AFN's assessment of whether the information has been identified in the Report.
 - A green status implies that the comment has been fully understood and incorporated into the Report.
 - A yellow label indicates the comment has been partially understood and included in the Report.
 - A red status indicates that there is no reference to the comment in the Report.

Table 1. Gap Analysis of the Report

COMMENT REFERENCE	SUMMARY OF AFN'S COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION	STATUS IN THE REPORT
Overarching Comments		
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	Given that all four of the Project's proposed right of ways traverse AFN's traditional territory and that in order for traffic to reach the provincial highway system further road access would be required through our territory and community it is our position that the Project will have significant effects on our inherent and established Aboriginal and Treaty rights and affect our ability to hunt, trap, gather and engage in ceremony and traditional activities. AFN is the most at risk and will be the most affected by the Project and the cumulation of other road projects in our territory.	
IEPP and TISG Review Jan 27, 2020	AFN has a unique relationship with the lands and waters throughout our ancestral lands. The proposed road lies within our traditional territory in an ecologically unique area that has not historically been well studied. The region retains archaeological, social, cultural, economic and spiritual significance to our community and serves as a gateway to some of our community's prime harvesting locations. Stewardship and the protection of the environment are a foundational component of AFN's way of life and frame our perspectives on and interactions with the land.	
IEPP and TISG Review Jan 27, 2020	Once operating, all-season roads like this one will enable extensive mineral exploration development activities with widespread cumulative effects on our people, our way of life, our community well-being, and our inherent and established Aboriginal and Treaty rights. We anticipate that the Project will significantly, permanently and irreversibly affect our ability to hunt, trap, gather and engage in ceremony and traditional activities. Among First Nations in the region, AFN is the most at risk and will be the most affected by the Project, and its cumulative effects.	
Notice of Commencement	Given the proximity of the proposed Project to the AFN community and that the Project directly overlaps AFN's territory, there will be significant impacts to AFN's inherent Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests. The scope of impacts on AFN's Treaty and Aboriginal rights and our concerns are exacerbated by the Government of Ontario's announcement alongside Webequie First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation to explore the development of the Northern Road Link that would connect the proposed Webequie Supply Road and Marten Falls Community Access Road.	

Terms of Reference, 6.2
Approach to Considering
"Alternatives To"

Any discussion of a supply road being constructed from a point along the CAR to the mining claims north of MFFN and the Ring of Fire must note for the record AFN's concern that its rights and interests would be significantly, permanently and irreversibly impacted by such a supply road, and that consideration by any party, including MFFN or the Province, of an undertaking for such a supply road be subject to a Provincial environmental assessment and a federal Impact Assessment that includes AFN as a proponent so that AFN can meaningfully assess impacts and benefits, and determine if it is able to provide its consent for such an undertaking.

Terms of Reference,
7.2.11 Socio-Economic
and Built Environment
8.3 Assess and Evaluate
Net Effects

AFN submits that many of the effects of the Project, if the if the CAR connects to the Ontario provincial highway network at Painter Lake, driving traffic to and from a road that bisects and runs adjacent to AFN's reserve, will result in direct effects on AFN community members, and AFN rights and interests. This perspective should inform the assessment and evaluation of net effects in the ToR.

AFN submits that potential impacts from the CAR, if the CAR connects to the Ontario provincial highway network at Painter Lake, be subject to specific consultation activities with AFN to include, but not be limited to, potential negative and positive effects on AFN:

- traffic
- access to AFN's traditional territory
- strain on public safety services
- changes to population
- changes to hunting/harvesting
- changes to diet
- effects on human health
- changes to protected area lands
- changes to recreation and commercial land uses
- changes to access and use of traditional teaching sites
- changes to industry and resource extraction activities such as mining, aggregate, forestry, linear infrastructure and energy projects
- changes to the regional economy
- changes to the local economy
- changes to the cost of living in the community
- changes to regional access to education, training, recreation, and health services

Terms of Reference: 8.2
Proposed Criteria and
Indicators

Invasive species could provide an indicator of the status of the Wetland Ecosystems, Upland Ecosystems, Designated Areas and Critical landform / Vegetation Associations Size in concert with distribution could provide a more fulsome indicator of the status of the Wetland Ecosystems, Upland Ecosystems, Designated Areas and Critical landform / Vegetation Associations.

Direct (e.g. vehicle collisions) and indirect (e.g. population isolation) impacts of the project on SAR wildlife should be considered an indicator.

Indigenous Knowledge could provide further information on the indicators for moose and caribou.

Indigenous Knowledge could provide further information on the species of fish to be considered.

AFN expects this project will impact its communities' rights and interests; as such, AFN requires a detailed Indigenous Knowledge Land Use and Occupancy Study, Socio-Economic and Built Environment Impact Assessment, and Cultural Heritage Resource assessments to adequately assess how AFN may be affected and determine mitigation/accommodation measures.

Recommendation:


- For groundwater indicators, include spring water sources
- For vegetation, include presence of invasive species in each category
- For vegetation, expand on the "Distribution" indicator to Distribution and Size
- For wildlife include, direct and indirect impacts of the project on wildlife SAR
- For ungulates, include Indigenous Knowledge
- For fish and fish habitat, ensure fish species important to Indigenous communities are included
- For Indigenous Knowledge and Land use - Traditional Use of Land and Resources and Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, in addition to what is listed in the Draft ToR, include:
 - Number and value of fish spawning
 - Number and value of mammal habitat
 - Number and value of mammal migration
 - Number and value of bird habitat
 - Number and value of bird migration stopovers
 - Number and value of reptile/amphibian habitat

- o Number and value of plant habitat
- o Number and value of mineral licks
- o Number and value of species at risk
- o Number and value of spring water sources valued by Indigenous people
- o Number and value of boat launches
- Number and value of commercial harvesting locations
- o Number and value of historical village/archaeological locations
- o Number and value of historic trails locations
- o Number and value of changes noticed to the environment
- o Number and value of teaching sites valued by Indigenous people for transferring knowledge between generations
- o Number and value of meeting sites valued by Indigenous people for cultural, recreational and social purposes
 - For Indigenous Knowledge and Land use – Reserve Land and Land Claims, include information available from First Nation governments
 - For all Social criteria include information available from First Nation governments
 - For community well-being, include gender related impacts, including impacts on women and girls
 - For all Economy criteria include information available from First Nation governments
 - For all Human Health criteria include information available from First Nation governments
 - For Human Health – Diet, include a specific country foods study undertaken in collaboration with AFN
 - For Cultural Heritage landscapes, include data from provincial and federal databases
 - For archaeological resources:
 - o Include an investigation of historic shorelines
 - o Include an investigation of pictographs and petroglyphs
 - o Include an investigation of all sites identified as indicating archaeological potential as identified in the Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (2011)
 - o Do not use the alternative standards and guidelines for assessing archaeology in Northern Ontario. Because less is known about the archaeology of the north, additional rigor should be undertaken, not less – the regular Standards and Guidelines for Consultant Archaeologists (2011) should be employed for this project.

Hunting, Trapping, Fishing, and Gathering

Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>The potential environmental impacts include:</p> <p>To Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Habitat fragmentation • Changes to home range and movement patterns of animals sensitive to edge effects • Game that is traditionally hunted by AFN changes movement patterns and has higher mortality (roads, non-member hunting) • Increased mortality of animals due to road collisions • Increased human-wildlife conflicts (harassment) • Degradation of interior habitat from increased human disturbance (recreation) 	
Final TISG, 15.2 Birds, migratory birds and their habitat	Effects to birds, migratory birds and their habitat have direct and indirect impacts on bird hunting by Indigenous peoples. Bird hunting and specific bird hunting locations may be valued components for Indigenous peoples.	
Final TISG, 15.3 Terrestrial wildlife and their habitat	Effects to terrestrial wildlife and their habitat may have direct and indirect impacts on wildlife hunting and trapping by Indigenous peoples. Wildlife hunting and trapping, and specific hunting and trapping locations may be valued components for Indigenous peoples.	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>The potential environmental impacts include:</p> <p>To Fish and fish habitats</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to stream morphology and loss of spawning habitat • Disruption of stream flow as a result of road construction • Increased fish mortality as a result in elevated pressure from management actions, angling, and poaching • Changes in composition of fish species as a result of degraded water quality and changes in water quantity • Reduced access or contamination of traditionally important fish species to the AFN 	
Final TISG, 15.1 Fish and Fish Habitat	Effects to fish and fish habitat have direct and indirect impacts on fishing by Indigenous peoples. Fishing and specific fishing locations may be valued components for Indigenous peoples.	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>To Species at Risk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduction in populations of area-sensitive Species at Risk in the vicinity of the road due to the creation of edge habitat (and thus a reduction in interior habitat) 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased competition from invasive species that are carried in on transport vehicles, on construction equipment used to build the road and for maintenance • Reptile populations are particularly susceptible to road mortality due to their attraction to roads as basking sites 	
Final TISG, 15.4 Species at risk and their habitat	There may be species noted as “at risk” by Indigenous groups and local communities and their habitat that are not currently listed under the Species at Risk Act or provincial statutes.	
Final TISG, 8.12 Species at Risk	<p>Indigenous groups may consider certain species to be at risk with respect to local and regional contexts, traditional territories, and harvesting practices and uses.</p> <p>Recommendation: Please amend this section to include reference to species that Indigenous groups may consider to be at risk with respect to local and regional contexts, traditional territories and harvesting practices and uses. Furthermore, Indigenous knowledge should be included where available for detecting all species at risk and habitat, migration corridors, spawning areas, etc.</p>	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>To Vegetation and Vegetation Communities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes in wetland plant composition as a result of changes to the hydrology of the wetland, and possible contamination of wetlands and groundwater • Introduction of invasive plant species from road construction and continual use that outcompete native species • Loss of rare or sensitive plant species in the path of the road, and zone of influence (adjacent lands to the road) 	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>To Wetlands:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Permanent disruption to the hydrology of wetlands in the path of the road • Chemical inputs into wetlands resulting in contamination of groundwater, to the detriment of the plants and animals that rely on wetland habitats 	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>To Water Quality and Quantity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to stream flow and increased sedimentation during construction and road maintenance • Degradation of water quality during road use from dust and sediment, contaminated runoff, and accidental spills • Decreased bank stability of streams bisected by roads due to loss of riparian vegetation 	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>To Water Quality and Quantity</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Changes to stream flow and increased sedimentation during construction and road maintenance 	

Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Degradation of water quality during road use from dust and sediment, contaminated runoff, and accidental spills • Decreased bank stability of streams bisected by roads due to loss of riparian vegetation <p>To Noise Pollution and Air Quality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noise pollution from the road will have an impact on animals and AFN users • Decrease in air quality as a result of carbon emissions from vehicles, airborne particulate matter, and a decrease in natural cover 	
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>The ancestors of AFN have occupied the lands of present-day northern Ontario and beyond since time immemorial. AFN community members currently carry out traditional practices (such as hunting, fishing, trapping and gathering) throughout the proposed area of the Community Access Road. These traditional practices are protected under Section 35 of Canada's Constitution.</p>	
Socio-economic Conditions		
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>Socio-Cultural & Health Impacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased access to Traditional Territory for outsiders, which can lead to overharvesting, increases in hunting accidents, and conflict between AFN and non-AFN harvesters. • Increased trafficking of drugs through Aroland • Increased access to, and use of, drugs and alcohol in AFN and surrounding area • Increased noise from increased traffic including industrial vehicles • Safety concerns regarding increased traffic including industrial vehicles, such as vehicle collisions, accidents and malfunctions including spills • Safety concerns regarding driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs • Health and safety concerns regarding the potential for an increase in violence and racism as a result of an increase of outsiders coming through the community and interacting with AFN members • Health and safety concerns regarding the potential for increased sexual violence and gender-based violence as a result of an increase of outsiders coming through the community, in particular as it relates to AFN women and youth. • Potential for increases in pregnancies as a result of an increase of outsiders coming through the community • Potential for increased rates of Sexually Transmitted Infection as a result of an increase of outsiders coming through the community 	

- Potential for increased vandalism to cabins, traplines etc. because of increased access to Traditional Territory.
- For subsistence harvesters, wildlife may be driven further away by noise of the road.

Cultural Heritage Resources

Terms of reference, 7.2.12 Cultural Heritage Resources

AFN expects specific and confidential consultation on cultural heritage resources informed by AFN Indigenous Knowledge.
 Recommendation: AFN submits that identification of AFN cultural heritage resources be informed by AFN Indigenous Knowledge and specific and confidential consultation activities.

Cultural Continuity

Final TISG, Section 12 Baseline Conditions - Indigenous Peoples

Comment: Understanding historic and current use are important sources of knowledge to inform baseline conditions. However, there should also be consideration of future goals and use and how the project may impact those long-term objectives. There are areas previously impacted by development activities that Aroland First Nation may seek to restore and reclaim. The Project may impact those long-term goals and should be considered alongside historic and current uses.
 Recommendation: Recommend that the impact of the Project on future goals, objectives and use related to Aboriginal rights and interests be considered as part of the assessment process.

Territorial travel and access

Final TISG, 19.1 Effects to Indigenous People

This section provides a list of potential effects to consider, with specific reference to "interferences of the project with the following:
 • access to culturally important harvesting areas or resources of importance." Interference with access is one potential concern, but increased access for non-Indigenous individuals to areas important for the exercise of Aboriginal rights and interests may also be a potential impact of the Project. These types of impacts must also be considered and added to the list.
 Recommendation: Recommend that the potential effects to consider also include the impact increased access may have on Indigenous groups ability to exercise Aboriginal rights and interests.

Cumulative Effects

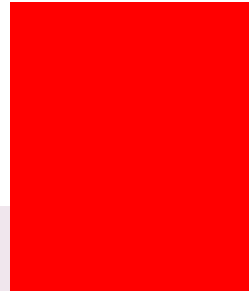
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019

the cumulative effects of this Project and other proposed roads would be to drastically increase the ease of access to our traditional territory to Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples, which would directly impact the lands and waters used by AFN members for trapping, hunting, fishing, harvesting and teaching for spiritual purposes. Our cultural

heritage and archaeological resources will also be impacted, as well as burial sites for some of our ancestors that are in the vicinity of the proposed projects. The increase in access will increase the likelihood of radically new activities taking place on our territory. The adverse impacts identified are also predicted to increase extensively in magnitude should the roads connect to the Ring of Fire region in the future. This list of potential environmental impacts is not exhaustive and the potential effects to AFN members can not be adequately understood without the appropriate resources to conduct baseline studies, including careful collection and integration of our Indigenous Knowledge, along with land and resource use.

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Once operating, all-season roads like this one will enable extensive mineral exploration development activities with widespread cumulative effects on our people, our way of life, our community well-being, and our inherent and established Aboriginal and Treaty rights.



APPENDIX B

With a Project-specific IKLUOS forthcoming, we seek a commitment from the MFCAR Project Team to ensure that once completed, the IKLUOS will inform the final draft of the Report, final route selection and draft Environmental Impact Statement.

The following table is a small representation of a few areas within the Project study area that are of high importance to AFN. The purpose of this table is to demonstrate why it is critical that the MFCAR Project Team wait until AFN has completed its Project-specific IKLUOS before making any decisions that could result in significant impacts to our Treaty and Aboriginal rights. The information has been derived both from previous studies conducted by AFN and community engagement with band members for different projects.

This information is not considered a comprehensive report and must not be misconstrued as a complete account of AFN's current use, Indigenous Knowledge and/or cultural values within the Project study area.

Table 2: Preliminary identification of culturally significant areas for the practice of Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests

COMMENT #	PRELIMINARY IMPORTANT SITE	POTENTIAL IMPACT TO RIGHTS	RECOMMENDED ACTION
1	Dusey Lake and Dusey River are critically important areas for AFN from an environmental, cultural, and historic perspective. There is a historic settlement and several grave sites in the area, with Dusey Lake being a significant spiritual site for AFN. AFN members also use the area for trapping, fishing, hunting, and gathering.	Both of the MFCAR Project's proposed routes pass less than 5km from Dusey Lake, and cross the Dusey River less than 10km downstream of Dusey Lake. The proximity of the road to these important sites could result in noise and dust contamination from traffic, including industrial traffic from mine sites. Increased access to the area by non-Indigenous people also poses impacts, both to cultural and historic sites as well as hunting, gathering and fishing activities due to increased competition for resources.	Before the proposed route can be finalized AFN must be able to conduct an IKLUOS in order to identify the specific locations of the cultural and historic sites near Dusey Lake and Dusey River, and to document AFN members current and historic use of the area.
2	Patience Lake is an important area for AFN from an environmental and cultural perspective. AFN band members fish in	The proposed right of way of the Project's Alternative Route #4 crosses the Ogoki River at the downstream end of	Before the proposed route can be finalized AFN must be able to conduct an IKLUOS in order to identify the

COMMENT #	PRELIMINARY IMPORTANT SITE	POTENTIAL IMPACT TO RIGHTS	RECOMMENDED ACTION
3	<p>the lake and hunt, gather, and trap in the area around the lake. There are cabins and overnight campsites on the shores of the lake, as well as along the Ogoki River, as well as burial sites. Patience Lake and the Ogoki River are also important habitats for Lake Sturgeon (<i>Acipenser fulvescens</i>), which are a species of spiritual and cultural importance to AFN, as well as being a species of “special concern” in Southern Hudson Bay – James Bay Lowlands region.</p>	<p>Patience Lake, in close proximity to multiple cultural values sites that AFN has identified through previous studies. These values include burial sites, hunting, trapping and fishing locations, as well as overnight camping areas. The proximity of these sites to the proposed right of way would diminish the quality of these sites and potentially render them permanently unusable. Increased access to the area by non-Indigenous land users also poses impacts to these sites, as well as areas of importance throughout all of the Patience Lake area.</p>	<p>specific locations of the cultural and historic sites near Patience Lake and to document AFN members current and historic use of the area.</p>
3	<p>AFN band members hold traplines throughout AFN’s traditional territory, up to and north of the Albany River. Traplines are important areas for AFN to exercise trapping rights and trappers have identified that they also have cabins and overnight areas within their traplines and also use the areas for hunting, fishing and gathering.</p>	<p>AFN band members are #1 trappers on five (5) traplines that intersect with the Project’s RSA, three (3) of which are intersected directly by either one or both of the Project’s proposed right of ways. The construction and operation of the proposed road could impact the trappers’ abilities to trap as well as hunt, fish, gather and stay out on the land.</p>	<p>Before the proposed route can be finalized AFN must be able to engage with our trappers to understand their land use in their traplines and hear if they have concerns about potential impacts to their rights and interests. AFN would also like to invite the trappers to participate in an IKLUOS . We also understand that the trappers should be engaged directly by the proponent and Crown as part of the Consultation and engagement process.</p>

APPENDIX C

The table below outlines many of the occasions where AFN has formally requested deeper consultation and additional activities or studies to ensure a meaningful consultation process.

Table 3. AFN requests for deeper Consultation

COMMENT REFERENCE	COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>In order to ensure that we are able to adequately participate throughout the process, to raise potential impacts, ensure adequate mitigation of effects and ensure that the costs do not outweigh the benefits, it is AFN's position that a proper collaborative planning process and a role for AFN in the co-management of the MFFN Community Access Road is a required condition to obtain AFN's support.</p>
Initial Project Description Review, August 29, 2019	<p>"In correspondence to the Agency on June 19, 2019, Aroland First Nation stated that is would make available Indigenous knowledge. Do you have any instructions on who the Agency can instruct the proponent work with your community to effectively integrate Indigenous knowledge in the preparation of its documents?"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Aroland First Nation collects and documents Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use data independently and have expressed the need for capacity funding to MFFN to complete a community led Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study. Such a study will be an integral component in ensuring AFN's sacred cultural sites and ecologically significant sites are protected. CEAA and MFFN are instructed to work with Band Councillor Sheldon Atlookan to determine an appropriate arrangement for collecting and integrating AFN Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use data into the EIS. His contact is shawgatlookan@gmail.com.
Final TISG, 19.1 Effects to Indigenous People	<p>The list of considerations that are encouraged as "best practices" must be included to fully understand the effects of the Project on Aroland First Nation and other Indigenous groups. The assessment of potential socio-economic impacts of the project should not be encouraged, but mandatory. This is particularly critical in consideration of the impacts a road to the Ring of Fire may present and the increased industrial activity that will be enabled as a result. Understanding the cumulative socio-economic impacts this Project may lead to will be critical to an effective assessment and decision-making process.</p> <p>Recommendation: Ensure that the factors and considerations outlined as best practices are mandatory to that the socio-economic effects of the Project on Indigenous peoples is fully contemplated.</p>

COMMENT REFERENCE	COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION
IEPP and TISG Review, Jan 27, 2020	<p>In order to ensure that we are able to adequately participate throughout the process, to raise potential impacts, ensure adequate mitigation of effects and ensure that the costs do not outweigh the benefits, it is AFN's position that a proper collaborative planning process and a role for AFN in the co-management of the MFFN Community Access Road is a required condition to obtain AFN's support. AFN has sent a draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to MFFN that sets out a two-way relationship for information sharing throughout the Project to this effect and expects to finalize the MOU with MFFN before the IAAC commences the Impact Assessment process for the Project.</p>
IEPP and TISG Review, Jan 27, 2020	<p>AFN Participation in Baseline Studies: In our review of the draft IEPP, AFN identified the importance of direct involvement in developing and executing baseline studies to support the Impact Assessment process. The final IEPP instructs the proponent to "present baseline studies" to Indigenous groups only. A requirement to share information with AFN is insufficient from our perspective in supporting a meaningful engagement, consultation and impact assessment process.</p>
Notice of Commencement	<p>AFN is looking forward to working with the IAAC to develop a community specific engagement and consultation plan that responds to the unique engagement approaches and needs of our community. We will expect that AFN's comments that have not been addressed in the general IEPP or the TISG, will be specifically addressed in this unique CSECP. Our requests for a community workshop to engage with the IAAC and the proponent on an effects assessment was not addressed in the IEPP or comment summary table. In addition, our requests to have a meeting in community to explain the final decision and how the community's input was considered is also absent. We are seeking confirmation from the IAAC that the workshop approach is something that can and will be considered as part of a community specific consultation and engagement plan.</p>
Terms of Reference, 7.1.4 Description of the Existing Environment 8.4 Incorporation of Indigenous Knowledge in Environmental Assessment	<p>MFFN is aware that AFN is seeking an agreement with MFFN that includes sharing Indigenous Knowledge. Once this agreement is executed, the MFFN and AFN will be able to share Indigenous Knowledge while respecting rights and interests.</p> <p>Recommendation: Given AFN's unique location in relation to the Project, including a substantial area of traditional territory that will be overprinted by the Project, and connections to the Anaconda and Painter Lake roads that are wholly within AFN's traditional territory, AFN submits that the assessment and evaluation of effects of alternative methods should not commence until AFN's Indigenous Knowledge is available following execution of an agreement with MFFN that includes sharing Indigenous Knowledge and sufficient time and resources are available for AFN to meaningfully and effectively collect Indigenous Knowledge specific to those alternative methods [...]</p>

COMMENT REFERENCE	COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION
Final TISG, Section 12 Baseline Conditions -Indigenous Peoples	<p>The guidelines outline that proponents are required to engage with Indigenous groups but provides no explicit guidance and reference to methods/approaches to engaging Indigenous groups. How the proponent engages with Aroland First Nation is incredibly important and approaches undertaken in one community may not be appropriate for another. Aroland First Nation would like to influence, and jointly develop community specific engagement approaches to support effective development of baseline conditions.</p> <p>Recommendation: Recommend that the guidelines explicitly include direction to the proponent to work with each Indigenous group to determine the methods and approaches to engagement.</p>
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to MFFN Chief Achneepineskum and Council, October 20, 2020	<p>Aroland understands how important all-season road access is to the Marten Falls community and has always offered provisional support for the project. Our support has always been conditional on Marten Falls understanding the significant impacts the proposed project will have on Aroland's Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests, obtaining Aroland's permission for use of our traditional territory and working in partnership with Aroland to ensure the projects impacts could be avoided, mitigated, and accommodated. Any proposed development or activity within our territory must be explored in consultation with Aroland First Nation's membership, based on our protocols and preferred procedures.</p> <p><i>Ontario's Code of Practice: Environmental Assessments</i> sets the expectation that proponents are responsible for working with Indigenous communities to understand how they wish to be consulted. Up to this point we have relied on our joint-MOU negotiations to communicate how we wish to work with Marten Falls on this project, but given that those negotiations have concluded with no agreement in place, we request that Marten Falls work with us to develop a custom consultation process that ensures the proponent adheres, at a minimum, to the following responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(a) Act in good faith;(b) Consult with the intention of fairly and justly addressing all of Aroland's concerns through accommodation measures;(c) Ensure transparency during the consultation and negotiation process;(d) Provide Aroland with adequate financial support and time to ensure that Aroland has the capacity to fully engage in the process in an effective and informed manner;

COMMENT REFERENCE	COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATION
	<p>(e) Provide any agreed-upon financial support, including funding for experts/consultants, in a timely manner</p> <p>(f) Provide all relevant and necessary information regarding its action or decision to Aroland as soon as such information is available, including any such information that can only be provided under a confidentiality agreement with Aroland;</p> <p>(g) Respect Aroland Rights and Aroland values;</p> <p>(h) Accommodate Aroland's concerns;</p> <p>(i) Not proceed with any action or make any decision potentially affecting Aroland Rights, Aroland Values, and/or Aroland Traditional Territory until an accommodation agreement has been entered into with Aroland providing Aroland's consent;</p> <p>(j) Honour any agreements reached with Aroland.</p> <p>We believe that establishing a custom consultation process will benefit both parties in clarifying our roles and responsibilities and ensuring a certainty of process in advancing consultation and accommodation in relation to this project.</p>
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to MFFN Chief Achneepineskum and Council, July 30, 2021	<p><i>Adequate Time</i></p> <p>AFN requires adequate time to assess and understand the potential impact to our Treaty and Aboriginal Rights and Values. This may include time to host community meetings, engage technical experts, collect and analyze Traditional Knowledge values from Elders and land users, and develop any adequate avoidance, mitigation and other accommodation measures. Currently, the MFFN Project Team has requested responses to their questions within a dictated timeframe of as short as 15 days, which is inadequate for AFN to assess and understand potential impacts and propose accommodation measures. AFN requires that timelines for addressing each study be mutually agreed upon by both parties acting reasonably and flexible enough to address unforeseen challenges.</p> <p><i>Sufficient Information</i></p> <p>In order to adequately assess and understand the potential impacts of each study, AFN requires sufficient information, which may include details of the study activities on the ground and accurate GIS location information of each proposed site. This level of detail will allow AFN to understand both how and where our Traditional Territory may be affected, and to analyze each location in detail against any mapped Value locations we have (which is not complete). The study notices provided by the MFFN</p>

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	<p>Project Team are insufficient and provide only a general outline of activities and the maps provided suggest activities could occur anywhere within the large study area. AFN requires detailed information for each study, and the ability to request further details from the MFFN Project Team when necessary.</p> <p><i>Capacity Funding</i></p> <p>To adequately review and understand the potential impacts of each study AFN requires capacity funding to conduct community meetings, meet with the MFFN Project Team, consult technical and legal experts, and cover other reasonable review costs. Under the current funding agreement with the Government of Ontario, AFN does not have funding to participate in consultation and engagement related to each study. In each study notice, the MFFN Project Team requests detailed information from AFN but has not offered capacity funding for our participation. Adequate capacity funding must be secured for AFN and in place prior to the initiation of any mutually agreed upon timelines for engaging on each study.</p>
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to MFCAR Project Team, September 3, 2021	Aroland First Nation's consent must be obtained for any aspects of the Environmental Assessment (EA) or the road project that occur in our territory, including these and other field studies. Aroland First Nation does not consent to the conduct of these field studies [Aerial Waterfowl Migration Survey; Surface Water, Fish and Fish Habitat Study] in our territory because we have not been consulted or accommodated in any meaningful way whatsoever about the EA, including these studies.
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to James Bennitt, October 7, 2021	In order for us to develop a full understanding of the potential impacts of this study we require funding to hire technical advisors to help us understand the technical elements of the proposal and to interview Elders and land users who provide critical insight and context that is necessary to understand potential impacts to our Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. Elders' and land users' participation takes their time away from activities within the community and across our territory, and therefore we adhere to the custom of providing honoraria and covering expenses in acknowledgement of their contributions. This compensation, and the effort required to record, map and transcribe information shared by knowledge holders in the community requires funding and adequate time to complete in a meaningful way
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to Kathleen O'Neill, MECP, October 7, 2021	To date, AFN has not received the capacity support necessary to meaningfully participate in the Environmental Assessments for the WSR and the MFCAR. Capacity funding provided in October 2020 partially supported our review of the Terms of References for the MFCAR, but there are a variety of other engagement opportunities that have remained unsupported. While we appreciate MECP's

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Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to James Bennitt, October 22, 2021	<p>encouragement to participate in the consultation process, additional support is required so we can adequately assess and respond to proposals and requests from each proponent, seek technical advice and support, attend meetings, and conduct reviews to identify impact avoidance, mitigation and accommodation measures. Unsupported attempts at engagement will not lead to meaningful and informed consent from our community, and will not adequately inform proponents of their projects' impacts to our rights and interests.</p> <p>Whether through a custom consultation process with the MFCAR project team or additional funding from the Government of Ontario, until adequate capacity funding has been provided to AFN, and we have sufficient time to understand potential impacts to our Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and can develop proposals on how to address them, no field programs or studies should be approved to proceed. Your continued failure to adhere to our requests will result in our constitutional rights being violated, and this you should not take lightly.</p>
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to Amelie Nephin (MNRF), February 11, 2022	<p>[The eligible activities in participant funding agreement with the province] speak explicitly to community engagement with our membership on consultation plans relate to review of the ToR and the EA/IA Report, not ongoing permits and studies associated with the MFCAR Project. If we are expected to use this capacity funding for each permit or study notice that's provided by the Ministry or MFCAR Project Team, we will not have the financial support necessary to engage our membership on the EA/IA report and other MECP documents. In addition, this funding does not provide us with the capacity to retain the third party expertise necessary to thoroughly assess the impacts of this decision on our Treaty and Aboriginal rights and interests. Third party technical advice is only supported through the existing funding for the review of the ToR, the EA/IA report and other MECP review documents.</p>
Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to Amelie Nephin (MNRF) re: Groundwater and Geotechnical studies, February 11, 2022	<p>The Ministry [MNRF] states that "the MFCAR project team have additionally made efforts to connect with AFN regarding the groundwater and geochemistry work proposed and invited AFN to meet" and "that they continue to be available to provide technical details and answer any questions regarding this proposed work." The Proponent continues to share information with Aroland, but sharing information in the absence of adequate capacity to review and retain the expertise necessary to provide comments and engage in meaningful dialogue around impact to Treaty and Aboriginal rights is not adequate consultation.</p>

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<p>Letter from AFN Chief Towedo to Andrea Nokleby, MFCAR Project Team, November 17, 2023</p>	<p>Aroland First Nation takes the position that proponents and the Crown must obtain our consent for projects and activities that use and affect or harm our homeland territory and we are one of ten plaintiff First Nations in Treaty Nine pursuing a court case that says that the Treaty Nine Nations have maintained our jurisdiction over our homeland territories. We maintain our decision-making authority and control and our permission or consent is required when others want to use our homeland. Our jurisdiction, or decision-making governance rights, are based on our Anishinaabe laws and run parallel to those of the Crowns jurisdiction based on Canadian laws. Any co-jurisdiction regime developed as a result of this case or otherwise, must respect both sets of laws.</p> <p>In the Invitation for the ATRI Second Forum, October 17, 2023 it was shared that the Forum is intended to include discussions about how attendees Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights and interests may be impacted by the projects, but that discussions will not include collection of Indigenous Knowledge. But for Aroland First Nation, how we exercise our Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights and interests within our traditional territory is our Indigenous Knowledge. And that knowledge forms the basis of our laws and jurisdiction. We can't propose to understand potential impacts to our Treaty and/or Aboriginal rights without referencing, discussing or sharing our Indigenous Knowledge. But some of our Indigenous Knowledge is confidential and proprietary and we will only share it when all parties commit to respecting our data sovereignty and upholding the principles of OCAP (Ownership, Control, Access and Possession). In our view, it is not possible to protect our data sovereignty and adhere to OCAP principles at a forum attended by multiple First Nations and their advisors, as well as consultants for all three projects and Crown representatives. Simply declaring a space as respectful and culturally-sensitive does not make it true.</p>



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 4 March 2024 at 16:10
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for following up on your previous email. I've provided responses to your questions below in blue:

- Could you please confirm whether or not we should go ahead and add the Aroland First Nation Chief and Council emails to our contact list and if you could provide some direction on when they should receive correspondence from the MFFN CAR Project? [Please include Councillor Joe Baxter \(\[redacted\]\) and Chief Gagnon \(\[redacted\]\) on all project correspondence for the time being and I will ask if the other Councillors would also like to be included going forward and get back to you.](#)
- We had previously discussed a potential meeting next week. Since we haven't received any additional details, I wanted to confirm that was no longer the case. Are there any updates you might be able to provide? [Chief Gagnon has confirmed that he would like the MFCAR project team to visit Aroland to host a community meeting and introduce the project to community members. We are waiting on confirmation from AFN staff about potential meetings in Aroland next week but I agree that even if those are to go ahead it would not be enough time to coordinate the logistics for an MFCAR community meeting. Perhaps your team could provide some suggestions for potential dates that would work for you and I can share that with AFN to find a time that works for everyone.](#)
- The Community Coordinator Program is still available. Would Aroland First Nation be interested in participating in this program? Are there any questions about the program? [AFN currently employs a Community Consultation Coordinator to support engagement with band members. However, given that there is still funding available to execute the Community Coordinator Program AFN may be interested in discussing alternative uses for the funding to support AFN's participation and involvement in studies and engagement. For any potential studies AFN requires that they are in charge of coordinating and leading any studies or initiatives that occur in the community and that they have ownership and control over all data that is collected in a manner consistent with OCAP principles and Indigenous data sovereignty best practices.](#)

Please let me know if you have any further questions at this time.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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MFFN CAR - Milestone #2 Progress Report and ATRI Existing Conditions Report

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 19 March 2024 at 18:35
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Richard Herbert <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for resharing the response to the ATRI letter. I can confirm that AFN has received it.

As far as I'm aware AFN has not received any draft preliminary route selection mapping.

Thanks,

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 19 March 2024 at 18:40
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Richard Herbert <[REDACTED]>, Meghan Buckham <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for your note.

Regarding the Community Coordinator Job Posting that you shared, I'd like to reiterate my response on behalf of AFN from the previous email and ask that the MFFN CAR Project Team reach out to AFN to discuss alternative uses for the funding that's available for the Community Consultation Program to support AFN's own studies and initiatives. From the previous email:

AFN currently employs a Community Consultation Coordinator to support engagement with band members. However, given that there is still funding available to execute the Community Coordinator Program AFN may be interested in discussing alternative uses for the funding to support AFN's participation and involvement in studies and engagement. For any potential studies AFN requires that they are in charge of coordinating and leading any studies or initiatives that occur in the community and that they have ownership and control over all data that is collected in a manner consistent with OCAP principles and Indigenous data sovereignty best practices.

Thanks so much,

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Aroland First Nation

Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>

27 March 2024 at 12:35

Hi Kyla,

Contact for Chief and Council is:

- Chief Gagnon [redacted]
- Bernard Gagnon [redacted]
- Chad Kashkeesh [redacted]
- Eunice Magiskan [redacted]
- Joe Baxter [redacted]
- Mark Bell [redacted]
- Tyrell Gagnon [redacted]

And please include Band Administrator Richard Herbert [redacted]

Please let me know if there's any more information you need for this.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 28 March 2024 at 10:52
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 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

Thanks for the clarification. I will follow up with Chief and Council about this and we'll get back to your team as soon as possible.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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J. Richard Herbert <[redacted]>

3 April 2024 at 07:56

Reply-To: [redacted]
 To: "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Rojin Amani <[redacted]>, Meghan Buckham <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, [redacted]

C&C are scheduled for the 16 and 17th but open, according to my schedule, for the 18th

Richard

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Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]> 3 April 2024 at 11:10
 To: Richard Hebert <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>,
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I'll be available for Friday the 19th
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 3 April 2024 at 14:09
 To: "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>

Hello Lucia,

Thanks for your email. I have reached out to Aroland's Chief and Council about the possibility of meeting on the alternative dates that you've suggested. However, Aroland's Chief and Council had just confirmed that the Friday, April 19th date would work for them and in some cases have made accommodations to their schedules to prioritize the Nation-to-Nation meeting. They would like to keep the meeting on Friday, April 19th as it was originally proposed in Chief Achneepineskum's letter last week.

Please advise if Marten Falls First Nation's Chief and Council are able to make the Friday, April 19th date work for scheduling the Nation-to-Nation meeting.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 4 April 2024 at 12:17
 To: "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Richard Herbert <[REDACTED]>, Linda Moonias <[REDACTED]>, Shane Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Maria Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>, Robert Moonias <[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[REDACTED]>, Yvonne Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Hi Lucia,

Thanks very much for confirming the date and time. I have reached out to AFN's Chief and Council about preferences for location and food and will relay their responses to you.

I'd also like to confirm with you that as a Nation-to-Nation meeting only MFFN and AFN's respective leaderships will be attending and consultants and legal counsel will not be participating. Is this also MFFN's understanding?



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 10 April 2024 at 10:57
 To: "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>

Hello Lucia,

I just wanted to check in on the logistics and planning for the Nation to Nation meeting on April 19th in Thunder Bay. I have not received any requests from Aroland's Chief and Council about location or catering, so I think it's safe to say that we can go ahead and book everything.

I also just wanted to send you a head's up that I will be out of the office next week and unable to assist in any logistics or communications after this Friday. I'm back in the office on Wednesday, April 24th. While I hope that everything will be planned and arranged before the end of this week, my colleague Laura Sayers ([redacted]) will be available to support with any communications between AFN and MFFN next week if necessary.

Thanks very much!



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

J. Richard Herbert <[redacted]> 10 April 2024 at 12:26
 Reply-To: [redacted]
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <[redacted]>, info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca, " <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>

Andrew,

To clarify, my understanding is that Martin Falls is handling, venue, meals, accommodations and travel. If I am not correct, I need to speak to C&C.

Thanks

Richard

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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

12 April 2024 at 10:24

Hi Kyla,

Welcome back! Yes, a call this morning would be great. Are you available at 11am EST?

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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New SVS contacts for Aroland First Nation

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 12 April 2024 at 12:26
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>
Cc: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Laura Sayers <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

As we discussed here is the contact information for the new team members. If it's possible to add them to all future communications for the Marten Falls Community Access Road project that would be excellent.

Ashley Childs: [redacted]

Andrew Dieleman: [redacted]

And Laura Sayers will be supporting as well while I'm away: [redacted].

All are Cc'd here as well.

Thanks so much!

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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J. Richard Herbert <[redacted]> 12 April 2024 at 11:19
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Andrew,

AFN needs to ensure there is a place for Jerry, our CCC, to participate in this meeting. Please confirm that accommodations are included for him.

Thank you,

Richard

Dr. J. Richard G. Herbert B. SC., D.V.M.
Band Administrator

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Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Bruce Achneepineskum <[redacted]> 15 April 2024 at 16:12
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Laura Sayers <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Richard Herbert <[redacted]>, Linda Moonias <[redacted]>, Shane Baxter <[redacted]>, Maria Baxter <[redacted]>, Paul Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Robert Moonias <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Russell Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, Yvonne Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, "Jara Moreno, Lucia" <[redacted]>

Good afternoon, so the venue is delta hotel by marina and time is 9-2 pm with breakfast and lunch provided . This meeting is for Council to Council only and a recorder- assistant provided by each FN . Other than Council members and recorder - assistant no other staff or consultants will be there. A zoom should be set up also if Council that can't make it can join.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Re-Engagement and Consultation

Laura Sayers <[redacted]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>
Cc: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>

17 April 2024 at 09:50

Hi Kyla,

I understand that you had been talking to Andrew Peach about whether Jerry could attend the meeting. Were you able to get a response on this? It's still not clear from the email below as he would be attending as an Elder (not staff or consultant).

Andrew has also shared the draft agenda with Aroland Chief and Council and they didn't have anything further to add as of EOD yesterday. See attached. I understand that you can finalize it and add in any MFFN items as necessary and circulate it to everyone.

And finally, I did follow up to reach out about dietary restrictions with Aroland from your earlier email, but no one has come forward with any special requests.

Please reach out if needed.

Thanks!

Laura Sayers, H.B.Sc, PMP | Senior Consultant | Lands & Planning Team Lead

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Draft Agenda for Nation-to-Nation Meeting

April 19th, 2024, 9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation

Agenda Item	Topic of Discussion	Timing
1	Welcome and Introductions	9:00 am – 9:30 am
2	Opening Remarks and Purpose of the Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Opportunity for each Chief and Council member to provide their perspective	
3	Review <u>Communications Protocol between Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Are there any changes that either party would like to see?• Are both parties satisfied with the protocol?	9:30 am – 10:00 am
4	Opportunities, Concerns and Challenges <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are the opportunities and benefits of working together?• What challenges do each party face in working together more effectively?• What needs to happen?	10:00 am – 11:00 am
5	The Path Forward Together <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Potential community meetings in Aroland for Community Access Road project• Relationship building• Actions and Next Steps	11:00 am – 12:00 pm



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Re: Potential May 28th Marten Falls-Aroland meeting in Thunder Bay

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 21 May 2024 at 18:33
 To: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>
 Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>
 <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla and Qasim,

I hope that you're both well and have had a relaxing long weekend.

At the May 7th meeting Marten Falls and Aroland discussed a few options for potential future meetings. One date that was discussed was next Tuesday, May 28th. Aroland's project team will be in Thunder Bay for meetings and extended an invite to members of the Marten Falls project team to meet in the afternoon to share project updates and continue discussions about working together. I just wanted to follow up to see if the Marten Falls project team is available next Tuesday afternoon to meet? If so we can put together a draft agenda for what we would like to discuss at the time.

We have not finalized the location, but are looking into booking a meeting space at the Delta hotel that we could use for the meeting. If the date works for your team we can share more details about the location as we finalize our plans.

We look forward to hearing from you,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Re: Potential May 28th Marten Falls-Aroland meeting in Thunder Bay

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 22 May 2024 at 11:46
To: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, "[REDACTED]" <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Don McKinnon <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Qasim,

Thanks for your quick response. I think that it makes sense to meet in the morning of Tuesday, May 28th. Since your charter departs at noon, would it be feasible to meet from 9:00 AM to 10:00 or perhaps 10:30? Please let us know what time your team would need to depart for the airport and we'll update our schedule to reflect that time.

Thanks very much for your flexibility,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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MFFN CAR - Phone call

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

22 May 2024 at 16:10

Hi Kyla,

Would you be available at 4:30? Please feel free to give me a call then.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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MFFN CAR Groundwater and Geochemistry Program - Field Work Participation

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

23 May 2024 at 09:52

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Richard Herbert <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Dieleman <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>

Thank you for the information.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

good day

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

23 May 2024 at 11:10

i asked our ontario works and forward the details of the job .if they have anyone she will give me a name of persons interested .also the job will be posted on our community facebook,i myself will be talking and ask some people if there interested. thanks .



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

good afternoon .

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

23 May 2024 at 14:03

re,,water sampling .
we found a person that is willing to do the job ,needs info
names,phone number,when , where to go in geraldton.etc.
could you send me this .

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

re onboard training names

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

24 May 2024 at 09:46

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alternative .

[REDACTED] phone number [REDACTED]



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

re onboard training names

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]> 24 May 2024 at 15:50
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"Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki"
<[REDACTED]>

Sounds good, thank you.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

re onboard training names

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]> 28 May 2024 at 10:34
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Andrew Dieleman <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>

Hi Kyla,

I just spoke with Jerry about this and he suggested reaching out to [REDACTED] on his new cell phone: [REDACTED]

Thanks,
Andrew Peach

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 17 June 2024 at 11:32
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 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Cugnet, Jaimie" <[redacted]>, "Ratajczak, Gabbie" <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

We have not used a translator for meetings in the past so I believe that you should be OK without one this week. Aws for the number of attendees on Wednesday, it is an open invitation to members in Thunder Bay so it's hard to say how many will choose to attend, but we have never had more than 25 attend an extended meeting in Thunder Bay in the past.

Regarding the payment for the dinner on Thursday, I'll defer to Jerry as he can coordinate with the group that are preparing the meal and Aroland's finance department.

I'm back in the office for the whole week so don't hesitate to reach out if you have any more questions.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 26 June 2024 at 16:18
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 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hi Kyla,

Following conversations between AFN and MFFN Chief and Council have decided that they would like to hire a Community Consultation Coordinator as part of the Marten Falls program. We have the job posting that you've provided and will post that shortly. Could you please let us know what your team will need from AFN in order to get everything in place for this position to be hired?

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 28 June 2024 at 12:07
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 Cc: Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>

Hello Qasim,

As we discussed at our task force meeting in June, Aroland would like to access the IK funding that the Marten Falls Project Team has made available. Aroland's legal counsel has reviewed the IK Sharing Agreement and the IK Program Funding Agreement and made some minor edits to both documents. I've attached a word version of each document with track changes for your team to review the edits that Aroland is suggesting. If you are OK with these edits, we've also attached clean edited versions that have been approved and signed by Chief Gagnon.

Please review, and if you accept the changes, sign the final versions and return them to us as soon as possible. We are planning to mobilize a study team the week of July 22-26, dependent on this funding being in place.

NOTE: I will be out of office from July 2-9 inclusive so please direct any questions or inquiries to Jeremy Shute (Cc'd).

Thanks very much!

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Jeremy Shute <[redacted]> 4 July 2024 at 16:26
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 Cc: Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Leah Culver <[redacted]>

Hey Qasim,

Just checking in on these items.

Happy to talk if that would be helpful.

Regards,

Jeremy

Jeremy Shute, MA, RPP | Senior Planner

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Poster for next meeting

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

5 July 2024 at 11:11

To: Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>

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<[REDACTED]>, Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Kyla Zielbauer

<[REDACTED]>, Bob Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Lawrence Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Ariane Heisey

Will do, thanks!

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

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Mark Bell <[REDACTED]> 5 July 2024 at 14:38
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<[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik
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Can't we discuss this on our task force meeting?

Mark Bell
Implementation Coordinator AFN#242/GGM



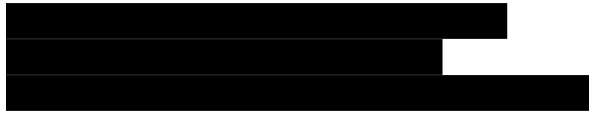
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Sorry last one was old

Mark Bell
Implementation Coordinator AFN#242/GGM



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MFCAR: Invitation to Join Helicopter Fly-over July 19th

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 16 July 2024 at 14:30
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Hi Leah,

I have reached out to Jerry to see if he is able to find someone. I am also aware that he will be travelling to Thunder Bay for the Marten Falls Community Access Road meeting and may be unable to identify an available monitor, given the short notice.

Aroland have expressed interest in having monitors participate in fieldwork activities where possible, but it can take several days to identify and confirm the availability of monitors in each instance. We hope that we can work together further in advance of phase 2 this fall/winter to identify and confirm an available monitor and ensure Aroland's participation.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 31 July 2024 at 17:55
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Thanks, Kyla.

I'll touch base with Jerry about the best way to set up payments and will get back about that.

Please let me know if your team has any further questions about the IK sharing agreement.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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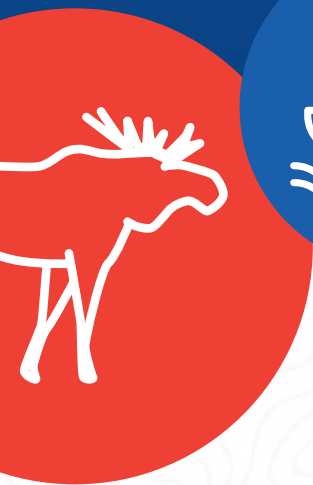
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Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Preliminary Existing Conditions Report

Marten Falls First Nation Community
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November 28, 2023

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Introduction



Marten Falls First Nation is the Proponent of a proposed all-season Community Access Road (the Project). The Project would connect the community to the Ontario provincial highway network (**Figure 1-1**). The Project is subject to the federal *Impact Assessment Act* and the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act* and associated regulatory processes. As part of these regulatory processes, the Proponent is required to assess the potential impacts of the Project on the rights and interests of Indigenous peoples, including on Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights which are recognized and affirmed in Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*. The Project Team is currently consulting with 23 Indigenous communities, including Marten Falls First Nation, who may have Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests that have the potential to be adversely impacted by the Project. As a First Nation Proponent, constitutionally protected rights are of the upmost importance and significance to Marten Falls First Nation.

The purpose of this *Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Existing Conditions Report* is to:



Share our current understanding of rights and interests within the Project area specific to each Indigenous community;

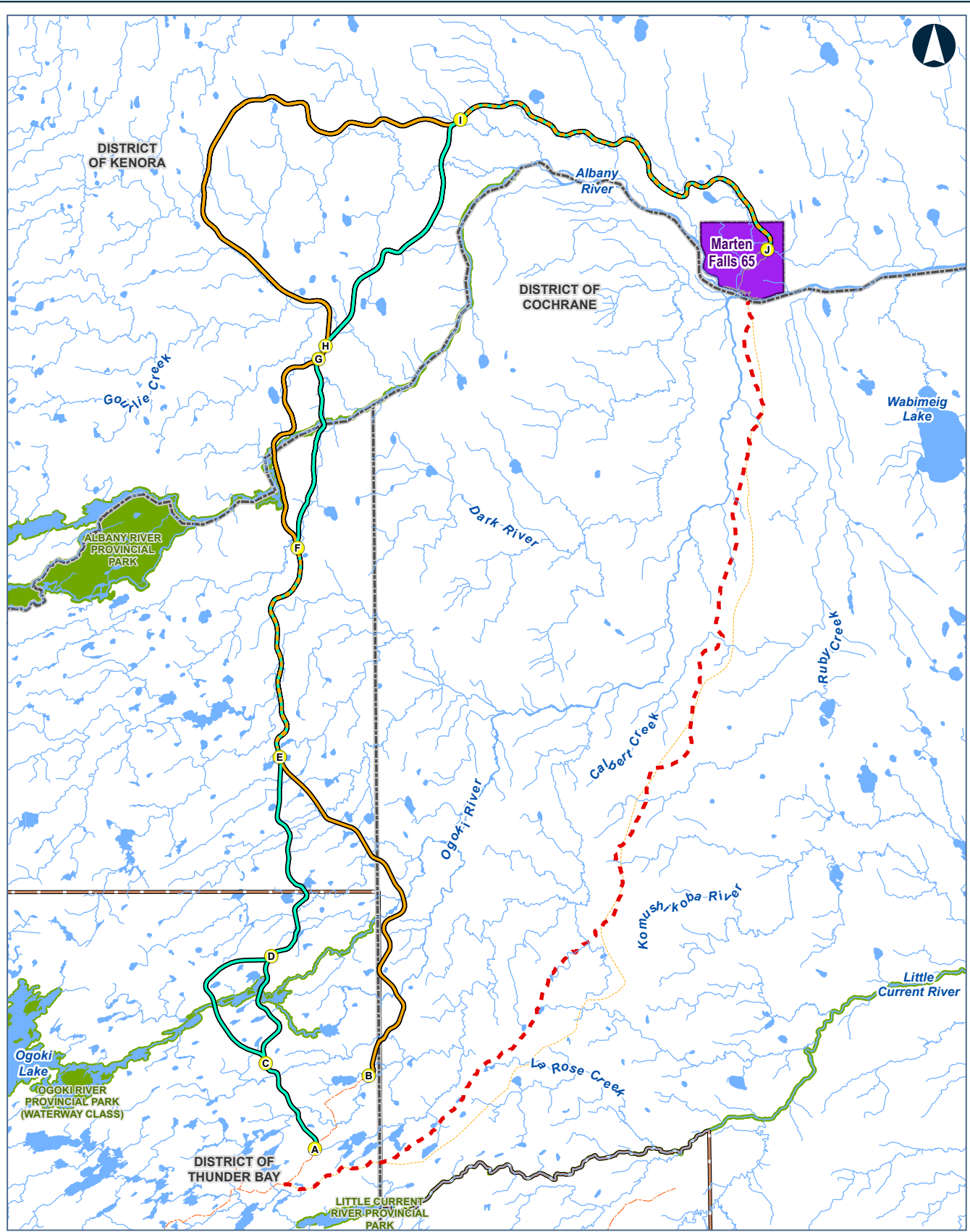


Provide our understanding of how rights are currently being exercised within the Project area; and



Seek your review and feedback on our current understanding.

The report begins with background information about the proposed Project and Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests, and why it is so important to have a strong understanding of rights and interests relevant to the proposed Project (**Section 1**). This is followed by our understanding of the historical and regional context with respect to Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests and how they have been cumulatively impacted to date (**Section 2**). The next section includes our understanding of your community today, including Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests that have the potential to be impacted by the proposed Project (**Section 3**). The report concludes with an overview of the next steps in the regulatory processes and how Marten Falls First Nation will continue to work with Indigenous communities on assessing the potential impacts of the Project on the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests of Indigenous peoples (**Section 4**).



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- Route Alternative Node
- - - Existing Winter Access Road
- Provincial Park
- Route Label**
- Alternative 1
- Alternative 4
- Alternative 1 and Alternative 4
- General Features**
- Local Road
- Winter Road
- Resource / Recreation Road
- Railway
- Watercourse
- First Nation Reserve
- Far North Boundary
- District Municipal Boundary
- Waterbody

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Project Overview



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1.1 Imagining Access – Why the Project?

The Project will offer Marten Falls First Nation the opportunity to grow as a community but also be part of the social and economic fabric of the region and country. The Community Access Road will reduce transportation costs for goods and services, making food, gas, and other supplies cheaper. It will help families be together in the community and increase social interactions with other communities. It will also provide a vital connection to emergency, health, and social services.

The development of the Community Access Road will mean that Marten Falls First Nation can begin to forge partnerships with businesses and governments to grow social and economic development opportunities. Opportunities will mean more training and jobs for youth in the region. In the near future, Marten Falls First Nation members will be able to work from their home community and spend or save their hard-earned money at the nearest urban centres. The road will also allow for the continuation of Marten Falls First Nation people on the land because community members will be able to access the lands and waters at a fraction of the price it is now for transportation.

Presently, many Marten Falls First Nation members, especially the youth, have migrated to the cities and towns in search of a better life. It only makes sense that they get a chance at a better life right in their own territory. The Community Access Road will support Marten Falls First Nation in repatriating their members and youth, and in continuing to honour their role as stewards of the lands, waters, and resources as their ancestors did.

1.2 Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Overview

For the purpose of this report, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests are defined as follows.

Aboriginal Rights refer to the collective rights to practice traditions and customs that distinguish the unique culture of Indigenous groups and societies, which have been practiced since prior to European contact. These rights are grounded in the recognition of the status of Indigenous groups and societies as the original peoples of Canada, and their continued use and occupation of the land since before European contact; these rights flow to the descendants of Indigenous groups and societies on this basis. Aboriginal rights are not specifically defined under Section 35 as they can vary from group to group depending on the customs, practices and traditions that have formed part of their distinctive cultures, but they may include (CIRNAC, 2023):

- Indigenous title or ownership rights to land;
- Right to occupy and use lands and resources, such as hunting and fishing rights;
- Self-determination and self-government rights; and
- Cultural and social rights.



Treaty Rights are rights that are set out in historic and modern treaty agreements, including Treaty 9 and the Robinson-Superior Treaty, where the proposed Project is located. Treaties define specific rights, benefits, and obligations for the signatories of them, and vary depending on the time and circumstances in which they were negotiated (CIRNAC, 2023).

Aboriginal Interests refer to all requirements relating to Indigenous peoples required by both the federal *Impact Assessment Act* and the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. In addition to an assessment on potential impacts to Section 35 Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Interests also include impacts under federal jurisdiction with respect to Indigenous peoples, including impacts on (i) physical and cultural heritage, (ii) current use of land and resources for traditional purposes, (iii) any structure, site or thing that is of historical, archaeological, paleontological or architectural significance, and any change occurring in Canada to the health, social or economic conditions of Indigenous peoples in Canada (IAAC & BCEAO, 2022). Therefore, Interests include those identified by Indigenous groups with respect to potential economic, social, health, heritage, or environmental effects of the proposed Project, which may or may not be directly related to specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights.

Note: Interests related to Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights only are presented in this **Preliminary Existing Conditions Report**. Interests that are not specifically related to Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights are presented in the existing conditions reports prepared by other disciplines (e.g., Socio-Economic, Land and Resource Use). Relevant information prepared by other disciplines will be used to inform the assessment on Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests.





1.2.1 What is the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Assessment Process?

The assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed Project on Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests is intended to be flexible and adaptable. The impact assessment process is generally undertaken as a series of seven steps (IAAC, 2022), as shown in **Figure 1-2**. Steps may need to be revisited and revised based on inputs from, and the specific context of, potentially affected Indigenous communities.

Dialogue (and ideally collaboration) with Indigenous communities throughout the process enables modifications to the process, if and as needed, and promotes a holistic understanding and consideration of Indigenous community needs, protocols, rights, and interests.

It is important to note that the steps of the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests impact assessment are not completed in isolation of each other (i.e., step 1 does not need to be fully completed before moving onto the next step). This is because of the interconnectedness of the steps, the iterative nature of the process, the volume of information that is collected during the process, and the dialogue with Indigenous communities throughout the process.

Figure 1-2: Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Impact Assessment Process





The Marten Falls First Nation Project Team is currently working through Steps 1 to 3. This **Preliminary Existing Conditions Report** is a working document that has been developed based on dialogue with and inputs received from Indigenous communities to date and an extensive literature review of publicly available documents. By sharing this Preliminary Existing Conditions Report, we are wanting to work with Indigenous communities to validate, build on and / or revise our understanding of:

- Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests relevant to the proposed Project (Step 1);
- The context in which impacts on these rights and interests have already occurred, and how the proposed Project may further impact rights and interests (Step 2); and
- The guiding values and topics associated with community well-being, cultural expression, and the preferred means of exercising rights (Step 3).

The next steps in the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Impact Assessment process is to collaborate with Indigenous communities to grow the Proponent's understanding of:

- Pathways of potential impacts from the proposed Project (Step 4);
- Anticipated levels of impact that the Project may have (Step 5); and
- Measures and / or actions that can be taken to address potential impacts including the associated pathways (Step 6).
- The final step (Step 7) is to engage with communities to validate the outcomes of the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Impact Assessment.





1.2.2 Proposed Study Areas for the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Assessment

Study areas identify the geographic areas within which potential effects of the Project may occur. These study areas are used to guide the data collection and assessment processes.

The Project has both a general Study Area and a Project Development Area which are defined as follows:

- Project Study Area- includes the area within 2.5 km of each side of the centreline of each alternative route (resulting in a 5 km wide Study Area). The preliminary Study Area generally allows for the documentation of existing conditions and prediction of potential effects for the Project. A 5 km wide Study Area provides flexibility for route refinements that may arise during the Environmental Assessment process through advancement of design (e.g., adjustment of the road alignment to avoid features). The specific location of Project components, including the roadway, quarries, borrow areas, aggregate source areas and temporary infrastructure, are not yet known and will be determined in the Environmental Assessment.
- Project Development Area – encompasses the 100-metre-wide Community Access Road right-of-way, temporary construction access roads, work areas, worker camps, and pits, quarries and associated access roads.

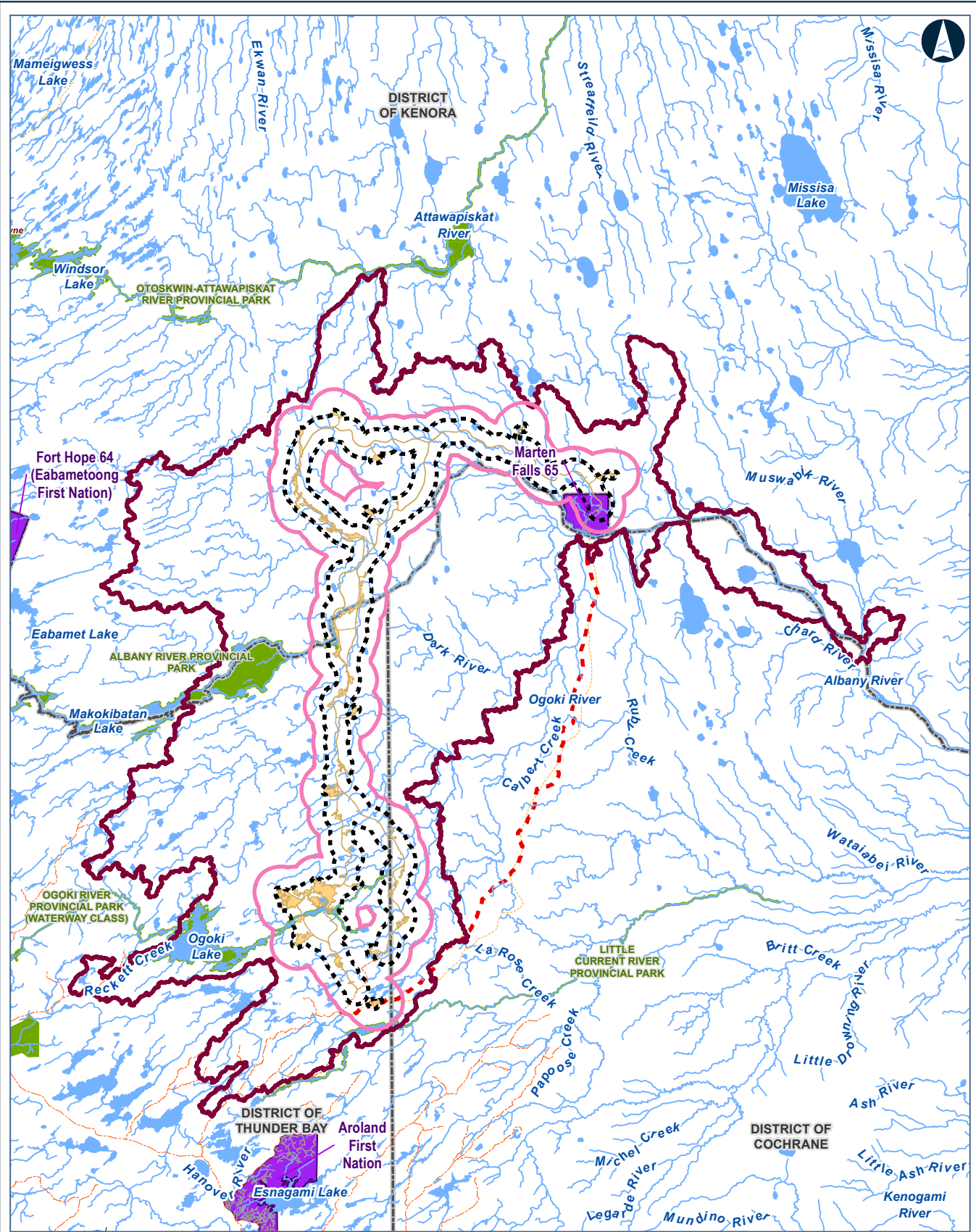


In addition to the Project Study Area and the Project Development Area, study areas have been identified for the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests assessment. Information on the proposed study areas for the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests impact assessment and associated requests for input have been previously shared with all potentially affected Indigenous communities, as follows:

- **August 2020:** The Project Team shared the Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Study Areas Memo with Indigenous communities for review and comment.
- **September 2020:** The Project Team received valuable feedback from Indigenous communities on the preliminary study areas.
- **January 2021:** The Project Team revised the proposed study areas for the assessment based on feedback received and distributed an Update on the Proposed Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Study Areas Memo outlining the changes and requesting any feedback.
- **August 2022:** The Project Team revised the proposed study areas based on changes to the proposed Project Development Area for the Project. Changes to the Project Development Area resulted to changes in the proposed Local Study Area for the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests assessment only; there were no changes to the proposed Regional Study Area for the assessment. An Update on the Proposed Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Study Areas Memo, outlining the changes and requesting any feedback, was distributed to Indigenous communities.

The current study areas for the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and / or Interests assessment (as of September 2023) are shown in **Figure 1-3**.





Legend

Project Study Area	General Features	First Nation Reserve
ATRI Local Study Area	Local Road	District Municipal Boundary
ATRI Regional Study Area	Winter Road	Waterbody
Project Development Area	Resource / Recreation Road	Provincial Park
	Existing Winter Access Road	
	Railway	
	Watercourse	

Notes:
1. Local and Regional Study Areas are Preliminary.

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Study Areas for the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests Impact Assessment

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1.3 A Shared Understanding – Working Together

Marten Falls First Nation is committed to developing a shared understanding of Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests within the assessment study areas. The Project Team recognizes that there are things that may have been missed or misunderstood with respect to community Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests, and the intent in preparing and sharing this **preliminary report** is to encourage the community to validate, build-on, and /or correct any misunderstandings.

This report sets the stage for the Project Team’s understanding of community Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests and will be foundational to the impact assessment that will be completed in the future. By understanding the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests of communities in relation to the proposed Project, the Project Team will be better positioned to have informed conversations with potentially impacted Indigenous communities and their members.

It is the objective of the Project Team to avoid, mitigate or reduce potential negative impacts associated with the proposed Project while enhancing potential positive impacts related to Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests.





Historical and Regional Context



The culture, knowledge, and history of Indigenous peoples is passed down through oral stories and accounts from generation to generation. The following chapter presents an historical and regional overview of the Indigenous peoples in the region. The information presented below was collected from written academic articles, journals, and other publicly available documents, many of which were informed by oral history. Indigenous authors and publishers were sought where possible to capture a more authentic understanding of the history, culture, rights, and interests of Indigenous peoples, both pre- and post-contact, and how Indigenous peoples and their rights and interests have been cumulatively impacted to date.

Note: the term “Indian”, which is the historical term used by the Crown for First Nations peoples in Canada, is used throughout **Section 2** when referencing historical documents and associated content.

2.1 Pre-Contact Context

Section 2.1.1 to **2.1.6** describe aspects of the societies of Indigenous peoples of the region prior to more consistent contact with Europeans (pre-contact), which occurred in the mid- to late-17th century.

The Indigenous peoples of what is now known as northern Ontario primarily consisted of the Anishinaabeg (which translates to ‘Original People’) and the Cree peoples (The Canadian Encyclopedia, 2023).

The Anishinaabeg in this region of Ontario have been referred to as the Northern Ojibwa. The Cree people of this region are known as the Omushkegowuk (‘People of the Muskeg’). Throughout **Section 2.1.1** to **2.1.6**, ‘Indigenous peoples’ refers to the Anishinaabeg and the Omushkegowuk peoples of the region specifically, unless otherwise stated. Information on the community as it is today – is provided in **Section 3**.



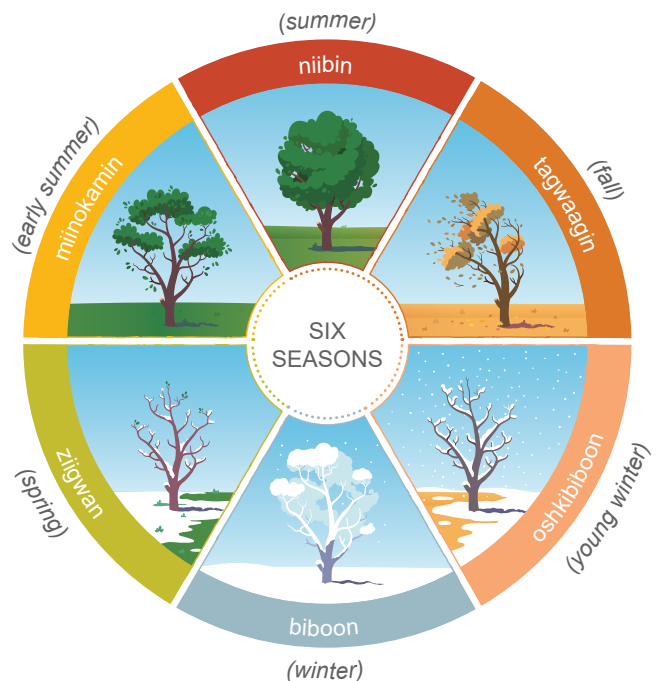


2.1.1 Seasonal Lifeways

Indigenous lifeways are typically shared and nurtured through culture, language, stories, and ceremony, and rooted in place and sacred relationship with the Earth, sky, sun, plants, animals, and water (Robertson, 2023). Prior to contact, Indigenous peoples lived their lives following the animals they hunted and according to the seasons. As noted by Davidson-Hunt and Berkes (2003), the Anishinaabeg have six seasons:

- *Ziigwan* (spring);
- *Miinokamin* (early summer);
- *Niibin* (summer);
- *Tagwaagin* (fall);
- *Oshkibi boon* (young winter); and
- *Biboon* (winter).

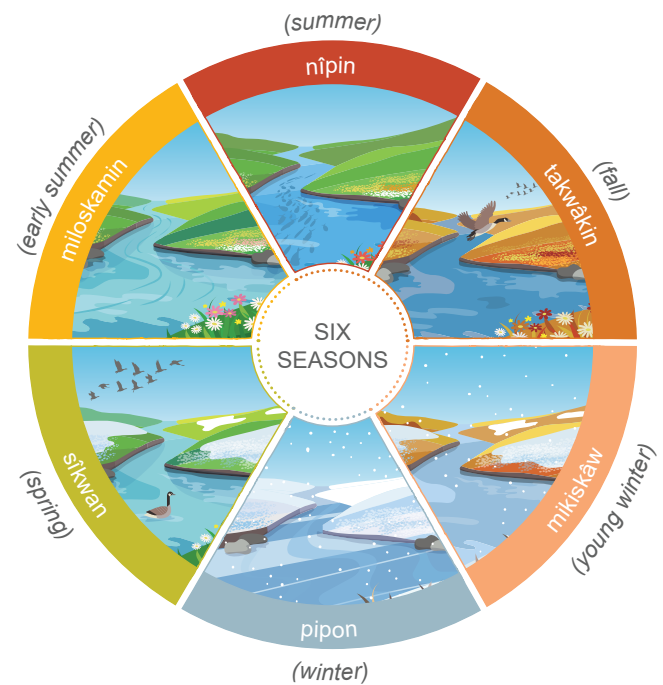
The seasons were denoted according to changes in the landscape. For example, *tagwaagin* begins when the leaves start to change colour and fall from the trees and turns into *oshkibi boon* when all the leaves have fallen off the trees and the first snows have fallen, while *biboon* turns to *ziigwan* when the ice on the lakes begin to melt and break up (Davidson-Hunt and Berkes, 2003).





The Omushkegowuk have described six seasons with several seasons reflecting the yearly melting and freezing of the waterways given their reliance on lakes and rivers for their livelihoods (Honigmann, 1948; Six Seasons of the Asiniskaw Īthiniwak, n.d.):

- *Sīkwan* (breakup, translates to “rattling feathers” because the geese fly in and it sounds like rattling);
- *Miloskamin* (spring, translates to “good moving water”);
- *Nīpin* (summer, translates to “gifts from the water” because of the fish that are offered);
- *Takwākin* (fall, translates to “gathering up” because e this is the season in which birds and people prepare for the coming winter);
- *Mikiskāw* (freeze-up, translates to “plenty of beads” because of the forming frost); and
- *Pipon* (winter).



Both the Anishinaabeg and the Omushkegowuk used the moon cycles to mark temporal dynamics of seasonal change, and to provide a more standardized way to note the passage of time during the year (Davidson-Hunt and Berkes, 2003; Six Seasons of the Asiniskaw Īthiniwak, n.d.).





Indigenous peoples of the region were hunters and gatherers who travelled seasonally, following the important resources that sustained them in each season. They used birch bark canoes, rafts, snowshoes, and toboggans for easier travel depending on the season (Long, 2010). A rich variety of foods were available, including birds (e.g., duck, goose, and partridge), big game (e.g., bear, deer, moose, and caribou), furbearers (e.g., beaver, muskrat, marten, and wolverine), and fish (e.g., whitefish, pickerel, pike, trout and sturgeon) (Dawson, 1976; Long, 2011; Long et al., 2017). Indigenous peoples also gathered berries, plants, medicines, and fuels (Long, 2011). *Manoomin* (wild rice) was an important staple food among the Anishinaabeg in the Great Lakes region (Desmarais, 2019). Kuhnlein and Turner (1991) noted that plants used in the Hudson Bay Lowlands, further north, included: the roots and sweet sap of large tamarack trees; rock tripe lichen; angelica (wild celery); wapato (arrowhead); the shoots, roots, and stems of fireweed; cattails; wild onions; and, the buds of juniper and spruce trees. Early accounts indicate that the Omushkegowuk spent much of the year pursuing game over large areas in the north, while areas to the south provided food the Anishinaabeg were able to harvest in large quantities including fish, deer, moose, and caribou, requiring less travel (Bishop & Smith, 1975).

The division of labour was based on gender. The men were hunters and trappers (and butchers prior to returning to the group), and makers of toboggans, sleds and snowshoe and wigwam frames. The women fished and hunted and trapped small game, gathered plant foods and medicines, collected firewood, prepared meals, and created material goods for family and trade, in addition to their child caregiver duties (McMillan and Yellowhorn, 2004, as cited in Soloway, 2015). The role of women in preparing geese for future use by drying and smoking, and in preparing feathers and quills for sale, was especially important among the Omushkegowuk, (Lytwyn, 2002).

Indigenous lifeways were intimately tied to the family (Long, 2010). The social organization consisted of community groups composed of immediate and extended families, which may have inhabited single or several drainage basins. Settlements consisted of small habitation sites and associated hunting camps (Dawson, 1987). Up to ten families lived and shared together, typically a group of brothers and their wives and children (Bohaker, 2020), depending on the season and circumstances (Long, 2011). Families resided in cone-shaped wigwams made of wood and moss, covered in moose or caribou hides (MFFN & OMNRF, 2020).





When studying traditional Omushkegowuk (Attawapiskat) land tenure, Cummins (1992) reported that two to five Omushkegowuk families lived and travelled together as a ‘microband’, and up to 15 families connected as a ‘macroband’. The macrobands in the region were aware of each other as they completed their seasonal rounds (Cummins, 1992).

Communities would come together in the summer, usually at a lake or shore within the territory where food was abundant; these areas were occupied annually for extended periods by clustered groups (Dawson, 1987). Summer gatherings were the largest, and hundreds of people (sometimes over a thousand) from several ‘bands’ would assemble for visiting, trade, marriage negotiations and to discuss issues of common concern (Leacock, 1981; Bohaker, 2020).

Small camps used on a temporary basis by community members to harvest resources in both summer and winter were also present around the larger summer gathering sites. Groups would disperse in the winter to their hunting areas (Dawson, 1987), and each family had a hunting territory (Oldmixon, 1931, as cited in Long *et al.*, 2017). According to anthropologist Edward Rogers (1963), hunting ranges (territories) were loosely managed and hunting groups returned to the same general area each year. Trapping was done mostly for subsistence as the hunter-gatherer lifestyle required seasonal movement to avoid resource depletion (Rogers, 1963).

Indigenous land use, cultural practices, and settlement systems were shaped primarily by the seasonal cycles of the region. During the summer, time was spent fish harvesting and drying, berry picking and drying, and collecting materials for building homes and utility items including wigwams, snowshoes and fish baskets (MFFN & OMNRF, 2020). Furbearer snaring and small bird hunting was also common (Long *et al.*, 2017). Summer was also a time for traditional gatherings for ceremonies including marriages, feasts, new friendships, naming ceremonies, and celebrations for community members who passed away (MFFN & OMNRF, 2020).

Fall was spent preparing for the winter hunting camps and season. This involved preserving food and preparing hides, making any utility items needed (e.g., moccasins and snowshoes), and making sure the dogs were fattened up for the coming winter sledding when it was time to move to the winter





areas (Omushego Education & OCCC, 2006; MFFN & OMNRF, 2020). Fish were an important source of food during this time (Omushego Education & OCCC, 2006), as were a variety of birds including waterfowl, grouse, and ptarmigan (Omushego Education & OCCC, 2006; Long *et al.*, 2017). Caribou and moose provided additional sources of food during this time (Omushego Education & OCCC, 2006).

During the early winter or freeze up, travel was limited until the rivers and streams were frozen and fishing and trapping were important for sustenance (Omushego Education and OCCC, 2006). Winter was a prime time for hunting caribou and trapping furbearers (Long *et al.*, 2017). Winter gave people freedom as they could travel all over the land, and not worry about food spoiling (MFFN and OMNRF, 2020).

Breakup and spring (early summer) brought warmth. Areas for new shelters away from winter homes were scouted to prepare for the spring hunt (MFFN and OMNRF, 2020). Among the lowland Omushegowuk, the spring harvesting of goose and duck was significant and was seen as a celebration for the survival of the family through the harsh winter conditions (Cummins, 1992). Canoes were used as a mode of travel as the waters of the rivers and streams started to flow again (Omushego Education & OCCC, 2006). After the ice breakup was a time for fish harvesting and drying, and muskrat hunting and trapping (MFFN & OMNRF, 2020).





2.1.2 Culture and Worldview

Indigenous peoples of the region practiced a cultural way of living. The culture was, and continues to be, grounded in relationships with and knowledge of the environment, and shared through oral stories and practices (MFFN & OMNRF, 2020). When Europeans started to travel into the region, many viewed the land as something to be explored, owned, developed, and used for profit – this view was in contrast to the Indigenous’ world view that the land and its resources is something to be shared, cared for, and honoured (Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). From an Indigenous way of life, Indigenous peoples did not own the land; they were connected to it and depended on its generation and empowerment of all life, including the intangible aspects like culture, language, and dream (Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). Indigenous worldview and identity were, and continue to be, grounded in intimate relationships with the land and the natural world, and the principles of kinship, respect, reciprocity, and responsibility (Bell, 2013; Guido, 2021).

The perspectives of many Indigenous peoples were, and continue to be, rooted in a recognition of the inter-relation of all of creation – everything is considered to be connected, like the strands of a spider’s web (Bell, 2013). Moreover, many Indigenous peoples’ beliefs on the origin of humankind framed their perspectives on relationships between humans and other beings: plants and animals inhabited the land before humankind and assisted humans when they arrived on earth (Johnston, 2005; Luby *et al.*, 2021); and, all things in the natural world are valuable and equal (Simpson, 2000a).



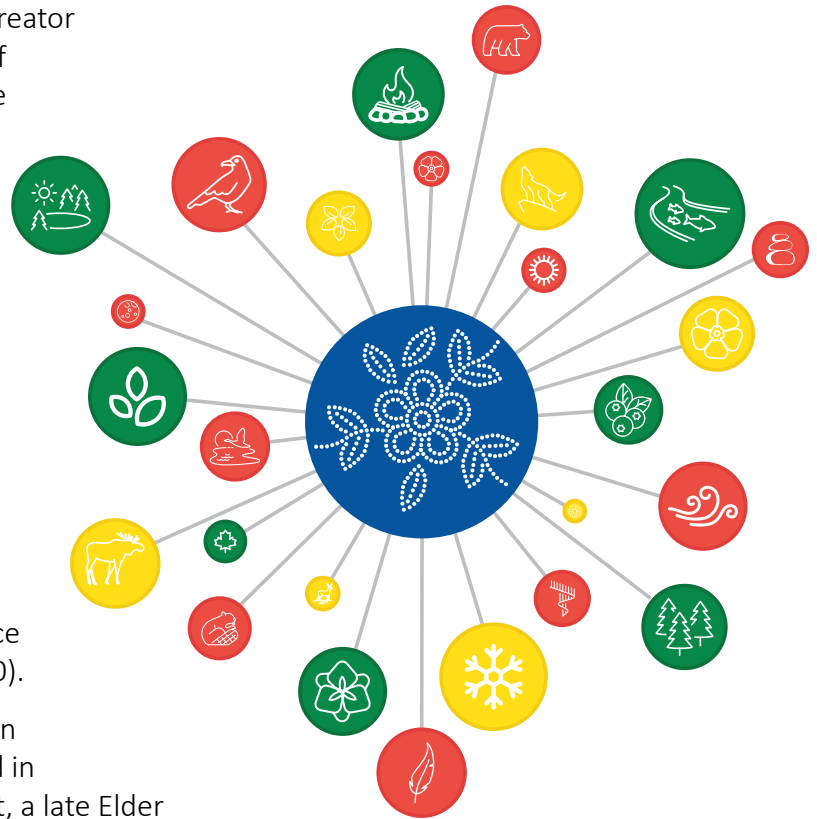


According to the Anishinaabe origin story, the Creator envisioned humankind in response to feelings of loneliness. However, the Creator did not provide humankind dominion over Creation, and instructed that humankind was to take care of Mother Earth (Luby *et al.*, 2021). The order of creation in the Anishinaabe creation story places humans last, as well as least in the order of dependence, and weakest in terms of bodily powers (Johnston, 1976). In addition, for the Anishinaabeg, all living beings were understood to have souls (and not just humans), and therefore personhood. Understanding the natural world and its inhabitants as kin, as brothers and sisters, was a critical piece of Anishinaabe culture and law; this is reflected in their presence in almost all Anishinaabe stories (Fontaine, 2020).

The important relationships and kinship between humans and the natural world are also reflected in Omushkego oral history. As told by Simeon Scott, a late Elder from Fort Albany First Nation, the first people were living in *the land above* when an unseen voice asked a man and a woman if they would like to go down and see *the land below*. They went to go see *the great net-maker*, a spider, to lower them down onto the land now called northern Ontario, but they did not heed his warnings that only one person may look down from the spider's line – they both looked down and fell. They were rescued from the eagle's nest in which they had landed by a bear and a wolverine. The first peoples then followed the bear, who taught them everything they needed to know to survive in their new home (Ellis, 1995).

The oral histories of Indigenous peoples of the region speak to the importance of respect, reciprocity, and responsibility.

- Among the Anishinaabeg, respect entails “a reverence for the diversity of life and peoples, for different ways of knowing, and for different ways of being” (Simpson in Bell *et al.*, 2010, p. 14). A deep respect for the natural world and the balance of all components of it underpins the worldview of Cree peoples (Preston, 2002), including the Omushkegowuk. The land and its resources had to be respected and sustainably utilized for the benefit of all, including ancestors and future generations (Honor the Earth, 2017).
- Indigenous peoples' relations with the land were primarily reciprocal in nature as this was considered critical to establishing and maintaining healthy relationships with the natural environment (Preston, 2002; Bell, 2013; Honour the Earth, 2017, Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). If something





was taken or received, something had to be given back to give thanks. Gifts were offered for successful hunts and harvests; these included specific offerings that were often very private to the individual or group but they also entailed actions to sustain the life of a moose or caribou population from which they hunted (Tapestry Institute, n.d.).

- Indigenous stories also indicate important responsibilities to ensure healthy and balanced relationships with Creation. Anishinaabe teachings describe the gifts that each person is born with and responsibility of each person to “use their gifts to the best of their ability for the good of the community, and for the good of creation” (Bell, 2013, p. 103).

The perception of environments as social-ecological systems is an underpinning of an Indigenous worldview, and the spatial and temporal dynamics of the land were included in both memory and language (Davidson-Hunt & Berkes, 2003). As noted by Davidson-Hunt and Berkes (2003), Anishinaabe ways of remembering can be described as an experience of journeying within the land that is situated in both space and time: the journey is structured temporally according to the practices, seasons, moons, and ceremonies that mark of the passing of time and life stages, and spatially based on what is encountered and observed. This is evident in Indigenous place names, which provide a mental image of how a particular place in the landscape looks, how it relates to other places, and what occurred or might be found at the place (e.g., *Aagimakobawatig* describes a place where black ash grows beside a rapid). As noted by Berkes et al. (1998), the Anishinaabe notion of “land” is more akin to the concept of “ecosystem” but with the added dimensions of peoples, their culture and their history.

In addition to providing sustenance, the lands, waters, and their resources provided, and continue to provide, spiritual connection and well-being. Everything could be considered alive – both animate and inanimate objects were believed to have a spirit life (Simpson, 2000a). Many Anishinaabeg understood the world to be inhabited by spiritual beings known as *manidoos*, and these were known to be associated with places and seasons (Johnston, 2005). Moreover, the spiritual world was believed to exist as parallel world or plane of existence that could be accessed through prayer





or ceremony or that could manifest when it decided to do so (Honour the Earth, 2017). These beliefs remain an important part of Anishinaabe culture today.

In Anishinaabe culture, Johnston (2005, p. 17) describes that “there is an ongoing relationship between the Dead and the Living; between Ancestors and Descendent.” It was considered the obligation of the living to bury their relatives in a proper manner (in marked graves with commemorative and symbolic items placed on them) and in a proper place (in their place of origin and/or near their ancestors), and to protect them from disturbance or desecration; failure to do so was thought to harm both the dead and the living (Johnston, 2005). Many Anishinaabe believed that bodies have several souls: one of them remains in the bones after death and only leaves when it is “recycled” into a descendant; the other leaves the body after death and travels to rejoin other relatives who have died (Johnston, 2003, as cited in Bohaker, 2020). Feasting to celebrate the dead (Feast of the Dead) was important for the care and protection of deceased souls (Johnston, 2005). The feasts also had a function of perpetuating alliances among kin and initiating alliances with outsiders (Bishop, 1976). Based on available records, the Jesuit missionaries were “mystified by the care and attention that Aboriginal people showed toward their dead” (Johnston, 2005, p. 8).

Prior to contact, Indigenous lifeways were based on a deep connection with the lands and all its inhabitants. As noted by Cajete (2000), “Native people expressed a relationship with the natural world that could only be called ensoulment” (p. 186). They spent so much time on the land, interacting with the natural world, that “their landscapes became reflections of their very souls” (Cajete, 2000, p. 187). The mutual relationships between, and the value of, all things in the natural world (including celestial bodies, spirits, and natural forces), as well as the need for balance among them, were recognized and honoured (Honor the Earth, 2017).





2.1.3 Language

Indigenous culture is rooted in language (Wastesicoot, 2015). Both the Anishinaabeg and Omushkegowuk are Algonquian in terms of their language group, one of the most populous and widespread Indigenous linguistic and cultural groups in North America.

Anishinaabemowin (Ojibwe) was the language of the Anishinaabeg, while the Omushkegowuk spoke *Inilîmowin* (Swampy Cree).

Both languages are considered polysynthetic, which means that they have long, compound words to express complex meanings that would require many words, or even an entire sentence, in other languages (Oxford, 2019). A typical word is made up of several, or many small parts, with a variety of combinations that mean different things. For example:

- *Boozhoo* (“hello”) in *Anishinaabemowin* acknowledges the original spirit of *Nanaboozhoo*, and also conveys the process of using the breath of life (“*boo*”) to express the feeling of life (“*zhoo*”) (Horton, 2021); and,
- The *Inilîmowin* word *niwanahikân* means “I am setting my traps” (Omushkego Education, 2016).

Both *Anishinaabemowin* and *Inilîmowin* also organize their nouns according to animacy: whether the noun is referring to a living thing like a human or animal (animate) or an object (inanimate); this is analogous to the use of masculine and feminine nouns in French, just on a different axis. However, some non-living objects, like drum and tobacco, are treated as animate, and this may have to do with the spiritual significance of these objects (Oxford, 2019).

There was no written form for the Ojibway and Cree languages prior to contact, though European missionaries later created a system of writing (OCCC, 1986). By the early 1800s, European traders noted that a mixed Cree-Ojibway dialect was spoken by Indigenous people who lived in territories shared by the Lowland Cree and Northern Ojibway, where mixing and intermarriage was common (Lytwyn, 2002); this became what is today referred to as *Anishiniimowin* (Oji-Cree).

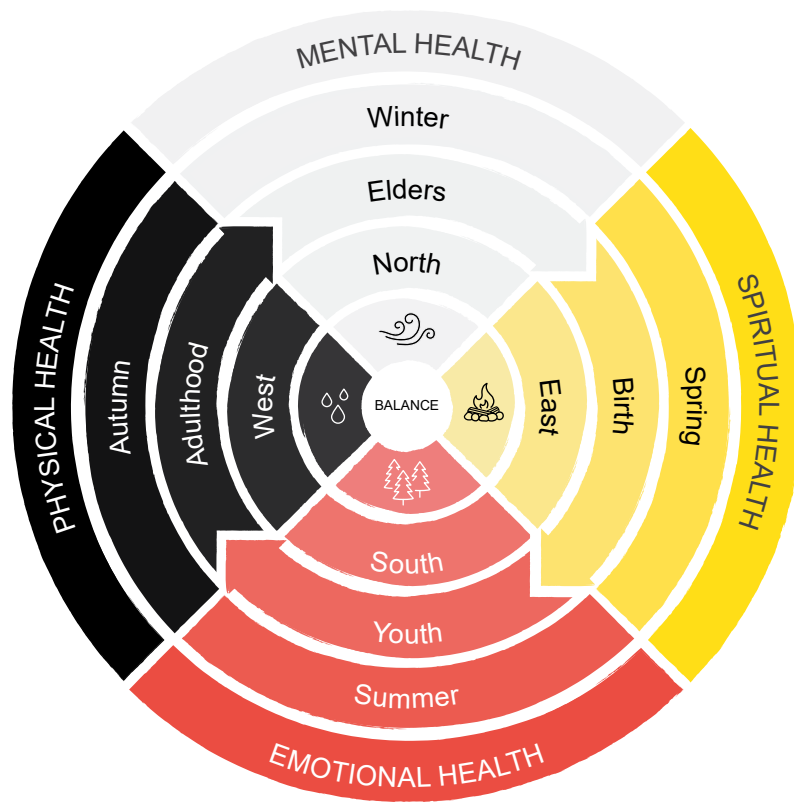




2.1.4 Learning and Knowledge Building

Indigenous educational traditions have been described as holistic whereby the learning process had to address the whole person, including the intellectual, spiritual, emotional, and physical dimensions (RCAP, 1996a). The process of learning and knowledge building among Indigenous people was considered a life-long process rooted in personal experience, ceremony, reflection and sharing (Simpson, 2000b), and recognition and honouring of the relationships with and within the natural world (McGregor, 2013).

Rituals, storytelling, and harvesting and gathering practices out on the land were foundational for conveying worldviews and handing down instructions for maintaining balance in the natural and spiritual worlds through the generations (Honor the Earth, 2017). As described by Johnston et al. (2018), Indigenous knowledge “originates in oral sources (conversations, stories, traditional teachings) in the day-to-day practices of Indigenous peoples according to Indigenous worldviews and including insights from the spirit world” (p. 4). The knowledge-transfer activities of rituals, ceremonies, storytelling and practices on the land were often directly tied to the place the knowledge relates to (Honor the Earth, 2017); that is, Indigenous knowledge sharing was not only relational in nature but also place-based.





Leanne Simpson (2000b) explored Anishinaabe ways of learning and identified a variety of important learning modalities, including dreaming, ceremonies, learning by doing (experiential learning), and storytelling. Dreaming, visioning, and ceremonies were considered important paths for knowledge transmission from the spiritual world to humans (Simpson, 2000b). Being on the land was considered critical for experiential learning, and young people learned how to participate by practicing the tasks and skills they would need to perform as adults (Antoine *et al.*, 2018). Learning by observation was an important component of experiential learning. The Anishinaabeg often relied on plants, animals, and spiritual entities as teachers, each offering gifts and lessons of caring and sharing that were accessed through careful observation (Simpson, 2000b). For example, plants and animals could offer lessons based on where and when they grow, how they multiply, how they provide food for others, and who they prefer the company of, and who they avoid (Raven *et al.*, 1998, as cited in Simpson, 2000b).



Storytelling was an important way to teach principles and values. There were various forms of stories, including stories of origin, sacred stories, stories of personal experience, and stories that convey laws, responsibilities, morals, values and life lessons, all of which were grounded in one's intimate relationship with the land (Fontaine, 2020). In oral tradition, storytellers may impart their own life and experience when telling stories, and the listeners filtered stories through their own experiences and reflective thinking to make them relevant to their own lives (Peltier, 2021). The meaning that was drawn from a story may depend on who was telling it, and the circumstances in which it was told in terms of time, place, and situation of the telling. Storytelling tradition is non-linear and cyclical in perspective. Time can be represented in different ways; while stories find their origins in the past, they can also speak to the present (RCAP, 1996b).

As described by Anishinaabe educator David Anderson (2002), traditionally children were often raised by their immediate and extended families, and taught the “big story” and the abstract messages of Anishinaabe being from infancy. Generally, children learned to listen and observe, and they watched as the community worked together to ensure the survival of all; role modelling was an important aspect of teaching (Bell, 2013). Children were expected to take the abstract concepts, morals, and values they were exposed to through storytelling, and develop them into their own meaningful relationships with all elements of the natural and spiritual world (Anderson, 200 2; Bell, 2013).





2.1.5 Governance and Legal Principles

Both the Anishinaabeg and the Omushkegowuk had their own forms of governance in place prior to contact with Europeans. As noted by Anishinaabe legal scholar John Borrows (2002), Indigenous peoples developed spiritual, political, and social conventions to guide relationships with each other and the natural environment, and “these customs and conventions became the foundations of many complex systems of government and law” (p. 47). Leadership among the Indigenous peoples in the region was observed to be markedly different from European societies, and European observers were “impressed by the lack of rigid, hierarchical political order among the Indians” (Lytwyn, 2002, p. 20).

The Anishinaabeg were traditionally governed by a hereditary clan system, the *Doodemaag*. Early accounts from the late 17th century indicate that the Anishinaabeg constituted their governments as *doodem* (clan) beings who met in council, and specific *doodem* beings took on responsibility for roles and places (Bohaker, 2020). *Doodems* were most often animals, but they could also be a tree or a *Manitou* (e.g., thunderbirds, mermen, underwater *manidoos*), and they tied people to specific places those *doodems* inhabited (Corbiere, 2019). Anishinaabe historian William Warren noted that Northern Ojibway *doodems* included Sucker, Goose, Beaver, Sturgeon, Gull, hawk, Cormorant, and Whitefish (Lytwyn, 2002). Each animal symbolized an ideal to be sought (Johnston, 1987). For example, “the leadership role in councils that was undertaken by members of the Loon *doodem* was visually reinforced by the fact that the common markings of loons has markings around its neck, resembling the wampum shell collars that leaders wore to indicate their status and political role” (Warren & Neill, 1885, as cited in Bohaker, 2020, p. 61).

The *doodem* was the foundation of Anishinaabe identity, exemplified by the fact that Anishinaabe leaders meeting in council signed colonial documents with imaged representing their *doodem* identities (Bohaker, 2020). Individuals were born into their *doodem*, which came from the father’s side of the family (Bohaker, 2020). However, people could be adopted into a willing clan when seasonal cycles led to movements inland or upriver that led to a summer identity and a winter identity (Witgen, 2013, as cited in Corbiere, 2019). Marriages often functioned as micro-alliances that brought different *doodemag* together, sometimes from considerable distances away, for important social and political connections.





Given the role marriage had as an alliance-making institution, it was reinforced by a taboo against marrying someone from within the same *doodem* (Bohaker, 2020).

Each *doodem* had its own leadership system (common council), which may have involved an *ogimaa* (chief), an *aanikeogimaa* (second chief, deputy), and *gichi-Anishinabek* (elders, councillors), all of whom were leaders of their own *indinaakonigewin* (those whom one overwintered with, a group of usually 20-40 people) (Miller, 2010). In addition to these leaders, women's councils and warrior councils served to advise and significantly influence decisions. Each of these councils also had leaders (Bohaker, 2020). According to Miller (2010), women's councils were a central component of Anishinaabe governance, and women had defined political roles. One woman, an *ogimaakwe* or chief woman, would present the results of the women's council findings to the men during gatherings (Miller, 2010). Women could also hold the role of the *ogimaa* (Bohaker, 2020). Warrior councils had a responsibility to protect their people (Bohaker, 2020).

Historically, common councils met regularly and were responsible for local affairs, including where and what to hunt, where family groups reside through the seasons, settling conflicts and disputes in the community, and family alliances (Bohaker, 2020). Both women's and warrior councils provided common councils with advice on these matters (Bohaker, 2020). General councils between common councils occurred at least annually if not semi-annually, as part of the seasonal round. General councils were places at which alliances between common councils were established and renewed (Bohaker, 2020).

As noted by Bohaker (2020), leaders were expected to be generous with their wealth and "good leaders accumulated wealth in order to give it away" (p. 139). Their intended role was as "stewards" who took care of the people and the land. Leadership was not absolutely hierarchical and individuals could hold several leadership roles, with their status depending on their own personal gifts, expertise, and their *doodem* (Bohaker, 2020). Governance practices were primarily consensus-based through councils and alliances (Bohaker, 2020); this is reflected in Anishinaabe oral histories that demonstrate consultative and consensus-based leadership models through story (Borrows, 2010). Common practice was for leaders to exercise their authority *with* their community, not *over* them (Mills, 2019). *Doodem* kin ties could create and sustain lateral connections between different councils, and reinforce the political principle of interdependence through alliance (Bohaker, 2020).



Anishinaabe *aadizookaanag* (sacred stories) explain the origins of the *doodem* tradition: human beings are descended from, and therefore kin to, the other-than-human beings who are their *doodem*. To share a *doodem* was to be immediate kin. Indigenous worldview on kinship may be reflective of the idea of shared souls rather than shared blood, and “understanding this distinction is critical for understanding the concept of personhood in Anishinaabe law” (Bohaker, 2020, p. 53).

The governance structure of the Anishinaabe people was formalized through the *Niswi-mishkodewinan* (Three Fires Confederacy) of the Ojibway (Chippewas), Odaawa and Potawatomi Nations. The three groups shared similar languages and territories, and met for military and political purposes. Each group had a distinct role in the confederacy: the Ojibway were the providers and knowledge keepers of medicine and faith, the Odaawa were the warriors and keepers of trade, and the Potawatomi were the firekeepers who took care of the three fires (nations) and made sure they were strong. The fire was central to the governance structure, and continues to be so to this day (Anishinabek Nation, 2023a; Anishinabek Nation, 2023b).

While the Omushkegowuk did not have a clan system like that of the Anishinaabeg, they did have a kinship system where the family was the major self-governing unit, and extended family were involved to support each member in living up to their responsibilities (RCAP, 1996c; Wastesicoot, 2015). Elders served various functions based on their skills, including as storytelling historians, advisors, and counsellors to young people and others (Wastesicoot, 2015).





The Omuškegowuk had a leadership structure with *okimâw* (leaders) who were respected for their ability to make good decisions with respect to hunting practices and rules (Lytwyn, 2002). The *okimâw* were not intended to rule with force or dictate the lives of those who followed them, but rather, they were expected to display leadership based on their life skills, experience, and wisdom (Lytwyn, 2002), and their exemplary connection with the land, knowledge of the animals (Preston, 1990, as cited in Brekes *et al.*, 1991). They did not have the right to impose decisions on others – leadership was meant to be consultative (Lytwyn, 2002), and decisions were accepted by consensus (Preston, 1990, as cited in Brekes *et al.*, 1991). Similarly to the *ogimaa* of the Anishinaabeg, generosity, compassion, and a strong capacity to care for others were important attributes of *okimâw* (Wastesicoot, 2015). Heredity was noted to be an important factor, with leadership observed to be passed down from fathers to sons (Lytwyn, 2002). However, leadership roles were not necessarily inherited, and the *okimâw* remained as leader as long as they were able to maintain the respect of community members; if they lost this, the next person with high standing could assume the leadership role (Mandelbaum, 1979, as cited in Wastesicoot, 2015).

Women played an important role in the kinship system and decision-making processes of the Omuškegowuk (Walker, 2021). Historically, women in Cree society were the keepers of all stories and laws. McAdams (2015) notes that within Cree culture existed the clan mothers or warrior women whose role was to provide the legal “system” of the Cree people, and they were respected for their ability to show compassion and care for the people. Women were highly respected for their sacred role as bearers and teachers of future generations, and they were not only in charge of the ‘household’, but also the well-being of the community (Hookimaw-Witt, 2006). The knowledge of men and women was often considered complementary, and both were important for leadership. As noted by Hookimaw-Witt (2006), in Cree society, while the men had more knowledge about resources in the hunting territory, women had more knowledge about the resources they harvested and managed (small mammals, fish, and plants). Thus, in the realm of Cree politics, both genders had decision-making powers in their own domains, and through interactions with the other gender’s decisions (Hookimaw-Witt, 2006). In addition, in both Anishinaabe and Mushkegowuk cultures it was women who were historically the voice for water, as both hold the important role of giver of life (Chief of Ontario, 2008; Chiblow, 2020).





Borrows (2002) suggests that “Indigenous laws originated in the political, economic, spiritual and social values expressed through the teachings and behaviour of knowledgeable and respected individuals and elders” (p. 13), and their principles are expressed through the stories, ceremonies, and traditions of Indigenous peoples across the country (Borrows, 2002). The instructions, laws, and ethics conveyed in Indigenous stories guided people on how to conduct themselves (McGregor, 2013). As noted by Borrows (2002), oral histories may inherently express Indigenous laws as they represent the accumulated wisdom and experiences of Indigenous peoples’ conflict resolution. They record patterns of past disputes and their solutions while allowing for re-creation to meet emerging needs more easily, and do not depend on finding the first telling of the event, as common law does (Borrows, 2002).

The requirements for maintaining harmonious relationships among all beings have been referred to as Indigenous ‘natural law’ (McGregor, 2013). Among the Anishinaabeg, understanding the natural world as kin, as brothers and sisters, was a critical piece to Anishinaabe law (Fontaine, 2020). This is reflected in the sacred law of *Nda-Nwendaaganag* (all my relations), which acknowledges that all things in the universe are gifts from the Creator and have meaning and purpose. Further, all things are interconnected and important to one another, and respect is afforded to all of Creation (Anishinabek Nation Legal Department, 2018).





According to oral history, it is said that sacred or natural law was given to the Anishinaabeg by the Creator through their *Mino-Bimaadiziwin* (way of living the good life), language, philosophies, and ceremonies (Watts, 2010). *Mino-Bimaadiziwin* is representative of the relationship that the Anishinaabeg have with everything around them, and the understanding that everything is alive, and everything is related (Bell, 2013). It is a traditional legal principle rooted in all Anishinaabeg (Anishinabek Nation Legal Department, 2018). *Mino-Bimaadiziwin* was expected to be lived according seven original (ancestral) teachings that provide guiding principles for the way in which individuals are to treat each other and the natural environment (Bell, 2013; Seven Generations Education Institute, 2021):



Debwewin (truth) – To speak only to the extent we have lived or experienced. Represented by the turtle as the turtle was here during the creation of Earth and carries the teachings of life on his back.



Gwayakwaadiziwin (honesty) – To live correctly and with virtue. Represented by either the raven or the sabel (sasquatch) as they both understand who they are and how to walk in their life.



Dabasendiziwin (humility) – To think lower of oneself in relation to all that sustains us. Represented by the wolf, who lives for his pack and the ultimate shame is to be an outcast.



Zoongide'ewin (courage) – To live with a solid, strong heart. Represented by the bear. The mother bear has the courage and strength to face her fears and challenges while protecting her young. To face life with courage is bravery.



Manaaji'idiwin (respect) – To go easy on one another and all of Creation. Represented by the buffalo as the buffalo gives every part of his being to sustain the human way of living, and respects the balance and needs of others.



Nibwaakaawin (wisdom) – To live with vision. The beaver represents wisdom because he uses his natural gift by altering the environment for his family's survival.



Zaagi'idiwin (love) – Unconditional love between one another including all of Creation, humans and non-humans. The eagle represents love because he has the strength to carry all of the teachings.



The Omushkegowuk shared similar natural law and legal principles. *Wahkotowin* (having relations to all) was a central aspect of Cree natural law, and speaks to the interconnectedness of all things (Cardinal, 2007). According to the late Cree scholar and lawyer Harold Cardinal (2007), *Wahkotowin* is one of the most comprehensive doctrines of law among Cree people, and it contains a subset of laws (values) that establish principles that govern the conduct and behaviour of individuals within the family environment, within their communities, and with others outside the community. These principles are enshrined in the seven sacred teachings, or the seven sacred laws (Wastesicoot, 2015):



Pakwaynamatowin
(sharing);



Sahkiwewin
(love);



Kistenchikewin
(respect;



Kiskentamowin
(wisdom);



Tapatenimowin
(humility);



Tapwewin
(honesty); and,



Sokenimowin
(courage).

Similar to the Anishinaabe concept of *Mino-Bimaadiziwin*, the Cree concept of *Mino-Pimatisiwin* represents the cyclical nature of life and provides guidance on how to live in a good way with oneself, their community, and the natural world (Gaudet & Chilton, 2018). Connection to the land is central to the concept of *Mino-Pimatisiwin* (Gaudet & Chilton, 2018), as is respecting natural law.

2.1.6 Resource Management and Stewardship

Communal management of resources was a common feature of many Indigenous resource-use systems (Berkes, 1989, as cited in Berkes *et al.*, 1991). Resources were considered the property and responsibility of all, and those that utilized them in an area were considered “stewards” who oversaw community norms and rules about their use, which were often comprehensive (Berkes *et al.*, 1991). Collective, consensus-based decision making and enforcement of agreed-upon rules among group members was often the norm (Feit, 1986, as cited in Berkes *et al.*, 1991).



Feit (2004) suggests that some form of hunting territories likely existed among Algonquian hunters in the northern Boreal areas. This would have enabled them to respond to disruptions caused by larger-scale forest fires, and / or resource depletions where groups displaced by these disturbances would have sought to resettle on lands used by adjacent groups of hunters and their families. In his study of hunting territories among the Northern Ojibwa, Bishop (1970) suggests that prior to settlement of interior northern Ontario by traders in the 1770s, hunting groups remained large throughout the year and moved *en masse* within a roughly defined region. Available records indicate a gradual stabilization of hunting groups in certain regions around major lakes and waterways following settlement in the region. By the late 1850s, there were fully developed hunting territories in the upper Albany River drainage area (Bishop, 1970). Leacock (1954, as cited in Bishop, 1970) suggests that the emergence of defined hunting areas held by family units after contact was driven by:

- Increasing scarcity in resources due to overharvesting, forcing bands to split into family units;
- Increasing access to store foods, enabling family units to be more self-sufficient;
- Weakened cooperative bonds among band members as economic ties were transferred from within the group to the trader;
- Non-migratory furbearers could be efficiently exploited by small family units;
- Preference among traders for dealing with individuals rather than groups; and,
- Hindered mobility with increasing dependence on single trading posts.



Within the literature, most available information on pre-contact land and resource management among the Indigenous peoples of northern Ontario pertains to the James Bay Cree, as these were among the first Indigenous peoples in northwestern North America to come in contact with Europeans. Comparatively, there is little information available on the social and economic life among the Ojibwa north of Lake Superior in the early stages of contact because there were few literate traders in the area to describe it (Bishop, 1976) and few Europeans ventured inland from the coast until long after the trading posts had been settled (Lytwyn, 2002).

Lytwyn (2002) studied archived fur trade records of the Hudson Bay Company and reported that prior to contact, specific groups the Lowland Cree (O mushkegowuk) were usually named after prominent physiographic features, especially river basins. These basins were often used by winter hunting groups comprised of several related families (as described in [Section 2.1.1](#)), and led by a hunter or elder who was respected for their ability to make good decisions regarding hunting practices and rules (Preston, 1990, as cited in Berkes *et al.*, 1991). Within the hunting ranges, a smaller (core) area could be used



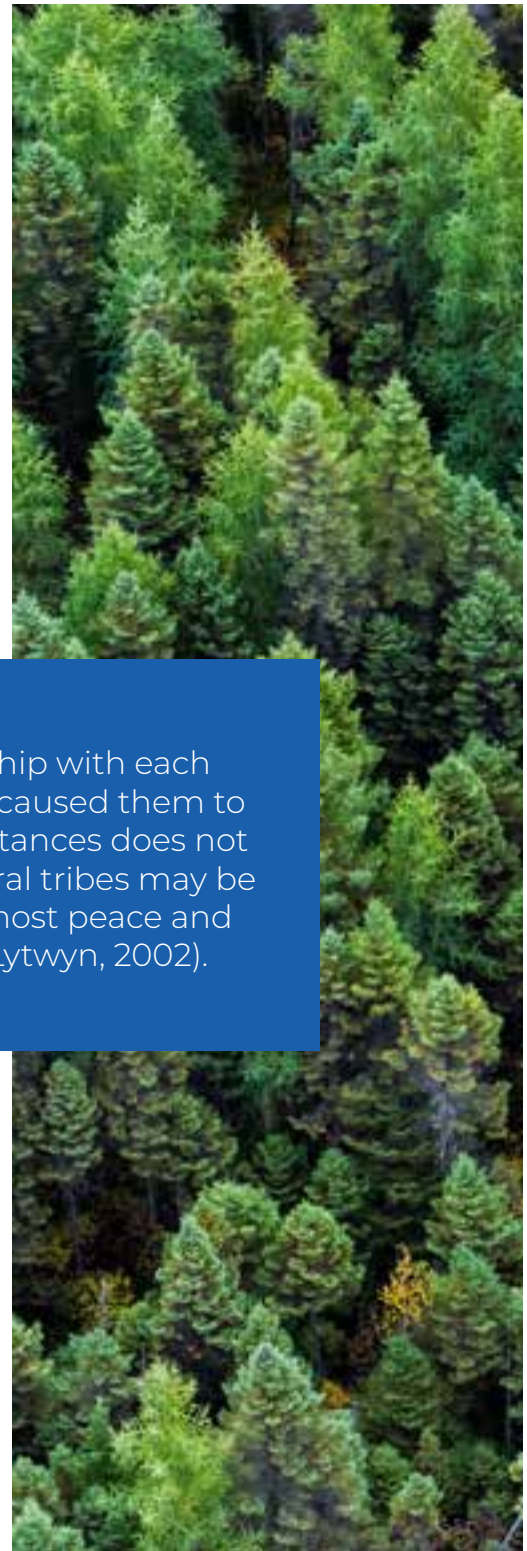
more intensively as a base camp from which hunters ventured over larger areas in search of big game (Preston, n.d., as cited in Tsuji *et al.*, 2011). The transmission of family-based hunting ranges was typically from father to son, but exceptions were documented (Cummins, 1992).

Based on the research of Lytwyn (2002), hunting groups did not have exclusive rights to their basins (hunting ranges), and there was considerable movement between the river-basin hunting groups. Early traders reported many examples of people moving back and forth between river basins, and commented on the freedom of Lowland Cree people (Omushkegowuk) to hunt and travel without restriction; this pattern of land use was also observed inland among the Upland Cree and Northern Ojibway (Lytwyn, 2002). As recorded by a trader named George Holdsworth in 1815:

“the tribes generally live in peace and friendship with each other, and altho the necessity of migration has caused them to encroach on each others territories the circumstances does not appear to have given rise to jealousies, and several tribes may be seen occupying the track of country in the utmost peace and harmony” (HBCA, B.135/e/1, fo. 4d, as cited in Lytwyn, 2002).

As cited in Tsuji *et al.* (2011), Honigmann (1956) contends that “the notion of territorial [i.e., circumscribed, rigid boundaries] ownership by families did not appear until after the arrival of the Hudson’s Bay Company” (p. 64); prior to this, boundaries were fluid.

The recognition of the inter-relation of all of creation, the dependence of humankind on other beings for survival, and the principles of respect, reciprocity, and responsibility (as described in [Section 2.1.2](#)) serve as underpinnings of Indigenous land stewardship –





something that was considered a sacred responsibility bestowed upon them by the Creator (Davidson-Hunt *et al.*, 2005; Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). There was an understanding that without balanced relationships with the environment, their own generation as well as those in the future were at risk. As noted by Luby *et al.* (2021), “Anishinaabe Elders teach youth to live with humility and recognize that nonhuman lifeforms can survive without human intervention, but humankind depends on plants and animals for subsistence” (p. 5). According to the Anishinaabeg worldview, in return for the gifts provided to humankind, the Creator placed a moral, custodial responsibility on them referred to as the principle of *gimiinigoowizimin gaaganawendang*, which means ‘keeper of the gifts’ (Davidson-Hunt *et al.*, 2005). Among the Anishinaabeg, feasts were held to respect the beings who made life possible during the past season, and for the beings that were to sustain people in the coming season (Davidson-Hunt & Berkes, 2003).

The responsibility to be stewards of the lands was also prominent among the Omushkegowuk. Berkes *et al.* (1991) contend that “the core of Cree culture is traditionally based on land stewardship activities, skills, and ethics” (p. 15). As told by Fort Albany First Nation elders (see Tsuji & Nieboer, 1999), each season corresponded to a period of time when one or a group of species were abundant and accessible, and just enough animals of a particular species would be harvested for subsistence and sharing. As other species became more plentiful or accessible, harvesting of the next species would begin. This switching of harvesting pressures was intended to prevent overharvesting in one season, which could have negative consequences on that species and thus the community.

Stewardship responsibilities were often conveyed through stories. For example, as told by Geniusz (2015), the Anishinaabe story “The Year the Roses Died” teaches that the gift of Creation requires careful stewardship. Rabbit was blamed by a council of animals for eating all the roses. A *Manitou* (spirit) appears and tells the council (p. 14): “Killing the *Waabooz* [rabbit] will not bring back the roses. You all noticed that the roses were in trouble, and you all decided to take your own shares even if it meant killing the roses forever. There is no honor in this. This is not keeping creation in balance as you were told to do in the Beginning Time.” The story describes how the animals failed in the responsibility to consider the needs of others, and highlights the importance of relationality for stewardship (Campeau, 2019).





2.2 Post-Contact Context

Indigenous peoples interacted with European explorers as early as 1000 AD, but it was not until permanent settlements were established in the 17th and 18th centuries when prolonged contact occurred (CIRNAC, 2017). Soon after the establishment of British and French colonies in what is now eastern Canada, alliances with Indigenous peoples were established to support various interests, including the commercial interests of the newcomers. Utilizing existing Indigenous trade routes, a vast trade network focused on beaver pelts was established between the English and the French and their Indigenous allies. Trade spurred new exploration through the Great Lakes basin, and further east and south (CIRNAC, 2017). Explorers and trappers also became interested in the rich trapping grounds north of Lake Superior and beyond, but the overland journeys from the Great Lakes were challenging. As a result, French explorers sailed through the Hudson Bay in 1668 to establish trade relations and access the heart of fur country (McIntosh & Smith, 2022). This expedition led to the establishment of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1670 (Finch, 2013).

The profitability of the fur trade led to significant competition, and various European and Indigenous interests often clashed violently, with various Indigenous groups displaced from their territories as a result. In 1701, France and the 40 Indigenous groups around the Great Lakes basin entered the Great Peace Treaty to end the violence. Indigenous groups formed both military and commercial (trade) alliances with groups from England and France as power struggles between the two countries intensified (CIRNAC, 2017).

The fall of Montreal in 1760 put an end to French colonial efforts in what would become Canada. To establish peaceful relations with the Indigenous allies of France, the British undertook a series of "Peace and Friendship" treaties. In 1763, France officially ceded its colonial territories with the Treaty of Paris and ended over 150 years of European competition and conflict. That same year, King George III issued a Royal Proclamation, which specified how the British colonies were to be administered and established a framework for the British Crown to acquire Indigenous interests in land through treaties. The Proclamation also established strict protocols for dealing with Indians, including that only the Crown could purchase land from them. Thus, the Proclamation was the first public recognition of First Nations' rights to lands and title (CIRNAC, 2017).





For the next 120 years, the relationship between First Nations and the British Crown transformed from one of allyship to wardship, driven by the influx of newcomers following the American war of Independence (1775-1783) and the War of 1812 (1812-1815), greater demand for land by settlers as a result, increasing costs of supplying gifts to First Nations groups to ensure their loyalty, and declines in the fur trade (Pettit, 2016; CIRNAC, 2017). With a need for more land and military threats fading, the relationship between Indigenous peoples and settlers shifted from one where Indigenous peoples could be considered necessary allies, to one where they could be considered obstacles to growth. What followed was a series of treaties and legislative developments that increased Crown authority over First Nations and lands reserved for them (CIRNAC, 2017).

Section 2.1.1 to 2.2.10 describe the post-contact context, including: the fur trade; early legislation and policy and associated impacts on Indigenous peoples; the numbered treaties established in the region; perspectives on Aboriginal and Métis Rights; and legislative developments that have governed natural resource and land use.





2.2.1 Fur Trade and the Hudson's Bay Company

The Hudson's Bay Company was established by the King of England with a royal charter in 1670, recognizing the economic importance of the fur trade. The charter granted special powers to a corporation of established and wealthy gentlemen, who formed the Hudson's Bay Company. These special powers included exclusive rights to trade, mineral claims, and governance over the entire Hudson Bay drainage area (OCCC, 1986), which makes up a third of what is known today as Canada. However, the charter created no political or legal rights over Indigenous peoples living in the vast territory (Archives of Ontario, n.d.). The Charter named the vast area "Rupert's Land" after the King's cousin and the Hudson's Bay Company's first governor, Prince Rupert.

French fur trappers had already visited the region, but the Hudson's Bay Company was the first to establish permanent trading posts and presence in the region in 1679, with a trading post at Fort Albany on James Bay. The French-British competition for furs eventually led the Hudson's Bay Company to move inland to establish trading posts nearer to the Indigenous hunters who were supplying it furs, and settlements sprang up around the posts (CIRNAC, 2017). In 1743, the Hudson's Bay Company established the first inland trading post, the Henley House, on the north shore of the Albany River. It was moved further south in 1796 and remained operation until 1857. A trading post was first established at Martin's (Marten) Falls on the Albany River in 1794, although it was closed five years later in 1799. In 1818, the Hudson's Bay Company founded a new post at Marten Falls to take the place of Gloucester House, another nearby trading post which was established in 1774. This new post remained operational until 1924. Following the closure of the post, the Marten Falls First Nation community was relocated to the present-day community location of Ogoki Post, approximately 64 km downriver and east (Handfield, 2020). By 1870, the Hudson's Bay Company had 97 trading posts in Rupert's Land (Archives of Ontario, n.d.). A post was established at Fort Hope (present day Eabametoong First Nation) in 1894, and a post at Lansdowne House (present day Neskantaga First Nation) was established in 1900.





The trading posts became a centre for trade relationships and social gatherings during summertime. Pacts between Indigenous peoples living in the region and the Hudson's Bay Company made commerce possible (Archives of Ontario, n.d.). The early trading posts, including Fort Albany, became the base for an extensive trade alliance with the Cree, who became a sort of intermediary between the company and interior Indigenous groups (CIRNAC, 2017). The Albany River became a major east-west trading route as it linked James Bay with the Winnipeg River (Morse, 1968). The Hudson's Bay Company relied on Indigenous knowledge of the area, the animals, and the tools needed for travel and survival, as well as Indigenous trappers to supply valuable furs (OCCC, 1986).

For over 200 years, furs, meat, feathers and handmade objects were bartered at trading posts or factories set up at strategic locations, where dozens of families could gather for a few weeks in the summer to socialize and make collective decisions, including with respect to land use (Long, 2011). During this time, Indigenous peoples became increasingly more dependent on the fur trade, and supplies and items that were previously considered luxuries were now considered necessities; many aspects of Indigenous lifeways were changed by European products (OCCC, 1986). As a result, the traditional economies of Indigenous peoples, including the Anishinaabeg and the Omushkegowuk, began to change. With the introduction of money and European goods, Indigenous men began finding seasonal employment on the York boats (boats used by the Hudson's Bay Company for trade and the transport of goods) and steamboats on the Albany and Attawapiskat Rivers, or building Hudson's Bay Company forts. Some Indigenous people were taught how to keep stores (MFFN & OMNRF, 2020).

As the fur trade became more profitable, some free traders organized themselves to form the Northwest Company, which grew rapidly and became the Hudson's Bay Company's major rival, with open conflicts arising. The fur trade war intensified until 1821, when the Hudson's Bay Company merged with the Northwest Company (OCCC, 1986), extending the Hudson's Bay Company's fur trade monopoly to the Pacific Ocean (Archives of Ontario, n.d.). Without the competition that made them necessary, some trading posts were closed, and trading options for Indigenous peoples became fewer (Finch, 2013). The





Hudson’s Bay Company monopoly lasted until 1869, when the company transferred its deed for the area to the English Crown (Canada) for \$1.5 million to enable westward expansion and settlement. In the transfer, Canada had agreed to a “Protection Pledge” that ensured it would protect the interests of Indigenous peoples living in the territory. The transfer took place without consultation with the Anishinaabeg or Omushkegowuk, who didn’t believe that the Hudson’s Bay Company or the Crown had sovereignty over the land in the first place (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).

The presence of the Hudson’s Bay Company had profound effects on Indigenous peoples across Canada, including the Anishinaabeg and Omushkegowuk. In addition to the lifestyle changes associated with the economic transition, many Indigenous peoples of the region faced starvation in the 19th century, especially between 1820 and 1880. Animals important for both food and the fur trade became scarce because of natural population cycles, over-harvesting, and overhunting. The Hudson’s Bay Company reduced trapping operations in areas where beaver populations were exhausted. Moose almost entirely disappeared from what is now northern Ontario in the period from 1780 to 1930, shifting pressures to smaller game and fish and increasing reliance on foods purchased from trading posts (OCCC, 1986). Caribou also became increasingly rare. The disappearance of these animals meant leather and cloth had to be purchased to avoid cutting up pelts. The transition to small game and fish also led to more time spent settled in areas where these resources are found rather than out in the hunting territory (Bishop, 1970).

The influx of traders and settlers also brought new diseases such as measles, smallpox, whooping cough, influenza, and tuberculosis, all previously unknown to Indigenous peoples. This led to many deaths, especially among elders (OCCC, 1986). Alcohol was also introduced, with devastating effects on Indigenous populations (CIRNAC, 2017).

With the rapid spread of trade came missionaries dedicated to spreading and promoting their faith. Two religions were introduced to the Anishinaabeg and Omushkegowuk: Anglican by the English and Catholicism by the French. Much like how the English and French had competed in the fur trade, the two religions competed for the conversion of Indigenous peoples into their respective churches. This led to severe restrictions on Indigenous beliefs, ceremonies, and practices, such as drumming and dancing, as they were considered pagan and devil worship. Christian ceremonies replaced Indigenous ones, and missionaries encouraged the use of biblical or European names (OCCC, 1986).



2.2.2 Métis Peoples

Decades of intermarriage between English and French traders and explorers with First Nation women created new and distinct communities along waterways and trade posts and routes around the Great Lakes in what is present day Ontario (MNO, 2023a). These communities were historically referred to as “half-breed” or “Métis”, a word used to describe individuals with mixed Indigenous and European ancestry. The term half-breed was more commonly applied to English-speaking descendants of English or Scottish traders and explorers, who were often of the Anglican denomination, while the term Métis was more commonly applied to French-speaking descendants of French traders and explorers, who were often of the Catholic denomination (Foster, 1978). However, the term half-breed fell out of use as it became derogatory (racist) in nature and Métis is now used for people of both French- and English-speaking heritage (Gaudry, 2009).

The Cree had two names for the Métis: *âpihtawikosisân* meaning ‘half people’ and *otipêyimisowak* meaning the ‘independent ones’. The Ojibway referred to the Métis as *wisahkotewan niniwak* meaning ‘men partially burned’ (Teillet, 2013).

The origins of Métis peoples and communities are closely tied to the emergence of the fur trade in North America. The arrival of European explorers in eastern Canada in the 1600s led to unions with Indigenous communities through marriage (Dumont, 2017). As the fur trade and competition among the French, English, and Indigenous groups intensified through the 17th century, French traders were encouraged to seek marriage alliances with Indigenous peoples to establish the kinship basis for trade and military activities (Foster, 1978). These strategic alliances continued until French colonial efforts officially ended in 1763 with the ceding of New France to Britain (see [Section 2.2](#)), upon which time Indigenous peoples in the Great Lakes region rebelled against British rule. With increased hostility between Indigenous peoples and the British in the last few decades of the 18th century, the French practice of establishing alliances with Indigenous peoples through marriage and peace and friendship treaties was adopted (Surtees, 1975, as cited in Foster, 1978).



Initially, children of mixed European and Indigenous ancestry were classified as either Indian or European based on their way of life rather than race. The socio-cultural identity of children was primarily associated with that of their mother: if she remained with her Indian band, then the child was considered an Indian, but if she resided in a trading post for an extended period, the child was considered European (Brown, 1978, as cited in Foster, 1978). However, distinct Métis settlements began to emerge as the Métis population increased, and Métis people began to identify as a separate group rather than simply extensions of their maternal (First Nations) or paternal (European) relations (MNO, 2023a).

As the fur trade expanded north and westward, new trade routes were established, leading to new Métis communities along them (Dumont, 2017). Métis settlements emerged along waterways and watersheds in Ontario as an outgrowth of the fur trade. These settlements were part of larger regional communities, interconnected by (MNO, 2023b):

- The highly mobile lifestyle of the Métis;
- The fur trade network;
- Seasonal rounds;
- Extensive kinship connections; and,
- A shared collective history and identity.

Peterson (1985) described the Great Lakes Métis during the 18th century as “people in the process of becoming” given that although they may not have been self-consciously Métis before 1815, “their distinctiveness was fully apparent to outsiders, if not to themselves” (p. 39). By the early 19th century, there was a historically significant population of Métis descendants in the Great Lakes region of Ontario who had developed a network of trading villages and towns long the shorelines of rivers and lakes (Peterson, 1978, 1985). The Métis settlement at Fort Williams (in present-day Thunder Bay, historically known as Port Arthur) is recognized as one of the two first Métis settlements in Canada (Tronrud & Epps, 1995, as cited in Gale, 1998). According to Peterson (1978), this network of marital and fur-trade alliances among the Great Lakes Métis communities suggested that a larger regional Métis identity had developed.





The Red River Métis Settlement has been regarded as the site of the culmination of Métis political consciousness. Canada's purchase of Rupert's Land from the Hudson's Bay Company in 1869 was undertaken without consultation of the Métis residing there. In response, and given concerns about Métis rights, a National Committee of Métis (effectively a provisional government) was established, with Louis Riel as the leader, to stop the land transfer until Métis rights and title were recognized. This action and events that followed became known as the Red River Rebellion and led to the establishment of the Province of Manitoba (Ouellet & Hanson, 2009). Further discussion of Métis rights is provided in **Section 2.2.10.1**.



Dickason (1985) contends that the Métis ethnic consciousness was crystallized in the new Far Northwest (present-day prairies region of Canada) where the pressures of settlement were much lower, Métis communities were far more isolated, and the fur-trade continued to flourish. Many French speaking Métis from the Upper Great Lakes region migrated north and west to the Red River Settlement (in present-day Manitoba) through the early- to mid-19th century. This migration was a result of increasing settlement in the Upper Great Lakes region, significant depletions in fur-bearing animals (Peterson, 1978), and a preference to continue fur-trade practices rather than adopt agricultural ones (Ens, 1996). The Métis of Red River and the Great Lakes Métis were often connected through marriage and kinship practices (Gaudry, 2009). By the mid-19th century, descendants with mixed ancestry were no longer being persuaded to make a choice between Indigenous and European identities, and a distinct and unified sense of Métis identity had emerged (Brown, 1985).

The early ethnic identity among Métis was based on a strong association with and reliance on the fur trade, an independent lifestyle, a lack of agricultural development, subsistence practices to provide clothing and tools, and a lack of established land rights (Peterson, 1978). Both Indigenous and European cultural traditions were adapted and merged into the clothing, food, medical practices, languages, beliefs, and customs of Métis communities (Peterson, 1978). Many First Nations women who were part of





Métis families maintained close ties with their ancestral communities, and many of their traditional lifeways and cultural practices were preserved in Métis communities. For example, Ojibway and/or Cree languages were spoken in many Métis communities in the Great Lakes (Foster, 1985). In addition, many Indigenous groups (including the Anishinaabe and Cree) had close relations with the Métis and shared the land and ways of life on it, as well as aspects of culture and language. Prior to the establishment of First Nation reserves (see [Section 2.2.6](#)), First Nations and Métis shared territory, usually peacefully (Teillet, 2013). It was also common for First Nations and Métis families to travel on hunting expeditions together (Chartrand, 2007).

According to Chartrand (2017), while the identity boundaries between First Nations and Métis were porous and there was a lot of transfer between them, the core identity distinctions were present. An important distinction with respect to legal traditions related to land was that the Métis did recognize individual title and ownership (unlike the collective ownership perspectives of First Nations), which was part of their European heritage understanding (Chartrand, 2017).



Many Métis families flourished and spread further west and north with the expansion of the fur trade. The genetic diversity of Métis peoples enabled them to be more resilient to European diseases, and the Métis also had many allied First Nations families. In addition, the Métis were able to serve as intermediaries between European and First Nations cultures, enabling them to work as guides, interpreters, fur traders, and suppliers of goods to new forts and trading companies. As a result, the Métis became the largest Indigenous merchant family in North America, and strong competition against less acclimatized Europeans (Carrière, 2017). The transportation of goods and the development of many settlements could be attributed to the hard work of the Métis (Redbird, 1980, as cited in Peressini, 2000).

Prior to the 1800s, the British government was largely unaware of the existence of the Métis (Hayter, 2017). In 1810, the Royal Society reported the successes of the Métis to the British Crown, which set the stage for the primary policy of the British to remove the Métis as a threat to settlement (Carrière, 2017).



By the mid-19th century, British authorities had developed a policy of Métis collective non-recognition. In addition to the perceived threat that the Métis posed to colonial expansion, the Métis also posed a potential threat to colonial aspirations for civilization. To acknowledge the Métis as a distinct group could have been likened to acknowledging the failures of colonial policy to assimilate and “civilize” First Nation peoples, which would be inconsistent with colonial objectives of progress (Chartrand, 2017).

In 1884, in the face of increasing settlement in the west following Canada’s purchase of Rupert’s Land, and in defense of Métis ancestral rights, the leader of the National Commission of Métis (Louis Riel) organized a petition to the Government of Canada. The petition requested (Ouellet and Hanson, 2009):

- Title to the lands already occupied by Métis families;
- Provincial status for Saskatchewan, Alberta and Red River; and,
- Better treatment of all Indigenous peoples.

An unsatisfactory response from the government led to the Northwest Rebellion or Riel Rebellion of 1885, leading to hundreds of deaths and defeat by federal troops. For their roles, Riel and other Métis and First Nations leaders were arrested, and Riel was subsequently hung as a message to the Métis who challenged Canada’s western expansion goals (MNO, 2023a). Following the rebellion, the first Prime Minister of Canada, Sir John A. McDonald, in effect denied the existence of the Métis as a distinct group when he stated that they must consider themselves either Indian or white (Sealey, 1980, as cited in Peressini, 2000). In response to the public backlash from these events, many Métis in Ontario were disinclined to self-identify and covertly continued to practice their culture and lifeways (MNO, 2023a).

Today, the Historic Métis Nation refers to itself and is referred to by others as the Métis Nation. According to the Métis Nation of Ontario Registry Policy (June 2023 Version) (2023c), “Métis means a person who self-identifies as Métis, is of historic Métis Nation Ancestry, is distinct from other Aboriginal Peoples and is accepted by the Métis Nation” (p. 2). To apply for citizenship within the Métis Nation of Ontario, individuals must meet and follow the requirements of the Métis Nation of Ontario Registry Policy which includes key measures related to self-identification, proving historic Métis Nation history, community acceptance, and provides provisions for appeals and the Harvesters Registry (MNO, 2023c).





2.2.3 Early Legislation and Policy

As the British need for the military allyship of Indigenous peoples waned, an emerging perspective from the British reflected a belief that British society and culture were superior. As a result, the Indian Department of the colonies of Upper and Lower Canada was tasked with a plan of “civilization”, and Indian agents began encouraging Indigenous peoples to abandon their traditional lifeways and beliefs and adopt more agricultural and settled ways of life. Legislation was also introduced in support of the “civilization” program, starting with the *Crown Lands Protection Act* of 1839. The Act made the British government the guardian of all Crown lands, including Indian Reserve lands; this statute was the first to classify Indian lands as Crown lands to be protected by the Crown (CIRNAC, 2017).

As noted by Parrott (2022), the 1850 *Act for the better protection of the Lands and Property of the Indians in Lower Canada* was one of the first pieces of legislation that included a set of requirements, based on blood, for a person to be considered a legal Indian — a precursor to the concept of “status.” These requirements essentially said that people were considered Indian if they were of “Indian blood” and were members of a “Body or Tribe of Indians.” Descendants of such people were Indian, as were non-Indians who “intermarried with such Indians,” people whose parents (one or both) would have been considered Indians, and “all persons adopted in infancy by any such Indians” (Parrott, 2022). Thus, early definitions of “Indian” were inclusive of Métis people.

Enfranchisement refers to the process that resulted in a person becoming of “citizen” of the country and no longer being considered an “Indian” under legislation, thus losing all benefits associated with that status. Enfranchisement was not abolished until the Indian Act was amended in 1985 through Bill C-31.



The British government introduced the *Gradual Civilization Act* in 1857, which offered 50 acres of land and monetary incentives to literate and debt-free Indians provided they abandoned their traditional way of life and adopted a civilized life as a “citizen”. The Act had as its premise “that by eventually removing all legal distinctions between Indians and non-Indians through the process of enfranchisement, it would be possible in time to absorb Indian people fully into colonial society” (RCAP, 1996b, p. 249). This was followed by the *Management of Indian Lands and Property Act (Indian Land Act)* in 1860, which transferred exclusive authority for Indians, lands reserved for Indians, and Indian affairs from the Crown to the colonies, and then the new Dominion of Canada under the 1867 *Constitution Act (British North America Act)*.

Assimilation became the fundamental principle of federal policy through the *Gradual Enfranchisement Act* in 1869, which aimed to remove any special distinction or rights of First Nations people to assimilate them into settler society. This marked the beginning of federal government efforts to legislate and regulate First Nations’ identity (APPA, 2019). Between 1869 and 1985, an Indian woman marrying a non-Indian man would be enfranchised (AFN, 2020a).



2.2.4 The *Indian Act*

The *Indian Act* was introduced in 1876 to consolidate all previous regulations pertaining to Indians and provide greater authority to the Department of Indian Affairs. The Act enabled the Department to (CIRNAC, 2017):

- Intervene in a wide variety of band issues including governance structure;
- Make sweeping policy decisions, including who was considered to be a “Status Indian”;
- Manage Indian lands (see [Section 2.2.6](#)), resources, and moneys;
- Control access to intoxicants, including alcohol; and,
- Take measures to promote “civilization”, including mandating Indigenous children into government-sanctioned schools (see [Section 2.2.7](#)).

The *Indian Act* was based on the premise that it was the Crown’s responsibility to protect Indian interests and thus the Crown would act as a “guardian” until such time that Indians could fully integrate into society (CIRNAC, 2017).

The Act has largely excluded Métis individuals since its enactment. The 1876 *Indian Act* simplified and further restricted the definition of “Indian” compared to definitions in earlier legislation (see [Section 2.2.3](#)). It excluded Métis who had received “half breed scrip” (individual land grants to Métis on the prairies beginning in the 1870s). It also excluded the children of Indian women who married non-Indian men (including Métis men). These exclusions effectively served to reduce the size of the category of Indian while increasing the size of the non-Indian category, which, in turn, reduced the amount of land necessary for Indians and enabled increasing settlement by Euro-Canadians (Hayter, 2017). Amendments to the Act beginning in 1879 increasingly excluded Métis people, with far reaching exclusions added through amendments up to and including 1951 (Teillet, 2013). While the result has been that Métis people have been largely excluded from the Act, many individuals who self-identify as Métis are today registered as Indians under the *Indian Act*.





According to Hanson (2009a) and CIRNAC (2017), throughout its history, the *Indian Act* has been highly invasive and paternalistic, and increasingly restrictive, imposing ever-greater controls on First Nations peoples. Between 1876 and 1920, individuals were automatically enfranchised and removed from their band lists if they (AFN, 2020a):

- Got a university degree and joined the medical or legal professions;
- Got any university degree and met the “fit” or “civilized” enfranchisement requirements; or,
- Became a priest or minister.

An amendment to the Act in 1880 marked the beginning of gender-based restrictions to First Nations status – women lost their Indian status if they married and non-Indian man (Hanson, 2009a). In the 1880s, a new system of band councils and governance was imposed, with the final authority resting with Indian agents. Outright bans on spiritual and cultural ceremonies were also imposed.

An amendment in 1927 forbid fundraising by First Nations for the purpose of pursuing a land claim without the permission of the Department of Indian Affairs, preventing First Nations from pursuing land claims of any kind (CIRNAC, 2017). It was not until significant amendments in 1951, as Canadian society became more aware of the concept of human rights following World War II, that (Hanson, 2009a):

- It was no longer illegal to practice Indigenous customs and culture;
- First Nations people were allowed to enter pool halls, gamble, appear off-reserve in ceremonial dress, and organize and hire legal counsel; and,
- First Nations women were allowed to vote in band councils.





Gender-based restrictions in the Act were in place until amendments were undertaken in 1985 to align with the equality rights guaranteed by Section 15 of the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms* (Bill C-31). The amendments enabled women who had previously lost their Indian status as a result of marriage to a non-Indian to regain it, as well as their children’s status, and prevented a person’s marriage from affecting their receipt or loss of status. However, the amendments created new forms of discrimination with the introduction of a “second-generation cut-off”. Several cases were brought to court and as a result, Bill C-3 was passed in 2011 to address these issues and enable Indian status to grandchildren of women who regained status in 1985 (AFN, 2020b). Enfranchisement was also not abolished until the 1985 amendments.

2.2.5 Treaties

Canada undertook a series of treaties with First Nations with the aim of extinguishing title to large swaths of Indigenous land to enable settlement and resource development in western and northern Canada (Archives of Ontario, n.d.), and to reduce possible conflicts between First Nations and settlers (CIRNAC, 2017). When the Dominion of Canada was created in 1867, the Province of Ontario was a fraction of the size of the present-day province, and both legislation and the signing of treaties with Indigenous groups served to incrementally increase the landmass of Ontario (CIRNAC, 2021, as cited in Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021).

The Anishinaabeg and Omushkegowuk of the region are signatories to the Robinson-Superior Treaty (1850) and James Bay Treaty Number 9 (1905).

Although the Project is wholly contained in James Bay Treaty 9 boundaries, information on the Robinson-Superior Treaty is included in **Section 2.2.5.1**, as some of the Indigenous communities that are part of the Project Consultation and Engagement Program are signatories to the Robinson-Superior Treaty. While most Indigenous communities and groups in the area of the proposed Project are signatories to James Bay Treaty Number 9, an overview of the Robinson-Superior Treaty is presented first, in line with the chronological order of the treaties.

2.2.5.1 Robinson-Superior Treaty

Anishinaabeg requests for a treaty began in the 1840s when copper and iron deposits were discovered on the south and north shores of Lake Superior and the government started to issue mining leases; by 1846, 64 mineral licenses had been issued on the south shore of the lake, and surveying of the north shore had begun. In response, the Anishinaabeg and Métis seized the Montreal Mining Company site at Mica Bay, Lake Superior in 1849, forcing the government to negotiate treaties (Hele, 2020).

As of May 2023, there is an ongoing Ontario Superior Court trial related to the Robinson-Superior Treaty and the escalator clause for annuities. Communities associated with the treaty are seeking compensation for nearly 150 years of annuities without any increase in payments (Hopkins, 2023).



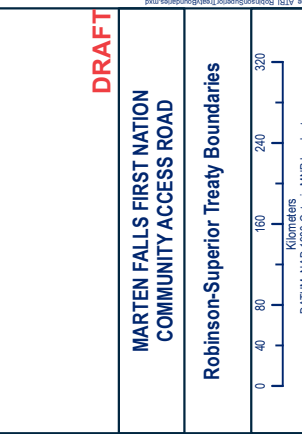
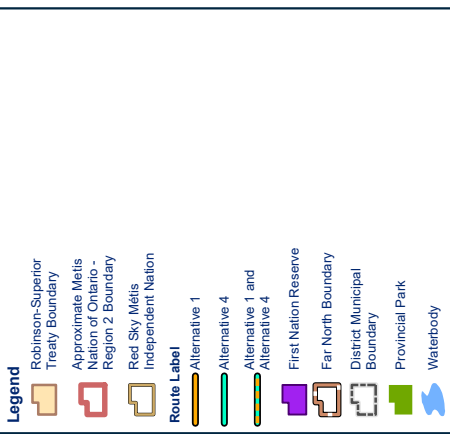
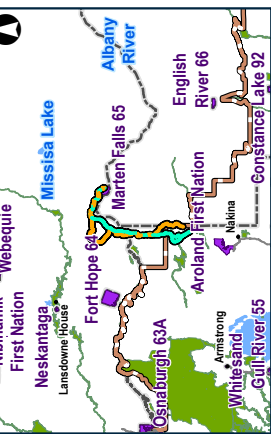
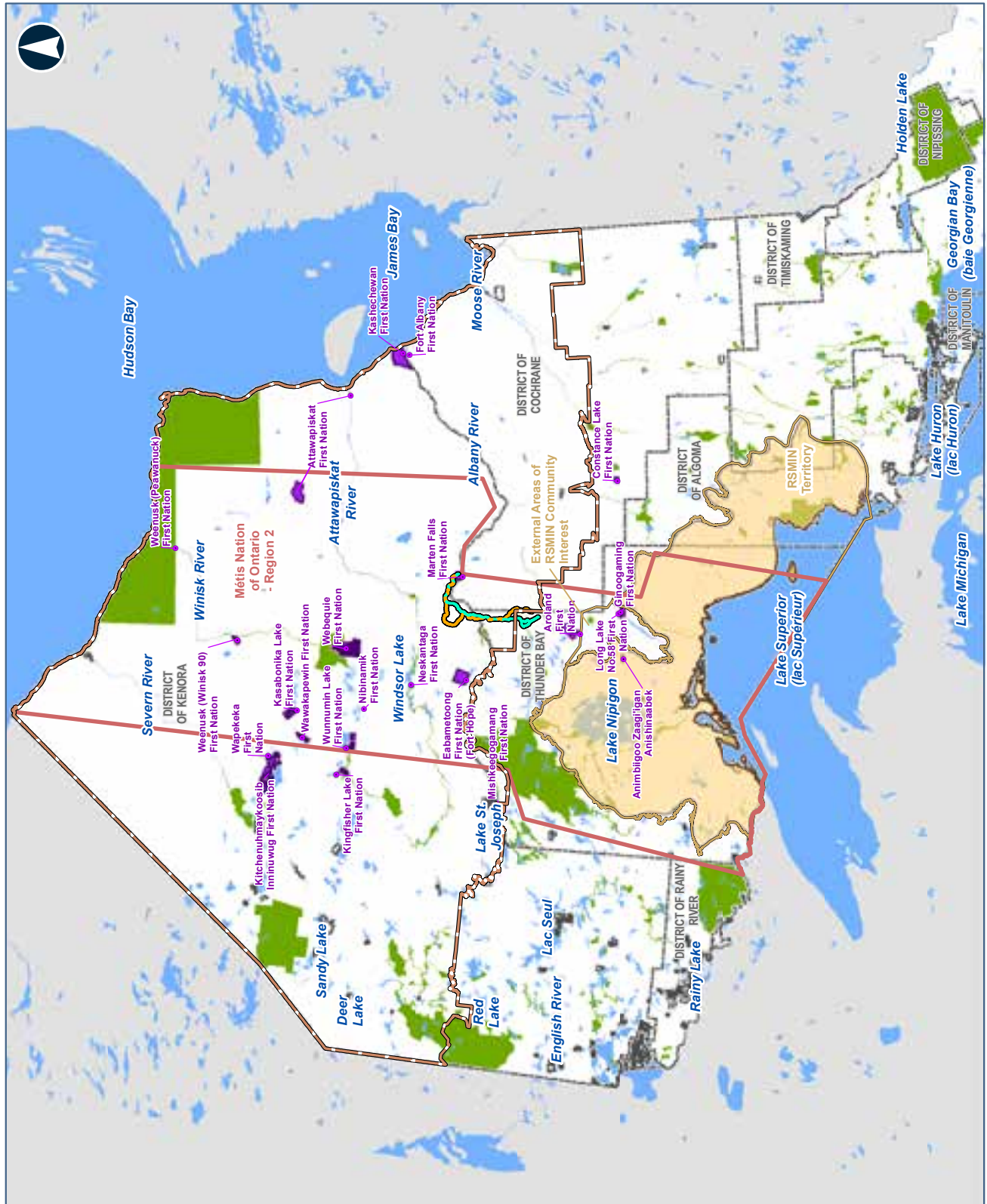


In September 1850, the Anishinaabeg of the Upper Great Lakes signed two separate but interconnected treaties: the Robinson-Superior Treaty, and the Robinson-Huron Treaty. These treaties provided Canada East and Canada West (the future Quebec and Ontario, respectively) with access to the north shores of Lake Huron and Lake Superior for settlement and mineral extraction. In exchange, the Anishinaabeg gained recognition of hunting and fishing rights, a one-time payment of £2000, an annual payment or annuity of £500 and £600 (respectively), and large reserves set aside specifically for First Nations from the surrender of specific lands for each signatory community. The treaties also contained an “escalator clause” for the annuity, which meant that the Crown would increase the annuity as revenues from lands increased (Hele, 2020).

While the recognition of the Métis in the Robinson-Superior Treaty was urged by the Indians (Gale, 1998), they were omitted as the treaty commissioner had no mandate to deal with the Métis (MNO, 2023a). The treaty commissioners informed the Métis that they were not empowered to deal with them as collective, and they could only choose to identify as either Indian or white for the purposes of the treaty (Teillet, 2013). The Hudson’s Bay Company did pay some “half breeds” annuities under the treaty between 1851 and 1875, as recorded in treaty annuity lists for the Lake Superior region (MNO, 2023a). However, all Métis were later excluded from the annuity lists when the Government of Ontario argued an error had been made when some Métis were included as beneficiaries in the treaty (McNab, 1985, cited in Peressini, 2000). As noted by Peressini (2000), this action established a precedent for the exclusion of the Métis from Aboriginal rights in Ontario.

The Robinson-Superior Treaty covers the north shore of Lake Superior from Batchewana Bay to Pigeon River at the western end of the lake, and the lands to the north up to the Hudson Bay watershed (**Figure 2-1**). Indigenous peoples residing in the area covered by the treaty at the time of signing include ancestors of the Animibiigoo Zaagi Igan Anishinaabek First Nation, Long Lake #58 First Nation, and the Red Sky Métis Independent Nation.

The Robinson treaties were the first to lead to the surrender of huge tracts of land with different and disparate Indigenous groups; previous treaties in Upper Canada negotiated for relatively small and compact parcels of land. They also established payments to individual band members instead of yearly lump sums paid to the band, formalized the setting aside of reserve lands for each individual signing group, and acknowledged ongoing rights to hunt and fish throughout traditional territories including a provision that lands could be “taken up” by the Crown for settlement, mining, lumbering, trading, or other purposes (referred to as the Taken Up Clause). These treaties became the model for subsequent treaties (CIRNAC, 2013), including the James Bay Treaty Number 9.



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2.2.5.2 James Bay Treaty Number 9

By the late 1800s, many Indigenous peoples, including the Anishinaabeg and Omushkegowuk of the region, were facing significant challenges including:

- Declining animal resources;
- Starvation;
- Illnesses brought by Europeans; and
- Unwelcome poachers and mining prospectors with the newly established railroads.

With problems worsening, some Indigenous peoples of the region began to press Canada to enter a treaty, with an aim of ensuring protection and economic security as settlement and development intensified. While initial requests for a treaty were not supported by Canada, the discovery of minerals in the region, combined with interests in further expansion of the railway network, timber development, and hydro-electric production, led to negotiations of the James Bay Treaty Number 9 (Treaty 9) (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).

Similar to the Robinson-Superior Treaty, Treaty 9 set aside reserve lands for First Nations and granted them annuities and the continued right to hunt and fish on unoccupied Crown lands in exchange for Aboriginal title (CIRNAC, 2017), and the surrender of over 230,000 km² of territory (OCCC, 1986). In addition, the treaty included: schools and teachers to educate First Nations children on reserve; and ceremonial and symbolic items such as medals, flags, and clothing. During negotiations, First Nations were encouraged to settle on reserve lands, take up agriculture, and receive an education (CIRNAC, 2017).

Treaty 9 was unique among the numbered treaties in that there was a requirement for the concurrence of the Province of Ontario given extended boundaries of the province west and north to the Albany River. However, based on oral history and available written records, the Indigenous signatories were not informed of the negotiations between Canada and Ontario with respect to the treaty (Armstrong, 2008, as cited in Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). The terms of the treaty were finalized in advance by the Dominion of Canada and the Province of Ontario, and presented to Indigenous leaders; government representatives were not permitted to change the terms during the treaty expedition. The Ontario government had a series of demands, including that one of the three commissioners would represent the province, and that no Indigenous reserves in the treaty territory would be located in areas with hydro-electricity development potential greater than 500 horsepower (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).

Treaty 9 was the first major treaty in Ontario in which treaty signing took place in many locations rather than one (Archives of Ontario, n.d.). During the treaty expedition in 1905 and 1906, treaty commissioners travelled to trading posts along the rivers in what is now northern Ontario and met with Cree and Ojibway peoples. While the Indigenous people encountered at the trading posts at the time of the expedition were not necessarily part of a “band”, they were designated as such for administrative convenience. Each trading post was to give advance warning as to when the treaty party would arrive, but as it turned out, many Indigenous people were not present upon their arrival (OCCC, 1986).



The intent of the commissioners was to describe the contents of the treaty, establish reserves and associated boundaries, and obtain the signatures of Indigenous leaders. At each stop, the commissioners requested the community to select representatives who heard the treaty explained to them by interpreters (generally Hudson’s Bay Company employees or clergy), as the document was provided in English only. Most community members received an \$8 gift and the promise of a \$4 annuity in perpetuity. It was noted in the Treaty 9 Commissioners’ official report that the reserves were generally selected by the commissioners after conference with Indigenous people (Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021), but very little was actually described within the report (Morrison, 1986). Commissioners neither provided a full version of the treaty translated into the languages of the local Indigenous peoples, nor did they leave the document or a copy for review (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).

Treaty 9 covers most of present-day Ontario north of the height of land dividing the Great Lakes watershed from the Hudson and James Bay drainage basins (**Figure 2-2**). Signatories to Treaty 9 between 1905 and 1930 included the following:

- Marten Falls Band of Oji-Cree (Marten Falls First Nation);
- Osnaburgh Band of Ojibway (Mishkeegogamang First Nation);
- Fort Hope Band of Oji-Cree (Eabametoong First Nation, Neskantaga First Nation, Nibinamik First Nation, and Webequie First Nation);
- English River Band of Oji-Cree (Constance Lake First Nation);
- Fort Albany Band of Cree (Fort Albany First Nation, Kashechewan First Nation, Aroland First Nation);
- Long Lake Band of Ojibway (Ginoogaming First Nation);
- Big Trout Lake Band of Oji-Cree (Kasabonika Lake First Nation, Kingfisher First Nation, Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation, Wapekeka First Nation, Wawakapewin First Nation, and Wunnumin Lake First Nation);
- Winisk Band of Cree (Weenusk First Nation); and,
- Attawapiskat Band of Cree (Attawapiskat First Nation).

Ontario’s northern border was extended from the Albany River to its present day location in 1912, leading Indigenous peoples in the newly acquired areas to petition the government for a treaty. Formal adhesions to Treaty 9 were made in 1929-1930 as a result (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).



Treaty 9 was considered to be one of the least generous of the numbered treaties: the monetary gifts and annuities were much lower than Treaty 8 or Treaty 10, and there was to be no distribution



of ammunition or net twine, no farm implements or cattle, no carpentry tools, and no salaries of clothing for the chiefs and councillors (Ry, Miller, & Touch, 2000, as cited in Long, 2011). In addition, as noted by Long (2010), Treaty 9 historians contend that the treaty was flawed due to the lack of oversight by the people who drafted it, and it may have been the first of the numbered treaties that lacked the oversight of the Colonial Office in Great Britain. The conditions and factors present when the treaty was signed were also problematic (Archives of Ontario, n.d.; OCCC, 1986):

- The treaty commissioners could not speak any of the local Indigenous languages;
- Many Indigenous signatories didn't speak, read or write English so interpreters selected by the commissioners were used;
- Indigenous peoples lacked an understanding of the Canadian legal system and were not provided with lawyers to advise them; and,
- The worldviews, culture, history, and ways of knowing land ownership of Indigenous signatories and the commissioners were very different.

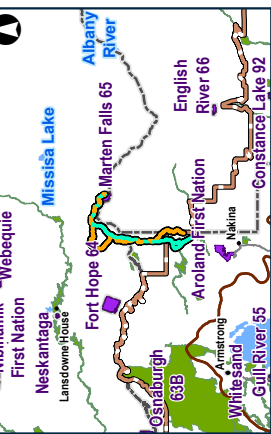
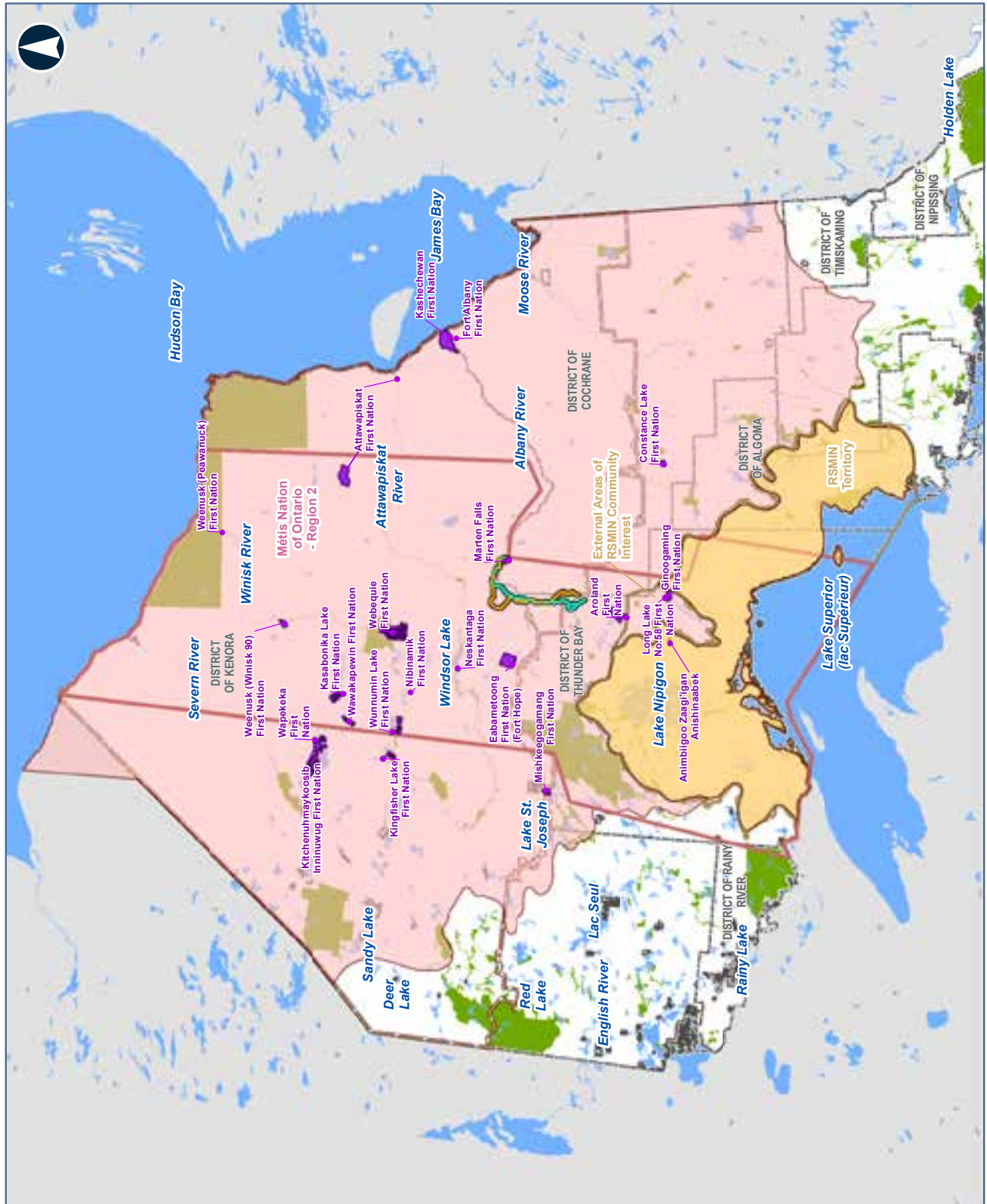


Long (2006) contends that there were two treaties: the official written version, and the one that was orally described to Indigenous peoples. This has been substantiated by Indigenous oral history and the Treaty 9 commissioners' own writings, which indicate that the commissioners told the Elders two key things:

- The treaty would last as long as the sun shines, the grass grows, and the winds blow; and,
- Traditional and cultural activities of Anishinaabe and Mushkegowuk signatory communities would be protected.

The Indigenous signatories understood, through oral promises, that the treaty would help them achieve *Mino-Bimaadiziwin* and *Mino-Pimatisiwin* (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).

Archival records also suggest that the commissioners did not explain the "Taken Up Clause" (see [Section 2.2.5.1](#)) – if they had, it is possible that Indigenous representatives would never have signed the document (Archives of Ontario, n.d.).



- Legend**
- Treaty 9
 - Robinson-Superior Treaty Boundary
 - Approximate Métis Nation of Ontario - Region 2 Boundary
 - Red Sky, Métis Independent Nation
 - Route Label
 - Alternative 1
 - Alternative 4
 - Alternative 1 and Alternative 4
 - First Nation Reserve
 - Far North Boundary
 - District Municipal Boundary
 - Provincial Park
 - Waterbody

MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

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Treaty 9 Boundaries



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2.2.6 Damming and Diversion

Today, not all of the water that would normally flow to Hudson’s Bay remains within the watershed. The damming and diverting of waterways in the area has occurred at various scales over time. Demand for water in the Great Lakes region for shipping and hydropower has led to diversion from the Albany River watershed to the Great Lakes in the form of three key projects: one from the Kengami River; one from Lake St. Joseph; and one from the Ogoki River (Garrick, 2020). The Long Lake Diversion Project included the construction of the Kenogami Lake Dam and the Long Lake Diversion Dam, undertaken in 1937. The Ogoki Diversion Project, in the early 1940s included the construction of the Waboose and Summit Dams to divert water to Lake Superior through Lake Nipigon. The Lake St. Joseph Diversion Project was built to divert water from Lake St. Joseph to Lac Seul in the late 1950s (Garrick 2020; Creger, 2018). In discussion about the potential development of more waterway diversion projects in the 1960s, Marten Falls First Nation Councillor Sam Achneepineskum commented “Our community would have been a lake where it is now... I think that is part of the reason why Nishnawbe Aski Nation came to be, all the chiefs got together and they started to push back on trying to kill the project. It was called Damn the Dams” (Garrick, 2020, p. 15).

2.2.7 The Reserve System

The reserve system concept evolved from the early settlements created by missionaries. As more newcomers were arriving, they began occupying the traditional territories of Indigenous peoples in increasing numbers, and reserves were initially considered a pragmatic solution to land disputes and conflicts between Indigenous peoples and settlers. As treaties began to be reached with Indigenous peoples, provisions were included for the creation of reserves. The reserve system was formalized under the *Indian Act*, which permitted the government to determine the land base of First Nations in the forms of reserves set aside for their exclusive use (Hanson, 2009b).

While Treaty 9 specified that First Nations would choose the location of their reserves, the Ontario Order-in-Council later changed the terms – the commissioners would now decide, and one of the three treaty commissioners would be appointed by the Government of Ontario (Matheson, 1905a, as cited in Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). The size of the reserves was based on the number of people in the band; however, the population data at the time for these communities could not be considered accurate and many people were not at the trading post during treaty deliberations because of the late start to the treaty expedition (Tsuji & Tsuji, 2021). This led to many reserve locations and sizes being determined based on local settler demand. Even in areas covered by the numbered treaties, reserve size was calculated differentially, ranging between 160 and 640 acres per family of five (Smith, 2009, as cited in Smith, 2016).

As noted by Smith (2016), even as the land base of First Nations was reduced through the reserve system, reserves were still vulnerable to surrounding land uses. Demands for mineral, forest, and agricultural lands; the construction of transportation routes or military sites; and other purposes that arose, often led to the alienation of reserve lands under the jurisdiction of the Canadian Government.



While consent from First Nations was often sought, this consent was regularly acquired under what could be considered questionable circumstances. The sale of reserve lands was consistently presented as being in the long-term interest of the First Nation community, yet railway and corporate executives, and other members of the settler elite (including Indian Affairs Department staff and other public officials), often gained possession of alienated reserve lands (Smith, 2016).

The creation of the reserve system had far-reaching implications for Indigenous peoples, including the Anishinaabeg and the Omushkegowuk. As noted previously, the land base of First Nations was significantly reduced: the reserve system dispossessed the Anishinaabeg of all but one percent of their traditional territory (Pitawanikwat, 2009). Under the reserve system, which provided First Nations with fragments of their ancestral territory, Indigenous residents held the right to occupancy only, which ownership and title remained in the hands of the Crown (Smith, 2016).

As noted by Hanson (2009b), the reserve system was essentially a government-sanctioned displacement of First Nations people, with reserves dividing up not only lands but also peoples and communities that had existed for hundreds, if not thousands, of years. Many families and clans that had hunted, gathered, and celebrated together for generations were abruptly and arbitrarily joined with other families and clans, disrupting long-established social networks and kinship systems that determined who could hunt, fish, and gather in particular areas (Hanson, 2009b).

Amendments to the *Indian Act* led to a requirement for First Nation reserve residents to secure a permit before selling or giving away any goods located or produced on reserves or by reserve residents (Smith, 2016), further restricting the lives of Indigenous peoples. This disruption of traditional networks and the significant changes to Indigenous traditional lifeways contributed to disproportionate levels poverty on many reserves; however, leaving reserves often meant facing discrimination, relinquishing one's First Nations status, and / or losing or jeopardizing connections to family and territory (Hanson, 2009b).





2.2.8 Residential School System

One of the most infamous consequences of the *Indian Act* was the promotion of the residential school system for Indigenous children. This was an extensive school system set up by the Canadian government and administered by churches, with intent to: indoctrinate Indigenous children into Euro-Canadian and Christian ways of living; and assimilate them into mainstream Canadian society (Hanson *et al.*, 2020). Duncan Campbell Scott, Head of Indian Affairs from 1913 to 1932, famously said in 1920 that “the goal of the Indian Residential School is to kill the Indian in the child” (Wilson & Hodgson, 2018).

The system originated from the mission system in the 1600s, when missionaries made plans to establish schools and farming settlements to try to educate, change, and settle Indigenous peoples. However, managing the schools and associated supplies proved challenging for the missionaries to carry out alone (OCCC, 1986). Following confederation, Canada’s first Prime Minister, John A. Macdonald, commissioned a study of industrial schools established for Indigenous children in the United States, and a recommendation to follow their approach to “aggressive civilization” led to the creation and funding of the residential school system (Hanson *et al.*, 2020), although some schools were funded by provincial governments or by the various religious orders (Union of Ontario Indians, 2013). An amendment to the *Indian Act* in 1894 made it mandatory for Indigenous children to attend school (TRC, 2015a). Further amendments to the *Indian Act* in 1920 and 1933 reinforced the requirement for every Indian child between the ages of 7-16 to attend a residential school, and led to the legal guardianship of Indian children attending a school being assumed by their principals upon the often forcible surrender of legal custody by their parents (Union of Ontario Indians, 2013).





The residential school system was primarily located off-reserve (and often far from Indigenous communities), and children generally attended for 10 months of year, although some children lived at the school year round (Union of Ontario Indians, 2013). A primary purpose of the schools was to systematically dissolve all aspects of Indigenous cultures and languages. English, and in some cases French, were the only languages allowed. Indigenous languages and practices were forbidden, with punishments – often severe ones – for children who broke these rules (TRC, 2015a). Students had their long hair cut short as a way to strip away their personal and cultural identities, and they were stripped of their clothing and dressed in uniforms (Hanson *et al.*, 2020). Their days were long and strictly regimented between academic learning, religious prayer, and manual labour and tasks (Union of Ontario Indians, 2013). Boys and girls were kept separate, and as a result, siblings rarely interacted, further weakening family ties (Hanson *et al.*, 2020).

It is estimated that over 150,000 Indigenous children attended one of the almost 140 residential schools established by Canada and the Catholic, United, Anglican, and Presbyterian churches across the country between 1857 and 1996 (CIRNAC, 2017); 16 of these schools operated in Ontario (Auger, 2005). Some Métis children also attended residential schools (APPA, 2019). Children living in the Treaty 9 area attended residential schools at Moose Factory, Chapleau, Pelican Lake, and Fort Albany (Archives of Ontario, n.d.). The St. Anne's Residential School in Fort Albany ran from 1910 to 1963, and was attended by children from the Fort Albany, Weenisk, Attawapiskat, Fort Hope, and Ogoki (Marten Falls First Nation) communities. It is estimated that by 1945, approximately 170 children attended the school, with half of their days spent doing schoolwork and the other half spent on manual labour and domestic tasks (Auger, 2005).

The residential school system struggled with funding, often resulting in poor and unsuitable nutrition, unsanitary conditions, and inadequate medical care. With crowded dormitories, infectious diseases like tuberculosis were rampant, often leading to death. The education received was generally insufficient as many teachers assumed that Indigenous children were unfit for anything more than a basic education which focused on practical skills and religious training.

Messages of the inferiority of Indigenous peoples, their culture, and lifeways were commonplace (TRC, 2015a). Emotional and psychological abuse was commonplace, physical abuse was considered standard punishment, and sexual abuse was common (Hanson *et al.*, 2020). Survivors of the school at St. Anne's in Fort Albany have described serious physical and sexual abuse at the hands of school staff (Roman, 2013), leading to criminal charges of former school staff in the 1990s. The abuses combined with the poor living conditions resulted in an extremely high death toll. In 1907, government medical inspector P.H. Bryce reported that 24 percent of previously healthy Indigenous children across Canada were dying in residential schools, and this figure did not include children who died at home where they were frequently sent when critically ill (Hanson *et al.*, 2020).





2.2.9 The Sixties Scoop

The Sixties Scoop refers to the mass removal of Indigenous children, including Métis children, from their families into the child welfare system, without the consent of families or communities in most cases. As the government began phasing out compulsory residential school education in the 1950s and 1960s, residential schools persisted as a boarding school, primarily for children whose families were deemed unsuitable to care for them. An amendment to the *Indian Act* in 1951 enabled the province to provide services to Indigenous peoples that were not available federally, including child protection (Hanson, 2009c).

Provincial social workers assigned to reserves often assessed child safety and welfare by mainstream cultural standards, without adequate education and training to recognize the problems rooted in generations of trauma related to residential schools. As a result, thousands of Indigenous children were removed from their homes and placed into the child welfare system starting in the 1960s and continuing up to 1990 (TRC, 2015a). By the 1970s, roughly one third of all children in care were Indigenous (Johnston, 1983, as cited in Hanson, 2009c). Many children lived in institutionalized care, or floated between foster homes, where incidences of physical and sexual abuse were not uncommon but often covered up (Fournier & Crey, 1997, as cited in Hanson, 2009c). Similar to the impacts of residential school, the ensuing cultural suppression (denial of their Indigenous identity) and abuse among Indigenous children in the welfare system led to significant impacts on psychological and emotional health (Hanson, 2009c).

2.2.10 The *Constitution Act, 1982* and Aboriginal Rights

Between 1977 and 1981, the federal government entered into discussions with the provinces to reform and take authority of the Constitution from the British government. Aboriginal political organizations were unsuccessful in getting a seat at the negotiations table, and the first proposal for the Constitution put forward in 1981 excluded Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. However, several months of lobbying by First Nations, Inuit, and Métis organizations led to the inclusion of two clauses in Section 35 of the Constitution: recognition of “existing Aboriginal and Treaty Rights”; and, definition of Aboriginal peoples that included all three groups (CIRNAC, 2017). The presence of the word “existing” means that section 35 only applies to Aboriginal and Treaty Rights that were not extinguished when the *Constitution Act, 1982* came into effect. Therefore, if a right was previously extinguished (e.g., through surrender to the Crown), it is not revived by Section 35 (Centre for Constitutional Studies, 2021).





While attempts were made to define existing Aboriginal Rights between 1983 and 1987, they remained undefined because of disagreements between Canada, Indigenous groups, and the provinces. As a result, responsibility to define the extent and scope of Aboriginal Rights, and to direct government policies and programs so that they respect these rights and prevent infringement on them, has fallen to the courts (CIRNAC, 2017).

Several Supreme Court cases have reaffirmed Indigenous rights to harvesting activities. The *R. v. Sparrow* (1990) was a precedent-setting case and the first decision by the Supreme Court to interpret Section 35. In 1984, Ronald Sparrow from the Musqueam Indian Band was arrested for fishing with a net longer than was permitted by his food fishing license. The Supreme Court of Canada ruled that Musqueam's Aboriginal Right to fish had not been extinguished and was an existing right. The court also ruled that the government cannot override or infringe on these rights without justification. This ruling led to what is now known as the "*Sparrow Test*", which sets out a list of criteria that determines whether a right is existing, and if so, how a government may be justified to infringe on it (Salomons & Hanson, 2009).

The *R. v. Van der Peet* (1996) case was pivotal in further defining Aboriginal Rights under Section 35. Dorothy Van der Peet, a member of the Stó:lō Nation, was charged with selling salmon that had been caught under a food-fishing license. The court ruled that fishing constitutes an Aboriginal Right, but the sale of the fish does not. The ruling led to what is now known as the "*Van der Peet Test*" or the "Integral to a Distinctive Culture Test", which establishes ten criteria that must be met for a practice to be affirmed and protected as an Aboriginal Right (Hanson & Salomon, 2009):

1. The perspective of Aboriginal peoples themselves.
2. The precise nature of the claim (what is being claimed as a right).
3. The practice, custom, or tradition must be of central significance to the society in question.
4. The Aboriginal Right must have continuity with the practices, customs and traditions that existed prior to contact.
5. Courts must take challenges with evidence into account (e.g., oral history of Indigenous peoples rather than written records).
6. Claims must be specific and not general.
7. The practice, custom, or tradition must be of independent significance to the group (i.e. central to the group's identity).
8. The practice, custom, or tradition be distinctive (i.e., characteristic part of the culture).
9. European influence is only relevant if the practice, custom, or tradition is integral to the Indigenous society because of that influence.
10. Courts must take into account both the relationship of Aboriginal peoples to the land and their cultures.



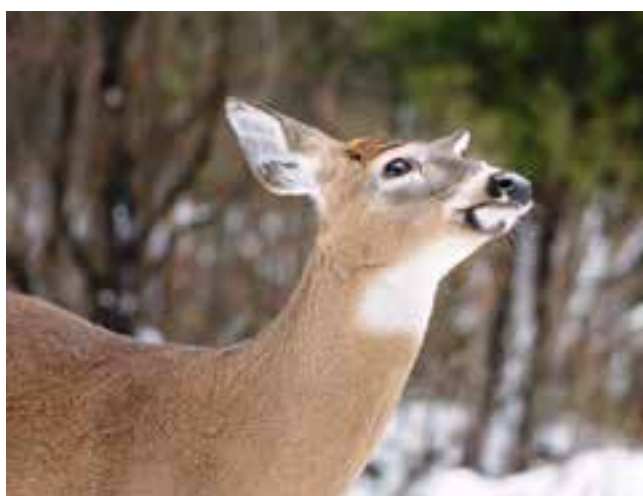


Critics of the *Van der Peet* Test point out that the test situates Aboriginal cultural practices in the past and ignores the dynamic, adaptive nature of culture by treating Aboriginal cultures and traditions as static and unchanging (Hanson & Salomon, 2009).

2.2.10.1 Métis Rights

The rights of Métis communities and individuals were historically excluded or simply ignored by the government, contributing to vulnerabilities and marginalization (Teillet, 2013). Miner (2022) notes that Métis providing for their families and communities were often charged with poaching and illegal fishing throughout the 20th century. The rights of the Métis were not formally recognized until Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.

Since the early 2000s, two major Supreme Court of Canada decisions have initiated the long process of defining Métis rights, as well as highlighted the complexities associated with defining Métis identity in



the context of these rights. The first was *R. v. Powley* (2003), which forever transformed Métis harvesting rights. Two Métis hunters, Steve Powley and his son were charged with hunting a moose near Sault Ste. Marie without a license under the Ontario *Game and Fish Act*. They pleaded not guilty and asserted their Aboriginal Right to hunt. After a decade of court proceedings and a series of appeals by the Crown, the Supreme Court confirmed that as Métis people and members of a Métis community, the Powleys' right to hunt in the area was protected by Section 35 (Teillet, 2013). The evidence in the *Powley* case also showed that after the economic migration of Métis from the Great Lakes to the prairies in the early 19th century, a significant Métis population remained in the Great Lakes-Boundary Waters regions of Ontario (Teillet, 2013).



During the *Powley* case, the Supreme Court determined that the appropriate way to define Section 35 Métis rights is to modify the test used to define the Aboriginal Rights of First Nations, as determined *R. v. Van der Peet* (1996). The test to define Métis rights is now called the Powley Test and it includes ten components (Teillet, 2013):

1. The characterization of the right, including reason for harvesting (e.g., for food, for ceremonial purposes, etc.), the location of harvesting and other contextual information.
2. Verification of membership in the contemporary Métis community.
3. Identification of the historic rights-bearing Métis community with a distinctive collective identity that existed prior to when Euro-Canadians effectively established political and legal control in that area.
4. Identification of the contemporary rights-bearing community that is a continuation of the historic community.
5. The historical timeframe for the practice, which must have been undertaken post-contact but before Euro-Canadian political and legal control.
6. Whether the practice was integral to the claimant's distinctive culture.
7. Whether the practice is continue by the Métis community.
8. Whether the right was extinguished by the Crown by constitutional enactments, federal legislation, or by agreement with the Aboriginal people.
9. Whether the right was infringed upon for any reasons.
10. If the right was infringed upon, whether the infringement was justified.





In 2016, following a 17-year court battle, the Supreme Court of Canada ruled in the *Daniels v. Canada* case that Métis and Non-Status Indian are considered “Indians” under Section 91(24) of the *Constitution Act, 1867* (Gaudry, 2009). This interpretation means that the federal government holds the legal responsibility to legislate on issues related to Métis and Non-Status Indians rather than provincial governments. The case ended a long standing situation of legal uncertainty where neither levels of government took responsibility for the Métis and Non-Status Indians (Roy, 2021). The Supreme Court commented that Métis and Non-Status peoples had been essentially in a “jurisdictional wasteland with significant and obvious disadvantaging consequences” (*Daniels v. Canada*, 2016, para. 14). While the ruling does not grant Indian Status, as defined by the *Indian Act*, to Métis and Non-Status peoples, the ruling has resulted in new discussions and negotiations with the federal government over land claims, rights, self-governance, and access to education, health programs, and other government services (Roy, 2021).

Canadian legal definitions of Métis have further complicated the situation with respect to Métis Rights. The *Powley* case established who can legally qualify for Métis Rights and specific criteria to be considered Métis: the individual must self-identify as Métis, have an ancestral connection to a Métis community, and be accepted by that community as a member. However, in the *Daniels* case the Federal Court defined Métis as “a group of native people who maintained a strong affinity for their Indian heritage without possessing Indian status” (cited in Teillet, 2013). As noted by Teillet (2013), this definition separated individuals from Aboriginal collectives and held that there is no need for any ancestral connection to a Métis group and no need for community acceptance, and ultimately eliminated the Métis as a separate Aboriginal people. Regardless, the criteria of the *Powley* decision still define which Métis communities have Aboriginal Rights.

The *Powley* Test has been identified as problematic in that the criteria for being Métis is exclusionary to urban Métis families who may have lived in the city for generations, as well as people who have mixed Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal ancestry yet are not connected to a contemporary Métis society. This has contributed to tensions between different Métis groups (Ouellet & Hanson, 2009), and heated debate among many Métis people in Canada (Gaudry, 2009). As noted by Ouellet and Hanson (2009), it is expected that “the issue of Métis identity will continue to be the topic of much debate and discussion since Métis Rights depend on identifying the people who are entitled to such rights, and then specifying what those rights are” (para. 6).





2.2.11 Legislative Developments

In the period following the signing of Treaty 9, further British and later Canadian Governments laws, regulations, and policies on northern Ontario, contributed to growing intervention and regulation of Indigenous peoples by both the federal and provincial governments. This section reflects on some of the key legislative developments that have governed natural resource and land use, and the associated effects on the rights of Indigenous peoples in the region. It is important to note that this section is not exhaustive nor reflective of all legislation that may have impacted Indigenous peoples in the region.

2.2.11.1 Fish & Game Regulations

At the time of the Robinson treaties (1850), there was very little, if any, competition for fish resources from European fisherman, particularly in Lake Superior and areas to the north. There was also no comprehensive legislation pertaining to fish in place at the time. For varying periods of time, and depending on the location, the government generally did not restrict the full and free privilege to fish provided for by the Robinson treaties. However, changes occurred with the passage of comprehensive fisheries legislation and the drafting of subsequent treaties, including Treaty 9 (Hansen, 1991).

The first passage of comprehensive fisheries legislation came in 1857 with the *Fisheries Act*, under which the Department of Crown Lands became responsible for fisheries in Upper and Lower Canada. The Act did not contain any specific references to Indigenous people. An amendment in 1859 provided for the first time for special fishing

Treaty 9 was negotiated between Canada and Ontario at a time when federal-provincial jurisdiction over fisheries was well established. One of the treaty's provisions full reflected the state of fisheries legislation, in that the right to hunt, trap and fish is subject to regulations that may be made by "the government of the country".





licenses and leases on lands belonging to the Crown, with no specific reference to Indigenous people. Shortly after this, an agreement between the Department of Crown Lands and the Indian Department “for the protection of the interest of native tribes” was reached (as cited in Hansen, 1991, pg. 6). The agreement suggested that Indigenous people were considered subject to the regulations of the Act since they were exempt from paying fees for fishery leases anyways. However, they were exempt in cases of fishing for domestic consumption only, and they were subject to the regulations otherwise (i.e., when fishing commercially or for trade). Thus, fishing rights were being interpreted as domestic consumption fishing rights only (Hansen, 1991).

Amendments to the *Fisheries Act* in 1865 provided a regulation with respect to Indigenous fisheries for the first time. The regulation specifically referred to the allowance of ‘certain Indians’ to fish for their own use as food, reinforcing the interpretation of Indigenous fishing rights as rights related to domestic fishing purposes only. It also added a new component – an open season – which reflected developing conservation principles (Hansen, 1991). After confederation, Canada implemented the first federal *Fisheries Act* in 1868. The Act maintained the provisions of the preceding acts, including the licensing of Indians to fish for their own use. In addition, Indian fishermen were considered to be subject to all regulations (Hansen, 1991).

The government of Ontario was not involved in the legislative aspects of resource management until 1885 with the passage of the *Ontario Fisheries Act*. It contained several provisions from the federal act, and like his federal counterpart, the Ontario Commissioner of Crown Lands was authorized to establish licensing (Hansen, 1991). In 1890, a royal commission on game and fish was appointed to make recommendations with respect to these resources in the province.

The overlapping jurisdictional issues with respect to federal and provincial fisheries legislation were eventually resolved through the courts, where it was ruled that Canada had the authority to enact legislation for inland fisheries and Ontario had proprietary interests in fisheries and the authority to issue licenses for fisheries in the province (Hansen, 1991).





The expansion of the railway network led to new settlement in the region, which in turn led to an increase in the number of sportsman and tourists visiting the region and increased pressures on fish and wildlife. Upon recommendation by the commission, Ontario created the *Game and Fisheries Act* in 1892, replacing the previous fisheries legislation. In turn, the Act intensified enforcement for First Nations in Ontario (Calverley, 2009).

Under the new legislation, a series of law changes were enacted to address declining game populations, including: a new range of closed seasons for some of the most desirable species, such as deer, moose, and elk; new seasons for game birds; and complete hunting bans on certain species. In addition, new license requirements were introduced for non-residents and system of game overseers were established to enforce game laws and penalties (Calverley, 1999). Regardless of these efforts, wildlife populations continue to decline (Bate, 2023).

Initially, the *Game and Fisheries Act* contained a clause exempting treaty Indian hunters from the legislation based on their Treaty Rights. However, the clause referencing Treaty Rights was eventually removed from the Act in 1914 and by 1927, all hunting exemptions for First Nation hunters had been removed from the Act – all “persons” affected by the Act were now defined to include “Indians”. By this time, game laws in Ontario included complete hunting bans on moose and deer, bag limits, quotas, required licensing, and hunting seasons (Bate, 2023). As a result of the hunting regulations, Indigenous hunters’ control over resources, secured through treaty, was restricted, impacting their cultural lifeways.

A jurisdictional challenge arose with the application of the provincial Act to Indigenous peoples with Treaty Rights, which were under federal jurisdiction. Indian Affairs began to take increased interest in securing Indigenous peoples harvesting rights, as Indian Agents increasingly became allies to communities in the north.





As noted by Calverley (1999), after almost three decades of complaints, letters and petitions from the Anishinaabeg, some Indian Agents came to understand Indigenous perspectives on the application of provincial legislation; in part, the Act was taking food out of the mouths of Indigenous people. In terms of game depletion, the agents generally believed the increase in settler hunter and sportsman were the main conservation threat. Indian Affairs generally adopted a more proactive approach in relation to Indigenous hunting and trapping rights for a period. However, Indian Affairs was not completely opposed to regulating Indigenous hunting, and they would not openly challenge the Ontario government over treaty rights (Calverley, 1999).

In response to the *Sparrow* ruling (see [Section 2.2.9](#)), the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources issued an *Interim Enforcement Policy on Aboriginal Hunting and Fishing* in 1991 that states Aboriginal people harvesting game or fish for personal consumption or social or ceremonial purposes in their treaty areas or traditional lands will generally not be prosecuted. However, this policy was meant to be an interim measure and when the province enacted a new *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act* in 1997, neither it, nor the detailed regulations under it, make any reference to Treaty or Aboriginal Rights to harvest.

2.2.11.2 The Registered Trapline System

In response to declining populations of fur-bearing species, and complaints from Indigenous trappers about other trappers encroaching into their territories, the government of Ontario issued new game regulations under the *Game and Fisheries Act* of 1946 that included the creation of the Registered Trapline System (Finch, 2020; Sutherland, 2020). While it was first implemented in southern Ontario, by 1948 the regulations applied to the north. Traplines established in the north were based on watersheds rather than the township system used in the south, as directed by the Department of Indian Affairs (Finch, 2020).

In the years following the introduction of the system, Indigenous trapping was impacted by several key factors such as new wildlife laws, changing lifeways, increased wage labour opportunities, increasing government aid, and multiple outbreaks of tularaemia, an infectious disease that affects beaver and muskrat (Finch, 2020). Input from Indigenous communities, including concerns that the established



trapping seasons did not work in the north because of the different climate in the James Bay region, were not reflected in trapping regulations (Sutherland, 2020). In addition, the Registered Trapline System involved licenses, registration, and quotas, all of which was foreign to Indigenous trappers (AMEC, 2004b, as cited in Tsuji *et al.*, 2011).

2.2.11.3 Ontario *Far North Act*

In response to the need to balance development potential with conservation in the north, the provincial government launched the *Far North Planning Initiative* in 2008 (Bowie, 2017). The purpose of the initiative was to direct economic development, support conservation, and address Aboriginal and Treaty Rights through the development of community-based land use plans for the Far North region – an area that represents over forty percent of the province (MNR, 2011, as cited in Bowie, 2017).

The purpose of the 2010 *Far North Act* is to provide community-based land use planning in the Far North region that (*Far North Act*, 2010, s.1):

- Sets out a joint planning process between First Nations and Ontario;
- Supports the environmental, social and economic objectives for land use planning for the peoples of Ontario; and,
- Is done in a manner that is consistent with the recognition and affirmation of existing Aboriginal and treaty rights.

The land use planning process established under the Act entails the development of a terms of reference by a First Nations community interested in participating, which must then be approved by the Minister of Natural Resources, who then designates a planning area for the Community Based Land Use Plans (*Far North Act*, 2010, s. 9). The plans are intended to include maps that show historical and contemporary Indigenous use in the area. Communities can designate areas of significant cultural value such as burial sites, waterways and travel routes to be protected, caribou migration routes and areas to be considered open for or closed to mineral exploration. At least one protected area must be identified through the planning process (*Far North Act*, s. 9(9)(c)(d)). However, the plans must be jointly approved by the First Nation and the Ministry,





and once the final plan is approved, all decisions to authorize land use activities must be consistent with the land-use designations in the plan. For First Nations communities in the Far North, community-based land use plans signify inherent jurisdiction over lands and the authority to make decisions on contested land uses (Scott *et al.*, 2018).

The legislation has been contested by First Nations and their regional organizations based on the level of and approach to consultation undertaken by the province, and concerns about how the recommendations provided by First Nations were incorporated. While amendments were made, including the addition of “joint bodies” that could be established with interested First Nations, the province retains ultimate decision-making powers related to amendments, policy documents, and exemption orders related to land use strategies (Gardner *et al.*, 2012).

The Act was recently amended in December 2021, following the recommendations identified in a joint process with Nishnawbe Aski Nation and the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry, and in consultation with First Nations and stakeholders in the region. Amendments were made to “encourage collaboration between Ontario and First Nations on land use planning and foster economic growth in the region while maintaining critical cultural and environmental protections” (Environmental Registry of Ontario, 2021).





2.3 Cumulative Effects to Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests

For roughly seven generations nearly every Indigenous child in Canada was sent to a residential school. They were taken from their families, tribes and communities, and forced to live in those institutions of assimilation. The results while unintended have been devastating. We witness it first in the loss of Indigenous languages and traditional beliefs. We see it more tragically in the loss of parenting skills, and, ironically, in unacceptably poor education results. We see the despair that results in runaway rates of suicide, family violence, substance abuse, high rates of incarceration, street gang influence, child welfare apprehensions, homelessness, poverty, and family breakdowns. Yet while the government achieved such unintended devastation, it failed in its intended result. Indians never assimilated.

– Honourable Justice Murray Sinclair speech to the United Nations, 2010

The long history of colonialism in Canada and associated actions, legislation, and policy has involved both recognition of, and infringement on, the Aboriginal and / or treaty rights of Indigenous peoples in the region and across the country. This history has also been described as constituting cultural genocide (TRC, 2015b). The traditional lifeways, culture, and language of Indigenous peoples, including the Anishinaabeg, Omushkegowuk, and Métis of the region, have been forever transformed, in part because of centuries of displacement from their traditional land bases and use of resources. When combined with ongoing colonial structures and approaches that continue to overlap with the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests of Indigenous peoples, these changes impact cultural continuity and well-being as the ability of Indigenous peoples to transmit Indigenous knowledge, culture, and lifeways out on the land is increasingly challenged.



Colonial systems of governance and justice that have superseded and / or failed to respect the inherent jurisdiction of Indigenous peoples, and the spirit and intent of the treaties with the Crown, have been imposed on Indigenous peoples in the region for centuries (Anishinabek Nation Legal Department, 2018). Moreover, attention to Indigenous men rather than women and the application of patriarchal assumptions and approaches by European traders, missionaries, and political leaders have exacerbated violations to Indigenous governance by overlooking a segment of the population (i.e., women) that prior to contact, held important roles in leadership.

The impacts go well beyond Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests. While Canada has become a member of the world's leading nations, Indigenous peoples, including the Anishinaabeg and Ojibwegowuk, continue to experience disproportionate inequities to the general Canadian population (OCCC, 1986). As noted by Matheson *et al.* (2022), the ongoing implications of various systemic structures experienced by Indigenous peoples has resulted in poor housing conditions, food insecurity, and the absence of potable water on some reserves. Many Indigenous people continue to experience the long term and often debilitating impacts of residential schools, and those that survived were often unprepared to succeed in the market economy or to pursue traditional activities such as hunting and fishing. In many cases, family connections were permanently broken. The overall suicide rate among First Nations communities is about twice that of the total Canadian population (TRC, 2015a). Indigenous peoples face higher rates of infant mortality, a greater burden of disease, and reduced life expectancy (Smylie & Firestone, 2016). In addition, Indigenous peoples are significantly overrepresented in the Canadian criminal justice system (RCAP, 1996, as cited in Government of Canada, 2023). Despite all of these atrocities and outcomes, Indigenous peoples are reclaiming their rights and reconnecting to their cultural roots.





2.4 Reconciliation and Looking to the Future

In more recent decades, there is increased awareness about colonization and its ongoing effects on Indigenous peoples. These efforts began with the establishment of the Royal Commission on Aboriginal Peoples in 1990, whose mandate was to study the evolution of the relationship between Indigenous peoples, the government of Canada, and Canadian society as a whole (Doerr, 2006). The Commission released a five-volume report in 1996 that ultimately noted that a complete restructuring of the relationship between Indigenous peoples and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada is needed (Doerr, 2006); the findings of the Commission’s report have informed this one.

In 2008, the Truth and Reconciliation Commission was established as part of the Indian Residential School Settlement Agreement. The Commission was established to guide Canadians through the difficult facts of the residential school system, and to “lay the foundation for lasting reconciliation across Canada” (Moran, 2015, para. 1). The Commission conducted community hearings across the country to hear from Indigenous peoples directly. A six-volume final report documents the experiences of Indigenous peoples and identifies 94 Calls to Action to advance the process of reconciliation was released in 2015; the findings of the Commission’s report have also informed this one. .

While there has been a recent focus, including efforts and actions on reconciliation with Indigenous peoples, many Indigenous communities, including Marten Falls First Nation, continue to experience day-to-day challenges with access to basic human rights including health services, education, personal and community safety, food security, and more. For Marten Falls First Nation, the development of the Community Access Road is an act of reconciliation – it helps to address access to basic rights while providing an opportunity to support Marten Falls First Nation’s self-determination and their ability to pursue economic prosperity, social and community well-being and cultural continuity.



Aroland First Nation



The information presented in this section of the report is based on the Proponent's current understanding of Aroland First Nation's rights and interests in relation to the study areas for the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Impact Assessment / Environmental Assessment.

The information in this section of the report is primarily from secondary sources given that at the time of writing, limited information on Aroland First Nation's rights and interests had been provided to the Proponent. Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation are currently working on a Nation-to-Nation agreement which will provide direction on how the two First Nations will consult and engage on the proposed Project.

Imagining Access – Why the Project?

The Project will offer Marten Falls First Nation the opportunity to grow as a community but also be part of the social and economic fabric of the region and country. The Community Access Road will reduce transportation costs for goods and services, making food, gas, and other supplies cheaper. It will help families be together in the community and increase social interactions with other communities. It will also provide a vital connection to emergency, health, and social services.



Aroland First Nation was invited to participate in the Project's Indigenous Knowledge Program; however, at the time of producing this report, the community had not yet provided a Project-specific Indigenous Knowledge and/or Indigenous Land and Resource Use report or information. Representatives from Aroland First Nation have participated in field programs for the Project. Any information provided by a member of Aroland First Nation during these field programs that is presented in this report has been marked as "confidential".

It is the objective of the Proponent to share this information with Aroland First Nation early in the Impact Assessment / Environmental Assessment to enable collaboration and discussion. The overarching goal is to enhance the Project Team's understanding of Aroland First Nation Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests in relation to the proposed Project.





3.1 Community Profile

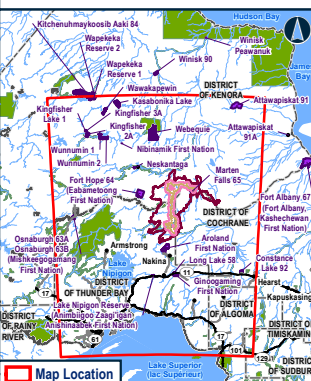
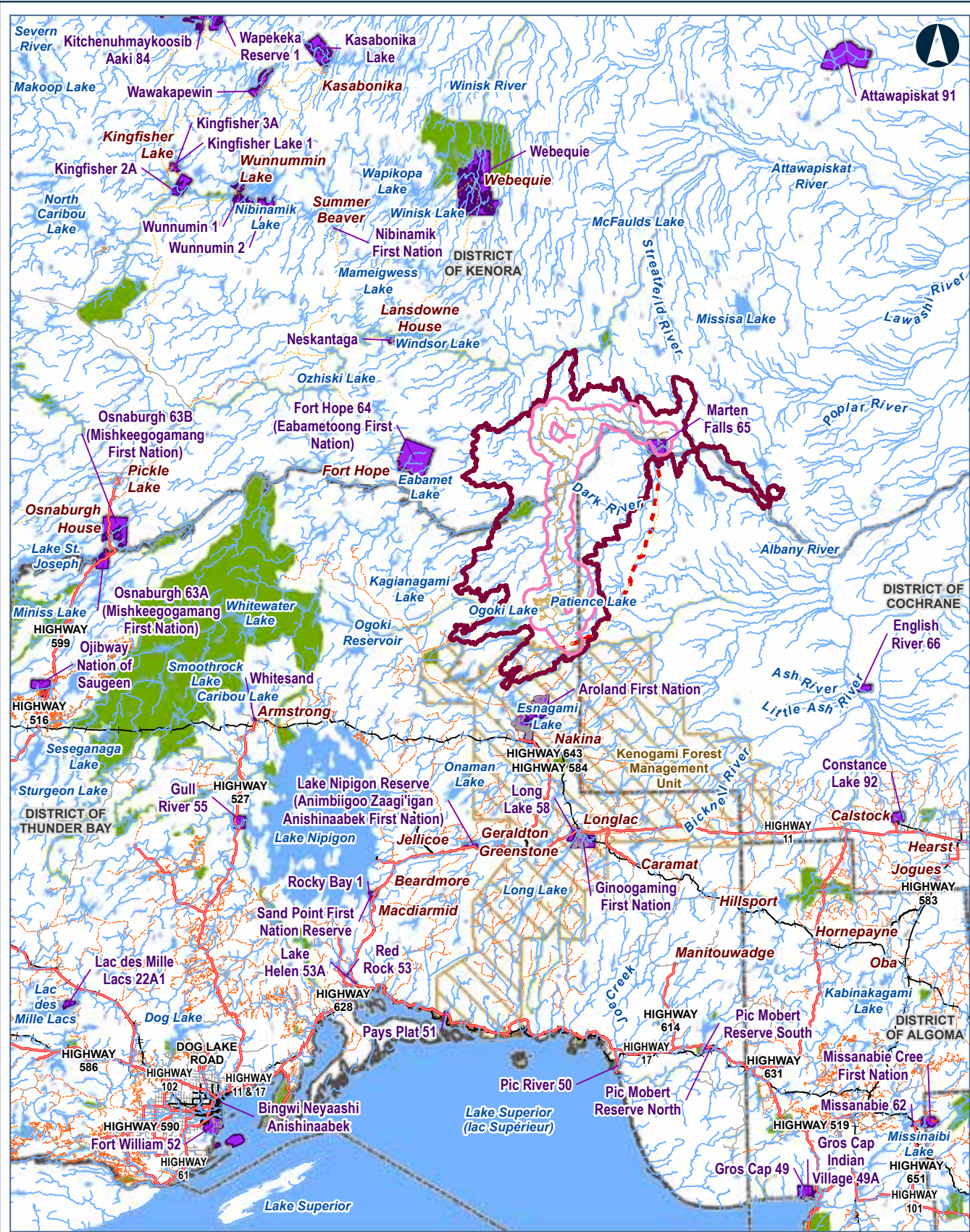
Aroland First Nation is an Anishinaabe community located 60 km north of Geraldton and 20 km west of Nakina on Highway 643, in the Thunder Bay District (**Figure 3-1**). Aroland First Nation did not gain band status under the *Indian Act* until April 15, 1985 (Aroland First Nation, 2022a).

Aroland First Nation community members have ties to nearby Oji-Cree and Ojibway communities including Marten Falls First Nation, Eabametoong First Nation, Ginoogaming First Nation, Long Lake #58 First Nation, and Fort William First Nation (Aroland First Nation, 2022a). Over the years, members from Marten Falls First Nation and other communities have moved to Aroland First Nation. It is understood that when members moved to Aroland First Nation, some may have transferred their membership to Aroland First Nation (Marten Falls First Nation Member, personal communication, November 7, 2023).

As of September 2023, Aroland First Nation has 756 registered members (Government of Canada, 2023a). Of these, an estimated 400 members live in the community, while the remaining members live in Thunder Bay, Geraldton, Longlac, Timmins, Toronto, Ottawa, Guelph, Nakina, and Alberta (Aroland First Nation, 2022b).

Section 3.1.1 to **3.1.5** provide information about Aroland First Nation's pre- and post-contact history, reserve lands, language, and governance.



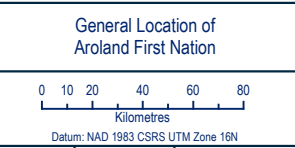


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- First Nation Reserve/Settlement
- ATRI Local Study Area
- ATRI Regional Study Area
- Project Development Area
- Highway
- Major Road
- Local Road
- Winter Road
- Resource / Recreation Road
- Service Road
- Alleyway
- Existing Winter Access Road
- Railway
- Watercourse
- Kenogami Forest Management Unit
- District Municipal Boundary
- Waterbody
- Provincial Park

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3.1.1 Pre-Contact History

Prior to contact with Europeans, the ancestor of Aroland First Nation hunted, fished, and cultivated and harvested plants from the land (Aroland First Nation, 2022b). Elders in the Aroland First Nation community have indicated that they are the descendants of the Esnagami Indians (Driben, 1986). The traditional territory of Aroland First Nation is located around Esnagmai Lake (see [Figure 3-1](#)) (Jacasum, 2006).

The local environment was used for day-to-day living, and resources used for trade, sale, and local consumption were harvested from within the territory (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Family groups would hunt in specified territories and would hunt in a manner that supported a sustainable stock of game for future years (Driben et al., 1997, as cited in LeBlanc et al., 2011). Sharing among extended families and the wider community was commonplace (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Knowledge of the land and its resources were passed down through the generations (Leblanc et al., 2011).

A more comprehensive overview of the pre-contact context of Anishinaabe people in the region, including seasonal lifeways, culture and worldview, learning and knowledge building, governance and legal principles, and resource management and stewardship, is provided in [Section 2.1](#).





3.1.2 Post-Contact History

As the big game that Northern Ojibway communities (including Aroland First Nation ancestors) relied on became scarce during the 1820s, people came to rely more on the fur trade and spend more time near trading posts (Driben, 1986). The area near the present-day settlement was previously used as a camp area between 1820 and 1900, and trading was done at the Long Lake post (Driben, 1986). During the winters, Aroland First Nation ancestors hunted and trapped. After spring breakup, they used canoes to transport their furs to the trading post at Long Lake, where they spent most of their summer near there fishing and gathering (Driben, 1985). As the summer came to an end and just before freeze-up, they travelled back to the Esnagami Lake area to prepare for the upcoming hunting and trapping season (Driben, 1986).

The permanent settlement of Aroland First Nation took place around 1900 (Aroland First Nation, 2022a), when the Hudson's Bay Company Cavell trading post was established on the northwest shore of Kawashkagama Lake (Driben, 1986). The Cavell trading post was in operation from 1900 to 1946 (Driben, 1986). During this time, the post was moved three times to make the best use of the Kawashkagama River and later the Transcontinental Railway for transportation. The ancestors of Aroland First Nation kept pace with the movement of the post, moving their tipis and tents but always staying near their traditional home (Driben, 1986). The original settlement was located between the Kawashkagama River and the Transcontinental Railway line, south of the highway (Jacasum, 2006).

The construction of the Trans-Canada railway led to an inflow of settlers in the Aroland area, and extraction of mineral and wood resources increased (LeBlanc et al., 2011). This increasing pressure on the land and resources, along with the influx of settlers, influenced the Indigenous communities of northern Ontario to push for a treaty (LeBlanc et al., 2011). The ancestors of Aroland First Nation were signatories to Treaty 9; however, due to treaty boundary issues and the fact that the Esnagami Indians traded at the Long Lake post, some of them were listed as members of the Long Lake 58 band in the Robinson-Superior Treaty (Driben, 1986).





In the early 1900s, Aroland First Nation people lived off the land and joined together at the Cavell trading post (Driben, 1986). The men did most of the trapping and women stayed at home to care for the children. Women also skinned and stretched the pelts that the trappers brought home (Driben, 1986). While some people did work for the railway and hauled freight for the Hudson's Bay Company, most chose hunting, trapping, fishing, and gathering (Driben, 1986).

The traditional lifestyle was common until about the 1930s, when the Great Depression happened and the demand for furs declined (Driben, 1986). In 1933, the Arrow Land and Logging Company established a sawmill near the Aroland First Nation settlement. By the mid-1930s, up to 30 Aroland First Nation men were employed by the mill (Driben, 1986). When the sawmill relocated in the mid-1940's, Aroland residents were left with expertise in the logging industry (Driben, 1986).

Between the 1940s and 1970s, there was little permanent work, most community members acquired their income and resources through a combination of hunting, trapping, fishing, gathering, guiding, temporary wage work, and social assistance (Driben, 1986). Hunting and trapping were the main sources of support in the fall and winter (Driben, 1986). Fishing, guiding, picking cones and berries, firefighting, and tree planting were the primary sources in the spring and summer (Driben, 1986).

The infrastructure of the community expanded in the mid-1900s, first with the establishment of a federal school in 1947 and then with the addition of a new school and additional classrooms in 1966 and 1970, respectively (Driben, 1986). A road linking Aroland to the highways to Nakina and Geraldton were roughed out in 1952, and later replaced with Highway 643 in 1963 (Driben, 1986). Prefabricated homes were built on the north side of the highway in 1974 through a government program to provide low-income families in northern Ontario with assisted rental housing (Driben, 1986). It is unclear if these homes were for Aroland First Nation members only or if housing was provided to others.

Aroland First Nation's challenges in achieving band status under the *Indian Act* until 1986 were partly due to its history as a mixed-status community. Until legislative changes to the *Indian Act* in 1985 under Bill C-31, the community was comprised of many non-status





Indian members, as many community members lost their Indian status through enfranchisement (see [Sections 2.2.3](#) and [2.2.4](#)). Throughout these challenges, community solidarity remained strong among Aroland First Nation people, regardless of their status (Driben, 1986).

In more recent years, Aroland First Nation has been involved in various economic development endeavours, including:

- In 2012, Aroland First Nation and six other First Nations established Ne-Daa-Kii-Me-Naan Inc. (Nedaak) to manage the Kenogami Forest and provide economic development opportunities to local First Nations communities (Ne-Da-Kii-Me-Naan, 2023);
- In 2013, Aroland and Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nations signed an exploration agreement with the Tashota Group in the Beardmore-Geraldton Gold Camp (Tashota Group, 2013);
- In 2019, Aroland First Nation signed a memorandum of understanding with Noront Resources in relation to the Ring of Fire, creating a working and communications protocol, with Aroland First Nation receiving company stock (CBC News, 2019);
- In 2019, Aroland First Nation (along with Ginoogaming and Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nations) signed a Long-Term Relationship Agreement with Greenstone Gold Mines for environmental monitoring employment, training, business and contracting opportunities (TBnewswatch, 2020);
- In 2020, Aroland, Ginoogaming and Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek First Nations created the Minodahmun Development Inc. to capitalize on economic opportunities associated with Greenstone Gold Mines Hardrock Project (TBnewswatch, 2020); and,
- In 2022, through Minodahmun Development Inc., Aroland First Nation entered into an agreement with Tombill Mines related to gold exploration around Geraldton (Northern Ontario Business Staff, 2022).

A more comprehensive overview of the post-contact context, including the fur trade, early legislation and policy and associated impacts on Indigenous peoples, the numbered treaties established in the region, perspectives on Aboriginal Rights, and legislative developments that have governed natural resource and land use, is provided in [Section 2.2](#).

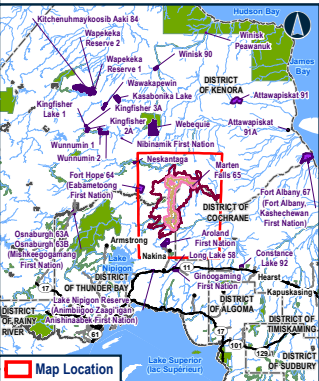
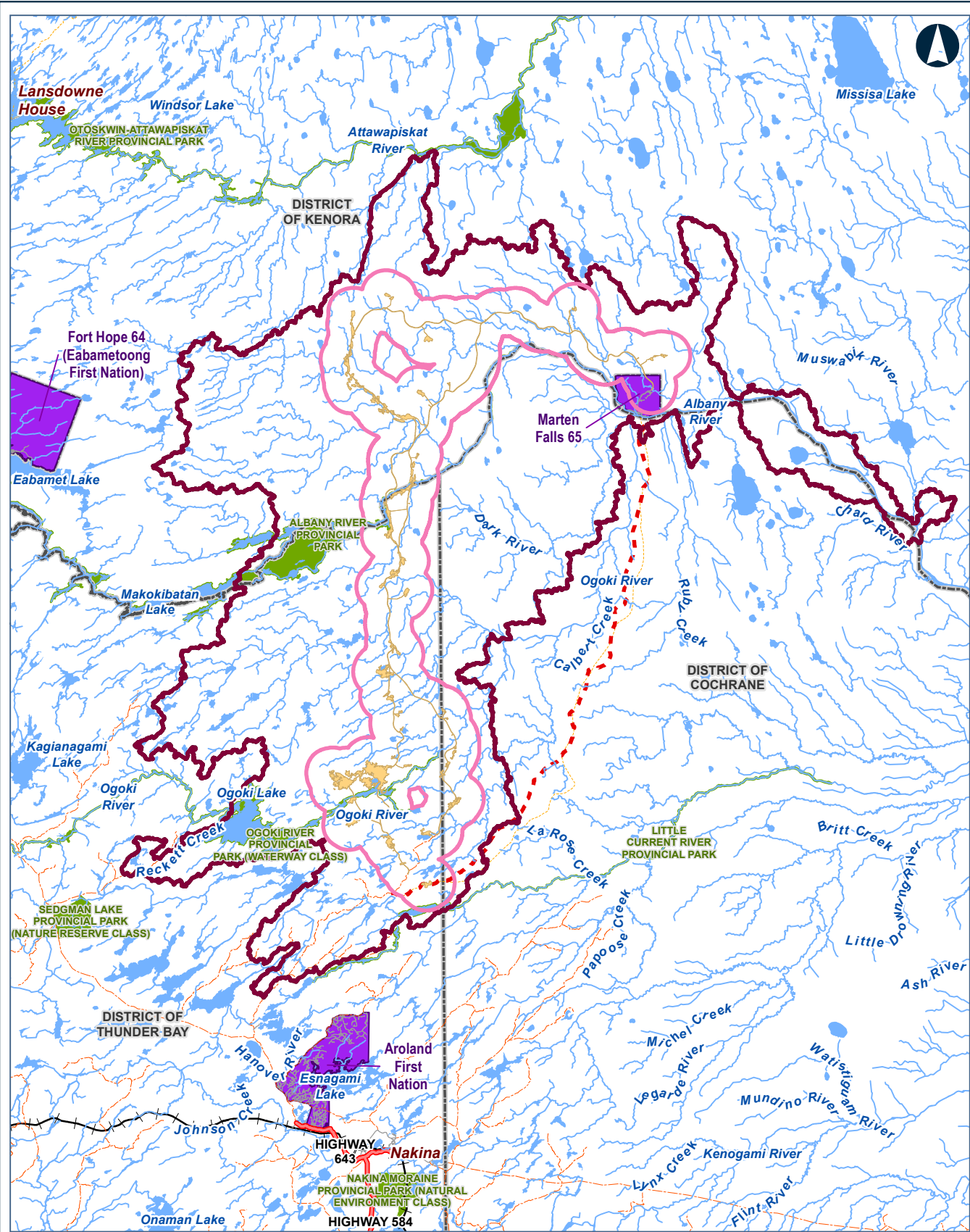




3.1.3 Reserve Lands

Most of the community lives in the Aroland Indian Settlement area in Aroland, north of Highway 634 (**Figure 3-2**). The settlement is not formally a reserve (Aroland First Nation, 2022a). While reserve lands have been recently dedicated to Aroland First Nation by both the federal and provincial governments, these lands have not been formally designated, however, they are expected to be in the near future. These lands are 19,599 ha in size and extend north from Highway 643 and encompass lands along the western and northern shores of Esnagami Lake, as shown in **Figure 3-2** (Aroland First Nation, 2022a).





Legend

First Nation Reserve/Settlement	Highway	District Municipal Boundary
ATRI Local Study Area	Local Road	Waterbody
ATRI Regional Study Area	Winter Road	Provincial Park
Project Development Area	Resource / Recreation Road	
	Existing Winter Access Road	
	Railway	
	Watercourse	

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Aroland First Nation Reserve Lands

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3.1.4 Language

Aroland First Nation community members traditionally spoke Ojibwe. While English is the most widely spoken language currently, some community members continue to speak Ojibwe (Government of Canada, 2023b). According to the 2016 Census (Government of Canada, 2023b):

- Approximately 36% of the population has knowledge of the Ojibwe language;
- Approximately 26% of the population reported Ojibwe as their mother tongue (the first language they learned and still know); and
- Approximately 19% of the population speak Ojibwe at home.

3.1.5 Governance

As noted in [Section 3.1.2](#), Aroland First Nation ancestors were signatories to Treaty 9. See [Section 2.2.5.2](#) for more information on Treaty 9.

Aroland First Nation has a Custom Electoral System with a two-year election cycle. Leadership includes a Chief and seven Councillors (Government of Canada, 2023c).

Aroland First Nation is affiliated with tribal organizations in the Treaty 9 area that provide advocacy, support, and other services, including Matawa First Nations and Nishnawbe Aski Nation (Aroland First Nation, 2022b).





3.2 Understanding of Rights and Interests in Relation to the Project

Section 3.2.1 and **3.2.2** describe the current understanding of Aroland First Nation's Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests in relation to the proposed Project. As noted in **Section 3.0**, this understanding was developed based on a comprehensive literature review of publicly available sources of information given that at the time of writing, no information on Aroland First Nation's Rights and Interests had been provided to the Proponent.

3.2.1 Aboriginal and Treaty Rights Relevant to the Project

It is anticipated that Aroland First Nation asserts its Treaty 9 and Section 35 rights. According to the Declaration of the Nishnawbe-Aski Nation, the rights of Nishnawbe-Aski Nation people include (NAN, 1977):

- The right to receive compensation for exploited natural resources;
- The right to receive compensation for the destruction and abrogation of hunting, fishing, and gathering rights;
- The right to renegotiate the Treaty as understood by Nishnawbe-Aki Nation people; and,
- The right to approach other world nations to further the aims of the Cree and Ojibway Nations of Treaty 9.

The *Mamow-Wecheekapawetahteewiin* (Unity Declaration) of the Matawa Chiefs Council notes the inherent right to self-determination as an important right recognized and affirmed under Section 35 (Matawa First Nations, 2011). As a member of Nishnawbe-Aski Nation and Matawa First Nations, it is assumed that these rights may also be declared by Aroland First Nation.

At a minimum, it is assumed that Aroland First Nation Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights include the right to hunt, trap, fish, and gather materials that are of importance to Aroland First Nation cultural traditions and lifeways, as well as the right to cultural continuity and wellbeing (ability to practice and transmit cultural traditions). These rights are considered Valued Components, which means that they are important elements of Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights that have the potential to be affected by the



proposed Project. The potential impacts of the proposed Project on these Valued Components / rights will be assessed in the future.

General information on Aroland First Nation's use of lands, waters, and resource for traditional purposes is presented in **Section 3.4**. Information on the Proponent's understanding of Aroland First Nation's use the lands, waters, and resources for traditional purposes in relation to the proposed Project is presented in **Section 3.5**.

General perspectives on the cultural continuity and wellbeing of Aroland First Nation are presented in **Section 3.6**. Information on the Proponent's understanding of what is important for Aroland First Nation cultural continuity and wellbeing in relation to the Project is presented in **Section 3.7**.

3.2.2 Interests Related to the Project

The information presented is largely based on the Project's Consultation Program and the following secondary sources of information (although other supporting sources have been used and referenced throughout).

- The Aroland First Nation website, which discusses their long stewardship of their lands;
- The Proposed Terms of Reference Marten Falls Community Access Road – Environmental Assessment, Appendix B of Appendix C (2020), prepared by AECOM, which discusses potential effects on springs and wildlife;
- *Chapter 18.0: Assessment of Potential Environmental Effects on Traditional Land and Resource Use in the Hardrock Project: Final Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Assessment (2017)*, prepared by Stantec, which describes traditional resources used by Aroland First Nation; and,
- *The Environmental and Regulatory Reviews – Discussion Paper (2017)*, which discusses access to fish, wildlife health, water quality, and the Environmental Assessment process.





It is anticipated that Aroland First Nation's interests in the proposed Project may include:

Potential effects on archaeological and cultural heritage sites (Stantec, 2017; Consultation Program for the Project);

- Potential effects on continued ability to source food locally and from the land (e.g., fishing, hunting, and gathering and cultivating vegetation) and the subsistence economy (Aroland, 2022a);
- Potential for adverse effects to wildlife due to increased predation and increased ease of hunting due to better sight-lines along the corridor (AECOM, 2020);
- Potential increase in litter and the effects on wildlife (AECOM, 2020);
- Potential effects on resource access and harvest use for cultural, spiritual practices, and traditional practices, specifically:
 - Wildlife health affecting hunting ungulates like moose (Aroland, 2017);
 - Access to fish for future generations (Aroland, 2017);
 - Availability of traditional resources for harvesting including blueberries, cedar, red willow, bear root, bulrush, sweetgrass, juniper, cranberries, and balsam poplar, due to construction activities such as dewatering (Stantec, 2017);
- Potential negative effects of spraying for highway maintenance and spraying of the forest to retard deciduous growth in favor of coniferous (Stantec, 2017);
- Potential spread of invasive species (AECOM, 2020);
- Potential effects on springs which may have spiritual value (Atlookan, 2020);
- Potential effects on management of the health of ecosystems and ecosystem function (Aroland, 2017);
- Potential effects on their continued stewardship of traditional lands (Aroland, 2022b);
- Potential effects on long-term sustainability of the area, and whether the Environmental Assessment Process is focused on conservation, long-term sustainability and the "Seven Generation Principle" (Aroland, 2017);



- Potential effects on reconciliation through the Environmental Assessment Process (Aroland, 2017);
- Potential effects on individual and community health, specifically:
 - Clean water for future generations (Aroland, 2017);
 - Economic and social wellbeing of Aroland First Nation members (Aroland, 2022a).

These interests will inform the overall impacts assessment, including the assessment on Aroland First Nation Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests.

3.3 Area of Interest

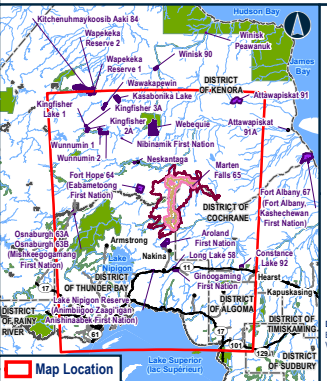
A preliminary Area of Interest has been identified for Aroland First Nation, as shown in **Figure 3-3**. The preliminary Area of Interest is intended to identify where Aroland First Nation may exercise / hold Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests that are relevant to the proposed Project.

The preliminary Area of Interest is based on a map provided by Aroland First Nation to the Proponent in September 2020, depicting their asserted Traditional Territory. The asserted Traditional Territory extends north from Lake Superior (near Marathon and Nipigon) to the Albany River. The asserted Traditional Territory extends east to near Calstock, northwest to the northern tip of Wabakimi Provincial Park and southwest across the entirety of Lake Nipigon to Lac des Mille Lacs.

The Aroland First Nation preliminary Area of Interest overlaps with the majority of Project Development Area, and the Local and Regional Study Areas for the assessment, including all areas south of the Albany River, as shown in **Figure 3-3**.

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (2023), notes that an Indigenous community’s “long-standing connection to, use of, or occupation of an area is indicative of a community’s rights”. It is the Proponent’s understanding that an Indigenous community can assert an area of interest or traditional territory and that these assertions may consider many factors including, but not limited to, hunting and trapping areas, wildlife migration patterns, travel routes, watersheds, etc. However, these assertions “may not be well understood by all parties, they may raise uncertainty as they lack information, or there may be differing interpretations” (IAAC, 2023). Therefore, it is important to note that for the purposes of identifying a preliminary Area of Interest for the proposed Project, Marten Falls First Nation is strictly presenting information that has provided by an Indigenous community or has been identified in publicly available data sources. By presenting this information, Marten Falls First Nation is neither validating or confirming information regarding the assertion of areas of interest or traditional territories.





Legend

- Preliminary Area of Interest for the Proposed Project
- First Nation Reserve/Settlement
- ATRI Local Study Area
- ATRI Regional Study Area
- Project Development Area
- Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory (Shared Values Solutions, September 2020)
- Kenogami Forest Management Unit
- District Municipal Boundary
- Waterbody
- Provincial Park
- Highway
- Major Road
- Local Road
- Winter Road
- Resource / Recreation
- Service Road
- Alleyway
- Existing Winter Access Road
- Railway
- Watercourse

General Features

Map Information:
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**MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD**

Aroland First Nation
Area of Interest

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Figure 3-3

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3.4 Use of Lands, Waters, and Resources for Traditional Purposes

Available information on Aroland First Nation land, water, and resource use is presented in **Sections 3.4.1 to 3.4.4**. The information presented in this upfront section is general to Aroland First Nation. Information on Aroland First Nation land, water, and resource use for traditional purposes in relation to the proposed Project is provided in **Section 3.5**.

The information presented is largely based on the following sources of information (although several other supporting sources have been used and referenced throughout):

- LeBlanc et al.'s article *First Nations Moose Hunt in Ontario: A Community's Perspective and Reflections* (2011), which explores the annual moose harvest at Aroland and Ginoogaming First Nations and associated community traditions, barriers to hunting, and the connection between traditional food consumption and wellbeing;
- Joseph William LeBlanc's Doctoral dissertation *Natural Resource Management and Indigenous Food Systems in Northern Ontario* (2014), which describes when traditional foods are eaten throughout the year and examines the connection of traditional diet to wellbeing among Aroland First Nation community members;
- Stolz et al.'s research paper *Blueberry Foraging as a Social Economy in Northern Ontario – A Case Study of First Nation, Arthur Shupe Wild Foods, Nipigon Blueberry Blast Festival, and the Algoma Highlands Wild Blueberry Farm and Winery* (2017), which examines four blueberry foraging initiatives in northern Ontario to demonstrate how foraging is a part of the social economy; and,
- Information collected through the Consultation Program for the Project.





It is important to note the following about the information available on Aroland First Nation land, water, and resource use for traditional purposes:

- Information on the role of members within the community (e.g., women, men, Elders, youth, people with disabilities) is limited or absent altogether;
- While some information on traditional resources harvested is provided, there is little to no information on quantities harvested, where these resources are harvested, and how they are harvested; and
- For the purposes of the future Impact Assessment / Environmental Assessment, it is assumed that the general practices, preferences, and harvesting rates of Aroland First Nation community members described in this report are still relevant to the community today; and
- Information on resource thresholds that the community requires to exercise their rights is limited or absent.

The ability of Aroland First Nation people to exercise traditional practices and implement the knowledge of their ancestors has been greatly restricted over time due to the colonial past and the Crown's attempts to assimilate Aroland First Nation people (LeBlanc et al., 2011). The permanent relocation of the community to a settlement area was a government solution to provide services, but led to changes in land use in that traditional activities became more concentrated near the community (LeBlanc et al., 2011). The time community members are taking for traditional activities has also been greatly reduced due to the demands of the new economy. Traditional activities are often more pursued for recreational purposes rather than for the traditional economy (LeBlanc et al., 2011). At the same time, community members must travel further to find resources for harvesting (LeBlanc et al., 2011).

Additional information on the cumulative effects that may have already interfered with the ability of Aroland people to use their lands and resources for traditional purposes is provided in [Sections 2.2](#) and [2.3](#).

Despite these challenges, Aroland First Nation community members continue to have a strong reliance on traditional activities such as hunting, fishing, trapping, and gathering (Aroland First Nation, 2022a). Hunted and harvested foods continue to contribute a significant portion to the diet of community members (LeBlanc, 2014). They also continue to provide important economic benefits, as well as cultural, spiritual, and recreational opportunities to the community (LeBlanc, 2014).





3.4.1 Hunting and Trapping

Aroland First Nation community members hunt and / or trap a variety of mammals and birds for food and other uses including moose, caribou, bear, marten, lynx, snowshoe hare, beaver, mink, and ruffed grouse (Jacasum, 2006; LeBlanc et al., 2011; LeBlanc, 2015; Indigenous Food Circle, 2020). Based on information collected via the Project's Consultation Program, moose and grouse are considered culturally significant to Aroland First Nation.

Moose is a particularly important food and cultural resource, and the crest of Aroland First Nation is anchored by the image of moose antlers (LeBlanc, 2014). Based on the findings of a detailed questionnaire provided to Aroland First Nation moose hunters who lived in the community in 2010, 73% of respondents indicated that they consume moose meat (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Moose is hunted and consumed generally in the fall and winter. Aroland First Nation hunters reported in 2010 that moose meat was part of 'most' meals in the fall, while it was part of 'some' meals in the winter (LeBlanc, 2014). Moose was traditionally used to make moccasins and snowshoes (Jacasum, 2006).

Aroland First Nation hunters also reported that the use of herbicides to remove forage plants near roads led to them having to travel further away from roads to hunt moose, which makes moose hunting more time consuming; 68% of questionnaire respondents noted they increasingly must travel more than two hours to hunt moose (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Much of the land around the Aroland First Nation community has been disturbed by logging and artificially regenerating forests, which has influenced moose and, in turn, impacted Aroland First Nation hunting. Logging operations can render an area free of moose for up to 15 years, as moose do not return as readily to artificially regenerating forests as they do to naturally regenerating forests (LeBlanc et al., 2011).

When budgets are tight, moose and other meats can be crucial to the survival of Aroland First Nation members (LeBlanc et al., 2011). In periods when moose has been





scarce, the community has turned to other food sources to supplement their diet, including caribou, snowshoe hare, beaver, and ruffed grouse (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Marten, lynx, and muskrat are also trapped by community members (Indigenous Food Circle, 2020 and Jacasum, 2006). Muskrat was used as a food and trapped in the springtime (Jacasum, 2006). The area around the Ogoki River has been used for trapping (Shared Value Solutions, 2020).

Members reported eating a small number of geese and hunting ducks (Jacasum, 2006).

A summary of wildlife of potential importance to Aroland First Nation is provided in **Table 3-1**.



Table 3-1: Wildlife of potential importance to Aroland First Nation

Common Name	Oji-Cree Translation	Ojibwe Translation
BIG GAME AND FURBEARERS		
Moose	<i>mooz</i>	
Caribou	<i>atik</i>	
Bear		
Beaver	<i>amik</i>	
Lynx	<i>mizhih'bizhiw</i>	
Mink		
Marten	<i>wabizheshih, wabashtan</i>	
Rabbit (snowshoe hare)	<i>wabooze</i>	
Muskrat		
BIRDS		
Grouse (ruffed)		
Goose		
Ducks		



3.4.2 Fishing

Fishing is an important traditional activity among Aroland First Nation community members. Pickerel is the most frequently caught fish, followed by whitefish (LeBlanc, 2014). Community members also fish for pike and sturgeon (Shared Value Solutions, 2020) and suckers (Jacasum, 2006). Sturgeon have been used for feasts in the spring and early summer and shared throughout the community (Shared Value Solutions, 2020). Based on information provided through the Consultation Program for the Project, sturgeon, pickerel, and whitefish are considered culturally significant to Aroland First Nation.

Fish is most often harvested and consumed in the spring and summer, but fishing also occurs in fall and winter (LeBlanc, 2014). Aroland First Nation fishers reported in 2010 that fish was part of ‘most’ or ‘some’ meals in the spring and summer (LeBlanc, 2014). In periods when moose has been scarce, the community has relied in fish resources, including whitefish and walleye (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Nets have been commonly used to harvest fish, and fish was often smoked in the past (Jacasum, 2006).



Community members have fished sturgeon using nets from the Ogoki River (Jacasum, 2006). Community members have expressed concerns about declining sturgeon populations in the Ogoki River, which is used for fishing (Shared Value Solutions, 2020). Community members have also expressed concerns about the contamination of fish in their local geography (Stroink & Nelson, 2012). Fishing was also conducted in O’Sullivan Lake, particularly for trout.

A summary of fisheries of potential importance to Aroland First Nation is provided in **Table 3-2**.

Table 3-2: Fisheries of potential importance to Aroland First Nation

Common Name	Oji-Cree Translation	Ojibwe Translation
Whitefish	<i>atikameg</i>	<i>adikameg</i>
Pike (northern)	<i>ginozhe</i>	<i>ginoozhe</i>
Pickerel (walleye)	<i>okaas</i>	<i>ogaa</i>
Sturgeon	<i>nameh</i>	<i>name</i>
Sucker	<i>namebin</i>	<i>ginoozhe</i>



3.4.3 Berry and Plant Gathering

Berry picking is a way of life that can be traced back many generations (Stolz et al., 2017). Gathering blueberries was an important part of the traditional lifestyle, when community members lived nomadically following available resources (LeBlanc, 2014). Berries were gathered on fishing or hunting trips and provided nutrition through the winter. Elders from the community have noted that berries have been sold to rail workers, train passengers, neighbouring Ojibway and Cree communities, and even to Minnesota as a dye for blue jeans in recent history (LeBlanc, 2014).

Blueberry gathering continues to be an important part of both the subsistence and economic profiles of Aroland First Nation (LeBlanc, 2014). Blueberries are an important part of the summer diet, and to some extent the fall diet. They may also be stored and used throughout the year (LeBlanc, 2014).

The community also established the Aroland Youth Blueberry Initiative in 2008, a program where community members pick and sell blueberries to raise money to support youth activities (Stolz et al., 2017). The program only uses hand-picked berries to avoid damage to plants and to increase propagation of berries as they fall to the ground. Pickers also leave berries for the non-human community members (LeBlanc, 2014). Some harvesters pick both for the Aroland Youth Blueberry Initiative and themselves. Harvesters are paid below market rates which allows them to recoup travel costs, but leaves profit for the youth programs (Stolz et al., 2017). The harvesters pick solely wild, lowbush blueberries (*Vaccinium angustifolium*, *nigrum* var., and *myrtillus*) (Stolz et al., 2017). As of 2019, the Aroland Youth Blueberry Initiative was still active.

Community members have expressed concerns about contamination because of the use of herbicides used in the forestry industry, which is widely used throughout the traditional territory (LeBlanc, 2014). Spraying can affect blueberry and raspberry availability (LeBlanc, 2014).



Based on information provided through the Consultation Program for the Project, as well as information found in the regulatory application for the Hardrock Gold Mine Project (Stantec, 2017), Aroland First Nation recognizes the following species as culturally significant:

- Cedar;
- Red willow;
- Wild rice;
- Blueberry;
- Weekah or sweet flag;
- Bulrush;
- Bear root;
- Juniper;
- Sweet grass; and,
- Cranberry.

Birch bark is used for tepees (The Robertson Program, 2019) and art, such as birch bark biting (The Robertson Program, 2018). Cedar branches are used as cold medicine (Jacasum, 2006). However, no specific locations or further information about this activity is available or has been provided.

A summary of berries and plants of potential importance to Aroland First Nation is provided in **Table 3-3**.

Table 3-3: Berries and plants of potential importance to Aroland First Nation

Common Name	Oji-Cree Translation	Ojibwe Translation
BERRIES		
Blueberry		
Raspberry		
Cranberry		
OTHER PLANTS		
Cedar		
Juniper		
Red willow (red osier dogwood)		
Wild rice		
Weekah (sweet flag)		
Bulrush		
Bear root		
Sweet grass		



3.4.4 Travel

It is well established that First Nations in northern Ontario often traveled via the rivers and still do. However, at the time of writing, no information on travel routes or methods used by Aroland First Nation was available or provided.

3.4.5 Habitation – Village Sites, Camps, and Cabins

Habitation refers to sites and areas where Aroland First Nation community members and / or their ancestors have lived, and may include village sites, camp sites and areas, and cabins. At the time of writing, there is no information on habitation sites and areas.





3.5 Understanding of Lands, Water, and Resource Use for Traditional Purposes in Relation to the Project

Sections 3.5.1 to 3.5.4 describe the current understanding of Aroland First Nation's lands, water, and resource use for traditional purposes in relation to the proposed Project, and specifically within the Project Development Area, Local Study Area, and the Regional Study.

As noted in **Section 3.4**, it is assumed that the practices and preferences of Aroland First Nation community members described in this report are still relevant to the community today.

The assessment of potential impacts on the use of lands, waters, and resources for traditional purposes will also be informed by the results of other relevant Valued Component assessments (e.g., wildlife, vegetation, fish and fish habitat, etc.). It will also be informed by additional inputs from the Indigenous Knowledge and / or Consultation Programs.

The Proponent recognizes that the proposed Project has the potential to influence the exercise of Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights outside of the Regional Study Area. This is particularly relevant in the case of wildlife and water valued components given the movement of these important resources. This lens will be applied in the future stages of the Impact Assessment / Environmental Assessment.





3.5.1 Hunting and Trapping

3.5.1.1 Project Development Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where resources that are hunted and trapped is lacking. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps with a large portion of the Project Development Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Project Development Area.

3.5.1.2 Local Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where resources that are hunted and trapped is lacking. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Local Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Local Study Area.

3.5.1.3 Regional Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where resources that are hunted and trapped is lacking. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Regional Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Regional Study Area.





3.5.2 Fishing

3.5.2.1 Project Development Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where fishing occurs is lacking, although it is understood that the Ogoki River has been used for sturgeon fishing (see [Section 3.4.2](#)). Given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Project Development Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Project Development Area.

3.5.2.2 Local Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where fishing occurs is lacking, although it is understood that the Ogoki River has been used for sturgeon fishing (see [Section 3.4.2](#)). Given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Local Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Local Study Area.

3.5.2.3 Regional Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where fishing occurs is lacking, although it is understood that the Ogoki River has been used for sturgeon fishing (see [Section 3.4.2](#)). Given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Regional Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Regional Study Area.





3.5.3 Berry and Plant Gathering

3.5.3.1 Project Development Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where berry and plants are gathered is lacking. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Project Development Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Project Development Area.

3.5.3.2 Local Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where berry and plants are gathered is lacking. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Local Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Local Study Area.

3.5.3.3 Regional Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4](#), information on where berry and plants are gathered is lacking. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Regional Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Regional Study Area.





3.5.4 Travel

3.5.4.1 Project Development Area

As noted in [Section 3.4.4](#), no information on travel routes or methods used by Aroland First Nation is available or has been provided. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Project Development Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Project Development Area.

3.5.4.2 Local Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4.4](#), no information on travel routes or methods used by Aroland First Nation is available or has been provided. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Local Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Local Study Area.

3.5.4.3 Regional Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4.4](#), no information on travel routes or methods used by Aroland First Nation is available or has been provided. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Regional Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for these rights-based activities to occur within the Regional Study Area.





3.5.5 Habitation – Village Sites, Camps, and Cabins

3.5.5.1 Project Development Area

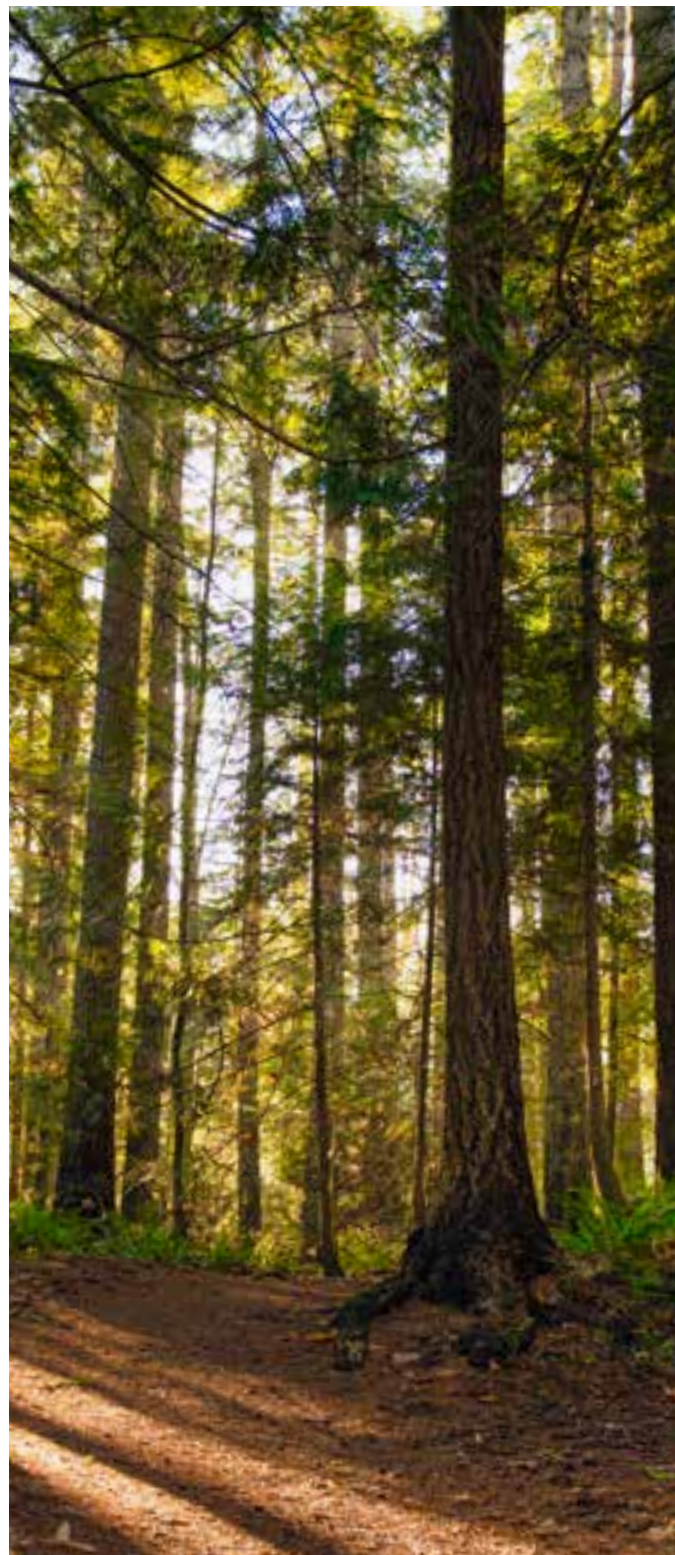
As noted in [Section 3.4.5](#), there is no information on habitation sites. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Project Development Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for village sites, camps, and cabins to exist in the Project Development Area.

3.5.5.2 Local Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4.5](#), there is no information on habitation sites. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Local Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for village sites, camps, and cabins to exist in the Local Study Area.

3.5.5.3 Regional Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.4.5](#), there is no information on habitation sites. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Regional Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is a potential for village sites, camps, and cabins to exist in the Regional Study Area.





3.6 Understanding of Perspectives on Cultural Continuity and Wellbeing

Sections 3.6.1 to 3.6.4 includes the available information on Aroland First Nation and / or Anishinaabe perspectives on cultural continuity and wellbeing. The information is general to Aroland First Nation and / or the Anishinaabeg. Information on Aroland First Nation and / or Anishinaabe perspectives on cultural continuity and wellbeing in relation to the proposed Project is provided in **Section 3.7**.

The information presented is largely based on the following sources of information (although several other supporting sources have been used and referenced throughout):

- LeBlanc et al.'s article *First Nations Moose Hunt in Ontario: A Community's Perspective and Reflections* (2011), which explores the annual moose harvest at Aroland and Ginoogaming First Nations and associated community traditions, barriers to hunting, and the connection between traditional food consumption and wellbeing;
- Stroink et al.'s article *Understanding Local Food Behaviour and Food Security in Rural First Nation Communities: Implications for Food Policy* (2012), which describes the findings of a research project undertaken with Aroland First Nation to understand local and market-based food behaviour from the perspective of community members;
- Joseph William LeBlanc's Doctoral dissertation *Natural Resource Management and Indigenous Food Systems in Northern Ontario* (2014), which describes when traditional foods are eaten throughout the year and examines the connection of traditional diet to wellbeing among Aroland First Nation community members; and,
- Information collected through the Consultation Program for the Project.





It is assumed that cultural continuity and wellbeing is dependent on several factors that are interrelated:

- **The protection of cultural sites and areas of importance:** Loss of or changes to cultural sites and areas of importance to Aroland First Nation have the potential to impact the ability to Aroland people to continue their culture and traditions, and their cultural wellbeing as a result;
- **The ability for continued experiences on the land:** Changes to the ability of Aroland people to continue their experiences on the land, and the many benefits these experiences provide, have the potential to impact cultural continuity and wellbeing;
- **A sufficient level of lands and resources for traditional use:** The continuation and wellbeing of Aroland First Nation culture requires a sufficient level of and access to lands, water, and resources; and
- **The ability to practice and pass on language and cultural traditions:** Cultural continuity and wellbeing requires that Aroland people not only practice their language and cultural traditions, but that they are able to and pass them on to the next generation.

These important factors set the stage for the structure of this section of the report. Specific information on these factors has been provide where available. In many cases this information is limited or missing at the time of writing this report.





3.6.1 Protection of Cultural, Spiritual, and / or Sites and Areas

Cultural sites and areas may include, but are not necessarily limited to, ceremonial sites, traditional gathering sites, teaching sites, burial sites, sacred and / or spiritual sites and areas, place names, and historical sites. Areas of cultural significance to Aroland First Nation have been noted to include (Aroland, 2014):

- Pow-wow grounds located on the south shore of Wawong Lake, west of the community;
- Traditional burial grounds on the shores of Kawashkagama Lake, southeast of the community;
- A historic portage route between Wawong Lake and Kawashkagama River; and,
- A historical campsite located at the southern end of the portage route noted above.
- As part of consultation on the Archaeology field program, a community member (September 26, 2019) commented that there is a burial along the north side of the Ogoki River near one of the proposed river crossings (CONFIDENTIAL, W-05). However, at the time of writing, no other information on cultural, spiritual, and / or sacred sites and areas of significance to Aroland First Nation is available or has been provided.

It is understood that the various rivers, streams, and lakes have served as important cultural areas for the subsistence and travel values they have provided. It is also recognized that Aroland First Nation community members, as Anishinaabeg, have their own intimate relationships with the water, and women are the keepers of the water (Chiefs of Ontario, 2008).

It is our understanding that Aroland First Nation has a deep connection to the waters and lands in their Traditional Territory and a strong reliance on traditional land use activities including fishing, hunting, trapping, and gathering (Aroland, 2017). Sites used for traditional activities include the following:

- O'Sullivan Lake (Jacasum, 2006); and,
- Ogoki River (Shared Value Solutions, 2020.)





3.6.2 Continued Experiences on the Land

Aroland First Nation members have always used the local environment to support their livelihoods (LeBlanc et al., 2011; Aroland First Nation, 2022a). Some of the benefits of participating in local food practices out on the land (e.g., hunting, fishing, and blueberry harvesting) include, but are not necessarily limited to (Stroink & Nelson, 2012):

- Exercise, diet, and physical health;
- Collective wellbeing;
- Sense of inner peace; and,
- Connection to nature and traditional lands.

LeBlanc et al. (2011) and LeBlanc (2014) reported a strong connection between moose consumption and feelings of wellbeing and connection to nature among Aroland First Nation members. Connection to nature and to traditional lands is important to overall feelings of wellbeing (Trull, 2008, as cited in LeBlanc, 2014), and it is likely that this includes cultural wellbeing.

Engaging in traditional conservation activities related to food harvesting is an important part of community members' relationship with their ancestors, and with each other (LeBlanc et al., 2011). Sharing of resources among extended families and the community at large was commonplace among Aroland First Nation ancestors (LeBlanc, 2014); however, as community members must increasingly travel further to harvest resources, with increasing costs as a result, some in the community are less willing to share their harvests (LeBlanc et al., 2011).

Participating in local food practices and being on the land also provides for mental wellbeing. In the video *Trapping 101 Aroland First Nation* (Indigenous Food Circle, 2020), a community member describes how being out on the land can provide healing.





3.6.3 Sufficiency of Lands, Waters, and Resources

The ancestors of Aroland First Nation community members passed down the authority to manage the resources that sustain the community (LeBlanc et al., 2011), and to be stewards of the lands (Aroland First Nation, 2022b). Aroland First Nation ancestors understood the importance of using different resources for continued sustenance while easing the demand on resources that were being pressured and allowing time for their populations to replenish (LeBlanc et al., 2011). This ancestral knowledge continues to guide relationships with the many important resources, who are considered community members (LeBlanc et al., 2011); however, these traditional means of governing relationships have been increasingly displaced by “new laws with foreign ideas and language” (LeBlanc et al., 2011, p. 167).

As settlement and interest in the north has continued, external knowledge and management systems have been imposed on Aroland First Nation people, disrupting their own systems of authority and knowledge (Leblanc et al., 2011).

At the time of writing, there is no information available specific to Aroland First Nation in terms of any thresholds that, if exceeded, impair the ability of community members to exercise their rights, including maintaining their culture and cultural wellbeing. However, as noted in [Sections 3.4.2](#) and [3.4.3](#), community members are concerned about the potential contamination of important fisheries and berry resources.





3.6.4 Ability to Practice and Transmit Cultural Traditions

Among the Anishinaabeg, continuing and transmitting cultural traditions to the next generation is important for cultural wellbeing and healing (Gonzalez, 2023). Being able to go out on the land allows for cultural traditions, stories, and language to be transmitted across and between generations (Tsuji et al., 2023). Elders play an important role in transferring knowledge and sharing oral history and stories that provide teachings on how to live a good life, and how to live in a good way (Gonzalez, 2023).

- It is recognized that cultural continuity and wellbeing requires that Aroland First Nation people not only practice their language and cultural traditions, including being out on the land and harvesting and gathering resources, but that they are able to pass them on to the next generation. It is likely that this requires:
- Intergenerational experiences out on the land to practice language and cultural traditions, as well as continued practice of language and cultural traditions in general;
- Being able to practice cultural traditions in the preferred way (i.e., preferred resources and methods in the preferred times of year); and,
- Continued access to and use of important teaching sites and areas, including place names and sites and areas of importance based on oral history.

At the time of writing, there is no information on efforts to revitalize the language, the preferred methods of harvesting, or important sites and / or areas used to teach important cultural practices.

General information on the cumulative effects that have already interfered with the ability of Aroland people to practice and transmit their culture is provided in [Sections 2.2](#) and [2.3](#).





3.7 Understanding of Cultural Continuity and Wellbeing in Relation to the Project Area

Sections 3.7.1 to 3.7.4 describe the current understanding of Aroland First Nation cultural continuity and wellbeing factors in relation to the proposed Project. It is expected that these factors will form the foundation for the assessment on Aroland First Nation's cultural continuity and wellbeing.

It is recognized that Aroland First Nation's cultural continuity and wellbeing is closely related to land, water, and resource use for traditional purposes. As noted in **Section 3.5**, there is a potential for Aroland First Nation's land, water, and resource use for traditional purposes to occur within the Project Development Area, the Local Study Area, and / or the Regional Study Area. However, at the time of writing, there is limited to no information on the sites and / or areas used for these rights-based activities.

It is important to note that the purpose of this preliminary existing conditions report, is to develop an understanding of what is important for Aroland First Nation cultural continuity and wellbeing. This is not an assessment of potential impacts to Aboriginal and /or Treaty Rights. The assessment on potential impacts will be completed in future stages of the Impact Assessment / Environmental Assessment.

The assessment of potential impacts on Cultural Continuity and Wellbeing will also be informed by the results of other relevant Valued Component assessments (e.g., visual, noise, air etc.). It will also be informed by additional inputs from the Indigenous Knowledge and / or Consultation Programs.

3.7.1 Protection of Cultural, Spiritual, and / or Sacred Sites and Areas

Section 3.6.1, provide an overview of cultural, spiritual, and / or sacred sites and areas in relation to the Project Development Area and the Local and Regional Study Areas.

It is likely that the protection of waterways is important to Aroland First Nation for the protection of cultural areas, and for cultural continuity and wellbeing. This lens will be applied to the assessment on Aroland First Nation's cultural continuity and wellbeing.





3.7.1.1 Project Development Area

As noted in [Section 3.6.1](#), there is no information on cultural, spiritual, and / or sacred sites and areas in the Project Development Area. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Project Development Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is the potential for these sites and areas to be located within the Project Development Area.

3.7.1.2 Local Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.6.1](#), there is no information on cultural, spiritual, and / or sacred sites and areas in the Local Study Area. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Local Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is the potential for these sites and areas to be located within the Local Study Area.

3.7.1.3 Regional Study Area

As noted in [Section 3.6.1](#), there is no information on cultural, spiritual, and / or sacred sites and areas in the Regional Study Area. However, given that the preliminary Area of Interest for Aroland First Nation overlaps a large portion of the Regional Study Area ([Figure 3-3](#)), there is the potential for these sites and areas to be located within the Regional Study Area.

3.7.2 Continued Experiences on the Land

Based on the information available and presented in [Section 3.6.2](#), it is likely that the following is important to Aroland First Nation for the continued experiences on the land, and for cultural continuity and wellbeing:

- Access to quiet and undisturbed areas of solitude for a sense of inner peace;
- Connection to the landscape, ancestors, and community members by being able to access preferred and ancestral sites and areas for cultural practices, including traditional gathering sites and areas and meeting places, and historical family or village sites and areas;
- Being able to maintain community and kinship ties and values through community social traditions like sharing harvested resources.

This lens will be applied to the assessment on Aroland First Nation's cultural continuity and wellbeing.





3.7.3 Sufficiency of Lands, Waters, and Resources

Based on the information available and presented in [Section 3.6.3](#), it is likely that the following is important to Aroland First Nation and for cultural continuity and wellbeing, and for the ability of Aroland people to honour their role as stewards of their lands:

- A sufficient level and quality of lands, waters, and resources, as well as access to these resources; and
- Being able to practice traditional land governance.

This lens will be applied to the assessment on Aroland First Nation’s cultural continuity and wellbeing.

3.7.4 Ability to Practice and Transmit Cultural Traditions

Based on the information available and presented in [Section 3.6.4](#), it is likely that the following is important to Aroland First Nation for the continued practice and transmission of cultural traditions:

- Being able to have intergenerational experiences on the land to practice language and traditions;
- Being able to practice cultural traditions in the preferred way (preferred methods in the preferred times of year); and,
- Being able to have continued access to and use of important teaching sites and areas, including placenames and sites and areas of importance based on oral history.
- This lens will be applied to the assessment on Aroland First Nation’s cultural continuity and wellbeing.





Next Steps



The Marten Falls First Nation Project Team invites you to share your feedback and comments on the information contained in this preliminary draft report. We welcome any additional information you would like to share with us. If there are additional sources of information you would like us to include for this report, we welcome you sending us this information. We are available to meet at your earliest convenience to further discuss the information found in this report. To arrange a time to meet and/or to provide comments or share additional information, please contact:

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B2.4 Community Specific Meeting Materials





Agenda

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Date: April 19, 2024
Timing: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location: Delta Hotels by Marriott
 2240 Sleeping Giant Pkwy, Thunder Bay, Ontario P7A 0E7
Venue: Ballroom C
Zoom Meeting Link:
Co-Chairs: Chief Sonny Gagnon and Chief Bruce Achneepineskum
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Councillor Eunice Magiskan	Councillor Maria Baxter
Councillor Mark Bell	Councillor Paul Achneepineskum
Councillor Joe Baxter	Councillor Rob Moonias
Councillor Tyrell Gagnon	Councillor Bob Baxter
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	Councillor Yvonne Baxter
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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The MFFN CAR Project • Project Benefits • Anaconda/Painter Lake Road Project update from Aroland • Project Timelines 		
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7.	Lunch	-	11:50 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
8.	The Path Forward Together <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community meeting in Aroland to present the Project • Relationship building • Information sharing 	Co-chairs	1:00 - 1:45 p.m.
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Join us for a meeting with the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road (CAR) Project Team!

The MFFN CAR Project Team will present updates on the Project and review the preliminary technically preferred routes and mapping.

Aroland First Nation Members Only

Wednesday June 19, 2024

Superior Inn Hotel and Conference Centre
(formerly the Victoria Inn)

555 Arthur Street West
Thunder Bay, ON
P7E 5R5

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Buffet dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

Open to all Aroland First
Nation community members.

The meeting will feature:

- Project presentation, Q&A and maps
- Buffet dinner
- Door prizes including a TV and gift cards!



**Have your say. Share
your comments, ideas
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with the Project Team.
We look forward to
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Thursday June 20, 2024

Johnny Therriault Memorial School - Gym
Aroland First Nation

6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.
Buffet dinner served at 6:00 p.m.

Open to all Aroland First Nation community members.

The meeting will feature:

- Project presentation, Q&A and maps
- Dinner
- Door prizes including a TV and gift cards!



Have your say. Share your comments, ideas and community values with the Project Team. We look forward to seeing you!





MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION

COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road

Update for Aroland First Nation

June 19 & 20, 2024





For Discussion Today

- Introduction to the Community Access Road
- Latest Updates
- The Preliminary Technically Preferred Route Recommendation
- Cumulative Effects Inclusions List
- Draft EA / IS Schedule
- Collaboration and Engagement
- Next steps





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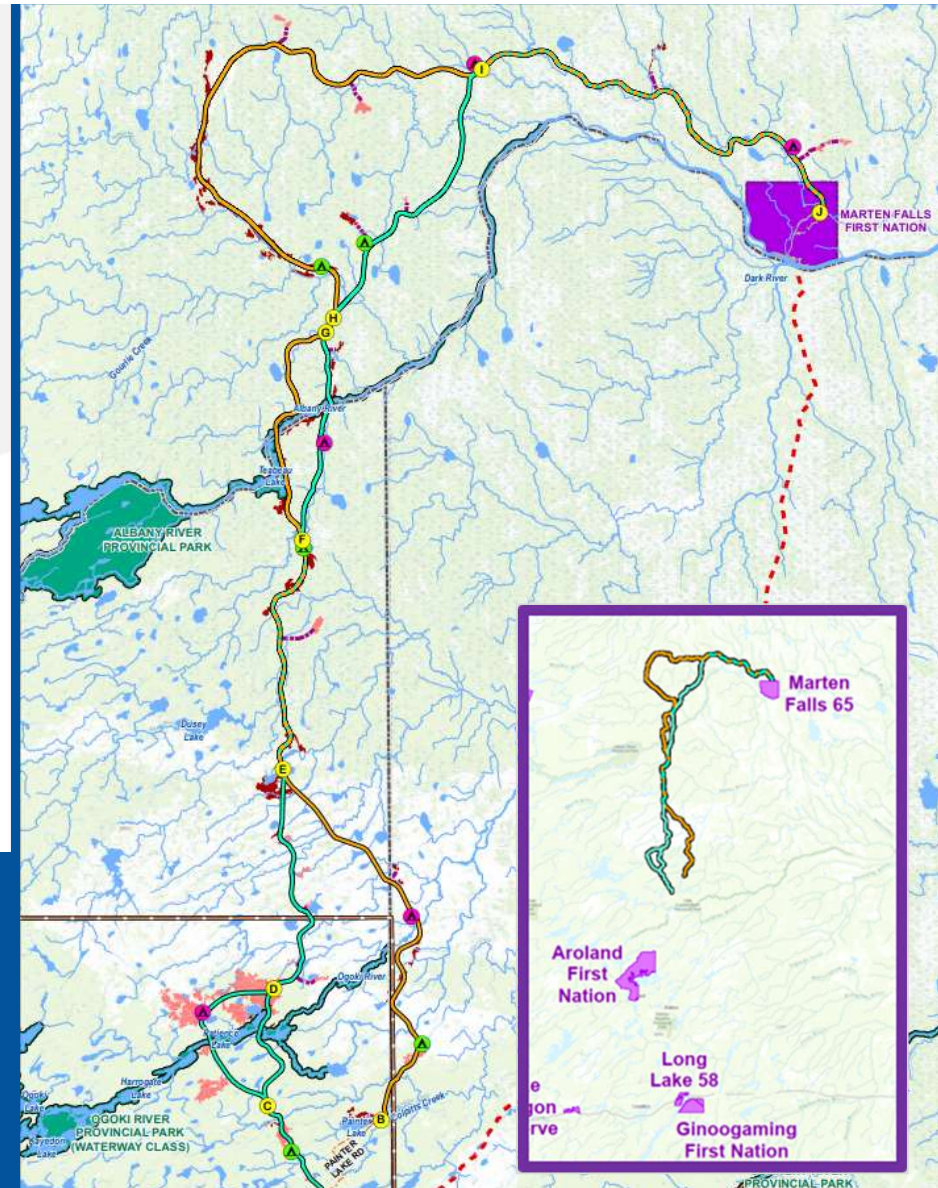


Building the Community Access Road

The Marten Falls Community Access Road is needed to improve the well-being of the community by reducing transportation costs for goods and services, increasing access, helping foster economic development and improve quality of life for community members.

“For as long as I can remember, Marten Falls First Nation has had a strong desire to develop a road that would connect our remote northern community to the Ontario provincial highway network and advance our vision of building a sustainable and thriving community in the North.”

-Chief Bruce Achneepineskum





Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment Process

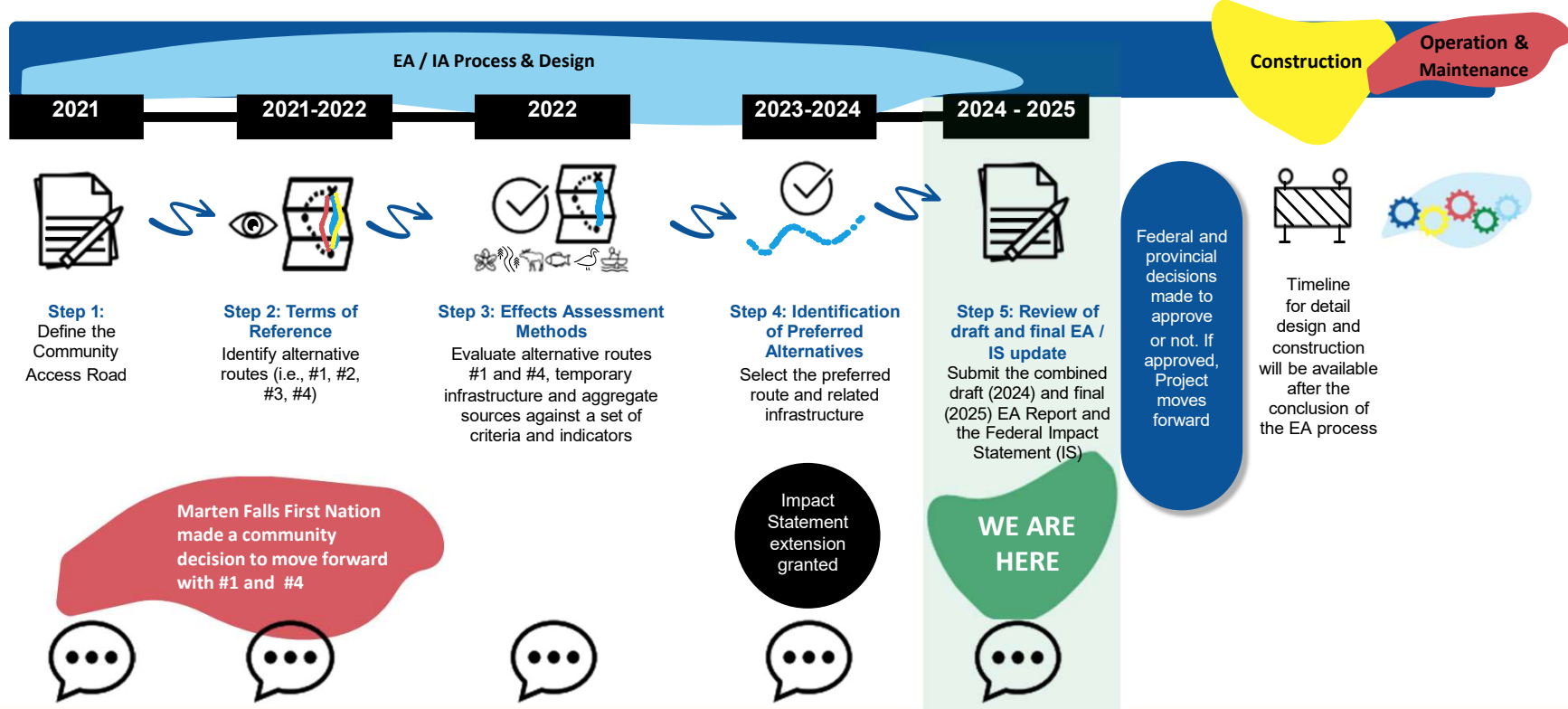
We are in the process of a coordinated provincial Environmental Assessment and federal Impact Assessment

The next major milestone for this process is the selection of the preferred route.





Where are we in the EA / IA Process





Key updates and activities

- Completion of most field studies
- In-person and virtual outreach activities (recently: PIC #5, ATRI Forum #2, Webinars, videos, Three Road Projects Expo)
- Preliminary technically preferred route recommendation was presented at PIC #5 in October 2023
- Indigenous Knowledge Program is ongoing



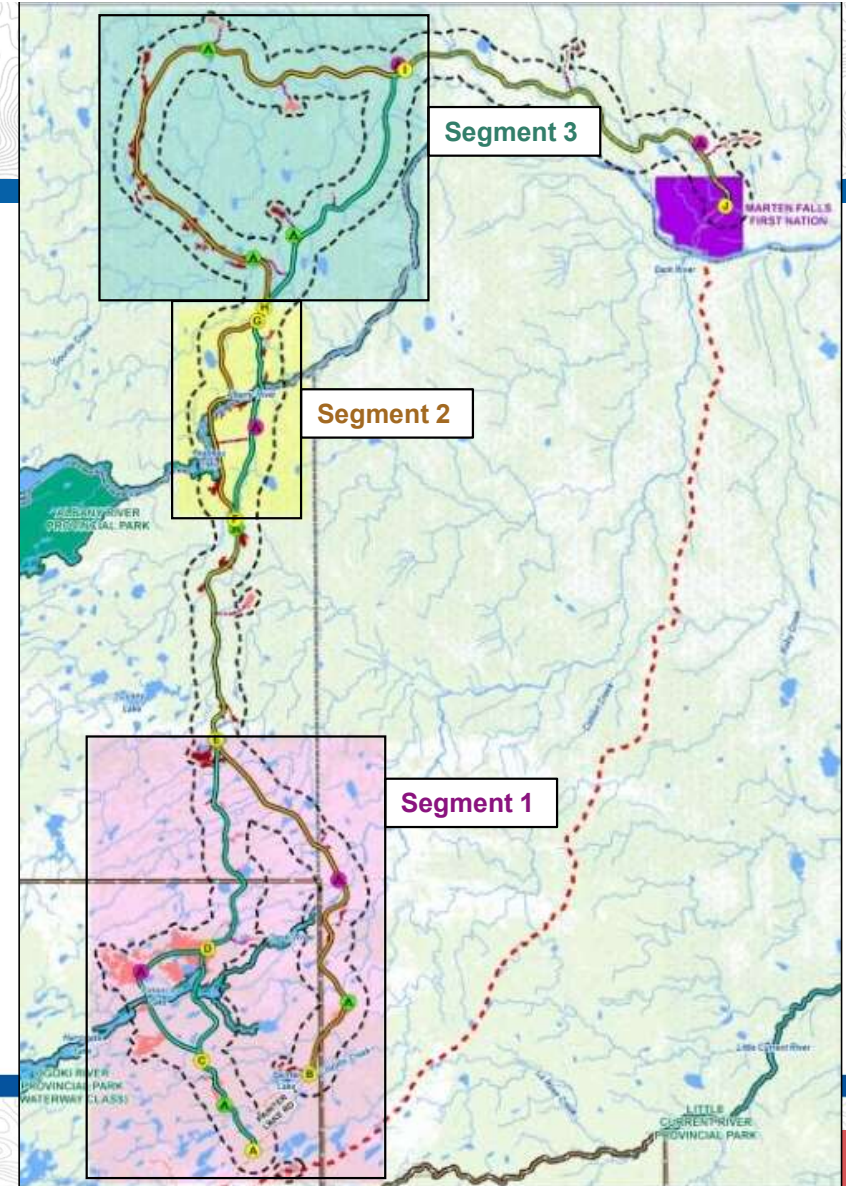


Evaluating the Route Alternatives

Where there are options an evaluation criteria will be used to determine the best option.

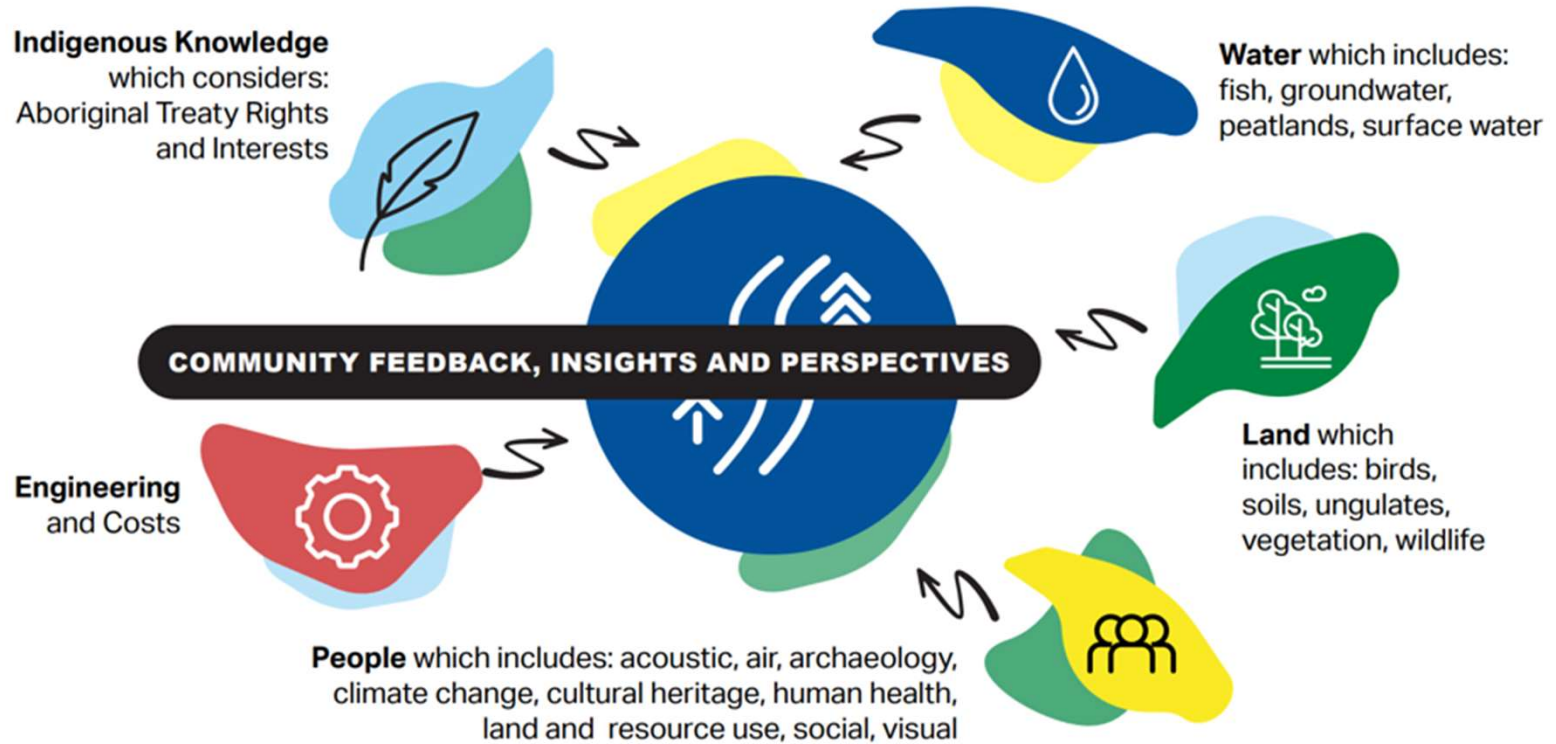
These segments are:

- Segment 1 – Ogoki Crossing
- Segment 2 – Albany Crossing
- Segment 3 – North of Albany
































What we considered when evaluating the route options:



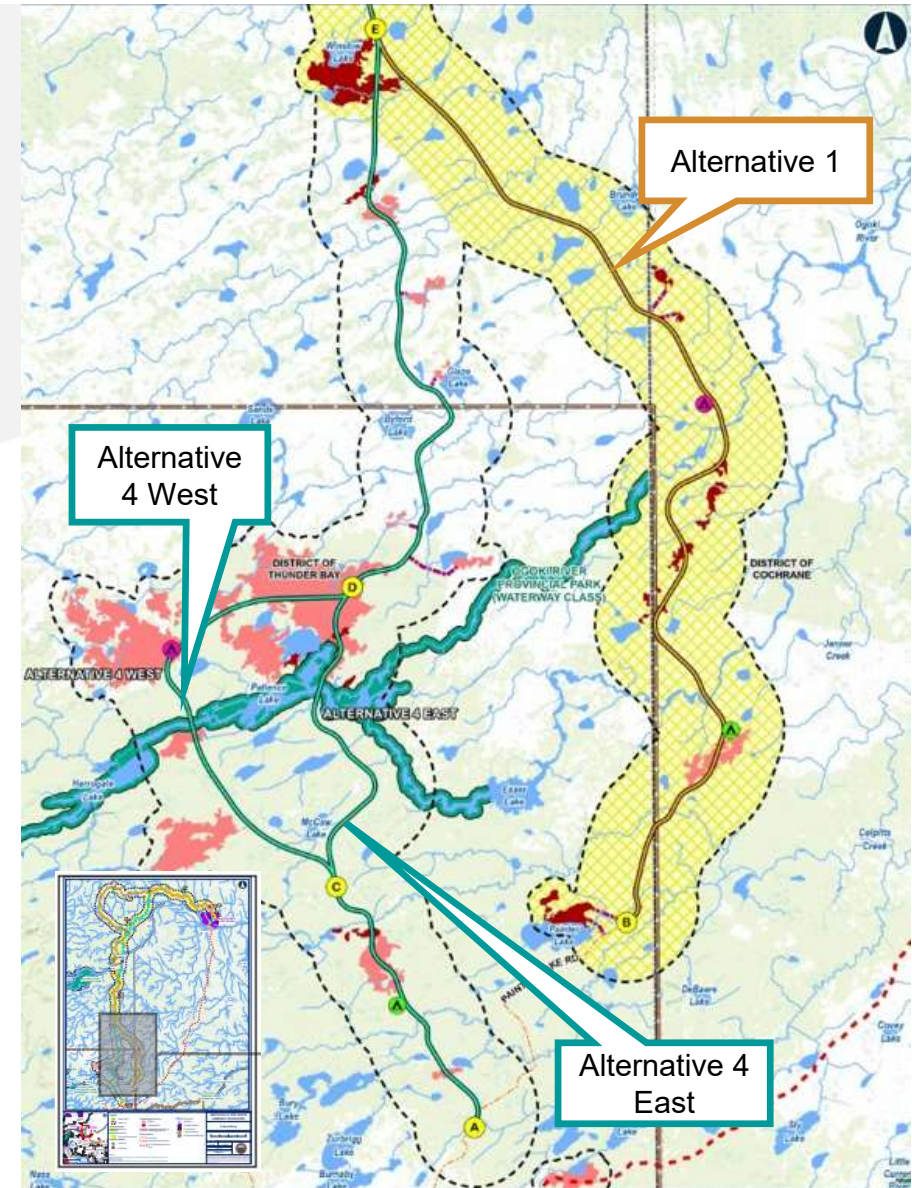
Preliminary Preferred Route Segment 1 – Ogoki Crossing

Category		Alternative 1	Alternative 4 East	Alternative 4 West
MFFN Community Feedback				
Indigenous Knowledge				
Water				
Land				
People				
Engineering				



















Legend

-  = Most Preferred
-  = Moderately Preferred
-  = Least Preferred




The preliminary preferred route recommendation is preliminary. The route will be further informed through consideration of Indigenous Knowledge.



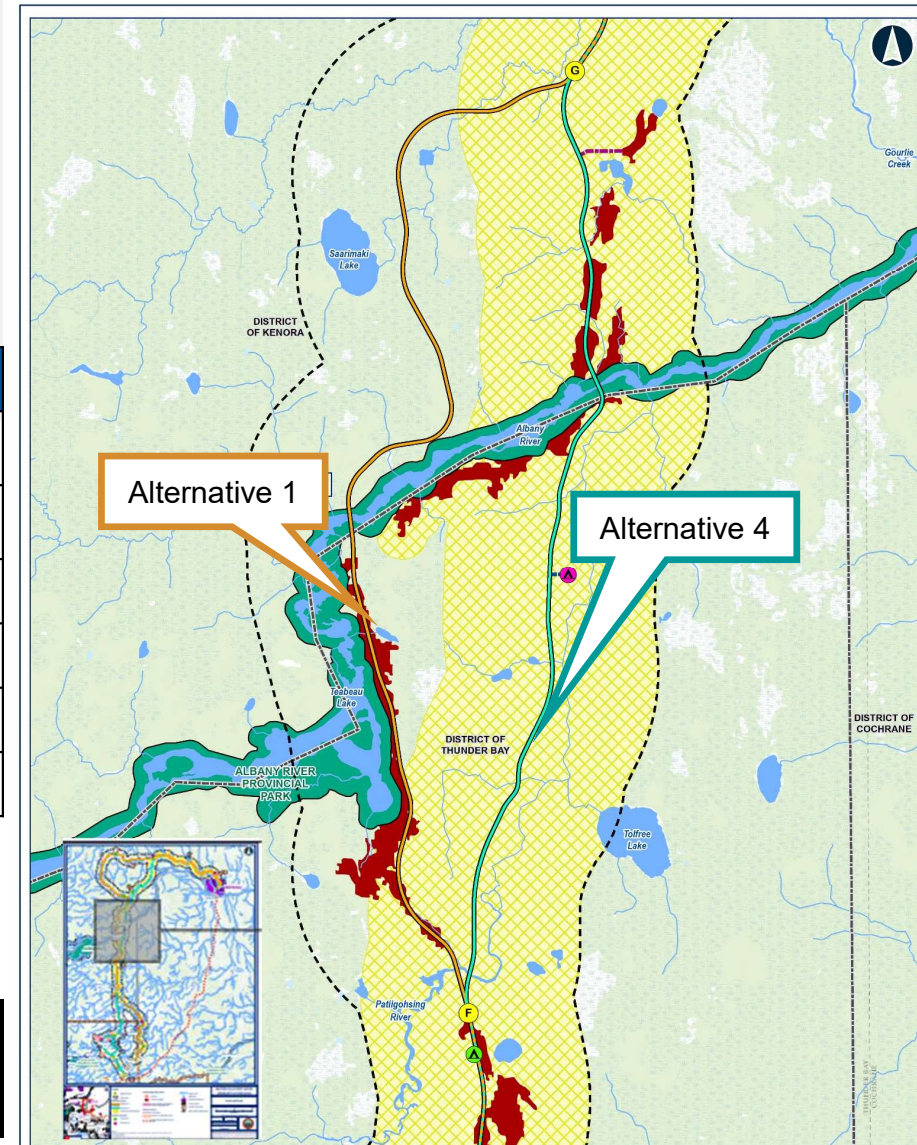
Preliminary Preferred Route Segment 2 – Albany Crossing

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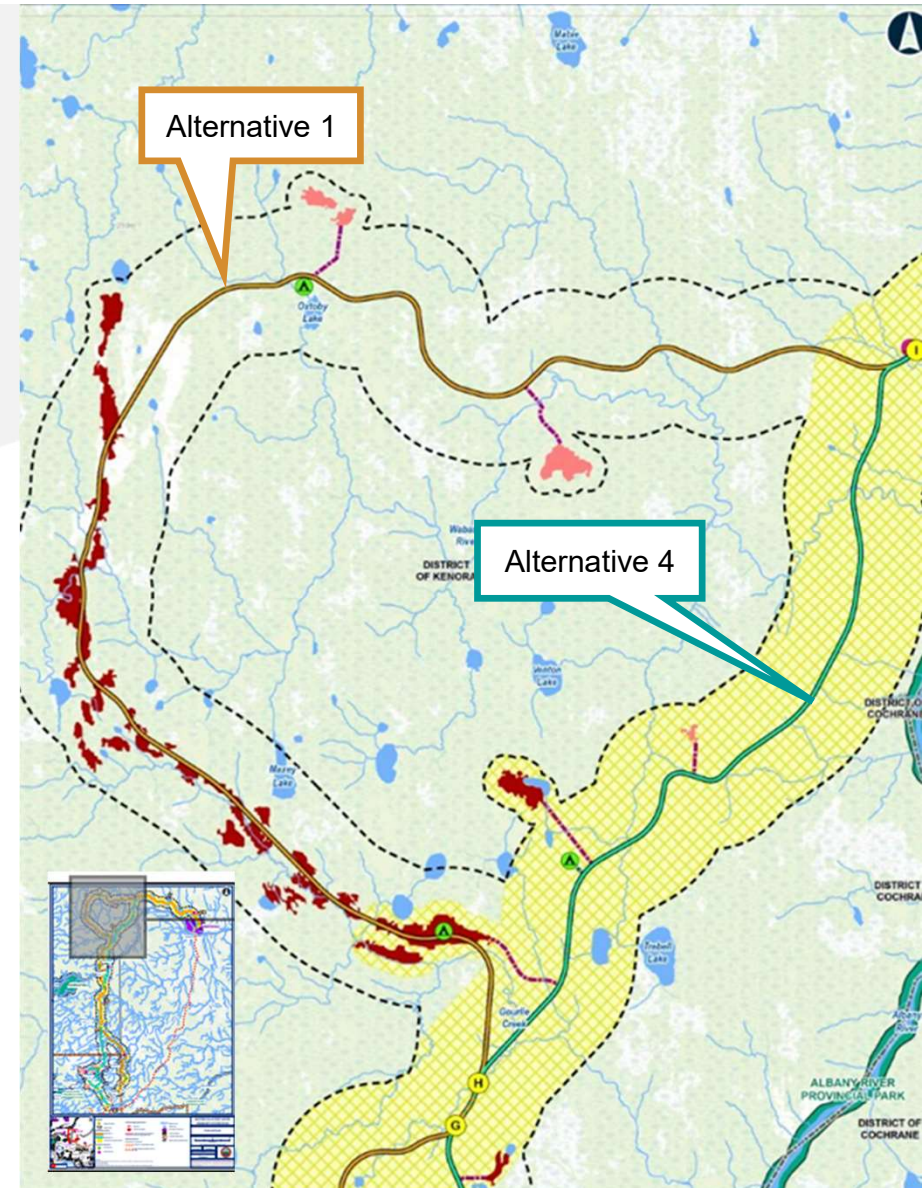
Preliminary Preferred Route Segment 3– North of the Albany

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Water			
Land			
People			
Engineering			

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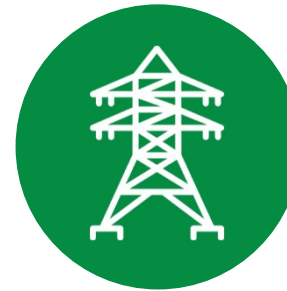




Cumulative Effects

The combined effects of the Community Access Road with the effects of other past, present and reasonably foreseeable future projects and activities.

On their own, individual project effects may be minor, but when considered together with other project effects they may become significant.



Powerlines



Mining Activities & Mineral Exploration



Airports





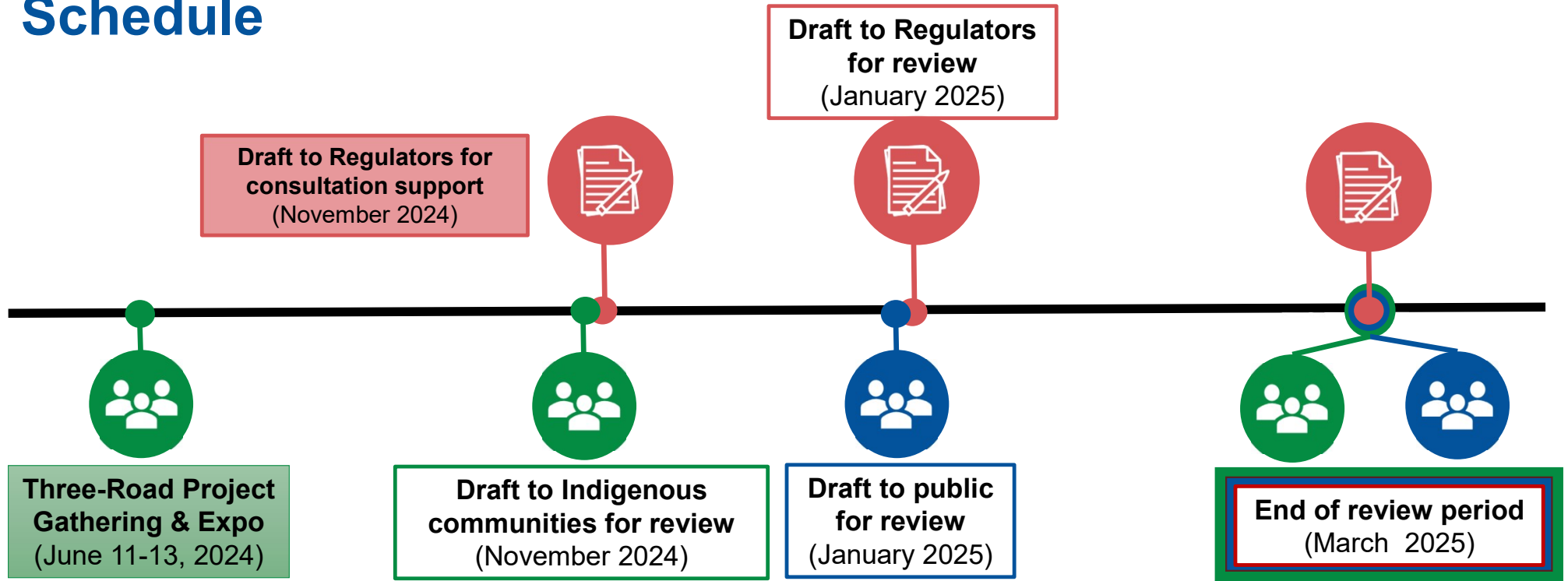
Cumulative Effects Inclusions List considers:

- Mineral developments and mineral exploration activity in the area;
- Infrastructure projects, including other all-season road projects and any future road construction or upgrades;
- Power and internet projects;
- Hydro / water projects;
- Environment and cultural projects;
- Forest management units; and
- Mining activities.



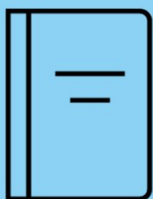


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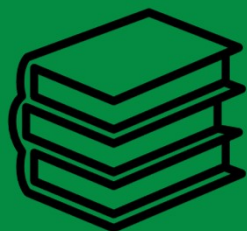




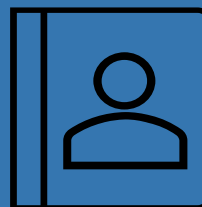
What will you receive in the Draft EA / IS?



**Draft
EA/IS**



**Draft Tech
Reports**



**Draft Individual
ATRI Report**



**Attachments
RoCE**



Who can review the Draft Submission?

- ✓ Indigenous communities
- ✓ Regulators
- ✓ Public

- ✓ Indigenous Community
- ✓ Regulators
- ✓ Public

- ✓ Indigenous Community
- ✓ Regulators
- ✗ Public

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Indigenous Knowledge Program

- Purpose: to empower Indigenous Communities to share information on their land and resource use, cultural practices and values, and rights and interests in the study area.
- Two key ways to gather and share information:
 - 1) Sharing existing IK and Indigenous Land and Resource Use (ILRU) information (previously collected by communities)
 - 2) Completing Project-specific IK and ILRU Studies

The IK Program is an important component of the information base upon which the assessment of the Community Access Road will be conducted.

Funding of \$30,000 is available for participation





Community Coordinator Program Overview

There is a Funding opportunity for a **Community Coordinator** from Aroland First Nation to help the Community Access Road progress.

We believe a Community Coordinator will strengthen our collective efforts on the Community Access Road, while keeping your community up-to-date and involved.

The positions involves:

- Engaging and consulting Aroland First Nation on a consistent basis and in a way that works best for your community
- Planning and rollout of engagement and data collection activities
- Help gather information for the environmental assessment processes.
- Encouraging and supporting the community in meeting important milestones and deadlines
- Support responses to letters and inquiries
- **\$25 / hour and approximately 16 hours of work a week** until the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement is issued (July 2025).





Working towards collaboration

- MFFN CAR has been engaging and consulting with Aroland First Nation since the development of the Terms of Reference (2019)
- Consultation Protocol Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN signed in September 2023
- Nation-to-Nation Meeting held April 19, 2024
- Aroland First Nation requested in-community meetings to present the details of the CAR





Opportunities for engagement and input

- Feedback on the technically preferred route recommendation
- Indigenous Knowledge
- Cultural Heritage
- Socio-Community
- Archaeology Stage 1 Report – Aggregate sites
- Community Profile





Current Engagement Activities

- ATRI Existing Condition Report – feedback welcomed
- Indigenous Knowledge Program is ongoing
- **Current Milestone: Identification of Preferred Alternative**





What's Coming Up

- More meetings with Aroland - mid-July
- Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement – November 2024
- PIC #6 – Fall 2024
- Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement





Questions





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Join us for a meeting with the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road (CAR) Project Team!

The MFFN CAR Project Team will host an Expo style event, with booths covering a range of topics related to the Project and a review of the preliminary technically preferred route.

Aroland First Nation Members Only Monday, July 15, 2024

Superior Inn Hotel & Conference Centre

555 Arthur Street West
Thunder Bay, On
P7E 5R5

2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Buffet dinner served at 5:30 p.m.

Aroland In-Community Session Tuesday, July 16, 2024

Johnny Therriault Memorial School,
Gymnasium

118 Rolland Road
Aroland First Nation, On
P0T 1B0

2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Dinner served at 5:30 p.m.

Open to all Aroland First Nation community members.

The meeting will feature:

- Expo with booths including: Environment, Engineering / Construction, Draft EA / IS review process, maps, and more;
- Dinner;
- Kids zone; and
- Prizes including gift cards!



Have your say. Share your comments, ideas and community values with the Project Team. We look forward to seeing you!



Progress Report 4: Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Milestone

January 2026



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Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
ATRI	Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests
ATRI: Draft IA Report	Community-specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report
ATRI: Final IA Report	Community-specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Final Impact Assessment Report
EA / IS	Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement
E-blast	Electronic newsletter
GBA Plus	Gender Based Analysis Plus
IK	Indigenous Knowledge
MECP	Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks
MFFN	Marten Falls First Nation
NoC	Notice of Commencement
NRL	Northern Road Link
PIC	Public Information Centre
RoCE	Record of Consultation and Engagement
The Agency	Impact Assessment Agency of Canada
The Assessment Process	The Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment
ToR	Terms of Reference
WSR	Webequie Supply Road

1. Introduction

1.1 Overview

This Milestone #4 Progress Report is the last of four consultation and engagement reports that collectively make up the Record of Consultation and Engagement (RoCE) for Indigenous Communities, as part of the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road's Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS).

A RoCE for Interested Persons and a RoCE for Government Agencies are also included in the Final EA / IS. Additionally, a Cumulative Effects Consultation Report has also been prepared¹. All RoCEs are part of Appendix X of the Final EA / IS.

Figure 1-1 illustrates the four milestone reports and their respective date ranges; each of Milestones #1 through #3 Progress Reports have been previously released to individual Indigenous communities for review and comment. While a separate Milestone #4 Progress Report was not mandated, its inclusion reflects MFFN's commitment to transparency and meaningful consultation and engagement.

1. A Cumulative Effects Consultation Report was an additional requirement as part of the Terms of Reference approval.

Figure 1-1: The Record of Consultation and Engagement for Indigenous Communities



The reporting time period of Milestone #4 Progress Report begins on August 1, 2024, the day after the third milestone (Identification of Preferred Alternatives) concluded, and ends September 5, 2025.

This report documents all communications, consultation, and engagement activities during this time period, including efforts related to the preparation and release of the Draft EA / IS in support of the Final EA / IS submission.

The September 5, 2025, end date for this reporting period marked the conclusion of the Draft EA / IS review phase and accommodated extension requests from Indigenous communities and government agencies for submitting formal comments on the Draft EA / IS; the original submission date of June 23, 2025, provided Indigenous communities four months to provide feedback and with the extension a total of six and a half months was provided.

Outreach conducted after September 5, 2025, is reflected in Section 11 “We Listened” of the Final EA / IS, and feedback provided after this date may also appear in Appendix C, Feedback and Response Log, of the Final EA / IS. Accepting feedback on the Draft EA / IS up to September 5, 2025, accommodated extension requests and helped ensure that the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team had sufficient time to review, analyze, and respond to comments received on the Draft EA / IS. This approach allowed feedback to be thoughtfully and accurately documented and incorporated, where appropriate, into the Final EA / IS.

While the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team worked to include as much feedback as possible received after September 5, 2025, into the Final EA / IS, incorporation depended on when comments were received and the complexity of the issues raised. Indigenous communities have an opportunity to comment on the Final EA / IS and raise any outstanding or additional feedback at that time.

1.1.1 Major Consultation and Engagement Initiatives and Feedback

The reporting period for Milestone #4 Progress Report encompassed a broad range of communication, consultation, and engagement initiatives to provide Indigenous communities with meaningful opportunities to participate in the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment (Assessment Process), including but not limited to:

- **Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program:** Continued implementation of the IK Program supported the collection and integration of traditional land use and cultural information into the assessment. Several communities provided IK information during this period, which informed Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) and valued component studies.
- **Draft EA / IS:** Released the Draft EA / IS for early review by Indigenous communities on February 19, 2026, including plain language summaries in multiple languages and an Assessment Summary Package. Meetings, webinars, and Public Information Centre (PIC) #6 were also hosted to support understanding and encourage feedback during the Indigenous review period. More details on the Draft EA / IS are provided in **Section 1.1.2**.
- **Community Well-Being Report:** This report, focusing on socio-economic conditions, health, and cultural considerations, was advanced and shared with communities for review and feedback on April 10, 2025.
- **ATRI Work:** Community-specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Reports (ATRI: Draft IA Report) were distributed to communities between June 10 to July 11, 2025, for comment, reflecting both publicly available information and ATRI / IK provided to date by Indigenous communities.

- **Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo:** Hosted in Thunder Bay and Timmins in February 2025, this forum brought together Indigenous communities, provincial representatives, and project teams for the Community Access Road, Webequie Supply Road, and Northern Road Link. This event featured project overviews, panel discussions, and breakout sessions in an expo-style format to encourage dialogue on cumulative effects, ATRI considerations, and community priorities. Private breakout sessions were offered to Indigenous communities to discuss project-specific concerns and provide feedback.
- **Funding Programs:** The Community Capacity Funding Program was introduced in November 2024, to replace the Community Coordinator Program, offering flexible funding to support communities in reviewing the Draft EA / IS and participating in consultation and engagement activities.
- **PIC #6:** Held in Thunder Bay and Geraldton in May 2025, PIC #6 provided updates on the Assessment Process, Cumulative Effects Assessment, and community well-being findings.
- **Webinars and Multimedia:** A series of webinars and videos were delivered on topics such as cumulative effects, valued components, and socio-economic considerations. These were complemented by plain language summaries, translated materials, and monthly E-blasts to make technical information accessible.
- **Band Council Resolution:** MFFN members contributed IK, land and resource use information, and feedback on existing conditions and areas of concern. Community members participated in the evaluation of route alternatives, supported the development of preliminary route recommendations, and reviewed the technically Preferred Route. This engagement culminated in a Band Council Resolution supporting the Preferred Route in August 2024. These activities were supported by ongoing outreach through social media, targeted communications, and both virtual and in-person meetings, helping ensure consultation and engagement remained inclusive and responsive throughout the milestone.

Feedback heard through this reporting period includes, but is not limited to, the following topics:

- Community well-being;
- Cumulative effects;
- Access and safety;
- Consultation and engagement;
- Socio-economic opportunities;

- Construction activities and long-term operation and maintenance of the Community Access Road;
- Cultural heritage;
- Indigenous Knowledge; and
- Climate change.

1.1.2 Importance of the Draft EA / IS

As further described in **Section 1.2**, this milestone is voluntary—MFFN chose to release a Draft EA / IS even though this is not a regulatory requirement. Doing so, however, provided Indigenous communities, interested persons, and government agencies early access to Community Access Road information and findings, and created meaningful opportunities for feedback prior to the submission of the Final EA / IS.

This proactive step allowed for a more collaborative process. Without the release of the Draft EA / IS, the first and only opportunity to review and comment would have occurred after submission of the Final EA / IS to federal and provincial agencies. By contrast, the Draft EA / IS review period resulted in over 1000 comments from Indigenous communities. These comments informed the preparation of the Final EA / IS and allowed the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to incorporate input where possible in the Final EA / IS.

This Milestone #4 Progress Report demonstrates how consultation and engagement efforts were tailored to provide opportunities for Indigenous communities to participate in the review of the Draft EA / IS prior to the review deadline.

Consultation and engagement activities undertaken during this reporting period are included, as well as comments and feedback received up to the end of the Draft EA / IS review period. **This report does not include formal comments submitted by Indigenous communities on the Draft EA / IS or the responses to those comments. This information is available in the Feedback and Response Log, available in Appendix C of the Final EA / IS.** This log includes feedback received from Indigenous communities; the corresponding responses; and resulting changes to the Final EA / IS, where applicable. If specific topics were raised, section references of the Final EA / IS are also provided to direct readers to more detailed information.

1.2 Federal and Provincial Requirements

There are both federal and provincial requirements that set the framework for the Assessment Process. These are summarized below and were used to inform the Consultation and Engagement Plan developed during the Terms of Reference to guide communications, engagement, and consultation related to the Community Access Road.

1.2.1 Federal Requirements

Federal requirements for engagement, specific to Indigenous communities, on the Community Access Road can be found in the following federal documents:

- Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines (Impact Assessment Agency of Canada, 2020a); and
- Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan for the Community Access Road (Impact Assessment Agency of Canada, 2021).

In addition, the Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines require Gender-Based Analysis Plus (GBA Plus) to be applied to impact assessments in Canada. Section 11 of the Final EA / IS provides information on how GBA Plus has been applied to the Community Access Road.

1.2.2 Provincial Requirements

The Marten Falls-Ontario Memorandum of Understanding on Shared Consultation Responsibilities (AECOM, 2020) was signed in January 2020 between MFFN and the Province of Ontario. The Memorandum outlines shared responsibilities regarding the procedural aspects of Ontario's duty to consult in the context of the provincial Environmental Assessment for the proposed Community Access Road, for potentially impacted and interested Indigenous communities. Roles and responsibilities governed by the Memorandum include consultation planning and notification, delivery of the planned activities, issues resolution and follow-up, and record keeping for consultation and engagement with Indigenous communities.

A Terms of Reference (ToR) is the first step in the provincial EA process and is a roadmap for planning and decision-making. It outlines how an EA should be prepared, including the studies to be conducted, the process for identifying and assessing the effects of a proposed project, and how people should be consulted.

The ToR for the MFFN Community Access Road was approved with amendments on October 8, 2021, and the Notice of Commencement (NoC) of the provincial EA for the Community Access Road 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 three additional consultation and engagement reports with Indigenous communities (for example, Milestone Progress Reports) 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 MECP, progress reports were developed to reflect consultation and engagement activities associated with each of the following EA milestones, with intent to support Indigenous communities in providing meaningful input during the development of the EA:

- **Milestone #1:** NoC of Provincial EA (referred to as NoC of EA) – sent to Indigenous communities December 6, 2022. The reporting period covered October 29, 2021, to June 30, 2022, and focused on the introduction of the Community Access Road.
- **Milestone #2:** Effects Assessment Methods – sent to Indigenous communities November 27 and 29, 2023. The reporting period covered July 1, 2022, to May 31, 2023, and focused on the development of the Effects Assessment methodology, including review by regulators and presentation of the Effects Assessment methodology at PICs.
- **Milestone #3:** Identification of Preferred Alternatives – sent to Indigenous communities November 28 and 29, 2024. The reporting period covered June 1, 2023, to July 31, 2024, and focused on the development of: valued component metrics tables and evaluation of information; development of a preliminary preferred alternative; validation of information with MFFN Chief and Council and community members; and confirmation of the Preferred Route through submission of the final route recommendation memo to Chief and Council, resulting in a Band Council Resolution for the Preferred Route.

Each progress report was required to:

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

Each report met the requirements noted above and community-specific sections were distributed to each individual Indigenous community for review and comment. Each progress report was also shared with the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Provincial requirements were inclusive of all federal requirements, and both were met during the Assessment Process. Additional requirements outlined in the Marten Falls-Ontario Memorandum of Understanding on Shared Consultation Responsibilities were also met.

1.3 Indigenous Communities Identified for Consultation and Engagement

MFFN has consulted and engaged with Indigenous communities identified by the MECP and the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) based on the level of interest expressed by each community.

In total, there are 31 Indigenous communities, Tribal Councils, and Political Treaty Organizations / Provincial Territorial Organizations being consulted and engaged on the Community Access Road (23 Indigenous communities and 8 Tribal Councils, and Political Treaty Organizations / Provincial Territorial Organizations).

From August 1, 2024, to September 5, 2025, the Community Access Road received communication from 19 of the 31 being engaged, listed below. Additionally, 12 Indigenous communities, Tribal Councils, and / or Political Treaty Organizations / Provincial Territorial Organizations who met with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team during this reporting period are indicated with an asterisk (*):

- MFFN*;
- Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek*;
- Aroland First Nation*;
- Attawapiskat First Nation*;
- Constance Lake First Nation*;
- Chiefs of Ontario;
- Eabametoong First Nation (Fort Hope);
- Fort Albany First Nation*;
- Ginoogaming First Nation*;
- Kasabonika Lake First Nation;
- Kashechewan First Nation*;
- Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation;
- Long Lake #58 First Nation*;
- Matawa First Nations Management*;
- Métis Nation of Ontario;
- Mushkegowuk Council*;
- Nibinamik First Nation*;
- Red Sky Métis Independent Nation*; and
- Weenusk First Nation.

The following 12 of 31 did not communicate with MFFN from August 1, 2024, to September 5, 2025. MFFN continued to offer to meet and shared updates on an ongoing basis (e.g., monthly E-blasts, notifications, field notices). The 12 Indigenous communities, Tribal Councils, and / or Political Treaty Organizations / Provincial Territorial Organizations include:

- Independent First Nations Alliance;
- Kingfisher Lake First Nation;
- Mishkeegogamang First Nation;
- Neskantaga First Nation;
- Nishnawbe Aski Nation;
- Nokiiwin Tribal Council;
- Shibogama First Nations Council;
- Union of Ontario Indians;
- Wapekeka First Nation;
- Wawakapewin First Nation;
- Webequie First Nation; and
- Wunnumin Lake First Nation.

The term “neighbouring” is used to identify any Indigenous community being consulted and engaged with respect to the Community Access Road; the term is not in reference to proximity. MFFN is regarded as both the Proponent and the most potentially impacted community; and participates in consultation and engagement activities for neighbouring Indigenous communities.

To help achieve an appropriate level of consultation and engagement related to the Community Access Road, (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 Community Access Road, including applying to Ministry of Energy and Mines, and the Agency for capacity funding, and / or participation in the IK Program, the Community Coordinator Program, and the Community Capacity Funding Program;
- ATRI, including any rights that neighbouring Indigenous communities have identified that may be adversely affected by the Community Access Road;
- Geographical distance or proximity to the study area;
- Located downstream of the Community Access Road, with the potential to experience effects to watercourses due to the Community Access Road;
- Traditional and / or current land use within the study area or of lands potentially affected by the Community Access Road;
- Potential for effects on the environmental and community well-being (social, economics, and human health conditions) of neighbouring Indigenous communities; and
- Provided comments during the Assessment Process.

Throughout the Assessment Process, the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team adjusted their approach to engaging each individual Indigenous community in consideration of these criteria; evolving the list as new information became available and additional neighbouring Indigenous communities engaged in the consultation and engagement opportunities provided. These opportunities are summarized in **Section 2**.

The above criteria were also used to identify which communities were offered funding to participate in the Indigenous Knowledge Program and the Community Capacity Funding Program². Section 11 of the Final EA / IS provides more information on the IK Program and the Community Capacity Funding Program. The status of participation for both these programs can be found in **Table 1-1**.

2. To better serve the interest of Indigenous communities in reviewing the Draft EA / IS, the Community Coordinator Program was replaced with the Community Capacity Funding Program in November 2024.

Additionally, MFFN and Aroland First Nation members were also offered employment opportunities as Field Study Support Staff to assist with field programs and were provided funding for goods and services associated with in-person meetings, such as transportation, catering, and meeting set-up.

Table 1-1: Status of Neighbouring Indigenous Communities' Participation in the Community Capacity Funding Program and Funding Offer for the IK Program

No.	Indigenous Community	Status of Uptake in Community Capacity Funding Program and Comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement	Status of Uptake for Community Coordinator Program	Status of Funding Offer for Indigenous Knowledge Program
1	Aroland First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding provided Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation was reviewing applicants for the position The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding Provided Received Indigenous Knowledge from the community
2	Attawapiskat First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Capacity Funding information sent to community No response received Attawapiskat First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offered No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indicated they do not want to participate in the Indigenous Knowledge Program
3	Animbiigoo-Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding provided Animbiigoo-Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offered No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding provided Received Indigenous Knowledge from the community
4	Constance Lake First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Funding provided Constance Lake First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Offered Expressed interest; noted difficulty finding resource to fill role The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Sharing Agreement is with the community for signing The updated funding agreement is with the community for review Constance Lake First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge

No.	Indigenous Community	Status of Uptake in Community Capacity Funding Program and Comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement	Status of Uptake for Community Coordinator Program	Status of Funding Offer for Indigenous Knowledge Program
5	Eabametoong First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Capacity Funding information sent to community • Community acknowledged receipt of information and expressed interest. Follow-ups have been sent; no further response received regarding the program during the Assessment Process • Eabametoong First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement, after the review period ended 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review • Eabamatoong First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge
6	Fort Albany First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Fort Albany First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • Acknowledged offer • The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Received Indigenous Knowledge from the community
7	Ginoogaming First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Ginoogaming First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • Have expressed interest in program; actively recruiting. • The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Received Indigenous Knowledge from the community

No.	Indigenous Community	Status of Uptake in Community Capacity Funding Program and Comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement	Status of Uptake for Community Coordinator Program	Status of Funding Offer for Indigenous Knowledge Program
8	Kasabonika Lake First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Capacity Funding information sent to community • No response received • Kasabonika Lake First Nation did not provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review • Kasabonika Lake First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge
9	Kashechewan First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Kashechewan First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • Acknowledged offer • The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Received Indigenous Knowledge from the community
10	Long Lake #58 First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Capacity Funding information sent to community • Community acknowledged receipt of information and expressed interest; Community Capacity Funding Agreement has been sent to the community. • Long Lake #58 First Nation did not provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • Acknowledged offer • The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial versions of sharing and funding agreements sent to the community • Long Lake #58 First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge
11	Marten Falls First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Marten Falls First Nation did not provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One previous Community Coordinator hired (living in Marten Falls); one current Community Coordinator (living outside of Marten Falls) • Funding provided 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Received Indigenous Knowledge from the Community

No.	Indigenous Community	Status of Uptake in Community Capacity Funding Program and Comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement	Status of Uptake for Community Coordinator Program	Status of Funding Offer for Indigenous Knowledge Program
12	Neskantaga First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Capacity Funding information sent to community • No response received • Neskantaga First Nation did not provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review • Neskantaga First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge
13	Nibinamik First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Nibinamik First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial versions of the sharing and funding agreements sent to the community • Nibinamik First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge
14	Webequie First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Capacity Funding information sent to community • No response received • Webequie First Nation did not provide comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • No response received 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated versions of the sharing and funding agreements are with the community for review • Webequie First Nation did not provide Indigenous Knowledge
15	Weenusk First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding provided • Weenusk First Nation provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offered • Acknowledged offer • The Community Coordinator Program was amended to the Community Capacity Funding Program in advance of an applicant being selected by the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The final versions of the sharing and funding agreements have been signed by the Project Team and the community • Once banking information is shared by Weenusk First Nation, funding for Indigenous Knowledge will be provided to Weenusk First Nation • Received Indigenous Knowledge from the community

1.4 Summary of Input and Information Received

Throughout this reporting period, issues, comments, and interests were provided by Indigenous communities.

An issue is defined as feedback provided that has the potential to influence the Assessment Process.

A comment or interest is defined as a question, statement, data, and / or information that does not have the potential to influence the Assessment Process.

Feedback is documented in the consultation and engagement log within each community-specific section, however, only issues are elaborated on in the community-specific Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action tables. All comments and interests are available in Appendix X of the Final EA / IS.

Section 2 includes a summary of key consultation and engagement activities and a more detailed summary of issues received through consultation and engagement activities.

Section 3 provides a detailed record of the consultation and engagement efforts with each of the 31 Indigenous communities and organizations, including all communications received between August 1, 2024, and September 5, 2025. The community-specific sections also include discussion of how input provided (e.g., issues) by the Indigenous communities has informed or been considered in the Assessment Process, as well as Final EA / IS section references for more information on select topics.

2. Consultation and Engagement

2.1 Approach and Consultation and Engagement Activities

As outlined in the Consultation and Engagement Plan to support the Assessment Process, this Milestone #4 Progress Report reporting period focused on the following activities and requests for targeted input.

Activities for Indigenous communities:

- Held Indigenous leadership and community discussions / meetings, considering applicable and relevant subgroups (e.g., women, youth, and Elders), in-person and virtual;
- Circulated Community Access Road updates, including 12 E-blasts;
- Sent emails and made phone calls to confirm interest in being consulted on the Community Access Road (for communities that had not yet expressed interest);
- Developed plain language updates (translated, as required);
- Maintained a website to share the latest updates and information on the Community Access Road;
- Distributed field notices and updates regarding specific programs;
- Circulated email updates;
- Posted social media updates;
- Conducted follow-up communications to confirm information was received and the material(s) provided were understood;
- Encouraged participation in Community Access Road programs including the IK Program and Community Capacity Funding Program;
- Circulated Notice of Release of the Draft EA / IS (translations available);
- Distributed Notice of PIC #6;
- Held PIC #6 in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, along with two in-community MFFN meetings, two in-community Aroland meetings, and online version of PIC #6;
- Circulated materials to support the review of the Draft EA / IS, including an Assessment Summary Package and plain language summaries;
- Circulated information on the Community Capacity Funding Program to 15 communities to support the review of the Draft EA / IS;
- Distributed 11 plain language summaries in five languages (English, French, Ojibway, Cree, and Oji-Cree);

- Posted three videos on What We've Heard, Draft EA / IS Update, and Understanding Cumulative Effects;
- Distributed community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Reports;
- Held six meetings with MFFN Chief and Council and broader community;
- Held eight meetings with Indigenous communities;
- Distributed notices for the online webinar series, including Community Well-Being, Ungulates, Fish and Fish Habitat, and Land and Resource Use;
- Hosted an online webinar series on Community Well-Being, Ungulates, Fish and Fish Habitat, and Land and Resource Use;
- Held the second Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo;
- Shared multimedia-based communications related to the Draft EA / IS such as videos, live webinars, and web updates; and
- Sent an introductory letter and Frequently Asked Questions about the Draft EA / IS.

Requested information to determine and identify the following targeted input:

- The navigability of the Preferred Route;
- Indigenous community's values and topics of interest;
- Potential effects and mitigation measures to be considered, monitored and adapted to;
- Impacts of the Community Access Road on ATRI, socio-community, and economic impacts, and potential impact management measures to avoid, mitigate, and off-set the impact(s);
- Validation of reports including Milestone #3 Progress Report and ATRI: Draft IA Report;
- Cumulative effects assessment results and the Project Inclusions List;
- GBA;
- Confirmation on whether input and feedback provided during the previous milestone was captured appropriately;
- Confirmation of how Indigenous communities would like to receive the Draft EA / IS, language preferences for translations, study areas of interest, and their interest in scheduling a meeting with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team; and

- The Draft EA / IS conclusions, including technical reports and the Record of Consultation and Engagement for Interested Persons, and whether input and feedback provided during the previous milestone was captured appropriately.

The documents associated with the activities and targeted input for Indigenous communities can be found in **Appendix A**.

The following further describes the above activities and requests for targeted input that took place during this reporting period.

2.1.1 Draft EA / IS

The early release of the Draft EA / IS started on February 18, 2025, for an Indigenous community review period of 120 days. The public and regulator review period started on April 22, 2025, for a 60-day review period. The comment period for Indigenous communities, the public, and regulators was intended to conclude on June 23, 2025³, however, requests for extensions were received from government regulators and Indigenous communities. Comments and feedback accepted up until September 5, 2025, are included within this reporting period; input received and information provided or activities conducted after this date are reflected within Section 11 of the Final EA / IS.

Consultation and engagement activities related to the release of the Draft EA / IS began with letters issued to the 31 Indigenous communities, Tribal Councils, and Political Treaty Organizations / Provincial Territorial Organizations engaged on the Community Access Road. The intent was to advise of the upcoming release of the Draft EA / IS; to help ensure those who were interested in taking part in the review were well informed and prepared for the process. The letter outlined the overall Draft EA / IS process, the review process, how the Community Access Road Project Team could support in the review process, and the estimated document content and size. A Frequently Asked Questions document regarding the circulation of the Draft EA / IS was also provided. An online questionnaire was included in the email to determine each community's main point of contact and preferred format to receive the Draft EA / IS. It also offered an opportunity to share their preferred language for translations, their key areas of interest, and whether they would like to meet with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to discuss the Draft EA / IS. A copy of the Frequently Asked Questions and questionnaire is provided in **Appendix A**.

In addition, key information related to the Draft EA / IS was provided in the monthly E-blasts, videos, and social media posts leading up to the official release.

3. *The deadline for the review of the Draft EA / IS was initially communicated as June 18, 2025. The deadline for feedback was changed to June 23, 2025, to account for the Easter holidays.*

On February 12 and 19, 2025, the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team met with MFFN members in-community and in Thunder Bay, respectively, to deliver a printed copy of the Draft EA / IS and help guide the Community through the document. To assist in the review of the Draft EA / IS, an Assessment Summary Package was created. The Assessment Summary Package included a letter from Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, frequently asked questions, information on what is included in the Draft EA / IS, the Executive Summary, plain language summaries, a technical guide to the plain language summaries, and a USB with all the contents of the Draft EA / IS and its supporting documents.

On February 19, 2025, an email was sent to Indigenous community key contacts sharing the link to the Draft EA / IS and informing them of the 120-day review period for Indigenous communities. Links to supporting documents were also shared, including the Assessment Summary package and its contents. Communities who had requested hard copies of the Draft EA / IS had copies shipped to them. Furthermore, a hard copy of the Draft EA / IS and supporting technical documents were made available for in-person viewing at the MFFN Band Office in Ogoki, Matawa First Nations Management office in Thunder Bay, the Choose Life office in Geraldton, Greenstone Public Library at the Geraldton and Long Lac branches, Sioux Lookout Public Library, Thunder Bay Public Library – Waverley Resource Library, and Timmins Public Library.

The Community Well-Being Report was not available at the time of distribution of the Draft EA / IS. It was provided to Indigenous community key contacts on April 10, 2025, and MFFN community members on April 16, 2025 (the delay was caused by a technical difficulty).

Throughout the review period, meetings were offered to Indigenous communities to answer questions or assist in reviewing the documents. The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team relayed information on the Draft EA / IS through various information outlets, including but not limited to, monthly E-blasts, webinars, videos, monthly outreach to Indigenous key contacts, and website updates.

Feedback, comments and questions were welcomed via email, telephone or mail until June 23, 2025. To accommodate extension requests from Indigenous communities and government regulators, the comment capture period was extended until September 5, 2025. Over 1000 comments were received by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team on the Draft EA / IS from nine Indigenous communities, including Aroland First Nation, Animiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek, Constance Lake First Nation, Fort Albany First Nation, Ginoogaming First Nation, Kashechewan First Nation, Mushkegowuk Council, Nibinamik First Nation, and Weenusk First Nation. In addition, comments on the Draft EA / IS were provided by Attawapiskat First Nation to MECP and the Agency, copying the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team. Comments and responses to the feedback received on the Draft EA / IS, including how each was considered, is documented in a Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C of the Final

EA / IS. The log lists the comment submitted, the response to that comment, and where those changes appear in the Final EA / IS, if any changes were necessary.

The following Indigenous communities did not provide comments on the Draft EA / IS: MFFN, Chiefs of Ontario, Eabametoong First Nation, Kasabonika Lake First Nation, Kitchenuhmaykoosib Inninuwug First Nation, Long Lake #58 First Nation, Matawa First Nations Management, Métis Nation of Ontario, Red Sky Métis Independent Nation, Independent First Nations Alliance, Kingfisher Lake First Nation, Mishkeegogamang First Nation, Neskantaga First Nation, Nishnawbe Aski Nation, Nookiwini Tribal Council, Shibogama First Nations Council, Union of Ontario Indians, Wapekeka First Nation, Wawakapewin First Nation, Webequie First Nation, and Wunnumin Lake First Nation.

The following table (**Table 2-1**) shows the topics / disciplines that each Indigenous community provided feedback on in their review of the Draft EA / IS. Topics that were commented on are shown with a check mark.

Table 2-1: Draft EA / IS Comments from Indigenous Communities by Topic / Discipline

Topic	Animbiigoo- Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek	Attawapiskat First Nation	Aroland First Nation	Constance Lake First Nation	Fort Albany First Nation	Ginoogaming First Nation	Kashechewan First Nation	Mushkegowuk Tribal Council	Nibinamik First Nation	Weenusk First Nation
Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Access and Security	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Accidents and Malfunctions	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Acoustic Environment (Noise and Vibration)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Atmospheric Environment (Air Quality)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Climate Change	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Community Well-being (Economics, Human Health, Social, Community)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Construction (Camps, Aggregate, Waste Management, Decommissioning Abandonment, Construction Monitoring)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Consultation Methods	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Country / Traditional Foods	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cultural Heritage and Resources (Archaeology)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Draft EA / IS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Education, Training and Employment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Engineering and Design (including Bridges and Culverts)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Federal Process	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Topic	Animbigoo- Zaag'igan Anis hinaabek	Attawapiskat First Nation	Aroland First Nation	Constance Lake First Nation	Fort Albany First Nation	Ginoogaming First Nation	Kashechewan First Nation	Mushkegowuk Tribal Council	Nibinamik First Nation	Weenusk First Nation
Fish and Fish Habitat	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Future Indigenous Involvement	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
GBA Plus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
General Project	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Groundwater (Quality and Quantity)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Land and Resource Use	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Operations and Maintenance (including Post-Construction Monitoring)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Peatlands	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Physiography, Terrain and Soils	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Provincial Process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Request for Regulators	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Surface Water (Quality and Quantity)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Ungulates	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vegetation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Visual Aesthetics	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Wildlife	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

2.1.2 PIC #6

PIC #6 was held on May 26, 2025, in Thunder Bay and on May 29, 2025, in the Municipality of Greenstone (Geraldton). PIC #6 was held in an open house format and featured a series of display boards, large maps, and hand outs. PIC #6 provided an update on the Community Access Road, including: the Assessment Process; the Cumulative Effects Assessment, the Project Inclusions List, and results; how the road will affect community well-being for MFFN and nearby communities; land and resource use; and information on the Country Foods sampling program. The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team, including MFFN Senior Community Member Advisors, and Consultants, were available to guide attendees through the display boards and answer questions. Attendees were encouraged to review the display boards and provide comments and feedback through discussions.

The following printed and online materials were available for attendees:

- Paper copy of the open house boards;
- Frequently Asked Questions – Draft EA / IS;
- Draft EA / IS Executive Summary (English, Cree, Oji-Cree, and Ojibway);
- 11 plain language summaries (English, Oji-Cree, and Ojibway)⁴;
- Maps of: Preferred Route, tourism outfitter locations, Project Inclusions List (cumulative effects), and trapline areas;
- Cumulative Effects Inclusions List information sheet;
- Community Well-Being – Economics Information Sheet; and
- Socio-Community Effects and Mitigations Information Sheet.

Approximately 27 individuals attended PIC #6 (11 attendees in Thunder Bay on May 26, 2025, and 16 attendees in Geraldton on May 29, 2025). Attendees included Indigenous community members, federal and provincial agencies, members of the public / local residents, and environmental group and industry representatives.

A shuttle service was offered for nearby Long Lake #58 First Nation and Ginoogaming First Nation members to attend PIC #6. Shuttle services were declined, however, a group of Elders from Long Lake #58 First Nation attended PIC #6 in Geraldton.

In consideration of the type of feedback provided at PIC #6, insights provided were considered an interest or comment; no issues were raised at PIC #6. Key feedback themes reflected a range of interests and comments, highlighting the importance of

4. Due to the size and complexity of the documents, along with limited resources available across Canada to complete the translations in Cree, these documents were not available at the time of this meeting.

safety, environmental stewardship, and ongoing consultation and engagement. The following high-level interests / comments were provided at PIC #6 and community meetings:

- Questions regarding land access, such as for hunting and trapping;
- Adding visuals and known landmarks on maps;
- Engineering and design, including construction camps, water crossings, and road design;
- Community benefits received from the road;
- Access and safety of the road, including ownership and restrictions on use;
- Training programs and job opportunities during and post-construction;
- Interest in the Food Sampling Program;
- Community well-being, safety, including mental health, drugs, and alcohol;
- Cumulative effects and the Project Inclusion List;
- Consultation and engagement methods, including meeting outreach, Community Access Road timelines, map locations, and differentiations between other road projects in the area;
- Cultural heritage information including burial grounds (note: these areas were already known by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team); and
- In-Community Forestry Road upgrades.

A detailed description of PIC #6, including the materials presented, comments, questions, and responses (via summary report) is available in **Appendix A**.

2.1.3 Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo

A second Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo was held in Thunder Bay on February 19 and 20, 2025, and in Timmins on February 25 and 26, 2025, with the province offering to fund up to three representatives from each Indigenous community to attend the event in person. The forum was hosted by Indigenous & Community Engagement (ICE), with the support of the Community Access Road, Webequie Supply Road (WSR), and Northern Road Link (NRL). The purpose of this forum was to advance conversations from the last forum that took place in June 2024, with an emphasis on the release of the Draft EA / IS, and to provide a space where participants could engage and learn more about the three unique road projects, ask questions, and share feedback.

The first day of the February 2025 Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo provided project overviews, panel discussions, individual community breakout sessions, and an expo style forum where participants could visit various booths hosted by Project Team

members for all three road projects. The Community Access Road Booth emphasized the: Draft EA / IS, Cumulative Effects Assessment methodology, and the proposed Project Inclusions List; consultation and engagement efforts to date; and project effects and mitigations. The second day of the forum included panel discussions on ATRI and additional breakout sessions. Private breakout sessions with each road project were available for Indigenous communities. The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team held seven breakout sessions with ten communities (grouping of each breakout session is as follows):

- Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek;
- Aroland First Nation;
- Attawapiskat First Nation;
- Constance Lake First Nation, Fort Albany First Nation, and Long Lake #58 First Nation;
- Kashechewan First Nation and Mushkegowuk Council;
- Nibinamik First Nation, and;
- Red Sky Métis Independent Nation.

Comments received during the private breakout sessions include but are not limited to the following key themes:

- **Construction:** Construction and accident prevention methods and such as spill control and dust abatement;
- **Consultation methods:** Consultation and engagement during the Draft EA / IS review period and document translation availability;
- **Employment and economy:** Capacity building benefits from the Community Access Road;
- **Socio-community:** Growth and development resulting from the Community Access Road;
- **Post construction:** Operations and maintenance activities during and post-construction, including traffic estimates and access;
- **Climate change:** Concerns and actions taken in consideration of the Community Access Road;
- **Cumulative effects:** Impacts in relation to other road projects and caribou; and
- **General project:** Road construction timelines.

Meeting notes from breakout sessions are included in each communities' specific appendix, and feedback is documented in their community-specific chapter of the Milestone #4 Progress Report (for issues) or the Comments and Interests List in the

Final RoCE for Indigenous Communities (for comments and interests). Confidential meeting notes and feedback are not included.

2.1.4 Community Meetings

Twenty-seven community meetings occurred during the reporting period. These meetings are summarized below, in addition to the Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo breakout sessions, which are listed above. Additional details may be found in individual community chapters.

MFFN

Two meetings with MFFN were scheduled in October 2024. A meeting occurred in Thunder Bay, Ontario, on October 15, 2024. A second meeting was planned in Marten Falls for October 17, 2024, but due to unforeseen circumstances in the Community, the meeting was cancelled.

A total of approximately⁵ 16 MFFN community members attended the community member meeting. At these meetings, attendees were encouraged to share their feedback, concerns, and pose questions verbally or by completing the available feedback form. Questions were answered by MFFN Senior Community Member Advisors and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team members and Consultants. The MFFN community meetings focused on new information on the Draft EA / IS review process, construction, socio-community studies, potential effects and mitigation measures, offsetting activities, cumulative effects, and climate change challenges.

MFFN community members feedback centered around:

- Learning more about topics relating to socio-community, including housing, human health, and safety;
- Providing climate change observations within the Community;
- Water crossings; and
- Employment opportunities during construction.

Meetings with MFFN community members also occurred on February 12 and 19, 2025, in Marten Falls and Thunder Bay, respectively. A total of approximately 25 community members attended the community meetings. The intent of these meetings was to deliver a printed copy of the Draft EA / IS and to discuss what was included in the report

5. Sign-in at these events was voluntary, therefore numbers have been approximated.

and the review timeline. In addition to the full Draft EA / IS, Assessment Summary Packages were shared with community members.

Feedback centred around:

- Road construction, design, and the preferred route;
- Construction schedules; and
- Consultation and engagement methods during the Draft EA / IS review period.

Meetings with MFFN community members also occurred on May 27 and 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Marten Falls, respectively. A total of approximately 68 MFFN community members attended the community member meetings. At these meetings, attendees were encouraged to share their feedback and concerns, and to pose questions either verbally or in writing using the available feedback forms. Questions were answered by MFFN Senior Community Member Advisors and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team members and Consultants. The MFFN community meetings focused on the Draft EA / IS and how to provide feedback, the road and community well-being, and cumulative effects and final projects / activities considered.

Feedback centred around:

- Community well-being, including expressed excitement about the Country Foods Program;
- Concern regarding the road increasing access to drugs and alcohol; and
- Recommendations regarding different ways to provide notice about the community meetings in the future.

Additional opportunities to provide feedback were presented through the Country Foods Program and Story Beads Exercise. The Community Well-Being Team conducted a Country Foods Program where community members provided samples of foods to assess existing contaminant levels in traditional food species commonly harvested and consumed within the Community. The Story Beads Exercise was intended to create space for intergenerational dialogue and shared storytelling using beadwork as a metaphor. MFFN members shared stories and their hopes and concerns around the Community Access Road, including increased access to food and reduced cost of living, and their concerns about outsider access and substance abuse.

Figure 2-1: Photos from the Country Foods Program and Story Beads Exercise in MFFN



MFFN held a general meeting on July 4, 2025, in Thunder Bay, and invited a member of the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to present on the Community Access Road. The presentation outlined the Assessment Process, the EA / IS schedule, feedback received during the Draft EA / IS, consultation and engagement activities that occurred during the Draft EA / IS review period, and an update on the Country Foods Program.

Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team met in-person and online with Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek on August 28, 2024, to discuss the IK Program, along with the IK Funding Agreement. Four people attended the meeting, including representatives from Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek and MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. An overview of the IK Program and its deliverables was given, followed by a question and answer period.

Comments and questions received included, but were not limited to:

- If feedback on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report was still being accepted;
- How study areas were assessed; and
- How information on traditional territory would be used for Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek's area of interest.

Follow-up discussions included ATRI report feedback, information on study areas, clarification on traditional territory, and areas of interest. Representatives of Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek requested a Community Access Road schedule and consultation and engagement milestones to be distributed following the meeting, and indicated they would confirm if information on their traditional territory could be shared with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team.

Aroland First Nation

Meetings with Aroland First Nation occurred on May 28 and 29, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Aroland, respectively. Approximately 12 individuals attended the community meeting in Thunder Bay on May 28, 2025, and approximately 23 individuals attended the meeting in Aroland First Nation on May 29, 2025. Due to a miscommunication regarding the date and time of the Aroland First Nation members only meeting, members of Aroland First Nation also attended the MFFN members meeting on May 27, 2025. Approximately 22 Aroland First Nation members attended the meeting on May 27, 2025.

At these meetings, attendees were encouraged to share their feedback, concerns, and pose questions verbally or in writing using the available feedback form. Questions were answered by MFFN Senior Community Member Advisors and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. The MFFN community meetings discussed the Draft EA / IS and how to provide feedback, community well-being studies, cumulative effects, and the Project Inclusions List.

Questions and comments centred around:

- Community well-being and health;
- Trapline use;
- Water crossings; and
- Potential effects of the road.

The Community Well-Being Team hosted a Story Beads Exercise at these meetings which intended to create space for intergenerational dialogue and shared storytelling using beadwork as a metaphor. Aroland members shared stories and their concerns about environmental impacts in relation to the Community Access Road, especially related to water, wildlife migration, and the Ring of Fire. Aroland First Nation members also expressed strong interest in the Community Access Road, highlighting its potential to improve access to food, goods, services, and employment opportunities.

In April of 2024, a task force was created between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation to discuss various topics, including advancing discussions related

to the Community Access Road and other road projects, as well as collaboration between the nations. Several task force meetings have occurred between the two communities; however, they are not specific to the Community Access Road and fall outside of the scope of this Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement. Two task force meetings occurred within the reporting period, on August 8, 2024, and October 29, 2024.

Constance Lake First Nation

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team held a meeting in Constance Lake First Nation on February 22, 2025, to provide a general overview of the Community Access Road and present an update on the Draft EA / IS. Approximately ten people attended. The meeting format consisted of a sit-down dinner and presentation from the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to share general information on the Community Access Road and the Draft EA / IS.

A variety of topics were discussed, which included:

- Mitigation measures and cumulative effects;
- Road ownership and access;
- Human health;
- ATRI; and
- Consultation and engagement methods.

Fort Albany First Nation

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team met virtually with Fort Albany First Nation on November 7, 2024, to discuss various Community Access Road updates and meaningful consultation and engagement. Five people attended this meeting, including representatives from Fort Albany First Nation and MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. During the meeting, discussions surrounded Fort Albany First Nation's concerns related to the Community Access Road, consultation and engagement methods, and the release of the Draft EA / IS. Fort Albany also inquired about the comments they made on the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment and the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. Updates were provided by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team on the IK Program and the new Community Capacity Program.

A variety of topics were discussed, which included:

- Availability of the Draft EA / IS;
- Communications regarding the Draft EA / IS timeline;

- The Community Capacity Funding Agreement;
- A request from Fort Albany First Nation on the response to comments on the Archaeological Assessment Report and the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report; and
- Fort Albany First Nation's Milestone #1 Progress Report comments, following the meeting.

A virtual meeting between the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Fort Albany First Nation also occurred on June 3, 2025, to discuss the ongoing review of the Draft EA / IS. 15 people attended this meeting, including representatives from Fort Albany First Nation and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. During the meeting, discussions surrounded identifying gaps noted by Fort Albany First Nation in the Draft EA / IS. Specific topics of discussion included:

- Bill 5;
- Future development in the Project area;
- Free, Prior, and Informed Consent;
- Mitigations of psycho-social impacts, including but not limited to gendered violence and impacts to youth;
- Protection and plans for access and stewardship for harvesting areas, sacred areas, and burial sites;
- The importance of the Albany River and water assessments;
- Moose movement and habitat disruption;
- Regional impacts and other development as a result of the Community Access Road; and
- Anticipated timelines for the release of the ATRI: Draft IA Report.

Representatives from Fort Albany First Nation requested that the ATRI: Draft IA Report be distributed to the community. They also asked that the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team provide written responses to Fort Albany First Nation's comments on the Draft EA / IS, once submitted. Additionally, Fort Albany First Nation indicated that they would request an in-community meeting with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team after the community has completed its review of the Draft EA / IS.

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team requested Fort Albany First Nation's final IK Report and preferred payment method for the distribution of IK Program funding (note, IK funding has since been provided).

Ginoogaming First Nation

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team met with Ginoogaming First Nation on August 1, 2024, to discuss the work being done by the MFFN Community Access Road Archaeology Team. Nine people attended this meeting, including representatives from Ginoogaming First Nation and MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. The meeting was held virtually and discussed the Elder's Committee, as well as involvement of Indigenous perspectives (e.g., Indigenous archaeologists on archaeology work). The MFFN Community Access Road Archaeology Team provided an overview of their work and answered questions.

Following the meeting, Ginoogaming First Nation was provided an Executive Indigenous Summary of the Archaeology Assessment Report and information about findings in the study area of the Community Access Road. Two additional meetings were requested within the reporting period; one with Ginoogaming First Nation representatives and one Nation-to-Nation meeting between Ginoogaming First Nation and MFFN. Both meetings did not happen due to unforeseen circumstances. Two attempts to reschedule the meeting with Ginoogaming First Nation representatives were made during the reporting period, however, the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team did not receive a response regarding the meeting. The MFFN Community Access Road Project Consultant directed Ginoogaming First Nation to reach out directly to MFFN regarding a Nation-to-Nation meeting.

Long Lake #58 First Nation

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team met virtually with Long Lake #58 First Nation on February 6, 2025, to discuss the IK Program. Nine people attended the meeting, including representatives from Long Lake #58 First Nation and MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. Discussions surrounded the desire to participate in the IK Program, materials shared, collection efforts including the timeline, and the revised ATRI study areas for the assessment. Representatives from Long Lake #58 First Nation requested that the:

- Long Lake #58 First Nation Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report be re-sent; and
- Revised figure of the Local and Regional Study Areas will be used for the ATRI Impact Assessment.

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team also committed to follow-up with Long Lake #58 First Nation Chief and Council on the status of the IK Sharing Agreement and Funding Agreement.

Matawa First Nations Management

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team met with Matawa First Nations Management virtually on May 9, 2025. Ten people attended this meeting, including representatives of Matawa First Nations Management and MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Consultants. The meeting included a presentation followed by a question and answer period. Discussions surrounded the Community Well-Being Report, included:

- Economic development;
- Human health;
- Education and training for community members;
- Housing options; and
- Road access.

Matawa First Nations Management requested the link to the Building the Community Access Road webinar; this was shared following the meeting.

Nibinamik First Nation

A community meeting was planned for November 14, 2024, with Nibinamik First Nation, but was cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances. Attempts to reschedule this meeting continued, however, as of September 5, 2025, Nibinamik First Nation had not responded to requests to reschedule the meeting.

2.1.5 Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests

Community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Reports were prepared and issued to each community in June and July 2025, with a 90-day review period.

These community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Reports included IK information received from the community prior to January 2025, along with information obtained from publicly available sources. The community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Reports outlined the assessment process for ATRI related to the Community Access Road, and focused specifically on each community. Communities were given 90 days to provide feedback before the finalization of their ATRI: Draft IA Report in October 2025. The ATRI: Draft IA Reports are confidential, therefore feedback provided are not available publicly. An ATRI Summary Report is available in Appendix O of the Final EA / IS. Community-specific Final ATRI Impact Assessment Reports, including a specific Feedback and Response Logs will be available in Spring 2026.

2.1.6 Community Capacity Funding Program

The Community Capacity Funding Program was introduced in November 2024 as an evolution of the existing Community Coordinator Program, offering flexible funding to support communities in reviewing the Draft EA / IS and participating in consultation and engagement activities. The Community Capacity Funding Program offered a one-time capacity funding payment designed to support consultation and engagement on the Community Access Road in a way that best suited the unique needs of each eligible Indigenous community. This new approach provided communities with the flexibility and autonomy to allocate funds as needed to support their review of the Draft EA / IS. Each community who participated in the program provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS.

Introductory letters were sent to specific communities via email between November 1 and 8, 2024. An additional letter was sent to Neskantaga First Nation in May 2025 to provide information on the Community Capacity Program to new Chief and Council. The following nine communities requested and received funding: Aroland First Nation, Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek, Constance Lake First Nation, Fort Albany First Nation, Ginoogaming First Nation, Kashechewan First Nation, Nibinamik First Nation, MFFN, and Weenusk First Nation. Eabametoong First Nation and Long Lake #58 First Nation, had also expressed interest by this time, but had not yet advanced the steps necessary to obtain funding (e.g., sign Funding Agreement, provide banking information).

This redirected approach resulted in more capacity for participation in consultation and engagement for the Community Access Road. During the timeline of the Community Coordinator Program, only one community participated, whereas nine communities received Community Capacity Funding and of those who received funding, eight provided feedback on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (as of September 5, 2025), with the exception of the Proponent, MFFN.

2.1.7 Field Programs and Education, Consultation, and Engagement on Valued Components

Four field programs took place during the reporting period. To help Indigenous communities better understand the field studies related to valued components, field notices were distributed with plain language information about what the Community Access Road is studying, why it is important, when the field studies will take place, and what to expect when crews are in the field (e.g., an increase in air traffic as crews travel by helicopter). The following notices were published in advance of their respective field studies:

- **Fall 2024 Field Notice** was distributed in September 2024, and provided information about the Groundwater and Geochemistry Program and the Geotechnical investigation;
- **Winter 2025 Field Notice** was distributed in January 2025 and provided information on the Atigwag / Caribou Collar Removal program; and
- **Summer / Fall 2025 Field Notice** was distributed in July 2025, and provided information on the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, Groundwater Well Decommissioning, and Geotechnical Investigation.

Whenever possible, in light of availability and safety considerations; field crews were accompanied by MFFN community members, Field Assistant(s), or Senior Community Member Advisor(s); the summer groundwater monitoring (August 2024), the fall groundwater monitoring (September / October 2024) and the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment (August 2025) were supported by community members. Although Field Assistants were sought from both Aroland First Nation and MFFN, Aroland First Nation members were not able to participate due to scheduling conflicts.

Each of the distributed field notices included links to educational videos and webinars on valued components related to the upcoming field programs. Field notices were distributed by email and posted on the Community Access Road website. Social media posts with information about upcoming field programs were also timed to coincide with the publication of field notices, and information was shared through the Community Access Road monthly E-blast.

2.1.8 Webinars and Videos

Webinars and videos were used to share information on the Assessment Process for the Community Access Road. A webinar series dedicated to technical aspects of the Community Access Road and on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement were held during the reporting period.

Five webinars in total were hosted: Building the Community Access Road, Community Well-Being, Ungulates, Fish and Fish Habitat, and Land and Resource Use. The recordings were made available on the Project website.

Informational videos were also developed and shared on the website to provide information on cumulative effects, the Draft EA / IS, and socio-economic considerations.

2.1.9 Raising Awareness

Several activities were completed to raise awareness of the Community Access Road and encourage opportunities to meet with the MFFN Community Access Road Project

Team. E-blasts were distributed and included a section encouraging those interested to reach out and schedule a meeting with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team. The public Community Access Road Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn accounts, and the private MFFN members only Facebook account, were used to share information and promote upcoming events. The Community Access Road website was regularly updated to reflect information that had been shared via the electronic newsletters and social media accounts.

In addition, a separate website was created to host the Draft EA / IS and related documents, along with educational videos and ways to connect with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team. A separate email account was also created to keep Indigenous communities updated on the Draft EA / IS review period. Communities were encouraged to submit feedback on the Draft EA / IS to this email account.

2.2 Community Access Road Notifications and Information Releases

The following notification and information releases cover communications activities during this reporting period, from August 1, 2024, to September 5, 2025. For all notifications and information releases prior to this reporting period, please visit:

- Community Access Road archive website <https://archive.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/>; and
- Community Access Road main website <https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/>.

2.2.1 Monthly E-blasts

Throughout the Assessment Process, E-blasts were distributed via email to approximately 600 people included on the contact list. E-blasts were distributed monthly and included Community Access Road updates relevant to the month of distribution (e.g., upcoming field programs and consultation and engagement activities). Links to the Community Access Road's social media pages and contact information were always included, along with an offer to meet with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team. Additionally, E-blasts were published on the Community Access Road website, receiving over 719 views during this reporting period. All E-blasts can be found in **Appendix A**.

2.2.2 Field Program, Webinar, and Video Notifications

Notices for each field program were distributed via email to persons identified on the contact list prior to the study taking place. These notices are provided in **Appendix A**

and on the Community Access Road website (<https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/documents/#notices>).

Notifications for virtual consultation and engagement opportunities, such as webinars, were also distributed via email to the contact list and posted on social media platforms, as appropriate, including the Community Access Road Facebook page and the private MFFN Facebook pages, Instagram, and LinkedIn. Notifications included the date and time of the webinar, links for registration, and webinar poster attachments. Reminder emails were sent shortly before the live webinar occurred. Video notifications were also posted to the Community Access Road website and included in relevant E-blasts, as appropriate. These were also shared to the Community Access Road Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn pages to encourage broader outreach with interested persons. Email information for webinars, along with webinar posters, are provided in **Appendix A**.

2.2.3 Release of Milestone #3 Progress Report – November 2024

The Milestone #3 Progress Report was released to each Indigenous community for their review via email between November 28 and 29, 2024. A link was provided to each community-specific section and feedback was requested by February 14, 2025. Only Mushkegowuk Council submitted feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report.

In comparison to previous reports:

Aroland First Nation, Fort Albany First Nation, and Métis Nation of Ontario submitted feedback on the Milestone #1 Progress Report; and

Kashechewan First Nation, Weenusk First Nation, and Mushkegowuk Council submitted feedback on the Milestone #2 Progress Report.

A summary of comments received on all three reports, as well as material changes made to each report and where they can be found, is included in each respective community-specific report.

Individual community-specific Milestone #3 Progress Report can be found on the EA / IS website here: <https://eais.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/progress-reports/>.

2.2.4 Draft EA / IS – February 2025

Letters issued to Indigenous communities regarding the upcoming Draft EA / IS were issued between September 24 and 26, 2024, via email.

An email was distributed to Indigenous community key contacts on February 13, 2025, informing of the upcoming release of the Draft EA / IS, and was followed up with an

email on February 19, 2025, informing that the report is available online for their review until June 23, 2025. On April 10, 2025, the Community Well-Being Report was distributed via email to Indigenous community key contacts, and then to MFFN members on April 16, 2025, (the delay was caused by a technical difficulty).

A reminder email was sent on June 19, 2025, giving notice of five days remaining for the end of the review period for the Draft EA / IS. Requests for extensions were received from Indigenous communities and government agencies and were granted. The comment capture period was extended until September 5, 2025, to accommodate these requests. Draft EA / IS materials can be found in **Appendix A**.

2.2.5 PIC #6 – May 2025

PIC #6 was held on May 26, 2025, in Thunder Bay and on May 29, 2025, in Geraldton. A formal notice and invitation to PIC #6 was published on the Community Access Road and EA / IS websites, with the Notice of Publication of the Draft EA / IS, on April 22, 2025, in English, Cree, French, Oji-Cree, and Ojibway. The first hour of each PIC was advertised as for Indigenous community members only. The notice was published between April 26 and May 23, 2025, in the following newspapers: Wawatay News, Geraldton Times Star, and The Chronicle Journal. Online advertisements were posted on April 22, 2025, through the following media outlets: Northern Ontario Business, Windspeaker, Thunder Bay NewsWatch, and Wawatay News. Radio advertisements were released between April 22 and May 26, 2025, on the following radio stations: CFNO Radio, CHRZ-FM (91.3) REZFM, and Wawatay Radio. PIC #6 was also advertised on the Community Access Road Facebook, Instagram, and LinkedIn pages, the private MFFN Facebook page, and the Municipality of Greenstone online events calendar. PIC #6 materials can be found in **Appendix A**.

2.2.6 MFFN Community Member Meetings – October 2024

Meetings with MFFN, open to Chief and Council and community members, were planned for October 15, 2024, and October 17, 2024, in Thunder Bay and Ogoki, respectively. Notifications were distributed via email on October 2 and 9, 2024, and included a poster attachment; posters were placed at the health centre, band office and choose life building in MFFN. The notice was also posted on the private MFFN and the Ogoki Post Bulletin Facebook pages on October 8, 14, and 15, 2024. A copy of the notice is provided in **Appendix B**.

Due to unforeseen circumstances in the Community, the meeting planned for October 17, 2024, was cancelled.

2.2.7 MFFN Community Member Meetings – February 2025

Meetings with MFFN, open to Chief and Council and community members, were planned for February 11 and 12, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Ogoki, respectively. Notifications were distributed via email on January 30 and February 10, 2025, and included a poster attachment; posters were placed at the health centre, band office, and choose life building in MFFN. Due to the cancellation of the February 11 meeting, an additional email reminder was sent on February 14, 2025, for the rescheduled meeting on February 19, 2025. The notice was also posted on the private MFFN and the Ogoki Post Bulletin Facebook pages on February 15 and 18, 2025. A copy of the notice is provided in **Appendix B**.

2.2.8 MFFN Community Member Meetings – May 2025

Meetings with MFFN, open to Chief and Council and community members, were planned for May 27 and 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Ogoki, respectively. Notifications were distributed via email on May 21 and 27, 2025, and included a poster attachment; posters were placed at the health centre, band office, and choose life building in MFFN. The notice was also posted on the private MFFN and the Ogoki Post Bulletin Facebook pages on May 22, 2025. A copy of the notice is provided in **Appendix B**.

2.2.9 Aroland First Nation Community Member Meetings – May 2025

Meetings with MFFN, open to Chief and Council and community members, were planned for May 27 and 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Ogoki, respectively. Outreach consisted of an email with meeting details for each consultation and engagement along with a poster for distribution. The email notification showed the correct meeting dates (May 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay, and May 29, 2025, in Aroland First Nation), however, a typo on the poster led to a miscommunication around the Thunder Bay meeting date. As a result, Aroland First Nation members attended the MFFN members meeting on May 27, 2025, in Thunder Bay, as well as the planned Aroland meeting on May 28, 2025. A copy of the notice is provided in **Appendix B**.

2.3 Consultation and Engagement Snapshot

Table 2-2 provides an overview of consultation and engagement activities that took place from milestone 1 to milestone 4, including upcoming activities. Issues received through consultation and engagement activities during this reporting period are included in **Section 3**. Comments and interests received from Indigenous communities are included in Appendix X of the Final EA / IS.

Items without an asterisk occurred during the NoC of EA milestone between October 29, 2021, to June 30, 2022, the Effects Assessment milestone from July 1, 2022, to May

31, 2023, and the Identification of Preferred Alternatives milestone from June 1, 2023, to July 31, 2024. Items with an asterisk occurred during Milestone 4: Draft EA / IS reporting period from August 1, 2024, to September 5, 2025, or are planned to take place after September 5, 2025.

Table 2-2: Consultation and Engagement Snapshot – From October 29, 2021, to September 5, 2025

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	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 #1 Progress Report			
• Draft Progress Report distributed to Indigenous communities for review (December 6, 2022).	✓		
• Email follow-up distributed in January 2023.	✓		
Milestone #2 Progress Report			
• Draft Progress Report distributed to Indigenous communities for review (November 27, 2023).	✓		
• Email follow-up to request re-download of Draft Progress Report (November 29, 2023).	✓		
Milestone #3 Progress Report			
• Draft Progress Report distributed to Indigenous communities for review (November 28 and 29, 2024).*	✓		
• Email follow up distributed in December 2024 and January 2025.*	✓		
Draft EA / IS			
• Draft EA / IS online Indigenous community release (February 18, 2025).*	✓		
• Draft EA / IS online Indigenous community release email notification (February 19, 2025).*	✓		
• The Assessment Summary for the Draft EA / IS was distributed to Indigenous communities via Canada Post registered mail (February 19, 2025).*	✓		
• Community Well-Being Report online Indigenous community release and email notification (April 10, 2025).*	✓		
• Notice of publication of the Draft EA / IS (April 22, 2025).*	✓	✓	✓
• Draft EA / IS online, Indigenous community, public and government agencies release and email notification (April 22, 2025).*	✓	✓	✓
• The Assessment Summary for the Draft EA / IS was made available online and at designated library locations (announcement made April 22, 2025).*	✓	✓	✓

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
• Draft EA / IS reminder to provide feedback email notification (June 19, 2025).*	✓	✓	✓
Public Information Centres (PIC)			
• PIC #3 Notice distributed (June 13, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #3 in Thunder Bay (June 27, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #3 in Geraldton (June 29, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #4 Notice distributed (November 22, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #4 in Thunder Bay (December 7, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #4 in Geraldton (December 8, 2022)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #5 Notice distributed (October 10, 2023)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #5 in Thunder Bay (October 25, 2023)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #5 in Geraldton (October 26, 2023)	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #6 Notice distributed (April 21, 2025)*	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #6 in Thunder Bay (May 26, 2025)*	✓	✓	✓
• PIC #6 in Geraldton (May 29, 2025)*	✓	✓	✓
Provincially-Supported Forums			
• Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum #1 in Thunder Bay (February 8 to 9, 2023).	✓		✓
• Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum #2 in Thunder Bay (November 21 to 23, 2023).	✓		✓
• Three-Road Project Gathering and Expo in Thunder Bay (June 11 to June 13, 2024).	✓		✓
• Three-Road Project Gathering and Expo in Thunder Bay (February 19 to February 20, 2025).*	✓		✓
• Three-Road Project Gathering and Expo in Timmins (February 25 to February 26, 2025).*	✓		✓
Individual Project Meetings			
• In-person meeting with MFFN to provide an update on the Community Access Road and the approval of the ToR (November 16 to 17, 2021).	✓		
• Presented to the Mushkegowuk Council AGM (in-person, November 24, 2021).	✓		
• A teleconference meeting with MFFN to discuss the Assessment Process (February 2, 2022).	✓		
• Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario 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).	✓	✓	
• Teleconference with Marten Falls First Nation Senior Community Member Advisor to discuss and collect feedback on the upcoming Bird Field Program (May 31, 2022).	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
• In-person meeting with MFFN community members in advance of PIC #3 (June 28, 2022).	✓	✓	
• Virtual meeting with Ginoogaming First Nation to discuss the Indigenous Knowledge Program and the Community Coordinator Program (July 5, 2022).	✓		
• In-person meeting regarding Community Coordinator and IK Programs with Long Lake # 58 (August 9, 2022).	✓		
• In-person meeting with MFFN community members in advance of PIC #4 (November 2, 2022).	✓	✓	
• In-person meeting with MFFN community members in advance of PIC #4 (December 6, 2022).	✓	✓	
• In-person Council-to-Council meeting with Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation in Thunder Bay. Meeting minutes were not taken (January 26, 2023).	✓		
• A teleconference meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation to discuss the Community Coordinator Program and IK Program. (February 13, 2023).	✓		
• Virtual meeting with Ginoogaming First Nation to discuss the Indigenous Knowledge Program and the Community Coordinator Program (March 27, 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).	✓		
• Teleconference with Métis Nation of Ontario 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 Community Access Road (May 10, 2023)	✓		
• A virtual meeting with MFFN was held regarding the engineering, construction and the route selection process for the Community Access Road (May 15, 2023).	✓		
• A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation's legal counsel to discuss the IK Sharing Agreement (May 17, 2023).	✓		
• A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation was held to provide a Community Access Road overview (August 29, 2023).	✓		
• In-person meeting with MFFN community members in advance of PIC #5 (October 23, 2023).	✓	✓	
• In-person meeting with MFFN community members in advance of PIC #5 (October 24, 2023).	✓	✓	
• In-person meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation Elders to discuss general updates for the Community Access Road (October 26, 2023).	✓		
• A virtual meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation was held as a follow up to discuss the Community Coordinator and IK Program meeting (November 10, 2023).	✓		
• A virtual meeting held with Attawapiskat First Nation representatives to discuss the Community Access Road and Caribou Study Plan (December 4, 2023).	✓		
• In-person meeting with Nibinamik First Nation to provide a Community Access Road update (January 16, 2024).	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
• A virtual meeting with Red Sky Métis Independent Nation to review the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report (March 19, 2024).	✓		
• In-person Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation to build on and improve the relationship between the two nations and to provide both Nations the opportunity to discuss any concerns or issues, including the previously drafted Communication Protocol Agreement (April 19, 2024).	✓		
• In-person taskforce meeting between MFFN and Aroland First Nation (May 7, 2024).	✓		
• In-person taskforce meeting between MFFN and Aroland First Nation (May 28, 2024).	✓		
• In-person Chief and Council meeting with MFFN to provide a Community Access Road update (May 29, 2024).	✓		
• Virtual meeting with Attawapiskat First Nation to discuss the Spring Groundwater Program (May 31, 2024).	✓		
• In-person taskforce meeting between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (June 5, 2024).	✓		
• A virtual meeting with Weenusk First Nation to provide a Community Access Road update and discuss the IK Program and socio-economic programs (June 5, 2024).	✓		
• In-person meetings with Aroland First Nation community members to obtain feedback on the final route recommendation, existing conditions and cumulative effects, including inclusions list (June 19 to 20, 2024).	✓		
• In-person meeting with Long Lake #58 First Nation Elders and community members to present the preliminary technically preferred routes (June 20, 2024).	✓		
• Virtual meeting with Ginoogaming First Nation to discuss the Archaeology Assessment Report, Community Coordinator Program and upcoming engagement opportunities (July 10, 2024).	✓		
• In-person taskforce meeting between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (July 11, 2024).	✓		
• In-person meetings with Aroland First Nation community members to obtain feedback on the final route recommendation including Segment 1, Dusey Lake, Segment 2, Segment 3, cumulative effects, evaluation approach and inclusions list, and engineering considerations and existing conditions (valued component studies) (July 15 to 16, 2024).	✓		
• In-person meetings with MFFN community members to confirm selection of the final route selection, cumulative effects, evaluation approach and inclusions list, engineering considerations and existing conditions (valued component studies) (July 17 to 18, 2024).	✓		
• A virtual meeting held with Attawapiskat First Nation to discuss the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report (July 23, 2024).	✓		
• A virtual meeting held with Ginoogaming First Nation to discuss the Stage 1 Archaeological Report (August 1, 2024).*	✓		
• In-person taskforce meeting between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (August 8, 2024).	✓		
• A virtual meeting held with Animbiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek to discuss the IK Program (August 28, 2024).*	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
• In-person meetings with MFFN community members to discuss final route selection, the Draft EA / IS, construction and design details, potential effects and mitigations, socio-economics, climate change adaptation, and offsetting (October 15, 2024).*	✓		
• In-person taskforce meeting between Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (October 29, 2024).*	✓		
• A virtual meeting held with Fort Albany First Nation to discuss Community Access Road updates and meaningful consultation and engagement (November 7, 2024).*	✓		
• A virtual meeting held with Long Lake #58 First Nation to discuss the IK Program and the community's IK collection study (February 6, 2025).*	✓		
• In-person meetings with MFFN community members to present the Draft EA / IS and discuss the Draft EA / IS content (February 12 and 19, 2025).*	✓		
• In-person meetings at the Three Road Project Gathering and Expo with representatives from Animiigoo Zaagi'igan Anishinaabek, Aroland First Nation, Attawapiskat First Nation, Constance Lake First Nation, Fort Albany First Nation, Long Lake #58 First Nation, Kashechewan First Nation, Mushkegowuk Tribal Council, Nibinamik First Nation and Red Sky Métis Independent Nation (February 19 to 25, 2025).*	✓		
• In person meeting with Constance Lake First Nation community members to provide a Community Access Road overview and present the Draft EA / IS. (February 22, 2025).*	✓		
• Virtual meeting with Matawa First Nations Management to discuss the Community Well-Being Report (May 9, 2025).*	✓		
• In-person meeting with MFFN community members to discuss the Draft EA / IS content including community well-being and cumulative effects (May 27 and 28, 2025).*	✓		
• In-person meeting with Aroland First Nation community members to discuss the Draft EA / IS content including community well-being and cumulative effects (May 28 and 29, 2025).*	✓		
• Virtual meeting with Fort Albany First Nation to discuss the community's ongoing review of the Draft EA / IS (June 3, 2025).*	✓		
• MFFN Community Access Road Project Team attendance at in-person general meeting for MFFN in Thunder Bay (July 4, 2025).*	✓		
Field Program Involvement			
• 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 to December 3, 2022).	✓		
• Helicopter flyover to inform the Geotechnical Program with Marten Falls First Nation and Aroland First Nation (July 19 and 20, 2024).	✓		
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)	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circulated Monthly Community Access Road Update Email Blast (referred to as E-blast) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - October 2021 (November 3, 2021) - November 2021 (November 30, 2021) - 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) - May 2023 (June 7, 2023) - June 2023 (June 28, 2023) - July 2023 (August 2, 2023) - August 2023 (September 1, 2023) - September 2023 (September 28, 2023) - October 2023 (November 2, 2023) - 2023 Year In Review (December 12, 2023) - January 2024 (January 31, 2024) - February 2024 (March 1, 2024) - March 2024 (April 3, 2024) - April 2024 (April 30, 2024) - May 2024 (May 30, 2024) - June 2024 (July 9, 2024) - July 2024 (August 1, 2024)* - August 2024 (September 4, 2024)* - September 2024 (October 3, 2024)* - October 2024 (November 5, 2024)* - 2024 Year In Review (December 18, 2024)* - January 2025 (February 10, 2025)* - February 2025 (March 4, 2025)* - March 2025 (April 3, 2025)* - April 2025 (May 8, 2025)* - May 2025 (June 11, 2025)* - June 2025 (July 15, 2025)* - July 2025 (August 7, 2025)* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Circulated Field Study Notices and Discussion Guides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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) 	✓	✓	✓

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wolverine Den Surveys Notice (February 14, 2022) - Wolverine Hair Snag Program and Bird Autonomous Recording Unit Update (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) - Summer 2023 Field Notice (July 12, 2023) - Fall 2023 Field Notice (September 15, 2023) - Winter 2024 Field Notice (January 18, 2024) - Spring 2024 Field Notice (April 17, 2024) - Spring Groundwater Program Update (May 24, 2024) - Summer 2024 Field Notice (July 16, 2024) - Fall 2024 Field Notice (September 18, 2024)* - Winter 2025 Field Notice (January 15, 2025)* - Summer / Fall 2025 Field Notice (July 17, 2025)* - Field Notice Update to Stage 2 Archaeology Assessment (July 31, 2025) 			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matawa Messenger newsletter feature (June 2022) 	✓	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Webinar Series: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Animals and Wildlife (Ungulates and Furbearers) (November 15, 2022) - Surface Water, Fish, and 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) - Route Selection Milestone (November 16, 2023) - Climate Change Webinar (February 8, 2024) - Building the Community Access Road (November 26, 2024)* - Community Well-Being (May 6, 2025)* - Ungulates (May 15, 2025)* - Fish and Fish Habitat (May 22, 2025)* - Land and Resource Use (June 5, 2025)* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement questionnaire sent to Indigenous communities (July 27 to 29, 2022) 	✓		

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
• Follow-up to furbearer winter tracking field program notice (January 27, 2023)	✓		
• Follow-up on ungulate aerial survey notice (February 15, 2023)	✓		
• Monthly emails and phone calls to Indigenous communities regarding the Community Access Road*	✓		
Archaeological Assessment Reports			
• Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Assessment Reports distributed via email to Indigenous communities (February 3, 2023)	✓		
• Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report distributed via email to Indigenous communities (June 3, 2024)	✓		
Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program			
• Circulated an update on the MFFN Community Access Road 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 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 to 9, 2023)	✓		
• IK Program timeline and update letter (March 22, 2023)	✓		
• IK Program timeline and update letter (June 22, 2023)	✓		
• IK Program timeline and update letter (October 5, 2023)	✓		
• IK Program timeline and update letter (November 10, 2023)	✓		
• ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay (November 21 to 23, 2023)	✓		
• Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report distributed via email to Indigenous communities (November 28, 2023)	✓		
• Distribution of community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Reports (June 10 to July 11, 2025)*	✓		
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 Indigenous Knowledge Program) (April 21, 2022).	✓		
Community Capacity Funding Program			
• Information on the Community Capacity Funding Program sent to 15 Indigenous communities via email (October 30 to November 13, 2024).*	✓		
Activities after September 5, 2025, to February 13, 2026			

Project Phases: NoC of EA, Effects Assessment, Identification of Preferred Alternatives, and Draft EA / IS			
Activity	Audience		
	Indigenous Communities	Interested Persons	Agencies & Government Bodies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of monthly E-Blasts: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - September 2025 E-Blast (October 17, 2025)* - 2025 Year End Message (December 18, 2025)* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of Field Notices and updates: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Groundwater Well Decommissioning Update (September 16, 2025)* - Fall Field Programs Update (September 23, 2025)* - Geotechnical Investigation Update (November 10, 2025)* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of community-specific Milestone #4 Progress Reports to Indigenous communities for review and validation (January 16, 2026)* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Report (January 16, 2026)* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hybrid meetings with MFFN community members in advance of PIC #7 (August 3 and August 4, 2026) 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual meeting session for Aroland First Nation community members (August 4, 2026) 	✓	✓	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public Information Centre #7* <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Distribution of notice (January 27, 2026)* - MFFN hybrid meetings (February 3 and 4, 2026)* - Aroland virtual meeting (February 4, 2026)* - Virtual public session (February 4, 2026)* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing planning for distribution of Final EA / IS* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing planning for distribution of community-specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Final Impact Assessment Reports (ATRI: Final IA Reports)* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing conversations with 13 Indigenous communities regarding the IK Program and Community Capacity Funding, as needed* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing follow-up to set-up meetings with Indigenous communities and ask about ATRI* 	✓		
Planned Future MFFN Community Access Road Consultation and Engagement Activities			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing outreach to Indigenous communities to engage on the Community Access Road* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing outreach to Indigenous communities to address questions and discuss details of the Capacity Funding Program* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribution of Notice of Submission* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Targeted outreach to Indigenous communities regarding the Final EA / IS release* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Release of Final EA / IS* 	✓	✓	✓
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Release of community-specific ATRI: Final IA Reports* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Release of Country Foods and Water Use Assessment Report to MFFN and Aroland First Nation* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Release of Draft Cultural Heritage Reports* 	✓		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support government agency regulators in responding to comments on the Final EA / IS* 			✓

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 consultation and engagement with each Indigenous community, the following analytics were performed:

The **Level of Consultation and Engagement Effort and Response** bar graphs in each community-specific chapter reflect the efforts taken by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to engage Indigenous communities and the level of response received. Communications channels considered include **email correspondence** (outgoing and incoming), **phone correspondence** (outgoing and incoming) and **meetings offered in comparison to meetings scheduled**, by any means of communication.

- **Email Correspondence** reflects all emails sent between the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and Indigenous communities:
 - **Outgoing Email Correspondence** reflects all personalized emails sent from the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to a specific Indigenous community and mass communications sent to all communities by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team; and
 - **Incoming Email Correspondence** includes emails received from an Indigenous community directly to MFFN Community Access Road Project Team; emails that only confirm receipt of an outgoing email or emails where the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team are copied but not directly mentioned are not included.
- **Phone Correspondence** reflects all call attempts between the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and an Indigenous community:
 - **Outgoing Phone Calls** reflect all phone calls made by the MFFN Community Access Road 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; and

- **Incoming Phone Calls** reflect instances where Indigenous communities contacted MFFN Community Access Road Project Team without a previous outgoing phone call.
- **Mail Correspondence** reflects all physical mail exchange between the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team and an Indigenous community:
 - **Outgoing Mail** reflect all instances of mail distributed by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to an Indigenous community; and
 - **Incoming Mail** reflect all instances of mail received by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team from an Indigenous community.
- **Meetings Offered vs. Held** reflects the efforts taken by the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team to schedule a meeting in comparison to the number of meetings achieved between the Indigenous community and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team.

4. References

AECOM Canada ULC., 2019. Draft Terms of Reference Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road – Environmental Assessment.

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Appendix A

Notices and Other Information Releases

Appendix A is available online at <https://eais.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/progress-reports/>.



Appendix B

Community-Specific Correspondence

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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD



2. Aroland First Nation

Table 2-1: Community Profile

Key Identifiers	Details
Location:	PO Box 10, Aroland, ON P0T 1B0
Tribal Council:	Matawa First Nations Management
Treaty:	9
Project Team Lead:	Nolan Lachance

Figure 2-1: Aroland First Nation Distribution of Communication

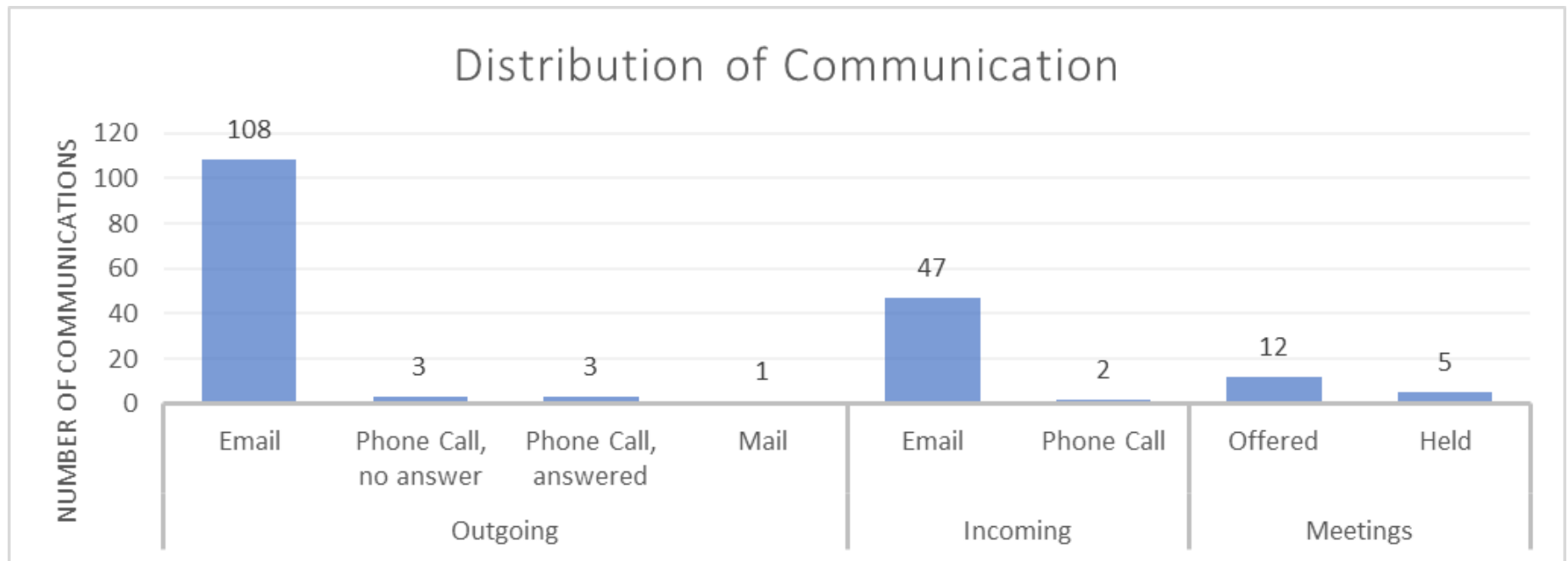


Table 2-2: Summary of Participation During Milestone 4

Activity	Status
Date of last outgoing communication from MFFN CAR Project Team (email or phone):	August 28, 2025 (Email)
Date of last incoming communication from community (email or phone):	August 28, 2025 (Email)
Participating in Indigenous Knowledge (IK) Program:	Status of IK Sharing Agreement: Finalized
	Status of IK Funding Agreement: Finalized
	IK information provided: Yes
Participating in Community Coordinator Program / Community Capacity Funding Program:	Yes (Capacity Funding)
Provided comments on the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) / Impact Statement (IS):	Yes
Provided comments on the community-specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI): Draft Impact Assessment (IA) Report:	Yes, comments were received outside of this reporting period (September 11, 2025)
Provided comments on the Community Well-Being Report:	Yes
Provided comments on the milestone progress reports:	Yes (Milestone 1)

Table 2-3: Key Consultation and Engagement Activities Undertaken During Milestone 4

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
Aug 01, 2024	July 2024 E-blast distributed via email.
Aug 01, 2024	Follow up regarding the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to participate in the Groundwater Program fieldwork distributed via email.
Aug 08, 2024	Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting in person. Meeting information is confidential.
Aug 12, 2024	Follow up with Jerry Shabogamik to confirm payment details for his participation in the geotechnical flyover on July 19 and 20, 2024 distributed via email.
Aug 15, 2024	Project updates including the June and July community meetings, the Stage 1 Archaeology Report, participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program monitoring fieldwork, the IK Program funding and agreements, and the Community Coordinator Program distributed via email.
Aug 19, 2024	Updates and information sent after the geotechnical flyover including map locations for Aroland First Nation's review distributed via email. A meeting to discuss the results and next steps was requested.
Aug 23, 2024	Follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding drilling locations and mapping via email.
Aug 27, 2024	Signed IK Sharing Agreement sent to Aroland First Nation via email.
Sep 04, 2024	August 2024 E-blast distributed via email.
Sep 10, 2024	Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study received from Aroland First Nation via email.
Sep 12, 2024	Summary for the geotechnical helicopter flyover sent to Aroland First Nation for review via email. Feedback was requested by September 20, 2024.
Sep 13, 2024	Feedback and confirmation received on the geotechnical helicopter flyover summary memo via email.
Sep 18, 2024	Fall 2024 Groundwater and Geochemistry Program Update distributed via email.
Sep 24, 2024	Letter and frequently asked questions (FAQ) shared via email regarding the circulation of the Draft EA / IS. A link to a questionnaire to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review process was also included.
Sep 25, 2024	Outreach about Project updates including the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program and Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report distributed via email.
Oct 03, 2024	September 2024 E-blast distributed via email.
Oct 07, 2024	Letter about upcoming Draft EA / IS Report re-shared via email.
Oct 10, 2024	Community Coordinator Program participant identified by Aroland First Nation via email.

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
Oct 25, 2024	Outreach about Project updates including the Draft EA / IS questionnaire, the IK Program funding, and the Community Coordinator Program distributed via email.
Oct 29, 2024	Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in person for a taskforce meeting. Meeting information is confidential.
Nov 05, 2024	October 2024 E-blast distributed via email.
Nov 06, 2024	Response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions report was sent via email. A meeting was offered.
Nov 8 - 12, 2024	Update on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the offer for community capacity funding via phone call and email.
Nov 20, 2024	Building the Community Access Road webinar announcement distributed via email.
Nov 26, 2024	Building the Community Access Road webinar reminder distributed via email.
Dec 02, 2024	Milestone #3 Progress Report distributed via email. A meeting was offered.
Dec 06, 2024	Community Capacity Funding Agreement sent to Aroland First Nation via email.
Dec 11-16, 2024	Outreach about Project updates including the Draft EA / IS Report, IK Program Funding, Community Capacity Funding, and a potential meeting in January 2025 distributed via email.
Dec 18, 2024	2024 Year in Review E-blast distributed via email.
Dec 18, 2024	Outreach about year-end updates including key milestones and meetings from 2024 and information on activities scheduled for 2025. Correspondence included updates on the Draft EA / IS distribution, the request for feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report, and confirmation of the next steps for the IK Program Funding Agreement and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement distributed via email.
Jan 13, 2025	Letter sent from MNR to Aroland First Nation via email regarding the letter previously submitted on November 15, 2024, about the MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program.
Jan 15, 2025	2025 Winter Field Notice distributed via email.
Jan 17, 2025	Outreach regarding details needed from Aroland First Nation to finalize the IK Program Funding Agreement and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement distributed via email.
Jan 21 - 30, 2025	Outreach about Project updates, including the release of the Draft EA / IS and the upcoming Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. Correspondence included the request for feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report, the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, the status of the IK Program Funding Agreement and follow up on an in-community meeting via phone and email.
Feb 04, 2025	Confirmation that Aroland First Nation's legal counsel reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided edits to be reviewed by the MFFN CAR Project Team via email.
Feb 10, 2025	January 2025 E-blast distributed via email.
Feb 11, 2025	Project updates with correspondence included updates on the Milestone #3 Progress Report, the Draft EA / IS Report, the IK Program Funding and the confirmation of receipt of Aroland First Nation's revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement distributed via email.
Feb 13, 2025	Notification of upcoming Draft EA / IS early release to Indigenous communities distributed via email.
Feb 19, 2025	Notification of availability of Draft EA / IS on website distributed via email.
Feb 19, 2025	Assessment Summary: Draft EA / IS hard copy shipped to Aroland First Nation.
Feb 20, 2025	Outreach about Project updates, including the release of the Draft EA / IS and the passing of the deadline for Milestone #3 Progress Report comments distributed via email. A meeting was offered, and a revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement was sent back to Aroland First Nation for review.
Feb 20, 2025	In-person break-out session at Three Road Forum and Expo in Thunder Bay, Ontario.
Mar 04, 2025	February 2025 E-blast distributed via email.
Mar 26, 2025	Outreach about Project updates, including the upcoming webinar series, the ongoing review period for the Draft EA / IS and interest in a community meeting distributed. Correspondence included, follow up on the status of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the status of the IK Program Funding distributed via email. A meeting was offered.
Apr 03, 2025	March 2025 E-blast distributed via email.
Apr 07, 2025	Revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement sent to Aroland, with a request for contact information and a void cheque for distribution of funds via email.
Apr 10, 2025	Community Well-Being report availability announcement distributed via email.

Date	Consultation and Engagement Activity
Apr 11, 2025	Outreach to provide project updates. Correspondence included the ongoing edits to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, the need of a void cheque to finalize the transfer of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, inquiries regarding the use of the same void cheque and contact information for the IK Program Funding, and a potential meeting in Thunder Bay on May 30, 2025 distributed via email.
Apr 11, 2025	Aroland First Nation indicated a disagreement with the proposed changes to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement via email.
Apr 30, 2025	Draft EA / IS webinar series reminder distributed via email.
Apr 30, 2025	Outreach about Project updates, including the upcoming webinar series, the ongoing review period for the Draft EA / IS and Community Well-Being report, and PIC #6. Correspondence included the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, the status of the IK Agreement, and potential meetings dates between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation distributed via email.
May 06, 2025	Notification for Community Well-Being webinar distributed via email.
May 08, 2025	April 2025 E-blast distributed via email.
May 20, 2025	Notification for Fish and Fish Habitat webinar distributed via email.
May 26, 2025	Outreach about Project updates, including the upcoming webinar series, the ongoing review period for the Draft EA / IS, PIC #6 and the community meetings to be held on May 28 and 29, 2025 distributed via email.
May 26, 2025	Notification for Public Information Centre #6 distributed via email.
May 28 and 29, 2025	In-person expo style events held for Aroland First Nation members in Thunder Bay and in Aroland.
Jun 05, 2025	Notification for People: Land and Resource Use webinar distributed via email.
Jun 11, 2025	May 2025 E-blast distributed via email.
Jun 13, 2025	Community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report provided on June 13, 2025, via email. A meeting to discuss the Draft Report was offered.
Jun 19, 2025	Aroland First Nation provided a signed version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement via email.
June 23, 2025	Aroland First Nation provided a cover letter and Technical Review Report with 118 comments on the Draft EA / IS via email.
Jun 26, 2025	Outreach regarding Project updates, including the conclusion of the Draft EA / IS review period, materials from PIC #6, and the upcoming distribution of the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities were distributed via email. The project team requested confirmation the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report was received and thanked Aroland First Nation for their comments on the Draft EA / IS via email.
Jul 15, 2025	June 2025 E-blast and Summer / Fall 2025 Field Notice distributed via email.
Jul 16, 2025	June 2025 E-blast and Summer / Fall 2025 Field Notice correction distributed via email.
Jul 22, 2025	Outreach regarding Project updates including the upcoming distribution of the RoCE and ongoing field studies. A reminder was given about the ongoing field studies, and information regarding the payment distribution for the IK Program was also shared. Additionally, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that an executed version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement would be provided shortly via email.
July 23, 2025	Outreach to remind Aroland First Nation of the ongoing review period for the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report distributed via email.
Jul 24, 2025	Outreach to invite Aroland First Nation to participate in upcoming field surveys distributed via email.
Jul 28, 2025	Aroland First Nation confirmation of interest in participating in upcoming field surveys via email.
Jul 30, 2025	Finalized Community Capacity Funding Agreement shared with Aroland First Nation via email.
Jul 30, 2025 – Aug 22, 2025	Ongoing dialogue regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in upcoming field studies via phone and email.
Jul 31, 2025	Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment update distributed via email.
Aug 07, 2025	July 2025 E-blast distributed via email.
Aug 13, 2025	Outreach to discuss the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, IK Program, ongoing field surveys, the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report, invoicing for the May 2025 community meeting, and changes in key contacts via phone.
Aug 28, 2025	Outreach regarding Project updates including a new video about cumulative effects and reminder of deadline for comments on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report distributed via email.

Table 2-4: Summary of Feedback Received and Response / Action – Aroland First Nation

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
<p>Federal IA Process, Provincial EA Process, Consultation Methods</p>	<p>Input into the EA / IS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 29, 2019, in a letter sent to IAAC, Aroland First Nation asserted that a proper collaborative planning process was required for their support on the Project. It was noted that the community would like to be involved for the life cycle of the Project and would like to develop a communication specific consultation protocol with the Project proponent. ■ On December 20, 2019, a Draft MOU with MFFN was provided to the Project. ■ On January 29, 2020, Aroland First Nation noted they cannot engage on the Project due to the lack of an MOU. ■ Aroland First Nation noted in a letter dated October 20, 2020, that they would like to negotiate a custom consultation process since MOU negotiations have stalled. ■ On May 6, 2022, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter expressing their opposition of the Project, noting dissatisfaction with attempts to work with MFFN on the EA / IS. ■ Representatives from Aroland First Nation attended ATRI Forum #1 in February 2023. Comments and feedback were received from the representatives. ■ Throughout May 2023, Aroland First Nation noted they would like to conduct their own IK / Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information collection studies. ■ On September 28, and October 6, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that Aroland First Nation would be entering their election cycle and that decision making and meetings would be on hold until after the election. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a fully executed version of 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In-person ■ Conference Call ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 23, 2019, during a meeting, the development of an agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN was discussed. ■ Prior to October 2020, the MFFN CAR Project Team discussed and negotiated the development of an MOU between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. In October 2020, MFFN requested to begin negotiation of an MOU from first principles. ■ Efforts were made to meet with Aroland First Nation to develop a custom consultation plan since October 2020. ■ In December 2022, Aroland First Nation was invited to ATRI Forum #1. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ In May 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team requested the opportunity to meet with Aroland First Nation and participate in collection of Socio-economic and Cultural Heritage information. ■ In October 2023, Aroland First Nation was invited to ATRI Forum #2. ■ On January 17 and 18, 2024, through email and phone, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on Aroland First Nation's input into the Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that receiving the community's input on the Route Selection was a priority, reiterated the importance of including the community's information in the EA / IS and that the Project had been discussing ways to engage with Aroland First Nation and inquired about 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Additional information related to the consultation process is in Section 11. ■ Aroland First Nation was invited to all PICs, ATRI Forums and webinars. Aroland First Nation has been invited to join the IK and Community Coordinator Programs, including their program-specific funding. Specific information related to Aroland First Nation is in Appendix X, the Final EA / IS RoCE. ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Funding for Indigenous communities includes participation in the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program, and participation in field monitoring program(s) for MFFN and Aroland First Nation members. MFFN CAR Project Team followed up with Aroland First Nation throughout the Assessment Process, as documented in the RoCE for Indigenous communities.

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
	<p>the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and stated that no consultation and engagement on the Project could occur until after Chief and Council inauguration on February 8, 2024. A potential meeting in February to re-engage on the Project was also mentioned. ■ On January 17 and 18, 2024, through email and phone correspondence, Andrew Peach and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant discussed Aroland First Nation's input into the Project and noted the importance of including the community's information in the EA / IS. Andrew noted that no consultation could occur until after February 8, 2024, and noted the community would be ready to meet soon afterward. Andrew noted that the new Council had reviewed the agreement with MFFN and would continue to operate on those terms until further notice, Andrew noted he would confirm if the new Aroland First Nation council would like to move forward with the previous MFFN agreement. Andrew Peach noted a community meeting would be necessary and would follow up after the inauguration. He also noted the community had yet to begin their IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage studies, as they had yet to meet with the Project Team and that the community intends on conducting their own studies. ■ On February 9, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach following a request for a call. It was reiterated that Aroland First Nation would like the MFFN CAR Project Team to present in the community and provided potential meeting dates in March 2024. Andrew also noted that the community would be ready to move forward with their IK / Socio- 		<p>potential meetings and / or workshops. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of Aroland First Nation's IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage collections.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging the response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and inquired about the status of comments on the Milestone #2 Progress Report. Potential dates to present the Project to the community were noted as under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN, noting the intention to reconnect and re-engage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council. MFFN inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for 	

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	<p>economic/Cultural Heritage studies shortly after the meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 16, 2024, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant a letter outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter outlined concerns related to the inclusion of information in the EA / IS to date, inclusion of Aroland First Nation's IK and inclusion of Aroland First Nation's requests for deeper consultation and a distinctions-based approach to consultation on the Project. ■ On March 4 and 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that the Chief of Aroland First Nation would like the Project Team to visit the community to host a meeting and introduce the Project. It was also noted that Aroland First Nation was interested in discussing alternative uses for the Community Coordinator Program funding to support their participation and involvement in studies and engagement. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received. It was noted that Aroland First Nation had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. Andrew noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ Between May 21 and 22, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team inquiring about their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. 		<p>the draft EA / IS had been pushed back to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between September 2023 and March 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to re-engage and consult on the Project, allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ On May 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team confirmed their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. ■ Between June 13 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent emails to Andrew Peach to coordinate the logistics of a meeting with Aroland First Nation. ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ From June 11 – 13, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo (the Expo), hosted by MFFN and Webequie First Nation. ■ On June 26, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to confirm Aroland First Nation’s interest in hiring a Community Consultation Coordinator. Andrew inquired about the next steps for getting the program set up. It was noted that Aroland First Nation would post the Community Coordinator job posting shortly. ■ On June 27, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik called the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to inquire if the Community Coordinator job posting could be shared with the community. ■ On June 28, July 2, July 8 and July 16, 2024, an Aroland First Nation community member expressed interest in applying for the Community Coordinator position via phone and email. ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team inquiring about the status of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. ■ On August 8, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the Community Coordinator Program information previously provided would be reviewed by HR at Aroland First Nation. Andrew noted he would provide an update once he had information to share. ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation’s IK and Land Use study report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On October 1, 2024, Councillor Mark Bell emailed Andrew Peach and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting there had been deaths in the community which would impact the ability to hold community meetings on October 16 and 18, 2024. On the same day, 		<p>discuss preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Jeremy Shute noting that updates on the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements would be shared soon. ■ On July 15 and 16, 2024, in-person meetings were held with Aroland First Nation. The meetings were held in an expo style and aimed to receive feedback on the preliminary technically preferred route, baseline studies, the EA / IS process and cumulative effects. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach providing the signed IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation’s interest in the Community Coordinator Program and provided additional information, including next steps and the contact information of an Aroland First Nation community member who expressed interest in the role. ■ On August 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach regarding Project updates including the June and July community meetings, the Stage 1 Archaeology Report, participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program monitoring fieldwork, the IK Program funding and agreements, and the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On August 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the signed IK Program Sharing Agreement and followed up on the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding. ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach 	

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	<p>Andrew noted he would follow up on the meetings with Jerry Shabogamik once the community was ready to engage on the Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 10, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to confirm Aroland First Nation had selected a person to fill position as part of the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On October 29, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided details for the coordination of the IK Program funding. Andrew provided contact information and mentioned a lump sum payment is preferred. ■ On December 9, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting he would try to connect with Jerry Shabogamik that week to review the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provide the requested details to finalize the agreement. ■ On December 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that he was working with Jerry Shabogamik on the IK Program Funding Agreement, Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the Draft EA / IS questionnaire. Andrew mentioned the community meeting would likely need to be moved to February 2025 to accommodate the release of the Draft EA / IS. ■ On December 13, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik would be working on the details for the IK Program Funding Agreement and Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew inquired if it was possible to receive the Draft EA / IS through Dropbox or Google Drive and whether it was possible to have two main contacts. Andrew confirmed the community meeting would be postponed until February or March 2025. 		<p>acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 24, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed the Chief of Aroland First Nation to provide a letter with an advanced notice and an update on the Draft EA / IS. The letter provided information about the Draft EA / IS, how input received from Indigenous communities will be used for the Final EA / IS, and supports the MFFN CAR Project Team could provide during review of the report, including funding and meetings. On October 7, 2024, the MFFN CAR project Consultant re-shared this email with two key members from Aroland First Nation, as they had been missed on the initial email. ■ On September 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding and inquired if a lump sum payment was of interest. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the selection of a person to fill the Community Coordinator Program position. ■ On October 1, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if the previously proposed meeting dates of October 16 or 18, 2024, in Thunder Bay, would work for the community. The following day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledge the email from Councillor Mark Bell noting the deaths in the community. and The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would await further direction from the community. ■ On October 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging Aroland First Nation's selection of a participant for the Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would follow 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17 and 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that he would follow up regarding the previous request for information for the IK Program Sharing Agreement and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On January 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew indicated that he would review the Draft EA / IS with Jerry Shabogamik. Andrew also noted that the planned in-person meeting with Aroland for February / March 2025, will now be delayed to early April 2025 to allow sufficient time to the community to review the Draft EA / IS. Finally, Andrew asked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant if any extension was possible for the submission of comments on the Milestone #3 Progress Report, or if late comments would still be received. ■ On February 4, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting Aroland First Nation's legal counsel had reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided edits for the MFFN CAR Project Team to review. ■ On February 14, 2025, Ashley Childs emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the Milestone #3 Progress Report review had been completed. Ashley provided updates regarding the IK Program Funding preferred method of payment and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On February 25, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that questions regarding the Draft EA / IS had been directed to the provided email. Andrew mentioned he would follow up with Chief and Council to gauge interest in a meeting and provided further information regarding the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew requested the revisions be 		<p>up with the next steps once confirmed by the MFFN CAR Project Team.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the Draft EA / IS Report questionnaire and key preferences related to review of the Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested details regarding the preferred payment details for the IK Program funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted a Community Coordinator was confirmed on October 10, 2024, and that they had tried to reach the individual but were unable to connect and would continue trying. ■ On October 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him for providing preferred payment details for the IK Program and noted they would reach out to the contact shortly. ■ On October 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to coordinate payment for the IK Program funding, specifically the preferred payment method. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the ATRI Existing Conditions and Assessment Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First 	

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	<p>considered and asked for confirmation if further discussion was required to finalize the agreement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 11, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to indicate a disagreement with the proposed changes to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement provided. Andrew Peach additionally identified Laine Gagnon as the point of contact for the distribution of funds related to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided their contact information. ■ On April 16, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to request clarifications on the proposed meetings between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation in May 2025. ■ On April 23, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide the contact information of Aroland First Nation's legal counsel. ■ On April 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the same contact could be used for both the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program Funding. ■ On June 12, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to advise that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the void cheque for funding distribution. ■ On June 19, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS. 		<p>Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 8, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide an update on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program, which was replaced with the offer of a one-time, lump sum community capacity funding payment to help support engagement in the CAR in a way that best suits the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided additional details regarding the funding including the forthcoming agreement and recommended uses for the capacity funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested feedback on the community's interest in the funding by February 28, 2025. ■ On November 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the available Community Capacity Funding. They discussed recommended uses for the Community Capacity Funding and the next steps regarding the person identified to be Aroland First Nation's Community Coordinator. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would provide an update on the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew indicated he would follow up with Chief and Council regarding the person previously identified as the Community Coordinator, as well as the capacity funding opportunity. A meeting in the new year was briefly discussed. An email summarizing the phone call and action items was sent the next day. ■ On December 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation for review. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program, including the offer for funding through the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, and interest in a community meeting in January 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also followed up on the status of the IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email that same day, thanking Andrew Peach for the updates regarding the agreements, Draft EA / IS questionnaire, and community meetings, and asked if certain details for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could be prioritized in order to expedite the process. ■ On December 16, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to thank him for updates regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the postponement of the upcoming community meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Draft EA / IS could be sent in a few formats, including a digital copy, and confirmed that both Andrew and Jerry Shabogamik would be included in correspondence regarding the Draft EA / IS. ■ On December 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation confirming they are waiting for Jerry Shabogamik to provide details for the IK Program Funding Agreement and Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted both Jerry and Andrew Peach had been added to the distribution list for the Draft EA / IS, confirmed a digital version is available and provided a link to the preferences questionnaire. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Aroland First Nation that feedback was requested on the Milestone #3 Progress report by February 	

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			<p>14, 2025, and offered a meeting to discuss the report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to request the necessary information to finalize the IK Program Funding and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On January 21, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts Aroland First Nation to provide project updates, including the release of the Draft EA / IS and the upcoming Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. Correspondence included the request for feedback on the Milestone #3 Report, and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, and the status of the IK Funding Agreement. ■ On January 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to determine if Aroland First Nation would be attending the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a package would be sent to Indigenous communities with the necessary documents to conduct a review of the Draft EA / IS Report and inquired about the mailing address for Andrew to receive the package. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Andrew that a meeting at the Three Roads Projects Gathering and Expo was possible, in addition to an in-community meeting. ■ On February 5 and 11, 2025. the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed receipt of Aroland First Nation's edits to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and noted they would provide a response back as soon as possible. ■ On February 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Ashley Childs to provide updates to Aroland First Nation regarding the Milestone #3 Progress Report, 	

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			<p>Draft EA / IS and IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report received after the deadline would be incorporated into Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement but would not be reflected in the Milestone #3 Progress Report being posted to the Project website. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted they were awaiting details for the IK Program Funding Agreement and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement was under review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation has 120 days to review and provide feedback on the Draft EA / IS. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final EA / IS. ■ On February 20, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that all questions and comments should be sent to the eaisinput@martenfallsaccessroad.ca email and that an in-person or virtual meeting was possible upon request. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were reviewed and provided an updated Agreement to Aroland First Nation for review. They also noted the deadline to provide feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report had passed, and additional information regarding the Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement was provided. ■ On February 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him for the updates regarding their review of the Draft EA / IS and for the information regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the proposed 	

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			<p>revisions to the Agreement were with the Project Team for consideration.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to inquire if Aroland First Nation was still interested in holding an in-person meeting to further discuss the Project, inquiring about potential dates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were still with the Project Team for review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that they were awaiting banking details from Aroland First Nation in order to finalize the IK Program Funding. ■ On April 7, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally requested contact information and a void cheque for the distribution of funds, upon the completion of the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Community Well-Being Technical Support Document with Indigenous communities. ■ On April 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide further updates regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and payment information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a void cheque was still required for the distribution of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally inquired if the same contact and void cheque could be used for the IK Funding Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about a potential meeting in Thunder Bay on May 30, 2025. ■ On April 21, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to 	

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			<p>provide updates on the proposed meetings in May 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally inquired if Andrew Peach could provide Aroland First Nation's legal counsel contact information to facilitate discussion with the AECOM legal team, regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement edits.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach stating that a void cheque would still be required to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to confirm that the same contact and void cheque that would be provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could also be used to execute the IK Program Funding. ■ On May 9, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program funding. ■ Between April 11 - May 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on a potential meeting to occur in May 2025. ■ On May 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a poster for the Aroland First Nation meetings and provided information regarding a Country Foods Sampling Program, to be held at the meeting in Aroland on May 29, 2025. ■ On May 28 and 29, 2025, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss and receive feedback on the Draft EA / IS review process, as well as technical discipline information including Community Well-Being, Land and Resource Use and Bridge / Navigability. A Country Foods Sampling Program was conducted. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 12, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the progress of the revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement that was provided to Aroland First Nation for review and also inquired about a void cheque to distribute the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	
<p>Field Studies, Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods, Groundwater (Quality and Quantity)</p>	<p>Field Program Participation, Funding and Consultation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 13 and July 30, 2021, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team indicating that Aroland First Nation would like the custom consultation process to be developed before the start of the Project's Field Study Programs and indicated a lack of funding to determine potential impacts caused by the Project studies. ■ On September 3, 2021, and July 30, 2021, the Chief of Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team noting they do not consent to Field Study Programs on their territory, as no custom consultation plan was in place. ■ On October 7, 2021, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter noting concerns with funding and the Field Study Programs. ■ On October 22, 2021, Aroland First Nation emailed the MNRF a letter noting concerns with funding and the Filed Study Programs. ■ On April 1, 2022, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and the MFFN CAR Project Team noting Aroland First Nation's participation in the helicopter flyover for the geotechnical and groundwater study programs does not mean they consent to field studies in their Traditional Territory. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Memo ■ Phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 13, 2021, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to provide a response to the September 3, 2021, letter. The MFFN CAR Project Team offered to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss the field study programs. ■ On November 10, 2021, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent a letter to the Chief of Aroland First Nation offering to meet with the community to discuss their concerns and funding opportunities. ■ On March 9, 2022, MFFN Leadership sent a letter to the Chief of Aroland First Nation requesting a meeting to discuss the Project including allocation of funding, creating a custom consultation plan, developing and IKSA and an offer to participate in the geotechnical and groundwater field study programs. ■ On April 14, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation noting the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. A meeting was offered. ■ On August 23, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a summary memo documenting the results and responses to questions posed by 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Information on Groundwater can be found in the Groundwater Technical Support Document (Appendix H). Additional information on the groundwater and geochemistry monitoring programs can be found in Section 14. ■ A subsection on groundwater is also included in Section 8. Life on Our Land. ■ A subsection on groundwater and geochemistry was also included in Section 10.2 Water, of Section 10 Cumulative Effects Assessment. ■ Aroland First Nations' participation in the flyover and drilling activities are captured in the RoCE. ■ Funding for Indigenous communities includes participation in the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program, and participation in field monitoring program(s) for MFFN and Aroland First Nation. MFFN

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 17 and 18, 2022 Aroland First Nation representatives participated in two helicopter flyovers of the proposed drilling sites of interest as identified by Aroland First Nation. ■ On August 25, 2022, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquiring if a summary memo would be provided following the helicopter flyover studies. ■ On September 1, 2022, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant providing Aroland First Nation's feedback on the draft helicopter summary memo. ■ Between November 25 and December 4, 2022, Aroland First Nation representatives participated in the Groundwater Program for drilling sites 10 and 16. ■ On January 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew noted he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors received honoraria payments for their participation in the groundwater program drilling activities that took place from November 25 to December 4, 2022. ■ On January 17, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirming that Jerry Shabogamik confirmed the Aroland First Nation monitors had received their honoraria payments for participation in the groundwater program drilling activities. ■ On March 8, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach regarding upcoming Field Program work. Andrew noted that there were likely no concerns related to the proximity of the fieldwork to Aroland First Nation. Andrew noted he would confirm with Jerry Shabogamik. ■ On March 31, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation noting that Aroland First Nation participated 		<p>Aroland First Nation during the flyover surveys.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation's feedback was incorporated into the final version of the helicopter flyover memo. ■ On September 28, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide the final version of the helicopter flyover memo. Further feedback on the summary was not received. ■ On January 6 and 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to confirm the Aroland First Nation monitors had received honoraria payments for participation in the groundwater program (November / December 2022). The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a summary of the drilling activities would be sent shortly. ■ On March 3, 2023, a summary of the groundwater drilling activities for November and December 2022, was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments or revisions have been provided by Aroland First Nation to date. The email also inquired if Aroland First Nation would have any interest in sending monitors for the upcoming groundwater drilling activities. ■ On March 8, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the upcoming Field Program work near Aroland First Nation, including wolverine denning surveys and site reconnaissance for the groundwater drilling program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation would like to send monitors for the upcoming groundwater drilling activities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for information related to payment methods and contact information for the monitors and noted that a follow up email with details would be sent to Aroland First Nation key contacts, which was sent later that day. Further details related to the surveys being 	<p>followed up with Aroland First Nation throughout the Assessment Process, as documented in the RoCE for Indigenous communities.</p>

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	<p>in one flyover of the Local Study Area that was included in Stage 1 field review. The letter noted that because of the significant overlap of the study area with Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory, the community believes they are entitled to a deeper level of engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to their territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation had received the signed version of the Collaboration Agreement Proposal and were ready to finalize and send the fully executed version of the agreement to MFFN shortly. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ On October 6, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023, would not be possible as the community was in election. ■ From November 2023 to January 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community was unable to engage and consult on the Project due to the election cycle. Andrew noted consultation and engagement could continue after the inauguration scheduled on February 8, 2024. ■ On February 9, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach following a request for a call from Andrew. Andrew noted that a Project presentation was requested by Aroland First Nation and provided potential meeting dates in March 2024. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. 		<p>completed, area of work and information needed by the MFFN CAR Project Team was included. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation had any feedback or concerns regarding the work timing and locations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between March 8 and April 18, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent follow up emails and phone calls to coordinate Aroland First Nation monitor participation in the groundwater drilling activities. ■ On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023, letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. ■ On August 23, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter regarding the Groundwater Baseline Program and re-attached past summary memos. The letter summarized Aroland First Nation's participation in the helicopter flyover and drilling monitoring in support of the Groundwater Baseline Program and summarized the most recent drilling activities for transparency, as Aroland First Nation monitors were unable to participate in the April and June 2023 work. An offer was made to discuss the follow up 	

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	<p>Andrew noted he would provide a response as soon as possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 22, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting his availability for a call to discuss Aroland First Nation's participation in the Groundwater Program field work. ■ On May 23, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for the information on the upcoming opportunity to participate in the Groundwater program. Jerry noted the job posting had been shared with Aroland First Nation's Ontario Works representative and would be shared on Facebook. ■ On May 24, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanking them for the updates regarding Aroland First Nation's participation in the upcoming Groundwater Program. On the same date, Jerry provided the name and phone number of two potential community members to participate in the program. ■ On May 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided an updated cell phone number for one of the community members to potentially participate in the Groundwater program. ■ On May 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a voicemail from an Aroland First Nation community member inquiring about the opportunity to participate in the Groundwater program. ■ On July 16, 2024, Andrew Peach noted that Aroland First Nation had expressed interest in having monitors participate in fieldwork activities and hoped they could work together to identify monitors and ensure participation in future field work. ■ On July 19 and 20, 2024, a representative from Aroland First Nation participated in a helicopter flyover to inform the Geotechnical Program, where future aggregate sites and water crossings were reviewed. 		<p>monitoring program for all of the groundwater monitoring sites.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to inquire about the status of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement and proposed a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023. On the same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email summarizing the phone call. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video, reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council and noted potential dates to present the Project the community were noted as under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN, noting the intention to reconnect and re-engage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council. MFFN inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed back to late 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 1, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided the contact information for a potential monitor for the Groundwater Program. ■ On August 19, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and acknowledged a previous email sent regarding the geotechnical flyover. Jerry noted he would review the mapping provided. ■ On September 4, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanking them for the information regarding payment for his participation in the Geotechnical Program. ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Jerry Shabogamik noting he would work with Jerry Shabogamik on the opportunity to send monitors to participate in Groundwater Program field work. ■ On September 13, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and approved the summary memo for the geotechnical helicopter flyover. Jerry inquired about pictures of river crossing and other sites. ■ On September 20, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that Jerry Shabogamik had been working on a list of potential monitors to participate in fieldwork opportunities. Andrew indicated he would send Jerry a reminder that day. ■ On July 28, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to indicate that Jerry Shabogamik had expressed interest in participating in upcoming field surveys. ■ On August 6, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that Jerry Shabogamik would be out of office for the remainder of the week. Andrew 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between September 2023 and March 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to re-engage and consult on the Project, allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ Between May 22 and 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and inquired about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating as field assistants in the upcoming Groundwater Program sampling. A field assistant was identified by Aroland First Nation but was unable to participate in the program due to scheduling conflicts. ■ On July 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide information regarding upcoming Geotechnical Program fieldwork and to inquire about their interest in sending monitors to participate. ■ On July 25 and 29, and August 1, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent emails to Andrew Peach to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in sending a monitor to participate in the upcoming Groundwater Program fieldwork or to follow up on the contact information provided by Aroland First Nation. 	

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	<p>noted he hoped they would be able to accommodate Jerry joining field surveys upon his return.</p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between August 12 and 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on and coordinated the payment for Jerry Shabogamik's participation in the geotechnical flyover held on July 19 and 20, 2024. ■ On August 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and noted that they had followed up on Aroland First Nation's participation in the Groundwater Program fieldwork on July 25 and 29, however, they were unable to get in contact with the person identified as a potential monitor before the deadline. ■ On August 19, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide additional information regarding the geotechnical flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, including mapping of locations visited for Jerry Shabogamik's review with the community and noted a summary would be sent shortly. A meeting was requested. ■ On August 23, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on the August 19, 2024, email that sent mapping for Aroland First Nation's review, to request potential meeting dates and to note a summary of the fieldwork would be sent soon. ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to follow up on the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to send monitors to participate in Groundwater Program field work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested a list of names for individuals to participate in fieldwork opportunities. The same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Andrew Peach for the update. ■ On September 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation and provided a summary of the geotechnical flyover 	

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			<p>conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested feedback on the memo and the previously provided mapping by September 20, 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 16, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik noting that pictures and information from the geotechnical helicopter flyover had been provided to Aroland First Nation on August 19, 2024, and provided a link to a Google drive where the information was stored. ■ On September 19, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to follow up on whether he had received payment for his participation in the geotechnical flyover held on July 19 and 20, 2024. ■ On September 19, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik to inquire if they had an update on the list of names of potential monitors to participate in field work opportunities, specifically the upcoming Groundwater Program fieldwork tentatively scheduled for September 28 - October 5, 2024. ■ On January 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team was included on the email response provided by the MNR to Aroland First Nation regarding their letter submitted on November 15, 2024. This letter included measures to mitigate the concerns about the Geotechnical Program expressed by Aroland First Nation. ■ On June 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation thanking them for providing comments on the Draft EA / IS. ■ On July 15, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation notifying of upcoming field studies. A correction to the notice was sent on July 16, 2025. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation providing the summer 2025 field notice, outlining three ongoing field programs, including a Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, groundwater decommissioning, and geotechnical investigations. ■ On July 24, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to invite them to participate in upcoming field surveys. ■ On July 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to provide logistical details for upcoming field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if a field monitor had been selected to participate. ■ On July 31, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation with an update regarding the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment. A field notice was provided. ■ On August 1, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to confirm that a field monitor would be attending upcoming field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a desire to meet on August 7, 2025, to identify sites of interests to Aroland First Nation. ■ On August 5, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Jerry Shabogamik to confirm a field monitor would be participating in upcoming field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation by noon on August 6, 2025, to ensure enough time for enrolment into the Artech platform. ■ On August 7, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation the July 2025 E-blast, including a Field Notice for upcoming surveys. ■ On August 7, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting 	

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			<p>Jerry Shabogamik's participation would be accommodated upon his return to office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From August 13 to August 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant attempted to include Jerry Shabogamik in the field program. The Aroland First Nation member was unable to participate in the field work. <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to offer opportunities to participate in the field study programs and monitoring, if applicable. 	
<p>Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Consultation Methods</p>	<p>Assessment of Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On October 7, 2021, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter noting concerns regarding the robustness of the assessment of their ATRI during the EA process. On April 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Project Team noting a lack of adequate capacity, information and time to support meaningful consultation and proper assessment of the impacts the MFFN CAR Project field study programs may have on their ATRI. On May 13, 2022, Aroland First Nation forwarded a letter to the MFFN CAR Project Team relaying their concerns regarding the MFFN CAR. The original letter was issued to MFFN Chief and Council on May 6, 2022. On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN, thanking them for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members only. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter In-person Phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On February 4, 2022, the MECP responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns expressed in a letter dated October 7, 2021. While these comments have been addressed, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue with Aroland First Nation as information becomes available. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted on May 14, 2022, that the Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. On September 23, 2022, MFFN responded to the May 6, 2022, letter from Aroland First Nation to MFFN Chief and Council. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods and relationships between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. On December 15, 2022, MFFN sent a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to the December 1, 2022, letter. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See Section 11.3.3 for more details on the IK program. Funding for Indigenous communities included participation in the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program, and participation in field monitoring program(s) for MFFN and Aroland First Nation. MFFN followed up with Aroland First Nation throughout the Assessment Process, as documented in the RoCE for Indigenous communities. Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report have been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. Information on Cumulative Effects may be located in Section 10 of the Final EA / IS.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 8 and 9 2023, representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the ATRI Forum #1 in Thunder Bay. ■ On March 31, 2023, the Chief of Aroland First Nation sent a letter that outlined that Aroland First Nation had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports and that the comments sent on the same date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage. ■ On May 26, 2023 Aroland First Nation sent the MFFN CAR Project Team a letter regarding cultural heritage. ■ On November 17, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant providing a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation outlining Aroland First Nation's attendance at the ATRI Forum #2. The letter noted that the road and the activities it will generate and facilitate will have significant impacts on Aroland First Nation's ATRI and required their consent and engagement design to garner their consent. Aroland First Nation outlined their concerns regarding the ability of the ATRI Forum to meet any reasonable requirements of engagement to meet their consent, which included: the open conference style of the Forum, the involvement and sharing of IK, and whether the Forum will be used to check boxes in the Crown's Duty to Consult and Accommodate. Aroland First Nation outlined that how the community exercises their ATRI within their traditional territory is considered part of their IK and that they could not discussed potential impacts to their ATRI without referencing, discussing or sharing their IK. ■ On January 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On January 13, 2023, Aroland First Nation was invited to attend the ATRI Forum in February 2023 in Thunder Bay. ■ On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed the key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023, letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023, letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First Nation to participate in the IK program and data collection, provided documents and materials to support their data collection and noted funding opportunities through the IK Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted the Project would receive and incorporate any information received from Aroland First Nation throughout the assessment process. 	

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	<p>and noted that Aroland First Nation's perspectives and comments must inform the final ATRI Existing Conditions Report and into the Draft EA / IS report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter on behalf of Aroland First Nation outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report including their concerns related to the incorporation of their information in the report and requested the report be updated to reflect their comments. The letter noted instances where information provided to the Project was missing or minimally referenced in the report which could misrepresent their ATRI, their intent to submit a forthcoming IKLOUS and their attempts to communicate potential impacts to their ATRI. Appendices were included in the letter which provided specific examples of missing or minimally referenced information and new information to be included in the report. The letter also noted that it is a violation of Aroland First Nation's right to be informed to proceed without cumulative effects are determined as part of the Regional Assessment and that Aroland First Nation is committed to working the Project in considering the potential impacts of the Project on their Traditional Territory. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received. Andrew Peach noted Aroland First Nation had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. Andrew requested that the signed final versions be sent back as soon as possible. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation a community-specific invitation for ATRI Forum #2 to Aroland First Nation. The invitation noted ATRI Forum #2 will take place in Thunder Bay from November 21-23, 2023. ■ On November 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation and confirmed receipt of the ATRI Forum response letter. ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a response to the November 17, 2023, letter. The letter noted that the Forum is not a public event and included confidential, closed, and private sessions with invitations to Indigenous communities to meet one-on-one with members of the project teams, which were held similarly to Forum #1. Information collected would also be shared with the communities for review and comment. The letter outlined that MFFN, as a First Nation proponent, understands the interdependency between IK and ATRI and are respectful of following community-specific protocols for collecting, sharing and using IK. It was noted that the IK Program was launched to address confidentiality, sharing and the use of IK in the assessment process, and that the Project has provided information and offered funding, and will continue to do so to help Aroland First Nation in sharing their information with the Project. The letter mentioned that with the communications protocol in place with MFFN, that the Project looked forward to discussing how to best consult and engage with Aroland First Nation, including to gain a better understanding of their rights and interests related to the proposed Project. A meeting was offered. ■ On February 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute, emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team inquiring about the status of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On October 23, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant responding to the inquiry about Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study shapefiles. Andrew noted Aroland First Nation would not be sharing shapefiles as it included sensitive information and community knowledge shared by community members. Andrew explained that Aroland First Nation is not comfortable sharing the information for external use and they believe the report provides an appropriate overview of the data requested at a level the community is comfortable with. ■ On October 29, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided details for the coordination of the IK Program funding. Andrew provided contact information and mentioned a lump sum payment is preferred. ■ On December 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that he was working with Jerry Shabogamik on the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On December 13, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik would be working on the details for the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On January 17 and 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the previous request 		<p>from Aroland First Nation thanking them for providing the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and potential meeting dates to present the Project were under review. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach confirming the receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted that they would review the agreements and send final versions as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Jeremy Shute noting that updates on the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements would be shared soon. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach providing the signed IK Program Funding Agreement and inquired about payments methods for the program. ■ On August 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting the IK Funding Agreement had been sent to Aroland First Nation on July 31, 2024, and inquired about the preferred payment option. 	

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	<p>for information regarding the IK Program Funding Agreement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 14, 2025, Ashley Childs emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the Milestone #3 Progress Report review had been completed. Ashley Childs provided updates regarding the IK Program Funding preferred method of payment and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On April 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the same contact could be used for both the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program Funding. ■ On June 12, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to advise that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the revised void cheque for funding distribution. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Assessment of Rights. 		<p>The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also mentioned the IK Sharing Agreement was with the MFFN CAR Project Team for review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the signed IK Program Sharing Agreement. ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On October 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if Aroland First Nation could share shapefiles for the information presented in their IK and Land Use Study and noted the shapefiles would be used to overlay with the MFFN CAR ATRI local and regional study areas to determine potential impacts to Aroland First Nation's rights and interests. ■ On October 23, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him for his response regarding the sharing of Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Report shapefiles. ■ On October 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the preferred payment details for the IK Program funding. ■ On October 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him for providing preferred payment details for the IK Program and noted they would reach out to the contact shortly. ■ On October 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to coordinate payment for the IK Program funding, specifically the preferred payment method. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to 	

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			<p>provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the status of the IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email that same day, thanking Andrew Peach for the updates regarding the agreement. ■ On December 16 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging updates regarding the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On January 17, 21 and 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed and phoned Andrew Peach to follow up on the outstanding information required to finalize the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On February 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Ashley Childs, following a call with Andrew Peach on January 30, 2025, noting that they were awaiting details to move forward with the IK Program Funding Agreement. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On March 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to indicate that they were awaiting banking details from Aroland First Nation in order to finalize the IK Program Funding. ■ On April 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if the same contact and void cheque could be used for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the distribution of IK Program funds. ■ On April 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach stating that a void cheque would still be required to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to confirm that the same contact and void cheque that would be provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could also be used to execute the IK Program Funding. ■ On May 9 and 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the IK Program funding. ■ On June 12, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow-up on the progress of the revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement that was provided to Aroland First Nation for review and also inquired about a void cheque to distribute the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback 	

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			<p>on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Assessment of Rights. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. ■ On June 24, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to request a void cheque be provided for the disbursement of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and IK Program Funding. ■ On June 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation and thanked them for providing comments on the Draft EA / IS and requested confirmation that the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report was received. ■ On August 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew confirmed Aroland First Nation had received the final executed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew confirmed payment had successfully been received for the Community Capacity Funding Program and noted intent to inquire with Aroland First Nation's Band Office to confirm receipt of payment for the IK Program. Andrew noted Aroland First Nation were still on track to meet the September 11, 2025, deadline for submission of comments on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. 	

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<p>Mitigation, Compensation, Accommodation, Provincial EA Process</p>	<p>Funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation indicated to the Province of Ontario they cannot engage on the Project until they receive adequate participant funding. ■ On October 7, 2021, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter noting concerns with the lack of funding to participate in the EA for the Project. ■ On November 15, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew noted that although he could not speak on behalf of the community, he believed the IK Program and Community Coordinator Program funding could be of consideration after a Nation-to-Nation meeting was executed, as Aroland First Nation had yet to determine whether or not to move forward with these programs. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation only has participant funding from the Province but does not have funding to review reports related to the Project. ■ On January 31, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation noting a lack of funding to review the Interim RoCE and Milestone #1 Progress Report. ■ On March 31, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation noting they had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter noted that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and archaeological heritage. ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter from Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ In February 2020, Aroland First Nation entered a participant funding agreement with the Province. ■ While this issue was brought up directly to MECP, the MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss and understand their participation funding needs. ■ In January and February 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team provided updates on available IK Program funding and the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On April 14, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation noting the MFFN CAR Project Team would like to discuss their needs in terms of capacity funding to develop a custom consultation process. ■ On November 15, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. The MFFN CAR Project consultant asked about the IK Program and related funding, and the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023, letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First Nation to receive funding from the Project and Province to help fund their IK, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage data collection. ■ On February 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in participating in the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On March 8, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the Community Coordinator Program job description for consideration and noted the MFFN CAR Project Team was available to meet to discuss any questions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ While participant funding is issued by the Province and not the MFFN CAR Project Team, funding for Indigenous communities included participation in the Indigenous Knowledge Program, Community Coordinator Program, and participation in field monitoring program(s) for MFFN and Aroland First Nation. MFFN followed up with Aroland First Nation throughout the Assessment Process, as documented in the RoCE for Indigenous communities. For information on the communities that participated in the IK program see Section 11.3.3.

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	<p>outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report, in which a lack of funding to review the report was noted.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 4 and 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that the Chief of Aroland First Nation would like the Project Team to visit the community to host a meeting and introduce the Project. Andrew also noted that Aroland First Nation was interested in discussing alternative uses for the Community Coordinator Program funding to support their participation and involvement in studies and engagement. ■ On May 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach, following a request for a call. Andrew noted that funding for meetings and for Project-specific studies would likely be a topic for the May 28, 2024, meeting between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation project team. ■ On June 26, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to confirm Aroland First Nation's interest in hiring a Community Consultation Coordinator. Andrew inquired about the next steps for getting the program set up. It was noted that Aroland First Nation would post the Community Coordinator job posting shortly. ■ On June 27, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik called the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to inquire if the Community Coordinator job posting could be shared with the community. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided a revised and signed draft of the IK Program Funding Agreement. Andrew requested that the signed final version be sent back as soon as possible. ■ On June 28, July 2, July 8 and July 16, 2024, an Aroland First Nation community member expressed interest in applying for 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging comments on the Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would review alternative funding uses with the MFFN CAR Project Team. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach confirming the receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed draft of the IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted they would review the Funding Agreement and send a final version as soon as possible. ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Jeremy Shute noting that updates on the IK Program Funding Agreement would be shared soon. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach providing the signed IK Program Funding Agreement and inquired about payments methods for the program. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's interest in the Community Coordinator Program and provided additional information, including next steps and the contact information of an Aroland First Nation community member who expressed interest in the role. ■ On August 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if a person had been selected for the role. ■ On August 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding. ■ On September 24, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed the Chief of 	

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	<p>the Community Coordinator position via phone and email.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 4, 2024, Jeremy Shute emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team inquiring about the status of the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On July 31, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted he would discuss the IK Program funding with Jerry Shabogamik. ■ On August 8, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the Community Coordinator Program information previously provided would be reviewed by HR at Aroland First Nation. Andrew noted he would provide an update once he had information to share. ■ On October 10, 2024, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirming Aroland First Nation had selected a person to fill position as part of the Community Coordinator Program. ■ On October 29, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided details for the coordination of the IK Program funding. Andrew provided contact information and mentioned a lump sum payment is preferred. ■ On December 9, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting he would try to connect with Jerry Shabogamik that week to review the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provide the requested details to finalize the agreement. ■ On December 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that he was working with Jerry Shabogamik on the IK Program Funding Agreement and Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On December 13, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik would 		<p>Aroland First Nation to provide an advanced notice and an update on the Draft EA / IS Report. Information regarding funding through the Province of Ontario Participant Funding initiative was outlined. The letter noted the Province would reach out to Aroland First Nation to discuss resourcing needs to review the Draft EA / IS Report. On October 7, 2024, the MFFN CAR project Consultant re-shared this email with two key members from Aroland First Nation, as they had been missed on the initial email.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding and inquired if a lump sum payment was preferred. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if there were any updates on the selection of a person to fill the Community Coordinator Program position. ■ On October 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation acknowledging Aroland First Nation's selection of a participant for the Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would follow up with the next steps once confirmed by the MFFN CAR Project Team. ■ On October 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the preferred payment details for the IK Program funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they had received confirmation of the Community Coordinator on October 10, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted a Community Coordinator was confirmed on October 10, 2024, and that they had tried to reach the individual but were unable to connect and would continue trying. ■ On October 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach 	

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	<p>be working on the details for the IK Program Funding Agreement and Community Capacity Funding Agreement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17 and 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the previous request for information regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On February 4, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting Aroland First Nation's legal counsel had reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided edits for the MFFN CAR Project Team to review. ■ On February 14, 2025, Ashley Childs emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the Milestone #3 Progress Report review had been completed. Ashley provided updates regarding the IK Program Funding preferred method of payment and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On February 25, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided further information regarding the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew requested the revisions be considered and asked for confirmation if further discussion was required to finalize the agreement. ■ On April 11, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to indicate a disagreement with the proposed changes to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew Peach additionally identified Laine Gagnon as the point of contact for the distribution of funds related to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided their contact information. ■ On April 23, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to 		<p>thanking him for providing preferred payment details for the IK Program and noted they would reach out to the contact shortly.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to coordinate payment for the IK Program funding, specifically the preferred payment method. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered. ■ On November 8, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide an update on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program, which was replaced with the offer of a one-time, lump sum community capacity funding payment to help support engagement in the CAR in a way that best suits the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided additional details regarding the funding including the forthcoming agreement and recommended uses for the capacity funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	

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	<p>provide the contact information of Aroland First Nation's legal counsel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the same contact could be used for both the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program Funding. ■ On June 12, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to advise that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the void cheque for funding distribution. ■ On June 19, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. 		<p>requested feedback on the community's interest in the funding by February 28, 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the available Community Capacity Funding. They discussed recommended uses for the capacity funding and the next steps regarding the person identified to be Aroland First Nation's Community Coordinator. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would provide an update on the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew indicated he would follow up with Chief and Council regarding the person previously identified as the Community Coordinator, as well as the Community Capacity Funding opportunity. A meeting in the new year was briefly discussed. An email summarizing the phone call and action items was sent the next day. ■ On December 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation for review. ■ On December 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program, including the offer for funding through the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, and interest in a community meeting in January 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email that same day, asking if certain details for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could be prioritized in order to expedite the process. ■ On December 16 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging updates regarding the IK Program Funding Agreement and Community Capacity Funding Agreement. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17, 21 and 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed and phoned Andrew Peach to follow up the necessary information to finalize the IK Program Funding Agreement and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On February 5 and 11, 2025. the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed receipt of Aroland First Nation's edits to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and noted they would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ On February 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Ashley Childs noting that they were awaiting details to move forward with the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On February 14, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were under review. ■ On February 20, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation noting the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were reviewed. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided an updated Agreement to Aroland First Nation for review. ■ On February 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to note that the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were with the MFFN CAR Project Team for consideration. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation has 120 days to review and provide feedback on the Draft EA / IS. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final EA / IS. ■ On March 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to note 	

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			<p>that the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were with the Project Team for review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that they were awaiting banking details from Aroland First Nation in order to finalize the IK Program Funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 7, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally requested contact information and a void cheque for the distribution of funds, upon the completion of the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On April 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide further updates regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and payment information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a void cheque was still required for the distribution of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On April 21, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if he could provide Aroland First Nation's legal counsel contact information to facilitate discussion with the AECOM legal team, regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement edits. ■ On May 9, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program funding. ■ On May 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation for consideration. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on the 	

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			<p>procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 12, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the progress of the revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement that was provided to Aroland First Nation for review and also inquired about a void cheque to distribute the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding. ■ On June 24, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to request a void cheque be provided for the disbursement of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and IK Program Funding. ■ On July 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to note payment associated with the IK Program would be distributed on July 25, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a final version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement would be distributed in the coming days. ■ On July 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide the finalized Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On August 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach who confirmed Aroland First Nation had received the final executed Community Capacity Funding Agreement and that payment was successfully received. 	

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<p>Provincial EA Process, Cumulative Effects</p>	<p>Inadequate Scope of the EA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 7, 2021, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter noting concerns that the three road projects should be assessed together for their cumulative effects and highlighted the associated potential impacts of industrial traffic on the road. ■ On May 6, 2022, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter noting the potential cumulative effects of development on their territory including threatening the land, environment, climate and their culture and rights. The letter also referenced opposition to the Project noting the Regional Assessment needs to cover all potential development in the James Bay lowlands area. ■ On February 8-9, 2023, during the ATRI Forum in Thunder Bay, Aroland First Nation noted they will not support any development until the Regional Assessment is completed and cumulative effects have been determined. It was noted that this statement has been written in several letters from Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation also stated that they welcome and support MFFN on the CAR Project only, however the addition of NRL and WSR have waived their support. Aroland First Nation inquired why they are not involved and why the community wasn't asked to participate in the development of the projects. Aroland First Nation warned that the road projects will affect every community member, noting the community is already observing permanent changes that will fundamentally alter its future. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 4, 2022, the MECP responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns expressed in a letter dated October 7, 2021. The letter indicated that the former Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry (NDMNRFF), now split between the Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM) and the Ministry of Northern Development (MND) intends to consult throughout the EA processes for all road projects. The letter indicated they would consider and address potential cumulative impacts on s.35 rights as appropriate. While the MECP has responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue. ■ On September 23, 2022, MFFN emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation in response to the May 6, 2022, letter, acknowledging Aroland First Nation's opposition to the Project and mentioned that the Project is in the preliminary design and analysis phase of the EA and IA, and has not been approved. MFFN noted the potential impacts for the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined, but field programs, like the ones in which Aroland First Nation had participated, will help to determine the conditions and inform the assessments. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On May 31, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a response to Aroland First Nation's comments from the ATRI Forum regarding cumulative effects. The response outlined: 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Cumulative effects related to different projects are included in Section 10. This section includes predicted cumulative effects of the Preferred Route with the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods and the Project Inclusions List were shared during PIC #4, #5, and #6, at the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum #2, and at Three-Road Project Gathering and Expos #1 and #2. ■ Information on field programs was shared in the monthly Project updates and in seasonal Field Notices (sent via email and posted on the Project website). Early observations and methods for field programs completed to date were provided at PIC #3, PIC #4, and PIC #5 as information has become available. Meetings were offered based on specific topics of interest to solicit additional feedback and issues. Field program results

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation outlining Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. Aroland First Nation requested transparency on whether the Forum was intended to fulfill the Crown's duty to consult. The letter mentioned that Aroland First Nation understands the Crown has delegated procedural aspects of the duty to consult to the road project proponents and that Aroland First Nation is concerned about the appropriateness of the Forum as a venue to meaningfully consult with the community. The letter outlined that the Forum does not strike the community as an appropriate method for meeting the threshold of meaningful consultation, particularly for Aroland First Nation, as a community who stands to be adversely impacted by the road projects. It was stated that is it Aroland First Nation's opinion that the Forum must not be counted toward fulfillment of the Crown's duty to consult. ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter from Aroland First Nation outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter stated that no decision should be made on the Project until a Regional Assessment and consideration of cumulative effects has been completed, and that it is a violation of Aroland First Nation's right to be informed to proceed without that information. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received. Andrew noted Aroland First Nation had not received any route selection mapping. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - That the completion of the Regional Assessment is not a requirement for the road projects to proceed with the individual EA / IS processes and that the decision to proceed with the EA / IS processes for the road projects is consistent with the agreements between the proponents and the Province of Ontario. The response also noted that the EA / IS for the road projects will each include a cumulative effects assessment which will include other past, present or reasonably foreseeable projects and activities in the scope. - That MFFN is working towards building a collaborative relationship with Aroland First Nation and have initiated a Nation-to-Nation dialogue to resolve concerns. - The proponents understand the roads would result in effects / changes and are conducting individual EA / IS processes in an effort to better understand those effects and develop measures to mitigate negative effects and enhance positive effects. ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a response to the November 17, 2023, letter. The response letter noted that the Forum is one of many opportunities to engage Aroland First Nation on the Project as well as the community's rights and interests related to it. The letter mentioned that with the communications protocol in place with MFFN, that the Project looked forward to discussing how to best consult and engage with Aroland First Nation, including to gain a better understanding of their rights and interests related to the proposed Project. A meeting was offered. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter 	<p>for individual disciplines are available in Section 8.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. Andrew noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ Between May 21 and 22, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and the MFFN CAR Project Team inquiring about their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. 		<p>was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and potential meeting dates to present the Project were under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN noting the intention to reconnect and re-engage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council. MFFN inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed to later in 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. the 	

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			<p>MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to re-engage and consult on the Project, allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ Between May 21 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach confirming their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and collaboration. ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss the preliminary technically preferred route, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. ■ On July 15 and 16, 2024, in-person expo style meetings were held with Aroland First Nation to review Project information including mapping of the preliminary technically preferred route, the EA / IS process and upcoming Draft Report, cumulative effects, baselines studies and why the road is important to MFFN. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the ATRI Existing Conditions 	

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			<p>and Assessment Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On May 28 and 29, 2025, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss and receive feedback on the Draft EA / IS review process, as well as technical discipline information including Community Well-Being, Land and Resource Use and Bridge / Navigability and Cumulative Effects and the Cumulative Effects Projects Inclusions List. 	

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<p>Consultation Methods</p>	<p>Engagement Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 7, 2021, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter noting concerns with the engagement process of the Project. ■ On May 6, 2022, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter expressing their opposition of the Project, noting dissatisfaction with attempts to work with MFFN on the EA / IS. ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN thanking them for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members only. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ■ On January 11, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the Chief of MFFN, on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation suggesting a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023, in Thunder Bay. The letter noted Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. The letter noted that the details of the meeting should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant. ■ On August 9, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting they were working with MFFN on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement. Andrew noted Aroland First Nation would require the agreement be finalized before engaging in any data collection. ■ On September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ In-person ■ Phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 4, 2022, the MECP responded to Aroland First Nation's concerns expressed in a letter dated October 7, 2021. While these comments have been addressed, the MFFN CAR Project Team will continue to track and follow up on this issue, as needed. The MFFN CAR Project Team continues to seek opportunities to meet and to find ways to develop a custom consultation process with the community. ■ On September 23, 2022, MFFN provided a response to the May 6, 2022, letter from Aroland First Nation to the MECP noting a commitment to develop a better relationship with and work with Aroland First Nation to better understand their concerns and comments on the Project. The helicopter flyover and North South Alliance were noted as examples of how the communities have and can continue to work together. A meeting was offered in order to discuss improved communication methods between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On September 29, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed the Chief of Aroland First Nation on behalf of the Chief of MFFN to offer an in-person meeting to further discuss the Project. A response to the offer was not received. ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. Chief Achneepineskum agreed that the meeting details should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant. ■ On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. ■ Between January 16 - 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant coordinated a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN followed up with Aroland First Nation throughout the Assessment Process, as documented in the RoCE for Indigenous communities. ■ Additional information related to the consultation process is in Section 11. ■ Specific information related to Aroland First Nation is in Appendix X, the Final EA / IS RoCE.

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	<p>discuss Project updates. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation had received the signed version of the Collaboration Agreement Proposal and were ready to finalize and send the fully executed version of the agreement to MFFN shortly. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation was about to enter an election cycle and decision making and meetings with Chief and Council will be on hold for the time being. Andrew indicated meetings with the community may still be possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ On October 6, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023, would not be possible as the community was in election. ■ On November 17, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant providing a letter, on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation, outlining Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. In the letter, it was noted that although Aroland First Nation was unable to attend ATRI Forum #2 due to their election, it must not be construed as a lack of willingness to participate in engagement activities. ■ From October 2023 to January 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community was unable to engage and consult on the Project due to the election cycle. Andrew noted that consultation and engagement could continue after the inauguration scheduled on February 8, 2024. ■ On February 9, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach following a request for a call from Andrew. Andrew noted that a Project presentation was requested by Aroland First Nation and 		<p>Nation-to-Nation meeting with Andrew Peach.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 25, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation and MFFN to provide a proposed agenda for the January 26, 2023, Nation-to-Nation meeting. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. ■ On August 9, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting they are looking forward to working with Aroland First Nation on their data collection once the communications protocol was finalized. ■ On September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement and proposed a meeting with Aroland First Nation on October 26, 2023. On the same day, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email summarizing the phone call. ■ On November 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation and confirmed receipt of the ATRI Forum response letter. 	

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	<p>provided potential dates for a meeting in March 2024. Andrew also noted that the agreement with MFFN was to be followed until further notice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter from Aroland First Nation outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter outlined Aroland First Nation's concerns regarding the incorporation of their information into the report and inadequate consultation throughout the EA / IS process to date including Aroland First Nation's requests for a deeper distinction's based approach to consultation on the Project. The letter provided specific examples of the community's efforts to participate in the EA / IS, missing and/or minimally referenced information and their attempts to communicate consultation process concerns. The letter also noted inadequate timelines and funding to review the report and that the community remains committed to working with the Project to engage in a deep and meaningful way. ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received. Andrew noted Aroland First Nation had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. Andrew noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ Between May 21 and 22, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and the MFFN CAR Project Team inquiring about their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report should be prioritized for review, as feedback is needed to continue to work on the EA / IS. ■ On January 17 and 18, 2024, through email and phone, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant discussed the importance of including Aroland First Nation's community information in the EA / IS report. Andrew noted Aroland First Nation would be providing their information and feedback shortly. Plans to engage with the community and upcoming meetings were discussed. Andrew noted that a community meeting would be necessary and would provide details after the Chief and Council inauguration set for early February 2024. A response to the November 17, 2023, letter was also provided and noted the MFFN CAR Project Team was looking forward to consulting and engaging with the community. ■ On February 20, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation thanking them for providing comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's 	

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	<p>First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ From June 11 – 13, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation attended the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo, hosted by MFFN and Webequie First Nation. ■ On June 17, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to answer questions regarding catering, payment, and translation services for an upcoming meeting with Aroland First Nation. ■ On October 1, 2024, Councillor Mark Bell emailed Andrew Peach and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting there had been deaths in the community which would impact the ability to hold community meetings on October 16 and 18, 2024. On the same day, Andrew noted he would follow up on the meetings with Jerry Shabogamik once the community was ready to engage on the Project. ■ On December 9, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting he would try to connect with Jerry Shabogamik that week to review the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provide the requested details to finalize the agreement. ■ On December 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that he was working with Jerry Shabogamik on the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew mentioned the community meeting would likely need to be moved to February 2025 to accommodate the release of the Draft EA / IS. ■ On December 13, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik would be working on the details for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew inquired if it was possible to receive the Draft EA / IS through Dropbox or Google Drive 		<p>comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and potential meeting dates to present the Project were under review.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN noting the intention to reconnect and reengage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council. MFFN inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed back to late 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay. ■ Between September 2023 and March 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to re-engage and consult on the Project, allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help 	

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	<p>and whether it was possible to have two main contacts. Andrew confirmed the community meeting would be postponed until February or March 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17 and 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the previous request for information regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On January 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that the tentative in-person meeting with Aroland First Nation scheduled for February / March 2025, will now be delayed to early April 2025 to allow sufficient time for the community to review the Draft EA / IS. Andrew asked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant if any extension was possible for the submission of comments on the Milestone #3 Progress Report, or if late comments would still be received. ■ On February 3, Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirming attendees from Aroland First Nation for the upcoming Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. ■ On February 4, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting Aroland First Nation's legal counsel had reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided edits for the MFFN CAR Project Team to review. ■ On February 14, 2025, Ashley Childs emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the Milestone #3 Progress Report review had been completed. Ashley provided updates regarding the IK Program Funding preferred method of payment and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On February 25, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that questions regarding the Draft EA 		<p>progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. ■ Between May 21 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team confirmed their availability to attend a meeting with members of Aroland First Nation's project team on May 28, 2024, to discuss Project updates and working together. ■ Between June 13 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team sent emails to Andrew Peach to coordinate the logistics of a meeting with Aroland First Nation. ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. ■ On July 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide information regarding upcoming Geotechnical Program fieldwork and to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in sending monitors to participate. ■ On July 15 and 16, 2024, in-person meetings were held between Aroland First Nation and the MFFN CAR Project Team. The meetings were held in an expo style and aimed to receive feedback on the preliminary technically preferred route, baseline studies, the EA / IS process and cumulative effects. ■ On October 1, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if the previously proposed general project update meeting dates of October 16 or 18, 2024, in Thunder Bay, would work for the community. The following day, the MFFN 	

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	<p>/ IS had been directed to the provided email. Andrew mentioned he would follow up with Chief and Council to gauge interest in a meeting and provided further information regarding the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew requested the revisions be considered and asked for confirmation if further discussion was required to finalize the agreement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 11, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to indicate a disagreement with the proposed changes to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew Peach additionally identified Laine Gagnon as the point of contact for the distribution of funds related to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided their contact information. ■ On April 16, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to request clarifications on the proposed meetings between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation in May 2025. ■ On April 23, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide the contact information of Aroland First Nation's legal counsel. ■ On April 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the same contact could be used for both the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program Funding. ■ On May 7, 2025, Andrew Peach confirmed availability to meet with the MFFN CAR Project Team on May 28 and 29, 2025. ■ On June 12, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to advise that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the void cheque for funding distribution. 		<p>CAR Project Consultant acknowledge the email from Councillor Bell noting the deaths in the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the MFFN CAR Project Team would await further direction from the community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the ATRI Existing Conditions and Assessment Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered. ■ On November 8, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide an update on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program, which was replaced with the offer of a one-time, lump sum community capacity funding payment to help support engagement in the CAR in a way that best suits the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided additional details regarding the funding including the forthcoming agreement and recommended uses for the capacity funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested feedback on the community's interest in the funding by February 28, 2025. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 19, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS. On August 6, 2025, Andrew Peach noted that Jerry Shabogamik would be out of office but hoped the MFFN CAR Project Team would be able to accommodate Jerry joining field surveys upon his return. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the available Community Capacity Funding. They discussed recommended uses for the Community Capacity Funding and the next steps regarding the person identified to be Aroland First Nation's Community Coordinator. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would provide an update on the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew indicated he would follow up with Chief and Council regarding the person previously identified as the Community Coordinator, as well as the Community Capacity Funding opportunity. A meeting in the new year was briefly discussed. An email summarizing the phone call and action items was sent the next day. ■ On December 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation for review. ■ On December 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program, including the offer for funding through the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, and interest in a community meeting in January 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email that same day, asking if certain details for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could be prioritized in order to expedite the process. ■ On December 16, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to thank him for updates regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the postponement of the upcoming community meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Draft EA / IS could 	

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			<p>be sent in a few formats, including a digital copy, and confirmed that both Andrew and Jerry Shabogamik would be included in correspondence regarding the Draft EA / IS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation confirming they are waiting for Jerry Shabogamik to provide details for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted both Jerry and Andrew Peach had been added to the distribution list for the Draft EA / IS, confirmed a digital version is available and provided a link to the preferences questionnaire. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Aroland First Nation that feedback was requested on the Milestone #3 Progress report by February 14, 2025, and offered a meeting to discuss the report. ■ On January 17, 21, and 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed and phoned Andrew Peach to follow up on the outstanding information required to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. ■ On January 21, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide project updates, including the release of the Draft EA / IS and the upcoming Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. Correspondence included the request for feedback on the Milestone #3 Report, and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. A meeting at the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo was offered, in addition to an in-community meeting. ■ On January 29, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Jerry Shabogamik to inquire about Aroland First Nation's participation in the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to determine if Aroland First Nation would be attending the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a package would be sent to Indigenous communities with the necessary documents to conduct a review of the Draft EA / IS Report and inquired about the mailing address for Andrew to receive the package. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Andrew that a meeting at the Three Roads Projects Gathering and Expo was possible, in addition to the tentative in-community meeting. ■ On February 5 and 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed receipt of Aroland First Nation's edits to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and noted they would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ On February 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Ashley Childs to provide updates to Aroland First Nation regarding the Milestone #3 Progress Report, Draft EA / IS and IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report received after the deadline would be incorporated into Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement but would not be reflected in the Milestone #3 Progress Report being posted to the Project website. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted they were awaiting details for the IK Program Funding Agreement and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement was under review. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation has 120 days to review and provide feedback on the Draft EA / IS. Feedback 	

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			<p>received will inform the preparation of the Final EA / IS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 20, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Ashley Childs noting that all questions and comments should be sent to the eaisinput@martenfallsaccessroad.ca email and that an in-person or virtual meeting was possible upon request. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were reviewed and provided an updated Agreement to Aroland First Nation for review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted the deadline to provide feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report had passed. Additional information regarding the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities was provided. ■ On February 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him for the updates regarding their review of the Draft EA / IS and for the information regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the proposed revisions to the Agreement were with the Project Team for consideration. ■ On March 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to inquire if Aroland First Nation was still interested in holding an in-person meeting to further discuss the Project, inquiring about potential dates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement were still with the Project Team for review and indicated that they were awaiting banking details from Aroland First Nation in order to finalize the IK Program Funding. ■ On April 7, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project 	

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			<p>Consultant additionally requested contact information and a void cheque for the distribution of funds, upon the completion of the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide further updates regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and payment information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a void cheque was still required for the distribution of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally inquired if the same contact and void cheque could be used for the IK Funding Program as well. ■ On April 21, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if he could provide Aroland First Nation's legal counsel contact information to facilitate discussion with the legal team, regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement edits. ■ On April 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach stating that a void cheque would be required to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to confirm that the same contact and void cheque that would be provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could also be used to execute the IK Program Funding. ■ On May 9, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program funding. ■ Between April 11 - May 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on a potential meeting to occur in May 2025. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a poster for the Aroland First Nation meetings and provided information regarding a Country Foods Sampling Program, to be held at the meeting in Aroland on May 29, 2025. ■ On May 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to Aroland First Nation for consideration. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on the procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program funding. ■ On May 28 and 29, 2025, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss and receive feedback on the Draft EA / IS review process, as well as technical discipline information including Community Well-Being, Land and Resource Use and Bridge / Navigability. A Country Foods Sampling Program was conducted. ■ On June 12, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the progress of the revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement that was provided to Aroland First Nation for review and also inquired about a void cheque to distribute the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. ■ On June 24, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to request a void cheque be provided for the disbursement of funds associated with the 	

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			<p>Community Capacity Funding Agreement and IK Program Funding.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation thanking them for providing comments on the Draft EA / IS. ■ On August 1, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to confirm that a field monitor would be attending upcoming field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a desire to meet on August 7, 2025, to identify sites of interests to Aroland First Nation. ■ On August 5, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Jerry Shabogamik to confirm a field monitor would be participating in upcoming field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation by noon on August 6, 2025, to ensure enough time for enrolment into the Artech platform. ■ From August 13 to August 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant attempted to include Jerry Shabogamik in the field program. The Aroland First Nation member was unable to participate in the field work. ■ On August 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss project updates. It was confirmed that Aroland First Nation had received the final executed Community Capacity Funding Agreement and that payment had successfully been received. Aroland First Nation advised that they were on track to meet the September 11, 2025, deadline for submission of comments on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. 	

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<p>Lands, Territory, and Title, Consultation Methods</p>	<p>Consent</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 6, 2022, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter expressing their opposition of the Project as a portion of the road is located within Aroland First Nation traditional territory. Aroland First Nation has not consented to the Project in their territory. ■ On December 1, 2022, Aroland First Nation sent a letter to MFFN thanking them for the invitation to schedule a Nation-to-Nation meeting in Thunder Bay and suggested January 2023. The letter outlined the need to establish mutually agreeable terms for the meeting including the meeting be restricted to Chief and Council members only. The letter also noted that the meeting would allow the Nations to strengthen their relationship and reaffirm their shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people to work together to benefit both Nations. ■ On January 11, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the Chief of MFFN, on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation suggesting a Nation-to-Nation meeting on January 26, 2023, in Thunder Bay. The letter noted Aroland First Nation Chief and Council were looking forward to the conversation between the two Nations and they were hopeful they would find ways to move forward in shared responsibilities as Anishinaabe people. The letter noted that the details of the meeting should be coordinated by each Nation's consultant. ■ On March 31, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation noting they had not received adequate capacity funding to conduct a thorough review of the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter noted that the comments sent on that date must not be considered as a comprehensive assessment on Aroland First Nation's position regarding the impact of the Project on their cultural and 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Letter ■ Email ■ In-person 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 14 and September 23, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation noting that the MFFN CAR Project Team would like the opportunity to work more closely with Aroland First Nation to better understand the potential impacts to their ATRI. A meeting was offered. ■ On September 23, 2022, MFFN emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation in response to the May 6, 2022, letter, acknowledging Aroland First Nation's opposition to the Project and mentioned that the Project is in the preliminary design and analysis phase of the EA / IS, and has not been approved. MFFN noted the potential impacts for the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined, but field programs, like the ones in which Aroland First Nation had participated, will help to determine the conditions and inform the assessments. A meeting was offered to discuss improved communication methods and relationships between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. ■ On December 15, 2022, MFFN sent a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to the December 1, 2022, letter. Two dates in January 2023 were proposed for the meeting and noted MFFN was in agreement with the proposed terms for the meeting. The letter also noted that the meeting was a significant opportunity to work together and advance a collaborative future between the two Nations. ■ On January 11, 2023, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed availability for a Nation-to-Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023. ■ On January 12, 2023, Councillor Patricia Achneepineskum emailed Andrew Peach and confirmed availability for a Nation-to- 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Section 11 describes Council-to-Council meetings and relationship protocols between MFFN and various Indigenous Communities. ■ Additional information on MFFNs' efforts to engage Indigenous communities includes participation in the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program, and participation in field monitoring program(s) for MFFN and Aroland First Nation. MFFN followed up with Aroland First Nation throughout the Assessment Process, as documented in the RoCE for Indigenous communities.

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	<p>archaeological heritage. The letter outlined that Aroland First Nation Traditional Territory was mischaracterized as only occupying the southern end of the study area, as it extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project. Aroland First Nation requested their Traditional Territory be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Archaeology assessment and all ongoing archaeology work.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant providing a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation outlining Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. In the letter, it was noted that Aroland First Nation takes the position that the road project proponents and Crown must obtain their consent for projects and activities that use and affect or harm their homeland territory. It was noted that Aroland First Nation is one of ten Treaty Nine Nations that are pursuing a court case regarding jurisdiction in their homeland territories. It was stated that Aroland First Nation maintains their decision-making authority and control and their permission or consent is required when others want to use their homeland. The letter also noted that the road and the activities it will generate and facilitate will have significant impacts on Aroland First Nation's ATRI and requires their consent and engagement to garner their consent. ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter from Aroland First Nation outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter noted that Aroland First Nation is committed to working with the Project in considering the potential impacts of the Project within their Traditional Territory. The letter outlined that 		<p>Nation meeting with Aroland First Nation on January 26, 2023.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 28, 2023, information that would be used to record the Nation-to-Nation meeting was sent to Aroland First Nation for review. No comments were received on the proposed record. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team was continuing to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and would be in contact shortly. ■ On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023, letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeology fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share sensitive information and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter in response to Aroland First Nation's May 26, 2023, letter. The response outlined ways for Aroland First Nation to 	

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	<p>the UNDRIP and Bill C-15 require decision makers to accommodate sufficiently and seek consent of the affected First Nation, which requires demonstrating how the First Nation's concerns about effects on rights and interests are being sufficiently addressed to warrant the First Nation to give consent.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter was received. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. Andrew noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. 		<p>participate in the IK program and data collection, provided documents and materials to support their data collection and noted funding opportunities through the IK Program.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a response letter to the November 17, 2023, letter. The letter noted that the Forum is one of many opportunities to engage Aroland First Nation on the Project as well as the community's rights and interests related to it. The letter mentioned that with the communications protocol in place with MFFN, that the MFFN CAR Project Team looked forward to discussing how to best consult and engage with Aroland First Nation, including to gain a better understanding of their rights and interests related to the proposed Project. A meeting was offered. ■ On February 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation thanking them for providing comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon and inquired about the status of comments on the Milestone #2 Progress Report. Potential dates to present the Project the community were noted as under review. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from 	

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			<p>Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN, noting the intention to reconnect and re-engage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council. MFFN inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. The letter noted the importance of Aroland First Nation's input and that the release date for the draft EA / IS had been pushed back to late 2024 in order to include their input, knowledge and perspectives. The letter noted that a Nation-to-Nation meeting and in-community presentation were needed and suggested a Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email the same day clarifying that the suggested meeting was proposed to take place the morning of April 19, 2024, in Thunder Bay.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between September 2023 and March 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to re-engage and consult on the Project, allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On April 19, 2024, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. The details from the meeting are confidential. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 19 and 20, 2024, in-person meetings were held between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation to discuss preliminary technically preferred routes, opportunities to provide feedback and review the information provided, land use studies, and potential impacts and opportunities once the road is built. ■ On July 15 and 16, 2024, in-person expo style meetings were held with Aroland First Nation to review Project information including mapping of the preliminary technically preferred route, the EA / IS process and upcoming Draft Report, cumulative effects, baselines studies and why the road is important to MFFN. Aroland community members expressed support for MFFN and their pursuit for the Community Access Road ■ On August 8, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing 	

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			<p>Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team encourages meetings to continue dialogue through the MFFN CAR Taskforce Meetings 	
<p>General Project</p>	<p>Mining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 6, 2022, Aroland First Nation emailed the MECP a letter expressing their opposition of the Project due to the possibility of multiple road segment projects opening up the region to large scale mining. ■ On September 29, 2023, Aroland First Nation emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a fully executed version of the Collaboration Proposal Agreement to MFFN. ■ From October 2023 to January 2024, Andrew Peach noted the community was unable to engage and consult on the Project due to the election cycle. Andrew noted that consultation and engagement could continue after the inauguration scheduled on February 8, 2024. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed receipt of the letter sent on behalf of MFFN, which requested a meeting and to re-engage Aroland First Nation on the Project. Andrew noted a response to the meeting offer would be provided soon. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 23, 2022, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation in response to the May 6, 2022, letter. The letter noted that the MFFN CAR Project had not yet been approved and is in the preliminary design and analysis phases of the EA and IS. The letter also mentioned that potential impacts of the construction and operation of the CAR have yet to be determined through these processes but will be informed through field studies and consultation with Aroland First Nation. The importance of a relationship between MFFN and Aroland First Nation was noted, and a meeting was offered. ■ On January 26, 2023, Aroland First Nation and MFFN met in Thunder Bay for a closed-door meeting between Chief and Council representatives from each Nation. No meeting notes were taken. Aroland First Nation and MFFN agreed to work on a Collaboration Proposal Agreement, to be coordinated by their respective consultants. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and noted potential dates to present the Project to the community were still being coordinated. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN, requesting a potential meeting and to re-engage Aroland First Nation on the Project. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The cumulative effects related to different projects are included in Section 10. This section includes predicted cumulative effects of the Preferred Route with the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods and the Project Inclusions List were shared during PIC #4, #5, and #6, at the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum #2, and at Three-Road Project Gathering and Expos #1 and #2.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Between September 2023 and March 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on a potential meeting several times. ■ On April 12, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the scheduling of a Nation-to-Nation meeting between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting would allow for Aroland First Nation to re-engage and consult on the Project, allow the MFFN CAR Project Team to present to Aroland First Nation community members in the near future, and help progress any other necessary Project work with Aroland First Nation. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Mining. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Mining. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	
<p>Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Lands, Territory, and Title, Study Area, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Provincial EA Process, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use</p>	<p>Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 31, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation providing comments on the Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Significant portions of the Local Study Area are within Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory, which extends north of the Albany River. - The Project may have significant impacts on their historical and cultural sites. - Aroland First Nation must be included as partners in the Archaeological study throughout each step of the assessment process. Due to overlap in the Project study area with their Traditional Territory, Aroland First Nation are entitled to a 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On August 2, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team in response to the March 31, 2023, letter regarding the draft Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The letter thanked Aroland First Nation for providing comments on the reports and noted the Project had mapping that reflected Aroland First Nation's comments on their Traditional Territory. The letter response acknowledged Aroland First Nation's request to participate in future archaeological fieldwork, provided contact information should the community wish to share IK and asked to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss how to represent the community in Project reporting. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Information on Archaeology is included in the Archaeological Assessments Technical Support Document (Appendix R). ■ Additional subsections on Archaeology included Section 8.3.6 Cultural Heritage and Archaeology and Section 9.5.5 Archaeological and Cultural Heritage and Section 10.4.5 Archaeology. ■ Additional information on the Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment can be found in Section 8.3.6.6.

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	<p>deeper level of engagement commensurate with the potential impacts to their territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Section 1.2.4. of the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment mischaracterizes Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory as only occupying the southern end of the study area. Aroland First Nation highlights that their Traditional Territory extends north of the Albany River and covers nearly all of the study area for the Project. - Aroland First Nation has many significant historical sites throughout the study area, including many areas of interest. - Aroland First Nation acknowledges that significant portions of their Traditional Territory overlap with MFFN's territory. Aroland First Nation notes concerns the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment primarily focuses on MFFN's history and occupancy. Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory must be acknowledged in the final version of the Stage 1 Assessment and in all ongoing archaeological work. - Any archaeological and cultural heritage work undertaken as part of EA for the MFFN CAR must acknowledge Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory. Aroland First Nation are to be involved in any Stage 3 assessments, which will require adequate capacity funding. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. ■ On July 28, 2025, Aroland First Nation expressed interest in participating in upcoming field surveys. 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 3, 2024, the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report was sent to Aroland First Nation. The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report examined archaeological and land use history to assess potential sites in additional areas needed for aggregate impacts. ■ On August 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if Aroland First Nation intended to provide comments on the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report. ■ On September 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report was sent to Aroland First Nation on June 3, 2024, with feedback requested by August 2, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation that Aroland First Nation would be providing feedback on the report. ■ February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Reports. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Stage 1 and 2 Archaeology Reports. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. On July 24, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik inviting him to participate in upcoming field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted archaeological work would be limited to targeted areas of the boreholes, with a more comprehensive Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment to be conducted at a later date. ■ On July 31, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Aroland First Nation key contacts with an update regarding the Stage 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Information on the ATRI assessment is included in the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Technical Support Document (Appendix O). ■ Field program results for individual disciplines are available in Section 8. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report have been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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			<p>2 Archaeological Assessment. A field notice was provided.</p> <p>Action:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ If a Stage 3 Archaeological Assessment is required within Aroland First Nation territory, the MFFN CAR Project Team will invite Aroland First Nation on the Stage 3 Archaeology Assessment and share the report. 	
<p>Human Health, Socio-Community, Economy, Land and Resource Use, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Provincial EA Process</p>	<p>IK, Socio-Economic, and Cultural Heritage Information Collection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 12, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that Aroland First Nation required more time to review the proposed socio-economic data information request. Andrew indicated that a response would be provided by May 25, 2023. ■ On May 26, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation in response to the information collection requests. The letter outlined that although they agreed that their cultural heritage and values information must inform the Project, Aroland First Nation could not agree to the request, but would be willing to conduct their own collection in order to control the misunderstanding, misuse and misappropriation of their information. The letter also noted the information would be redacted and provided to the Project for use in the EA. Aroland First Nation requested funding to help undertake the work and would complete their collection as quickly as practical and would provide a budget with anticipated costs. ■ On June 9, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the Chief of MFFN to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation in response to the request to conduct a Cultural Heritage information study. The letter noted that Aroland First Nation provided a response to the Project Team on 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter ■ Phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team to request the opportunity to collect social, economic, land and resource use, health and safety, and community well-being information from Aroland First Nation. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided and noted that the information collected would adhere to Ownership Control Access Possession principles. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested. ■ On May 15, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting they are looking forward to Aroland First Nation's response regarding the proposed socio-economic data collection process and would be available to help with any requests regarding the Project. ■ On May 23, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to request the opportunity to collect built and cultural heritage landscape information from Aroland First Nation members. A description of the specific information and methods for collection was provided. The email noted that Aroland First Nation was offered the opportunity to participate in a helicopter flyover on June 11, 2023, and that the cultural heritage team would like to meet with Aroland First Nation members on June 12, 2023, to collect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Several communities are actively participating in the IK program Section 11.3.3 and IK has been used to inform the Assessment Process. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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	<p>May 26, 2023, which indicated that Aroland First Nation would agree to conduct their own study should adequate funding be provided. The letter outlined that they were waiting on MFFN to complete edits to the Communications Protocol, and that once the protocol was finalized the MFFN CAR Project Team would be welcome to meet with members of the community. The letter also noted that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council are committed to following processes to support their band members in sharing their knowledge and heritage on the land and are committed to taking part in decision making in their Traditional Territory.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 20, 2023, Andrew Peach forwarded the June 9, 2023, letter correspondence from the Chief of Aroland First Nation to the MFFN CAR Project Consultant. Andrew noted it was relevant to the inquiry about IK / LRU information collection. The letter previously outlined that Aroland First Nation was waiting for MFFN to finalize their communications protocol before information collection could occur. Andrew noted that this may impact the MFFN CAR Project timelines for data collection but that they would work together to complete the work quickly. ■ On September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation intends on conducting their own Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information collection studies. ■ On January 17, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. Andrew noted the community had not yet begun their IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information studies, as the community had not yet met with the MFFN CAR Project Team. Andrew noted they would like to conduct their own studies and provide 		<p>information. A meeting to discuss the collection, use and documentation of information was requested.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 6, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Andrew Peach to thank him for providing a response letter on May 26, 2023, regarding the Cultural Heritage information collection request and to let Andrew know a response to the letter would be sent shortly. ■ On June 22, July 5 and July 11, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting that a response to the May 26, 2023, letter would be sent shortly. ■ On August 3, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter in response to the May 26, 2023, letter, and included documents and information to assist Aroland First Nation in their IK, Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage data collections. The letter outlined the June 30, 2023, deadline for data collection to help with the route evaluation and existing conditions reporting. The letter noted that the Project would incorporate any information received from Aroland First Nation throughout the assessment process. The letter noted that the Project would support Aroland First Nation with materials and guidance and outlined funding opportunities through the Project and the Province of Ontario. A meeting with discipline leads was offered to help with data collection. ■ On September 28, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss Project updates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the Socio-Economic and Cultural Heritage information collections. ■ On December 8 and 14, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and noted that the MFFN CAR Project Team would continue to support 	

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	<p>information to the Project and would follow up Chief and Council.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On February 9, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach following a request for a call. Andrew noted the community would be able to provide IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information studies shortly after a Project update meeting in the community. ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter from Aroland First Nation outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report, which noted a forthcoming Project-specific Indigenous Knowledge Land Occupancy Use Study to be shared. ■ On March 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to thank them for clarification on the proposed Nation-to-Nation meeting on April 19, 2024. Andrew noted he would provide a response as soon as possible. ■ On May 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach following a request for a call. Andrew noted that funding for Project-specific studies would likely be a topic for the May 28, 2024, meeting between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation project team. ■ On June 28, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. Andrew requested that the signed final versions be sent back as soon as possible. ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use study report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On October 23, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant responding to the inquiry about Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study shapefiles. 		<p>Aroland First Nation in their community-specific study to help inform the Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On January 17, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to follow up on the status of Aroland First Nation's IK / Socio-economic / Cultural Heritage information collection. A summary of the conversation was sent in an email on January 18, 2024. ■ On February 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation thanking them A for providing comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant acknowledged Andrew Peach's comments on the Community Coordinator Program, noting they would review the alternative funding uses with the MFFN CAR Project Team, noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon. ■ On March 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of MFFN, noting the intention to reconnect and re-engage the community after the election of the new Chief and Council. MFFN inquired about a relationship building meeting, a meeting to present the Project to the community, the collection of Aroland First Nation's IK/Socio-economic/Cultural Heritage information and the scheduling of regular meetings with the community. ■ On June 28, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach confirming the 	

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	<p>Andrew noted Aroland First Nation would not be sharing shapefiles as it included sensitive information and community knowledge shared by community members. Andrew explained that Aroland First Nation is not comfortable sharing the information for external use and they believe the report provides an appropriate overview of the data requested at a level the community is comfortable with.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 29, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and provided details for the coordination of the IK Program funding. Andrew provided contact information and mentioned a lump sum payment is preferred. ■ On December 11, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted that he was working with Jerry Shabogamik on the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On December 13, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik would be working on the details for the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On January 17 and 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noting that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the previous request for information regarding the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On February 14, 2025, Ashley Childs emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide updates on the IK Program Funding preferred payment method. ■ On April 30, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to note that the same contact could be used for both the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program Funding. ■ On June 12, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to advise that he would follow up with Jerry 		<p>receipt of Aroland First Nation's revised and signed drafts of the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted that they would review the agreements and send final versions as soon as possible.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On July 4, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Jeremy Shute noting that updates on the IK Program agreements would be shared soon. ■ On July 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach providing the signed IK Program funding agreement and inquired about payment methods for the program. ■ On August 15, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach noting the IK Funding Agreement had been sent to Aroland First Nation on July 31, 2024, and inquired about the preferred payment option. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also mentioned the IK Sharing Agreement was with the MFFN CAR Project Team for review. ■ On August 27, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide the signed IK Program Sharing Agreement, and followed up on the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding. ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report. ■ On September 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding and inquired if a lump sum payment was preferred. ■ On October 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach inquiring if Aroland First Nation could share shapefiles for the information presented in their IK and Land Use Study and noted the 	

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	<p>Shabogamik regarding the void cheque for funding distribution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 19, 2025, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. 		<p>shapefiles would be used to overlay with the MFFN CAR ATRI local and regional study areas to determine potential impacts to Aroland First Nation's rights and interests.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 23, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him for his response regarding the sharing of Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Report shapefiles. ■ On October 25, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the preferred payment details for the IK Program funding. ■ On October 30, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach thanking him h for providing preferred payment details for the IK Program and noted they would reach out to the contact shortly. ■ On October 31, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to coordinate payment for the IK Program funding, specifically the preferred payment method. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the ATRI Existing Conditions and Assessment Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First 	

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			<p>Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On December 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and followed up on the status of the IK Program Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email that same day, thanking Andrew for the updates on the agreement. ■ On December 16 and 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging updates regarding the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On January 17, 21 and 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed and phoned Andrew Peach to follow up on the outstanding information required to finalize the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On February 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Ashley Childs noting that they were awaiting details to move forward with the IK Program Funding Agreement. ■ On March 26, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to indicate that they were awaiting banking details from Aroland First Nation in order to finalize the IK Program Funding. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On April 11, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if the same contact and void cheque could be used for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the distribution of the IK Program funds. 	

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On April 30, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach stating that a void cheque would still be required to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to confirm that the same contact and void cheque that would be provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could also be used to execute the IK Program Funding. ■ On May 9 and 22, and June 12, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on the procurement of a void cheque that was necessary to distribute funds for the IK Program funding. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 24, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to request a void cheque be provided for the disbursement of funds associated with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and IK Program Funding. ■ On July 22, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to note payment associated with the IK Program would be distributed on July 25, 2025. ■ On August 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss project updates. Andrew confirmed payment had successfully been received for the Community Capacity Funding Program and noted intent to inquire with Aroland First Nation's Band Office to confirm receipt of payment for the IK Program. 	

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<p>Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Consultation Methods</p>	<p>ATRI Forum Format and Sharing of IK</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter on behalf of the Chief of Aroland First Nation outlining Aroland First Nation's attendance at ATRI Forum #2. In the letter, it was noted that Aroland First Nation had concerns regarding the format of the event including: the open conference style of the Forum and indication through the invitation that the event does not involve IK. The letter noted that the invitation indicated that the Forum is intended to include discussions about how attendees ATRI may be impacted by the projects but that discussions will not include collection of IK. Aroland First Nation explained that how they exercise their ATRI within their traditional territory is their IK and they cannot propose to understand potential impacts to ATRI without referencing, discussing or sharing their IK. The letter also mentioned that their IK is confidential and proprietary. The letter indicated Aroland First Nation will only share IK if all parties commit to respecting their data sovereignty and upholding the OCAP principles. The letter noted Aroland First Nation did not believe it was possible to protect their data and adhere to OCAP principles at a forum attended by multiple First Nations and their advisors, as well as consultants for the three road projects and Crown representatives. The letter indicated that simply declaring a space as respectful and culturally sensitive does not make it true. ■ On February 16, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to provide a letter on behalf of Aroland First Nation outlining comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter noted Aroland First Nation's intention to provide a forthcoming Project-specific IKLOUS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On November 17, 2023, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation and confirmed receipt of the ATRI Forum response letter. ■ On January 18, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a response to the November 17, 2023, letter. The letter noted that the Forum is not a public event and included confidential, closed, and private sessions with invitations to Indigenous communities to meet one-on-one with members of the project teams, which were held similarly to Forum #1. Information collected would also be shared with the communities for review and comment. The letter outlined that MFFN, as a First Nation proponent, understands the interdependency between IK and ATRI and are respectful of following community-specific protocols for collecting, sharing and using IK. It was noted that the IK Program was launched to address confidentiality, sharing and the use of IK in the assessment process, and that the Project has provided information and offered funding, and will continue to do so to help Aroland First Nation in sharing their information with the Project. ■ On February 20 and 22, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation thanking them for providing comments on the Draft ATRI Preliminary Existing Conditions Report. ■ On March 11, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team's response to the November 17, 2023, letter was received as well as the draft preliminary route selection mapping sent in January 2024. ■ On March 21, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and provided a link to the updated Route Selection Video and reattached preliminary 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Additional information related to the consultation process is in Section 11. ■ Specific information related to Aroland First Nation is in Appendix X, the Final EA / IS RoCE. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report have been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On March 19, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and confirmed the response to Aroland First Nation's November 17, 2023, letter had been received. Andrew Peach noted Aroland First Nation had not received any route selection mapping. ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the Project. 		<p>technically preferred route selection mapping to share with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report would be sent soon.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledged receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report. ■ On November 6, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide a letter to Aroland First Nation's in response to comments received on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report on February 16, 2024. The letter highlighted that the report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the ATRI Existing Conditions and Assessment Report and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information provided in Aroland First Nation's comments and IK and Land Use Study. The letter also noted that the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions and Assessment Report and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, including receiving the community's feedback and information. A meeting was offered. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. 	

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<p>Access, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Species at Risk, Vegetation, Wildlife, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Land and Resource Use, Socio-Community, Human Health</p>	<p>Impacts Caused by Increased Area Access</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns with the MFFN CAR potentially causing increased access to the area. The Report specifically noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - concerns related to impacts on lake sturgeon due to increased access to fishing. - increased access to harvesting areas for forestry due to these new access roads. - future development projects initiated by the development of the CAR. - potential future impacts to Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory due to the development of more resource access roads. - the ability to maintain their traditional way of life due to increased access to the territory by outsiders who are not treaty rights-holders. - increased access to drugs and alcohol due to increase presence of non-band members travelling to and through the community. - increased access to sensitive areas and habitat including poachers or harvesting out of season. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS related to impacts caused by increased area access. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on impacts caused by increased area access. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to impacts caused by increased area access. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ It should be noted that the selection of the Preferred Route was informed and chosen based on IK received, as well as fish and fish habitat information Section 4. Specific mitigation measures are listed in Table 10-1 of the Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document (Appendix G). ■ Comments on fish passage have been considered when developing mitigation measures, such as constructing crossings in a manner that maintains downstream flows and fish passage. All potential effects and recommended mitigation measures and monitoring are included in Section 9.3.3.4.1 and Section 9.3.3.4.6. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report have been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Country/Traditional Foods, Land and Resource Use, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Wildlife, Vegetation</p>	<p>Impacts to Harvesting Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns with the CAR negatively impacting existing harvesting areas and creating easier access to harvesting areas. The Report mentioned concerns related to the community's ability to access and use areas they rely on to hunt, fish trap and gather plants. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS related to Impacts to Harvesting Areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. Feedback received will be incorporated in the ATRI IA Report. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Impacts to Harvesting Areas. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Impacts to Harvesting Areas. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Section 9. How the Road Will Change Our Land considers potential interactions with disciplines including surface water, fish and fish habitat, vegetation and wildlife. ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Cumulative Effects, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Land and Resource Use, Lands, Territory, and Title, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use</p>	<p>Concerns Related to Cumulative Impacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns about the consideration of cumulative impacts of past and current resource development projects and the threshold of impact that the area can handle before changes become irreversible. The Report noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - current impacts to Aroland First Nation community members' ability to use the lands, water and environment in general including ease of access to territory. - instances where past development activities could produce future impacts including pollution, forestry activities including pesticide use and temporary bridge building. - the potential for development related to MFFN CAR to exacerbate and introduce changes that could have long-last impacts for community members. - that new roads, including MFFN CAR, would open the region to new development pressures that are cumulative in nature. - potential future impacts to Aroland First Nation's Traditional Territory due to the development of more resource access roads and mining as a result of the MFFN CAR. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS related to Cumulative Effects. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. Feedback received will be incorporated in the ATRI IA Report. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Cumulative Impacts. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Cumulative effects are considered in Section 10. This section includes predicted cumulative effects of the Preferred Route with the effects of past, present and reasonably foreseeable projects. Cumulative effects assessment methods and the Project Inclusions List were shared during PIC #4, #5, and #6, at the Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Forum #2, and at Three-Road Project Gathering and Expos #1 and #2. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Human Health, Socio-Community, Access</p>	<p>Safety</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns about community member safety due to increased traffic and from increased access to drug and alcohol due to non-band members travelling to and through the community. The Report outlined concerns related to community well-being and that the MFFN CAR may introduce or exacerbate existing social issues such as drugs and alcohol, and it would be hard to know who is travelling in and out of the community. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. Feedback received will be incorporated in the ATRI IA Report. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Impact to Community and Member Safety. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback, ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Impacts to Community and Member Safety. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors.
<p>Land and Resource Use, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology), Socio-Community, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use</p>	<p>Impacts to Traditional and Cultural Areas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns with the MFFN CAR potentially impacting and disturbing key traditional and cultural areas. The Report mentioned several areas where access routes would intersect with the proposed MFFN CAR and mentioned cultural sites that could be disturbed by the construction of the road, increased access and industry development. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Impacts to Traditional and Cultural Areas. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific

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<p>Land and Resource Use, Socio-Community, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Access, Country/Traditional Foods, Traplines, Vegetation, Wildlife</p>	<p>Traditional Way of Life</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns regarding the community's ability to maintain their traditional way of life, including hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, and staying out on the land due to environmental impacts and increased access to their territory by outsiders and those who are not treaty rights-holders. The Report noted concerns related to the ability of community members to access and use harvesting areas and areas of significance, and to ensure roads are safe to continue access to cultural and traditional areas in the short term and for future generations. On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS including the Community Well-Being Support Document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Concerns About Maintaining the Traditional Way of Life. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Operations, Accidents and Malfunctions, Monitoring (Construction, Post Construction), Human Health</p>	<p>Road Maintenance and Operation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK Project and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR, which noted the community's concerns with the maintenance and operation of the road to prevent impacts and accidents. The Report suggested a gate system could be used to monitor road users and to control access to use the road, and that operations and maintenance could be conducted by local Indigenous communities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation. Aroland First Nation has 120 days to review and provide feedback on the Draft EA / IS. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final EA / IS. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Information on traffic can be found in Traffic Data Technical Support Document (Appendix W). ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Socio-Community, Accidents and Malfunctions, Wildlife, Human Health, Construction, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Surface Water (Quality and Quantity), Land and Resource Use, Acoustic Environment (Noise and Vibrations), Atmospheric Environment (Air Quality)</p>	<p>Increased Traffic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns with the potential increase in traffic due to the MFFN CAR. The Report noted concerns and impacts related to increased traffic including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - road safety, specifically on the Anaconda and Painter Lake forestry roads, due to a significant increase in vehicle traffic including industrial mining and heavy vehicle traffic. - dust, vibration and contamination generated by road traffic that could negatively impact water crossings, and overnight cabin and camp sites. - increased traffic that would create noise and scare animals. - impacts to species that are present adjacent to existing roads that would be used as part of the CAR Route (e.g., Anaconda and Painter Lake Roads) - accidents that could contaminate waterways and the environment including spills. - accidents caused by weather and unmaintained roads. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on impacts caused by increased traffic. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation has until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Impacts Caused by Increased Traffic. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Traffic Data Review Technical Support Document (Appendix W) includes information on: background information and the study area, traffic data, and traffic assumptions. ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Species at Risk, Construction, Wildlife, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Land and Resource Use</p>	<p>Species at Risk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns with the MFFN CAR potentially impacting Species at Risk including lake sturgeon, wolverine, turtle species, and the boreal population of woodland caribou. The Report outlined concerns about the impact that a new road crossing could have on these species specifically in areas where the species have been mapped along the CAR route, that guidelines to ensure the species are not further threatened by development of the road must be taken, and that special care must be taken during road construction and maintenance. The Report specifically noted concerns related to impacts on lake sturgeon due to increased access to fishing and that the species is known as being very sensitive to disturbance. Concerns related to overhunting and poaching were noted. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Impacts to Species at Risk. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide comments. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation had 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Species at Risk. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ General identification of caribou location(s) has been used to aid the field investigations in the Ungulates Technical Support Document (Appendix M) and is considered in Section 8.2.7.1. ■ It should be noted that the selection of the Preferred Route was informed and chosen based on Indigenous Knowledge received, as well as fish and fish habitat information Section 4. Specific mitigation measures are listed in Table 10-1 of the Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document (Appendix G). ■ Comments on fish passage have been considered when developing mitigation measures, such as constructing crossings in a manner that maintains downstream flows and fish passage. All potential effects and recommended mitigation measures and monitoring are included in Section 9.3.3.4.1 and Section 9.3.3.4.6. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

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<p>Surface Water (Quality and Quantity), Wildlife, Crossing Structure (Bridges and Culverts), Accidents and Malfunctions, Species at Risk, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Cultural Heritage Resources (e.g., Archaeology)</p>	<p>Impacts at Water Crossings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the community's concerns with the potential impacts of the MFFN CAR on water crossing areas. The Report noted concerns related to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - fish spawning locations including Species at Risk fish and potential impacts to fish populations. - direct and indirect impacts to rivers, lakes and swamps. - impacts to ecological, cultural and historical sites of significance identified near water crossings. - accidents and spills into waterways during construction and road operation. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Impacts at Water Crossings. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide comments. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Impacts at Water Crossings. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Comments on fish passage have been considered when developing mitigation measures, such as constructing crossings in a manner that maintains downstream flows and fish passage. All potential effects and recommended mitigation measures and monitoring are included in Section 9.3.3.4.1 and Section 9.3.3.4.6. ■ It should be noted that the selection of the Preferred Route was informed and chosen based on Indigenous Knowledge received, as well as fish and fish habitat information Section 4. Specific mitigation measures are listed in Table 10-1 of the Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document (Appendix G). ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
<p>Vegetation, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Country/Traditional Foods, Land and Resource Use</p>	<p>Impacts to Vegetation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR, which noted the community's concerns related to impacts to vegetation including plants along the road and the gathering of food and medicinal plants. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Impacts to Vegetation. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On April 10, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document to Indigenous communities. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback on the Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final Community Well-Being Technical Support Document. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Impacts on Vegetation. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The Community Well-Being Technical Support Document, (Appendix T) includes information on: economy; traditional use and culture; food and water; housing; safety; community and public health; infrastructure and services, and environmental factors. ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.

Topic / Issue Raised	Specific Issue Raised	Communication Channel	Response / Action	Addressed in the EA / IS
<p>Wildlife, Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use, Groundwater (Quality and Quantity), Acoustic Environment (Noise and Vibrations), Species at Risk, Country/Traditional Foods, Land and Resource Use</p>	<p>Decline of Wildlife Species and Future Impacts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, Andrew Peach emailed the MFFN CAR Project Team providing Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project, which noted the decline of multiple species already occurring within the area and noted that this was an important factor to consider in the MFFN CAR assessment, including understanding the threshold of impact that the area can handle before change is irreversible. Species noted as in decline include lake sturgeon, brook trout, moose, beaver and muskrat. The Report also noted concerns about: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - disruptions to wildlife habitat, migration routes, and fish and fish habitat. - traffic and noise associated with the road was identified as a potential impact to wildlife and could cause wildlife to move and stay several kilometers away from the road. - roads might make it easier for people to access harvesting areas, including at bridges and water crossings. - poachers and out of season harvesting. ■ On June 23, 2025 Aroland tmFirst Nation provided comments on the Draft EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Email ■ Letter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On September 10, 2024, the MFFN CAR Project Team emailed Andrew Peach acknowledging receipt of Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study Report for the MFFN CAR Project. ■ On February 19, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team shared the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation which included information on Decline of Wildlife Species and Future Impacts. Aroland First Nation had until June 23, 2025, to review and provide feedback. ■ On June 13, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Aroland First Nation has 90 days to review and provide feedback on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Feedback received will inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report. ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided feedback on the Draft EA / IS related to Decline of Wildlife Species and Future Impacts. The Feedback and Response Log in Appendix C will address comments on this issue. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Comments on fish passage have been considered when developing mitigation measures, such as constructing crossings in a manner that maintains downstream flows and fish passage. All potential effects and recommended mitigation measures and monitoring are included in Section 9.3.3.4.1 and Section 9.3.3.4.6. ■ It should be noted that the selection of the Preferred Route was informed and chosen based on IK received, as well as fish and fish habitat information Section 4. Specific mitigation measures are listed in Table 10-1 of the Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document (Appendix G). ■ Community-specific ATRI Impact Assessment Reports will not be made available to the public. Feedback received on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report has been used to inform the preparation of the Final ATRI Impact Assessment Report.
<p>Provincial EA Process, Federal IA Process</p>	<p>Draft EA / IS Comments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 23, 2025, Aroland First Nation provided a cover letter and Technical Review Report (via email) with 118 comments on the Draft EA / IS. Aroland First Nation's comments were related to 32 out of 36 topics. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Letter (via email) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On June 23, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team acknowledged receipt of comments. ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team responded to comments in the Final EA / IS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ All comments received are documented and responded to in the Feedback and Response Log, found in Appendix C of the Final EA / IS.

Table 2-5: Consultation and Engagement Log – Aroland First Nation

Communication Date	Method of Engagement	In	Out	Contact Name (Title)	Project Team	Summary
August 01, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, who provided the name and contact information of a potential Aroland First Nation monitor to participate in field work for the Groundwater Program.
August 01, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, to thank him for providing the name and contact information of a potential Aroland First Nation monitor to participate in field work for the Groundwater Program.
August 01, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sonny Gagnon (Chief) Joe Baxter (Councillor) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the July 2024 E-blast. The E-blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current and upcoming activities including, summer field studies involving geotechnical investigations and the groundwater and geochemistry program, as well as in-community meetings with Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation. Links to the E-blast, MFFN CAR's website and the route selection update video were included.
August 08, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sonny Gagnon (Chief) Joe Baxter (Councillor) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, to note that the Community Coordinator Program information previously provided to Aroland First Nation via email on July 31, 2024, had been provided to Jerry Shabogamik who would make sure the applicants to the Program were reviewed by HR at Aroland First Nation. Andrew noted he followed up that day to see if there was any progress and would provide an update once he had information to share. Andrew noted he would be on vacation the following week and to reach out to Jerry for any questions or updates regarding the Program.
August 08, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aroland First Nation Members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On August 8, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. Meeting minutes and attendees are confidential.
August 12, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik to thank Jerry for participating in the Geotechnical Program helicopter flyover on July 19 and 20, 2024, and to request his mailing address for payment for his participation in the Program.

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August 12, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, who provided his mailing address to the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to receive payment for his participation in the Geotechnical Program flyer.
August 12, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, to let him know they would send a follow up email once the payment for his participation in the Geotechnical Program flyer had been sent.
August 12, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the update regarding payment for participation in the Geotechnical Program flyer.
August 15, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sonny Gagnon (Chief) Joe Baxter (Councillor) Mark Bell (Councillor) Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Aroland First Nation for their participation and feedback during the June and July 2024 community meetings and noted that summaries of the meetings would be provided for review soon. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the reminder that the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report was sent out to Aroland First Nation on June 3, 2024, and feedback and comments on the report were requested by August 2, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that no feedback had been received from Aroland First Nation on the report, inquired if they planned to send anything, and asked for when the information would be sent. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they had reached out on July 25 and 29, 2024, to inquire about Aroland First Nation's interest in sending a monitor to participate in the Groundwater Program monitoring and that contact information for a participant had been provided, however, they were not able to speak with that person before the deadline of August 2, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that another opportunity to participate in the Groundwater Program monitoring was tentatively scheduled for early October 2024, and committed to working with Aroland First Nation to receive the names of potential monitors in advance of the work. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the IK Funding Agreement had been sent on July 31, 2024, inquired about whether a payment option had been selected and mentioned that the Sharing Agreement was still with the MFFN CAR Project Team for review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that updated information for the Community Coordinator was provided on July 31, 2024, as well as the information for two potential applicants and inquired about whether a person had been selected for the role.

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August 15, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the updates on the Project.
August 19, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide updates after the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined that the flyover was to support and inform permitting required to install groundwater monitoring wells and sampling at potential aggregate and water crossing within and around the CAR. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Jerry Shabogamik took part in the flyover and that no concerns were raised, however, Jerry wanted to review the information with the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided mapping of the locations visited for Jerry's review and noted a summary of the work would be sent for review shortly. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked if Aroland First Nation could provide some dates and times that would work to discuss the flyover and next steps of the program via a virtual meeting.
August 19, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, who expressed appreciation for the updates after the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study and noted he would take a look at the materials provided.
August 19, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, who inquired about the status of the honorarium payment for his participation in the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study.

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August 19, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, to provide an update on the status of the honorarium payment for his participation in the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that KGS had received approval, that the payment should be sent any day and a follow up email would be sent once they confirmed the payment had been issued.
August 20, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, thanking them for the update on the status of the honorarium payment for his participation in the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study.
August 23, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, to follow up on the August 19, 2024, email regarding the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of his review of the mapping and asked if anything was required to support his review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the MFFN CAR Project Team wanted to meet with Aroland First Nation to discuss this work and any concerns raised by the community and requested potential meeting dates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a summary of the fieldwork would be provided for review soon.
August 27, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a signed version of the IK Sharing Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if there were any updates regarding the preferred payment for the IK Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that cheque or direct deposit were both options.
August 28, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik to follow up on the payment for his participation in the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the cheque had been issued. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested a follow up email if and to let them know if the cheque was not received within a few weeks.

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September 04, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the August 2024 E-blast. The E-blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current and upcoming activities including the Draft EA / IS, the completion of Summer Field Programs, as well as information regarding the upcoming Fall Public Information Centres. Links to the E-blast, MFFN CAR's website and the recorded webinars for the completed Summer Field Programs were included.
September 04, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the information regarding payment for his participation in the geotechnical program flyover and noted he would let them know if payment was not received via mail.
September 10, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik to follow up on the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to send monitors to participate in upcoming fieldwork for the groundwater program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they were hoping to work with Andrew and Jerry to get a list of names of potential monitors in advance as onboarding for the programs takes additional time.
September 10, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who noted he would work with Jerry Shabogamik on the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to send monitors to participate in upcoming fieldwork for the groundwater program and to get a list of names of monitors by early the following week.
September 10, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Jerry Shabogamik to Andrew Peach, thanking Andrew for the update on working together regarding the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to send monitors to participate in upcoming fieldwork for the groundwater program.

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September 10, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to thank him for following up on the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to send monitors to participate in upcoming fieldwork for the groundwater program.
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September 10, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Andrew Peach, where the MFFN CAR Project Team member thanked Andrew for providing Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use study for use on the MFFN CAR Project.

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September 12, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide the summary memo for the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested feedback on the memo and the mapping previously provided by email on August 19, 2024, by September 20, 2024.
September 13, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik to provide feedback on the summary memo for the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. Jerry noted no changes were required to the memo. Jerry indicated that KGS staff had noted that they would send pictures of the river crossings and other sites.
September 13, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from a KGS staff member, who cc'd Jerry Shabogamik on the email. The KGS staff member noted that water crossing figures and information from the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study were previously provided and requested the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to send the information to Jerry.
September 13, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from a KGS staff member, who cc'd key contacts from Aroland First Nation. The KGS staff member noted the water crossing figures and information from the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study were previously provided to the Project and requested this information be forwarded to Aroland First Nation.
September 16, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, thanking him for following up on the water crossing figures and information from the helicopter flyover conducted on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the geotechnical study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Jerry for providing his review of the summary memo and noted the information requested was previously sent to Aroland First Nation in an email on August 19, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the link to the google drive where all of the information was compiled and requested a follow up if he had any questions or comments following his review of the information.

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September 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the 2024 Fall Groundwater and Geochemistry Program Update. The update provided the dates, September 28 - October 5, 2024, that field crews are scheduled to carry out groundwater sampling and a notice was provided regarding the increase in traffic and noise within the study area during this time. Links to the field notice and MFFN CAR's website were included.
September 19, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik to inquire if Aroland First Nation had a list prepared of the names of potential monitors to participate in Project fieldwork opportunities, specifically the upcoming groundwater program monitoring. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the upcoming monitoring was tentatively scheduled for September 28 – October 5, 2024, which would require the monitors to be onboarded by middle of the following week.
September 19, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik to inquire if he had received the payment for his participation in the Geotechnical Program flyover.
September 20, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who noted that Jerry Shabogamik had been working to prepare a list of names of potential monitors to participate in Project fieldwork opportunities, specifically the upcoming groundwater program monitoring. Andrew mentioned he sent Jerry a reminder to provide a list of names by the end of that day.
September 24, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majjskon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Energy and Mines) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide a letter with advance notice and an update on the Draft EA / IS Report for the MFFN CAR Project, as well as a Frequently Asked Questions document. The letter described the purpose of the Draft EA / IS Report, what information will be provided to the community for review and how the input received from Indigenous communities will be used to prepare the Final EA / IS Report. The letter requested a key contact for Aroland First Nation and noted the exact date of the release of the Draft EA / IS Report and the review period timelines (Indigenous community and public / agency) would be shared once confirmed. Information regarding funding through the

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						Province of Ontario Participant Funding initiative was outlined and noted the Province would reach out to Aroland First Nation to discuss resourcing needs to review the Draft EA / IS Report. Finally, the letter outlined the various methods the Project Team would use to support Indigenous communities during their review and mentioned meetings to discuss the Draft EA / IS Report chapters and technical reports were encouraged. A link to a questionnaire to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review process was also included.
September 25, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project including the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program and Stage 1 Archaeology Assessment Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Andrew for sending Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study on September 10, 2024, and noted that both the IK Sharing and Funding Agreements had been sent back to Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the preferred payment method for the IK Program funding, noting that details should be sent to Valdine Walker, and asked if a lump sum payment would be preferred. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if there were any updates on the selection of a person to fill the Community Coordinator position and reattached the job posting to the email. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report was sent to Aroland First Nation on June 3, 2024, with feedback requested by August 2, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation on whether Aroland First Nation would be providing any feedback on the Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report, as the MFFN CAR Project Team was looking to finalize the Report. Lastly, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the meeting summaries from June and July 2024 were being drafted and would be sent shortly. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the details to sign up for the Project E-blast, and Project social media accounts.
September 26, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, in response to updates on the MFFN CAR Project including the IK Program, Community Coordinator Program and Stage 1 Archaeology Assessment Report. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation's offices were closed the week of September 23, 2024, but that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the items the week of September 30, 2024.

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October 01, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to follow up on previously proposed meetings dates in October 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked if the proposed dates of October 16 and 18, 2024, were discussed and requested confirmation that the proposed dates would work for meetings with Aroland First Nation community members in Aroland and Thunder Bay.
October 01, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who noted that he had not been able to connect with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the proposed meetings dates of October 16 and 18, 2024. Andrew indicated he would follow up with Jerry.
October 01, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Councillor Mark Bell who noted that there had been 2 deaths in the community, and he was unsure how the situation would impact the proposed October 16 and 18, 2024, meetings. Councillor Bell noted he would provide an update on October 4, 2024.
October 01, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from Andrew Peach to Councillor Mark Bell, where Andrew thanked Councillor Bell for the update regarding the deaths in the community, expressed his condolences and asked Councillor Bell to reach out to Andrew when they were ready to discuss the next steps for the proposed October 2024 meetings.
October 02, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Councillor Mark Bell to thank him for the update regarding the deaths in the community, to send well wishes and to let Councillor Bell know they would wait to hear from him or Andrew Peach regarding the next steps.
October 03, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation with the September 2024 E-blast. The E-blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current, and upcoming activities, including the release of the Draft EA / IS to Indigenous Communities, the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, information about Fall Field Programs, and the celebration of the Preferred Route. Links to the E-blast and MFFN CAR's website were included.

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October 07, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik, to forward an email sent on September 24, 2024, with a letter providing advance notice and an update on the Draft EA / IS Report for the MFFN CAR Project as well as a Frequently Asked Questions document. The letter described the purpose of the Draft EA / IS Report, what information will be provided to the community for review and how the input received from Indigenous communities will be used to prepare the Final EA / IS Report. The letter requested a key contact for Aroland First Nation and noted the exact date of the release of the Draft EA / IS Report and the review period timelines (Indigenous community and public / agency) would be shared once confirmed. Information regarding funding through the Province of Ontario Participant Funding initiative was outlined and noted the Province would reach out to Aroland First Nation to discuss resourcing needs to review the Draft EA / IS Report. Finally, the letter outlined the various methods the Project Team would use to support Indigenous communities during their review and mentioned meetings to discuss the Draft EA / IS Report chapters and technical reports were encouraged.
October 10, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, who sent the name and phone number of the individual Aroland First Nation had selected to fill the Community Coordinator position for the Community Coordinator Program.
October 10, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, to thank Jerry for sending the name and phone number of the individual Aroland First Nation had selected to fill the Community Coordinator position for the Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would follow up with the next steps once they were confirmed with the MFF CAR Project Team.
October 10, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to inquire if Aroland First Nation could share shapefiles for the information provided in Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the shapefiles would be used to overlay with the MFFN CAR ATRI local and regional study areas to determine potential impacts to Aroland First Nation's Rights and Interests.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 		
October 23, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach regarding the sharing of Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Report shapefiles. Andrew shared that Aroland First Nation would not be sharing shapefiles related to the data presented in the report, as this data included sensitive information and community knowledge shared by Aroland First Nation community members who entrusted the First Nation to safeguard that information on their behalf. Andrew explained further that Aroland First Nation is not comfortable sharing the community's information for external use and that Aroland First Nation believes the report provides an appropriate overview of the data requested at a level the community is comfortable with. Andrew noted that specific features or elements of the report could be discussed further for clarification.
October 23, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to thank him for his response regarding the sharing of Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Report shapefiles.

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October 25, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed key contacts from Aroland First Nation to provide Project updates for October 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reshared a link to a questionnaire, previously sent on September 24, 2024, to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review of the Draft EA / IS Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on the IK Program, noting that both the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements had been signed and requested information regarding the preferred payment details for the IK funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined that Jerry Shabogamik had confirmed who had been chosen to fill the role of the Community Coordinator Program position on October 10, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned they had tried to reach the Community Coordinator but was unable to connect on the phone but would continue trying.
October 29, 2024	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Aroland First Nation Community Members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On October 29, 2024, representatives from Aroland First Nation and MFFN met for a taskforce meeting to advance discussions relating to the CAR and other road projects that will help connect the CAR to the highway system (Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road), as well as to support collaboration between the Nations. Meeting minutes and attendees are confidential.
October 29, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Laine Gagnon (Financial Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who provided contact information for the individual responsible for coordinating the IK Program funding payment.
October 30, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, thanking him for the contact information to coordinate payment for the IK Program funding and noted they would reach out to the contact shortly.
October 31, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Laine Gagnon (Financial Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Laine Gagnon to coordinate payment for the IK Program funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked for the preferred payment method and asked for a void cheque should direct deposit be preferred.

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November 05, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to key contacts from Aroland First Nation with the October 2024 E-blast. The E-blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current, and upcoming activities, including a new What We Heard video, an update on the ATRI Study Areas, MFFN Community Meeting, and the date for the Upcoming Webinar: Building the Community Access Road. Links to the E-blast and MFFN CAR's website were included.
November 06, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Linda Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Shane Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Maria Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Paul Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Corinna Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Rob Moonias (MFFN Councillor) ■ Russell Achneepineskum (MFFN Councillor) ■ Yvonne Baxter (MFFN Councillor) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach with a response letter attached on behalf of the MFFN CAR Project. The letter contained responses to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report which outlined their concerns related to the incorporation of their information in the report, the impact to their ATRI and inadequate consultation throughout the EA / IA process which has required Aroland First Nation to focus on establishing an accurate record of their concerns and engagement in the Project and requested the Report be updated. The letter highlighted that the Report was intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report, and that the description of existing conditions would be updated using the information highlighted in their comments, as well as Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study. It noted the revised description of existing conditions would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the forthcoming Draft Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report. The letter outlined the Project and MFFN's commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation, while respecting their community protocols and the protocols outlined in the finalized IK Sharing Agreement between Aroland First Nation and MFFN. Lastly, the letter outlined recent steps the Project had taken to engage with Aroland First Nation including the signing of a communication protocol agreement, the establishment of a joint community group and several meetings with the community. The letter noted the Project looks forward to continuing to build the relationship between Aroland First Nation and MFFN and to continuing to receive the community's feedback and information. Contact information was provided should Aroland First Nation have further questions or concerns or would like to schedule a meeting.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Moszynski (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks) ■ Sasha McLeod (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks) ■ Caitlin Cafaro (Impact Assessment Agency) 		
November 08, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide an update on the discontinuation of the MFFN CAR Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant shared that the timing window for participation in the program had passed and it is being discontinued and replaced with a one-time capacity funding payment to help support engagement in the CAR in a way that best suits the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined the original objective of the program and recommended some uses for the capacity funding, such as activities to support the community's review of the upcoming Draft EA / IS Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested a response on whether the community was interested in the capacity funding and payment information for the funding by February 28, 2025.
November 11, 2024	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach to discuss the changes to the Community Coordinator Program, as outlined in an email sent on November 8, 2024. Andrew inquired if the capacity funding is specifically for the community's review of the Draft EA / IS Report, to which the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that it was their understanding the money could be used by Aroland First Nation as they see fit, which could include hiring staff, coordinating community meetings, and / or the review of the Draft EA / IS Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew discussed that there had been some confusion regarding the onboarding of the person identified for the position of Community Coordinator. They discussed that this person would be working directly with the community and would not necessarily need to be in contact with the Project, unless specified by Aroland First Nation Chief and Council. They discussed that next steps would involve confirming Aroland First Nation's preferences for the person filling the previously outlined Community Coordinator position and how that person would

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						interact with the Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would confirm when the capacity funding agreement was ready or provide an update when available and would confirm whether an electronic version of the Draft EA / IS Report would be available for community review. Andrew noted he was scheduled to speak with Chief and Council the next day and would aim to discuss details regarding the Community Capacity Funding, the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the preferences for the person filling the previously outlined Community Coordinator position. Andrew inquired if a community meeting was still on the agenda for the Project, as the meeting tentatively scheduled for October 2024 did not happen, to which the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they believed it was on the agenda for the new year.
November 12, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach summarizing their phone call on November 11, 2024. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined the topics of discussion, which included the change of the Program to a one-time lump sum capacity funding payment, the change in the role of the previously identified Community Coordinator and the next steps, that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council needed to confirm details regarding the role of that person, and that the Community Capacity Funding Agreement was being finalized for distribution. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they also discussed the review of the Draft EA / IS Report, including the questionnaire previously sent by the MFFN CAR Project Team to determine the community's review preferences and how the capacity funding could be used to support the Report review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that they had briefly discussed a community meeting in the new year. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined the action items for themselves and Andrew, and requested Andrew review the email for anything that was missed in the summary.
November 20, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with an announcement for the Building the Community Access Road Webinar on Tuesday November 26, 2024. 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.

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November 26, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with a reminder for the Building the Community Access Road Webinar on Tuesday November 26, 2024. 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.
December 02, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation to provide the Milestone #3 Progress Report for the MFFN CAR Project. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the report sections and noted edits or comments on the community-specific sections were due by February 14, 2025, to be incorporated into the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also reminded Aroland First Nation to fill out the questionnaire related to the Draft EA / IS review preferences and provided a link to the questionnaire. A meeting to discuss the reports was offered and confirmation the reports could be successfully downloaded was requested.
December 06, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide the Community Capacity Funding Agreement for the one-time lump sum payment to help support engagement in the CAR in a way that best suits the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant outlined what was needed from the signatory of the agreement and asked for contact information to expedite the process.
December 09, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach who noted he would try to connect with Jerry Shabogamik that week to provide details for the Community Capacity Funding agreement for the one-time lump sum payment to help support engagement in the CAR.

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December 11, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to follow up on action items and to provide Project updates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the status of the IK Program Funding details, the community's interest in the Community Capacity Funding, and preferences for moving forward after the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted an email was sent in September that outlined preferences for the review of the Draft EA / IS, including a questionnaire, and noted they had confirmed with the Project Team that an online version of the report would be available for download. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also followed up on the potential for a community meeting to be held in January, asked if the community was still interested in meeting, and asked for potential dates.
December 11, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who noted he was working with Jerry Shabogamik to confirm the IK Program Funding details, the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, and the questionnaire for the review preferences for the Draft EA / IS. Andrew noted that the potential meeting would likely be shifted to February, as the main purpose of the meeting is to provide community members with a chance to learn about and provide comments on the Draft EA / IS documents. Andrew mentioned he was hoping to connect with Jerry that week, otherwise the items would have to wait until the new year.
December 11, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to thank him for the updates regarding the IK Program Funding details, the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, and the questionnaire for the review preferences for the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Andrew could prioritize certain details regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement in order to expedite the process and get the funding to Aroland First Nation more quickly.
December 13, 2024	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who confirmed that Jerry Shabogamik would be working to get the details for IK Program Funding details and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew inquired if it was possible to receive the Draft EA / IS documents through Dropbox or Google Drive and if it was possible to have two key contacts. Andrew confirmed the community meeting would be postponed to February or March, dependent on the release of the Draft EA / IS.

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December 16, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to thank him for the updates regarding the IK Program Funding, Community Capacity Funding Agreement and upcoming community meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Draft EA / IS could be sent in a few formats including hard copy and noted that a digital version could be provided through a password protected website. They also mentioned they would follow up about Dropbox and Google Drive, and confirm that both Andrew and Jerry are included in EA / IS correspondence.
December 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation with year-end updates and upcoming 2025 activities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed they were waiting for Jerry Shabogamik to confirm details for the IK Program Funding and Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that both Andrew Peach and Jerry had been added to the distribution for the Draft EA / IS, that a digital copy of the report would be available and inquired if other formats were required and provided a link to the preferences questionnaire. Feedback was requested on the community-specific section of the Milestone #3 Progress Report, distributed December 2, 2024, by February 14, 2025. Feedback options included email, phone, or scheduling a meeting. The email outlined key milestones from 2024, including the Preferred Route selection for the road on August 26, 2024, confirmed by a Band Council Resolution from Marten Falls First Nation. The consultant noted participation in community meetings with Marten Falls First Nation in July and October 2024, Aroland First Nation in June and July 2024, and the Three-Road Projects Gathering and Expo in June 2024.
December 18, 2024	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the 2024 Year In Review E-blast. The E-blast provided an overview of MFFN CAR's past, current, and upcoming activities, including a holiday message from Chief Bruce Achneepineksun, a recap of the activities and events that occurred throughout 2024, the release of a new video on the Preferred Route selection, and an update on the Draft EA / IS. Links to the E-blast and MFFN CAR's website were included.

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January 13, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Anna Marie Majiskon (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Alain Joseph (Ministry of Natural Resources) ■ Azizul Hakim (Ministry of Natural Resources) ■ Evelyn Brunner (Ministry of, Natural Resources) ■ Dorothy Brunner (Ministry of Natural Resources) ■ Paul MacInnis (Ministry of Energy and Mines) ■ Jason Frechette (Ministry of Energy and Mines) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team was cc'd on an email from Alain Joseph, MNR, to Aroland First Nation. The email included a letter in response to the November 15, 2024, letter sent by Aroland First Nation, which noted concerns regarding the MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program. The letter outlined specific measures proposed by the proponent to mitigate concerns raised by Aroland First Nation, including wildlife and harvesting, site of historical and archaeological concern, archaeological protocols, participation in the process, and funding opportunities. MFFN CAR Project Team was not included on prior correspondence, including the November 15, 2024, letter. As the consultation and correspondence are related to future permitting outside of the EA / IA process, specific issues and concerns discussed will not be recorded as part of the MFFN CAR EA / IA.
January 15, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the 2025 Winter Field Notice. The Field Notice provided an update to the Atigwag / Caribou Collar Removal Program and highlighted that field work has been scheduled to manually remove atigwag / caribou GPS radio tracking collars between February 10 to 28, 2025. Links to the MFFN CAR's website, webinar recordings and videos were included.
January 17, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach and Jerry Shabogamik to follow up on details needed in order to finalize and send out the IK Program Funding and initiate the process for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation of the preferred payment method for the IK Program Funding and listed

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 		<p>out two potential options to receive funding (i.e., mailed cheque or direct deposit). In addition, the MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested information from the signatory of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and requested specific information to expedite the payment process for the agreement.</p>
January 17, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, informing them that he will follow up with Jerry Shabogamik for a response regarding a previous request for information in relation to the IK Program Sharing Agreement and Community Capacity Funding Agreement.
January 21, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation providing updates on the MFFN CAR and upcoming activities, including preparations for the release of the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant included a reminder that all information regarding the Draft EA / IS will come from a separate email account and requested that all questions or comments on the Draft EA / IS be directed to this address. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant encouraged Aroland First Nation to complete a questionnaire to identify preferences for accessing the Draft EA / IS document. A link to the questionnaire was provided. The email clarified that if the questionnaire is not completed, a link to the Draft EA / IS (~20,000 pages) hosted on a website will be sent by default. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant invited Aroland First Nation to book an in-person or virtual meeting to assist with the review of the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant included event details, instructions on how to register, and a link to book one-on-one time with the MFFN CAR Project Team at the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo in Thunder Bay (February 19-20, 2025) and Timmins (February 25-26, 2025). The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also offered to book in-person meetings outside of the event timeframe. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also referenced the distribution of the Milestone #3 Progress Report on December 2, 2024, and requested feedback on the community-specific section by February 14, 2025. It was noted that feedback could be submitted via email, telephone, or by scheduling a meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Aroland First Nation that they were waiting on confirmation of details to finalize the IK Program Funding and to move forward with the Community Capacity Funding Agreement.

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January 29, 2025	Phone		x	■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Jerry Shabogamik, to follow up on the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. Reception indicated Jerry was not in the office and recommended to phone back at a different time.
January 30, 2025	Phone		x	■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant phoned Andrew Peach, to follow up on the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Aroland First Nation had yet to indicate their attendance at the event, to which Andrew noted he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik, but that he understood Jerry and an Aroland First Nation Councillor may be attending. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant and Andrew discussed the release of the Draft EA / IS, where Andrew asked if another person could be added to the distribution on behalf of Aroland First Nation, as he would be on vacation during the release and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed they would add the additional contact to the distribution list. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that a package would be sent to Indigenous communities, which contained an executive summary, summaries of the discipline reports and a USB key with a copy of the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired about the mailing address for Andrew, and they discussed if the package would be different from the Draft EA / IS release information, to which the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would confirm the details for both the report release and the package. Andrew noted he would review the Draft EA / IS questionnaire details with Jerry, in addition to working on the banking details for the IK Program Funding and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew mentioned that the in-community meeting, tentatively planned for February / March, would likely be moved to early April in order to give the community time to review the Draft EA / IS and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Andrew that a meeting at the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo was also possible, in addition to the other meeting. Lastly, Andrew mentioned that he was working to meeting the February 14, 2025, deadline to submit comments on the Milestone #3 Progress Report and asked if any extension was possible or if late comments would be received, and the MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would confirm those details and get back to Andrew.
February 03, 2025	Email	x		■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator)	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Jerry Shabogamik, which included the names of those who would be attending the upcoming Three Roads Project Gathering and Expo on behalf of Aroland First Nation.

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February 04, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was sent an email from Andrew Peach. The email included confirmation that Aroland First Nation's legal counsel had reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and had provided some edits for the MFFN CAR Project Team to review. Andrew requested that the MFFN CAR Project Team review and confirm if they approve of the proposed edits before Aroland First Nation returns the signed copy.
February 05, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, to thank him for providing the proposed edits to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and stated that the MFFN CAR Project Team would review the edits and provide a response as soon as possible.
February 10, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the January 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: The Draft EA / IS, 2025 Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo, a new video on understanding project effects and mitigation, a reminder for the Winter 2025 Field Notice and information on the Indigenous Knowledge Program. Links to the MFFN CAR website, understanding project effects and mitigation video and the field notice were included.
February 11, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Ashley Childs to provide various Project updates, as discussed in a phone call with Andrew Peach on January 30, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant then provided updates on the Milestone #3 Progress Report. It was noted that feedback received by February 14, 2025, would be incorporated into the report and posted on the Project website, in addition to the other milestone reports and the Interim RoCE. It was also stated that feedback provided after the February 14, 2025, deadline would be incorporated into the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally stated that later in 2025, a Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities will be produced, which will include the Milestone #3 Report, in addition to the other milestone reports, the Interim RoCE and any engagement that has occurred since August 2024. It was noted that Indigenous Communities will be able to provide

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						feedback for the time period covered in Milestone #3 Report during the review of the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant let Ashley know that she had been added to the list to receive any correspondence related to the Draft EA / IS as previously requested. It was also stated that an Assessment Summary Package was being sent to communities via mail and requested that Ashley confirm if anyone from their team would like to also receive this package as soon as possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant stated that they would await further details in order to finalize the funding for the IK Program Funding, as Andrew had previously stated that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik and Laine Gagnon to finalize the information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed receipt of Aroland First Nation's revisions for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, noting that they were being reviewed by the MFFN CAR Project Team, and that a response would be provided as soon as possible.
February 13, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation to provide updates on the Draft EA / IS. The email noted that the Draft EA / IS would be available for review by Indigenous communities and groups on February 18, 2025, provided a link to the website where the Draft EA / IS is located and provided additional details. The email highlighted an Assessment Summary package to be mailed to Indigenous communities and groups and provided details of what was included in the package. The email provided a reminder that the Draft EA / IS public review period starts 60 days after the early release to Indigenous communities and groups, highlighting that Indigenous communities and groups have a total of 120 calendar days to provide their comments to the Project Team. It was noted that comments and feedback on the Draft EA / IS could be provided via the Project Website, email or letter until June 18, 2025. A link to the project website, email and mailing address were provided as well as the project phone number for any issues providing feedback. The email noted that four additional support documents would be released over the coming months, including the Milestone #3 Progress Report, Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement for Indigenous communities, community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report and Community Well-Being Technical Report. It was highlighted that any concerns raised by Indigenous communities and groups would be documented in the Final EA / IS Report.
February 14, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ashley Childs, who shared that an initial review of the Milestone #3 Progress Report was completed on behalf of Aroland First Nation has been completed. It was noted, however, that Andrew

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Jeremy Shute (Senior Consultant / Chief Social Impact Officer) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 		<p>Peach was the most familiar with the details of the consultation process for this report, and that is he is currently out of the office. Ashley noted that Andrew would provide more detailed feedback during the week of February 24-28, 2025. Ashley then thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for the updates on the Draft EA / IS distribution, letting them know that Aroland First Nation did not have anyone additional to add to the mailing list for the Assessment Summary Package. Ashley shared that they had followed up with Aroland First Nation about their preferred payment method for the IK Program Funding Agreement and noted that this information would be provided to the MFFN CAR Project Team once available. Ashley concluded by stating that once the Community Capacity Funding Agreement was received from the MFFN CAR Project Team, a copy of the Agreement would be provided to Aroland First Nation for review and signature.</p>
February 19, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ashley Childs, who inquired about where Aroland First Nation should be addressing their questions during their review of the Draft EA / IS.
February 19, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation announcing that the Draft EA / IS and supporting documents are now available online. The MFFN CAR Project Team outlined the timeline for review of the Draft EA / IS and stated that the final date for comments and feedback is June 18, 2025. Methods of contact, including website, email, mailing address and phone number were provided to submit comments or feedback.
February 19, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Ashley Childs to inform her that all questions, comments, and feedback should be directed to the Project's EA / IS specific email, eaisinput@martenfallsaccessroad.ca. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they could be cc'd in the email for awareness.
February 19, 2025	Mail - Outgoing		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) 	■ MFFN CAR Project Team	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team shipped the Assessment Summary: Draft EA / IS hard copy to the Aroland First Nation band office.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 		
February 20, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Ashley Childs to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project. The email noted that the Draft EA / IS was now available for review on the project website, provided the reminder that all questions and comments should be sent to the eaisinput@martenfallsaccessroad.ca email address, and noted that an in-person or virtual meeting to discuss the Draft EA / IS was available upon request. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant followed up on the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided the revised agreement with comments and feedback from the MFFN CAR Project Team for consideration. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant invited Ashley to reach out upon review if further discussion was required. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that further details regarding the payment would be provided once the agreement has been finalized. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the reminder that feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report was due by February 14, 2025, and that any feedback received after that date would be incorporated in the forthcoming Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities. Additional information regarding the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities and other Milestone reports was provided. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they had upcoming vacation and that further details regarding coverage would be provided closer to the date.
February 20, 2025	In-person	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team and representatives of Aroland First Nation met to discuss the CAR and the Draft EA / IS during the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo in Thunder Bay, Ontario.
February 21, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ashley Childs, who thanked them for providing the appropriate contact to address all Draft EA / IS related questions. Ashley noted she cc'd the MFFN CAR Project Consultant in the email to keep them informed.
February 25, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who stated that Aroland First Nation had accessed the Draft EA / IS documents and directed questions to the project email (eaisinput@martenfallsaccessroad.ca). Andrew noted that he will connect with Chief and Council regarding

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 		<p>interest for a meeting and will provide an update. Andrew thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for circulating the MFFN CAR Project Team's edits to the draft Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew further stated that Aroland First Nation's legal counsel had reviewed the edits and provided feedback, including that they would accept the previously revised Agreement, only if the MFFN CAR Project Team accepted Aroland First Nation's suggested changes to sections 5.7 and 5.9 of the Agreement. Aroland First Nation's legal counsel additionally included reasoning for their suggested changes and Aroland First Nation's legal counsel insisted that the language previously suggested remains in the Agreement. Andrew asked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to review the suggested changes and inform him if further discussions would be required to finalize the Agreement.</p>
February 26, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to thank him for providing updates regarding the Draft EA / IS questions submitted by Aroland First Nation and the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant highlighted that Aroland First Nation's questions regarding the Draft EA / IS had been received and that a response would be provided shortly. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the suggestions made to the draft Community Capacity Funding Agreement for Sections 5.7 and 5.9 had been forwarded to the MFFN CAR Project Team and that a response would be provide as soon as possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant informed Andrew that they would be out of office from February 28 – March 9, returning March 10 and that their colleague, Nolan Lachance, cc'd in the email, would be the main point of contact for Project related communication during their absence. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant let Andrew know that they would be available to discuss any matters regarding the Project between now and the end of the week, if needed.
March 04, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the February 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: The Draft EA / IS release to Indigenous communities, community meetings with Marten Falls First Nation, 2025 Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo and information on upcoming engagement activities including Public Information Centre #6 and webinars. Links to the MFFN CAR website were included.

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March 26, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project including the Draft EA / IS, upcoming webinar, Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program Funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation was still interested in holding an in-person meeting to further discuss the Project, and to provide potential dates if so. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the MFFN CAR webinar series was continuing in April and May and upcoming webinar topics included project effects and proposed mitigation measures for Land, Water and People. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement provided by Aroland First Nation on February 25, 2025, were still being reviewed by the MFFN CAR Project Team and that a response would be provided soon. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant mentioned that they were awaiting banking details and contact information from Aroland First Nation, in order to send over the IK Program Funding. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired on whether Andrew had been able to connect with Jerry Shabogamik and / or Laine Gagnon to get the requested information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that a new contact should be added in all future correspondence and introduced the new contact.
April 03, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the March 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: The public release of the Draft EA / IS, the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada 2025 Convention and upcoming spring 2025 webinars. Links to the MFFN CAR webinar archive and website were included.

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April 07, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a clean version would be provided if Aroland First Nation was in agreement with the proposed changes. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also requested that contact information and a void cheque be provided to the MFFN CAR Project Team in order to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the distribution of associated funds.
April 10, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation announcing that the Community Well-Being Report is now available online, and those who requested hard copies will receive them shortly after. The MFFN CAR Project Team outlined the timeline for review of the Draft EA / IS and stated that the final date for comments and feedback is June 23, 2025. Methods of contact, including website, email, mailing address and phone number were provided to submit comments or feedback.
April 11, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach providing updates on the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement. Andrew noted that Aroland First Nation was in disagreement with the language being used in two sections outlined of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided their proposed changes. Andrew additionally noted that Jerry Shabogamik identified Laine Gagnon as the point of contact for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided their contact information. Andrew advised the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to reach out if they had any questions regarding their proposed edits to the Agreement.
April 11, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide further updates on the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and payment information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that they would provide the MFFN CAR Project Team with the proposed revisions to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Andrew that a void cheque would still be required to finalize the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and inquired if this was something he could provide. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally inquired if this same void cheque could be used to complete the IK Program Funding, indicating that a void cheque would be necessary if direct deposit was chosen as their preferred distribution method, but also noted that a mailed cheque

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						was an option. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that the MFFN CAR Project Team would be in Thunder Bay the week of May 26-30, 2025, and inquired if Aroland First Nation would be available to meet on May 30, 2025.
April 16, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to follow up on a potential meeting with Aroland First Nation in May 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that the Project Team had suggested a meeting in late morning / early afternoon on Thursday, May 29, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked that Andrew let them know if this would be of interest to Chief and Council.
April 16, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach requesting clarifications on the potential meetings between the MFFN CAR Project Team and Aroland First Nation. Andrew indicated that he would be reaching out to Chief and Council regarding the proposed meeting and asked that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirm his understanding of the meeting logistics for the proposed meetings with Aroland Chief and Council on May 29, 2025, and a meeting with Aroland community members the week of May 26-30, 2025. Andrew also asked that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirm that the MFFN CAR Project Team is available to host two meetings with Aroland community members, indicating that one would take place in Aroland and one would take place in Thunder Bay. Andrew noted that these meetings would need to take place in the evening to accommodate the schedule of Aroland First Nation band members. Andrew indicated that once details had been confirmed by the MFFN CAR Project Consultant, they would speak with Jerry Shabogamik, Chief, and Council to determine if the proposed meeting details aligns with their schedules.
April 21, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to follow up on a potential meeting with Aroland First Nation in May 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that they would work with the Project Team to confirm the logistics and dates of the proposed meetings and provide details as soon as possible. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked that Andrew provide Aroland First Nation's legal counsel contact information to facilitate further discussion with the AECOM legal team, in regard to the Community Capacity Funding Agreement.

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April 23, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach providing the contact information of Aroland First Nation's legal counsel. Andrew also indicated that he would inquire with Chief and Council regarding the May 2025 meetings once he had received the finalized details from the MFFN CAR Project Consultant.
April 30, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project including upcoming events and engagement opportunities and updates on the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Draft EA / IS was now available for public review and the Community Well-Being Report was released for Indigenous community and group review on April 16, 2025. They provided a reminder that the review process concludes on June 23, 2025, noted how feedback can be submitted and offered a meeting to support the review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant highlighted that PIC #6 would be happening on May 26 in Thunder Bay and May 29 in Geraldton, noting that the first hour of each PIC is dedicated to Indigenous community members and provided a link with more information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided details on the upcoming webinar series which included webinars on ungulates, fish and fish habitat and land and resource use, mentioned the first webinar on Community Well-Being would be held on May 6 and provided a link to register. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided dates that the Project Team would be available to meet with Aroland First Nation community members. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant thanked Andrew for providing the contact information of the individual at Aroland First Nation who will be responsible for executing the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and noted that a void cheque will be required to distribute the funds to Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to confirm that they could use the information provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to distribute the IK Program Funding.

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April 30, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach thanking the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for providing potential meeting dates. Andrew indicated he would coordinate with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council to determine their availability for the proposed meetings. Andrew noted that the same contact provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement could be used for the IK Program Funding and that he would reach out to Aroland First Nation to provide a void cheque. Andrew thanked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant for providing information regarding the webinar series and committed to providing the information to Aroland First Nation band members.
April 30, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with a reminder for the new webinar series on the Draft EA / IS. The reminder provided information on upcoming webinars, including: Community Well-Being, Land: Ungulates (Moose and Caribou), Water: Fish and Fish Habitat and People: Land and Resource Use. Links to the MFFN CAR website and to register for the Community Well-Being webinar were included.
May 06, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with a reminder for the Community-Well Being webinar. The reminder provided the time and access to the virtual webinar, in addition to information on upcoming webinars, including: Land: Ungulates (Moose and Caribou), Water: Fish and Fish Habitat and People: Land and Resource Use. Links to the MFFN CAR website and to register for the Community Well-Being webinar were included.
May 07, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach noting that Chief and Council for Aroland First Nation have confirmed availability for meetings with the MFFN CAR Project Team on May 28 and 29, 2025. Andrew indicated that he would connect with Jerry Shabogamik to coordinate logistics for the meetings and distribute advertisements.

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May 07, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach thank him for confirming availability for the proposed meeting dates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that they would reach out to Jerry Shabogamik the following week to coordinate any further details. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Andrew to confirm if the meeting invite should be extended to representatives of the Province, indicating the choice was to be decided by Aroland First Nation.
May 08, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the April 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: The public release of the Draft EA / IS, a new video on the introduction to the Draft EA / IS, Valued Components: Impact of the Community Access Road on Ungulates webinar and other upcoming webinars and an invitation to Public Information Centre #6. Links to the MFFN CAR Draft EA / IS website, project website, introduction to the Draft EA / IS video, webinar registration portal and social media pages were included.
May 09, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to inquire about the procurement of a void cheque from the community. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emphasized that once the cheque is provided, the disbursement of funds for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the IK Program could proceed. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also noted that the Community Capacity Funding Agreement was currently with the MFFN CAR Project Team for review and was anticipating it to be ready for review shortly.
May 20, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation inviting recipients to register for the upcoming Fish and Fish Habitat webinar on Thursday May 22, 2025, from 4 to 5 p.m. EST. A reminder for the upcoming webinar on June 5, 2025, was also provided. Links to the registration page for the webinar and the location to view previous webinars were included.

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May 22, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide the revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement for Aroland First Nation's review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that they had been informed that Aroland First Nation's legal counsel, Kate Kempton, and the AECOM legal counsel had revised the version together, however Kate had requested to review the final version submitted before signature. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked that the signed agreement be returned upon review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also inquired if a void cheque could be provided to issue the payment for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement once the signed document is received. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also indicated that the void cheque issued for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement would also be used for the distribution of the IK Program Funding, should it be agreeable with Aroland First Nation.
May 22, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to inquire if the community meeting planned for May 29, 2025, could be held in Aroland First Nation's gymnasium. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation could provide a meal for the event, at the Project Team's cost. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they were awaiting a meeting poster to be shared with the community.
May 22, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik emailed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant and noted the venue and catering were arranged for the meeting on May 29, 2025.
May 22, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Jerry Shabogamik to provide a meeting poster to be distributed within Aroland First Nation's community for upcoming meetings in Thunder Bay and Aroland First Nation on May 28 and 29, 2025.
May 26, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project including upcoming events, engagement opportunities, and updates on the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a reminder for PIC #6, happening May 26, 2025, in Thunder Bay, and May 29, 2025, in Geraldton, noting that the first hour of each PIC is dedicated to Indigenous community members and provided a link with more information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Aroland First Nation of their planned meetings on May 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay, and May 29, 2025, in Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also indicated that the MFFN CAR Project Team will be looking for community members living in Aroland to provide samples of foods that have been hunted, fished or gathered near the community to support the MFFN CAR Country Foods Program. The MFFN CAR Project

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						Consultant indicated that they would be accepting samples during the May 29, 2025, meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also provided a reminder on how to submit comments and feedback on the Draft EA / IS, and that the review process concludes on June 23, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided details on the upcoming webinar, noting the People: Land and Resource Use webinar will take place on June 5, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant attached the PIC #6 meeting poster and Country Foods Study Guidance documents for review.
May 26, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation inviting recipients to attend the upcoming Public Information Centre #6 on May 26 and 29, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, respectively. An informational poster for the event and a poster for the release of the Draft EA / IS release to the public was attached, and the date, time and location of each event were included in the body of the email. A link to the event information page was included.
May 28, 2025	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Members of Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 28, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted an expo style event in Thunder Bay for members of Aroland First Nation to discuss and receive feedback on the Draft EA / IS, as well as provide a Project update and answer any questions. Booths at the event included: Draft EA / IS Review Process, Community Well-Being, Land and Resource Use, and Bridge / Culvert Navigability.
May 29, 2025	In-person / face-to-face			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Members of Aroland First Nation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ On May 29, 2025, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted an expo style event in Aroland for members of Aroland First Nation to discuss and receive feedback on the Draft EA / IS, as well as provide a Project update and answer any questions. Booths at the event included: Draft EA / IS Review Process, Community Well-Being, Land and Resource Use, Bridge / Culvert Navigability and Country Foods Sampling.
June 05, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation inviting recipients to register for the upcoming Land & Resource Use webinar on Thursday, June 5, 2025, from 4 to 5 p.m. EST. An invitation to reach out if Aroland First nation is interested in a meeting to talk about any of the topics covered in the webinar series was also included. Links to the registration page for the webinar and the location to view previous webinars were included.

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June 11, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the May 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: the upcoming conclusion of the Draft EA / IS review period on June 23, 2025, new webinar recordings and informative videos, public materials from Public Information Centre #6 held May 26 and 29, 2025, and National Indigenous History Month. Links to the MFFN CAR Draft EA / IS website, project website, webinar recordings, videos, Public Information Centre #6 materials and social media pages were included.
June 12, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to follow up on the revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement which was previously sent for Aroland First Nation's review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also inquired when it would be possible to receive a void cheque to distribute the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding.
June 12, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach to advise that he would follow up with Jerry Shabogamik regarding the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the void cheque for funding distribution.
June 13, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report to Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report included information from publicly available sources and any Indigenous Knowledge reports received by the MFFN CAR Project before January 2025, and that it outlined the assessment process for ATRI related to the Project, which focused specifically on Aroland First Nation. A link to the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report was provided. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted the review period for the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report is 90 calendar days and that if no feedback was received by September 11, 2025, the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report would be finalized. The email also noted that any additional Indigenous Knowledge or details that could better inform the report would be used to refine

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						the potential effects in the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report, and a final version would be provided to Aroland First Nation. A meeting was offered to discuss the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report and answer any questions.
June 19, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, who provided the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement that was signed by Chief Sonny Gagnon.
June 23, 2025	Letter (via email)	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Bruce Achneepineskum (MFFN Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Councillor) ■ Tyrell Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Bernard Gagnon (Councillor) ■ Annemaria Makiskan (Councillor) ■ Chad Kashkish (Councillor) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel for Aroland First Nation) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Dorothy Moszynski (Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks) ■ Caitlin Cafaro (IAAC/AEIC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR EA / IS Email Portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team received an email from Aroland First Nation with a cover letter and Technical Review Report that included 118 comments on the Draft EA / IS.
June 23, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR EA / IS Email Portal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an auto-reply email to Aroland First Nation acknowledging the receipt of their Draft EA / IS comments.
June 24, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Andrew Peach to thank Aroland First Nation for providing the signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that they would provide the final version after review. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that no date was added below the signature of Aroland First Nation's Chief. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if they could apply the date of the email below the signature or if Aroland First Nation would like to take a different approach. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also requested that a void cheque be provided as soon as possible in order to distribute the respective Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding.

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June 26, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach to provide updates on the MFFN CAR Project including updates on the Draft EA / IS, the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities, and the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the review period for the Draft EA / IS had officially closed on June 23, 2025, and thanked Aroland First Nation for providing feedback on the Draft EA / IS. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that the report would help inform the Final EA / IS that will be submitted to the federal and provincial governments for review in mid to late 2026. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report was sent to Aroland First Nation for review on June 13, 2025, and indicated that the review period for this report would consist of 90 calendar days. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant expressed that additional Indigenous Knowledge that could better inform the report would still be accepted and that a final version of the report will be provided to Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report will be finalized on September 11, 2025, and asked that Aroland First Nation confirm they had received the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a link to the PIC #6 consultation materials. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities will be released in Fall 2025.
July 15, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the June 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: the conclusion of the Draft EA / IS review period on June 23, 2025, and upcoming 2025 Field Studies. Links to the MFFN CAR project website and social media pages were included.
July 15, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Duncan Gagnon (Aroland First Nation) ■ Thelma Atlookan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Larry Baxter (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Stewart Yapput (Members of Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Members of Aroland First Nation with the June 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: the conclusion of the Draft EA / IS review period on June 23, 2025, and upcoming 2025 Field Studies. Links to the MFFN CAR project website and social media pages were included.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Colleen Wesley (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jessie Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Grey Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Cynthia Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Stephanie Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Ashley Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Angela Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Andrew Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Denise Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Joe Sutherland (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Glenda Meshake (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Annabelle Menelow (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jennifer Cockroft (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Colby Gagnon (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Heather Bouchard (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ John Gagnon (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Damien Bouchard (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jay Zoenre (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Valerie Jabic (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jonathan Towedo (Members of Aroland First Nation) 		

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July 16, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with corrections to the June 2025 E-blast email including, the correct link for the June E-blast and attaching the Summer 2025 Field Notice. Links to the MFFN CAR project website, June 2025 E-blast, Summer 2025 Field Notice and MFFN CAR social media pages were included.
July 16, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Duncan Gagnon (Aroland First Nation) ■ Thelma Atlookan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Larry Baxter (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Stewart Yapput (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Colleen Wesley (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Eunice Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jessie Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Grey Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Cynthia Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Stephanie Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Ashley Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Angela Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Andrew Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Denise Magiskan (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Joe Sutherland (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Glenda Meshake (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Annabelle Menelow (Members of Aroland First Nation) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Members of Aroland First Nation with corrections to the June 2025 E-blast email including, the correct link for the June E-blast and attaching the Summer 2025 Field Notice. Links to the MFFN CAR project website, June 2025 E-blast, Summer 2025 Field Notice and MFFN CAR social media pages were included.

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jennifer Cockroft (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Colby Gagnon (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ John Gagnon (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Heather Bouchard (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Damien Bouchard (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jay Zoenre (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Valerie Jabic (Members of Aroland First Nation) ■ Jonathan Towedo (Members of Aroland First Nation) 		
July 22, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation to provide July 2025 Project updates for MFFN CAR. The email noted that the Draft RoCE for Indigenous Communities is planned to be released in Fall 2025, and methods of providing feedback on the RoCE will be released at that time. The Summer 2025 field notice was provided noting that the three ongoing field programs include Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, groundwater well decommissioning, and geotechnical investigations. A follow up on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report, which was originally circulated on June 13, 2025, was also provided. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also advised that the IK Program Funding will be released to Aroland First Nation on July 25, 2025, and indicated that if the payment is not received by the end of July 2025, to advise the MFFN CAR Project Consultant. It was also noted that a final version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement would be distributed shortly.
July 23, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation indicating that all communications should be directed to them moving forward, and that the MFFN CAR Project Consultant is available to provide support during the transition of primary contacts. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant also provided a reminder for the review period of the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report, noting that the review period lasts until September 11, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant encouraged Aroland First Nation to reach out with any questions.

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July 24, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation, inviting Aroland First Nation to participate in archaeological investigations in advance of borehole drilling scheduled for Fall 2025. The location of the archaeological investigations was provided, noting that the date is yet to be confirmed. It was also noted that this archaeological fieldwork will be limited to the targeted areas of the boreholes, and that a more comprehensive Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment will be conducted at a later stage. Information regarding payment logistics was provided. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Aroland First Nation to confirm their interest in participating, and to reach out with any questions or for further information.
July 28, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Aroland First Nation's Consultant, confirming that Aroland First Nation is interested in participating in fieldwork monitoring for the upcoming archaeological investigations. Aroland First Nation's Consultant asked the MFFN CAR Project Consultant to reach out to Jerry Shabogamik with any other details needed to coordinate participation.
July 30, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant emailed Aroland First Nation to provide details for the upcoming field work, which Aroland had previously indicated interest in participating in. Logistical details regarding timing, team members, and transportation / accommodation were provided. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated that direct deposit information will be needed to provide payment, and to advise if a different monitor will be attending, as this will impact how payment is received. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked that Aroland First Nation confirm who will be attending as soon as possible, and to reach out with any questions or requests for further information.
July 30, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Kate Kempton (Legal Counsel) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation to provide the finalized Community Capacity Funding Agreement. It was noted that the associated funding was distributed on July 17, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant asked Aroland First Nation to confirm if they have received this funding.

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July 31, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with an update on Field Work regarding the Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment. The email informed recipients that the field work will take place from August 7, 2025, to August 25, 2025 (pending weather and / or site conditions). Recipients were informed that those located within the study area may notice an increase in air traffic as field crews will be accessing sites by helicopter. Links to the Field Notice, MFFN CAR project website and social media pages were included.
August 01, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, requesting confirmation that a field monitor will be attending upcoming field investigations on behalf of Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if the individual would be able to meet the field crew at the Geraldton airport, or if additional assistance would be required for transportation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a desire for the team to meet on August 7, 2025, to discuss sites of interests with Aroland First Nation.
August 05, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent a follow up email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, requesting confirmation that a field monitor will be attending upcoming field investigations on behalf of Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if the individual would be able to meet the field crew at the Geraldton airport, or if additional assistance would be required for transportation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a desire for the team to meet on August 7, 2025, to discuss sites of interests with Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Jerry that if a new field monitor would be participating in field investigations, they would need to be enrolled through Artech before the start date. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted logistical details that would need to be provided for enrolment into Artech, should it be necessary. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted a response would need to be provided before noon on August 6, 2025, to ensure sufficient time for the planned start date of August 7, 2025.
August 06, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, indicating that Jerry Shabogamik would be out of office for the remainder of the week due to personal reasons. Andrew noted he hoped the MFFN CAR Project Team could accommodate Jerry joining field investigations upon his return to office the following week.

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August 07, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) ■ Andrew Dieleman (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Team sent an email to Aroland First Nation with the July 2025 E-blast. The E-blast provided an update on the Community Access Road including: the latest on the Draft EA / IS, Plain Language Summaries available in five languages, New Video: Understanding Cumulative Effects, a reminder of the Draft EA / IS Series and upcoming 2025 Field Work. Links to the MFFN CAR project website, plain language summaries, technical reports, Cumulative Effects video, webinar recordings, Field Notice and social media pages were included.
August 07, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting the MFFN CAR Project Team would accommodate Jerry Shabogamik's participation in upcoming fieldwork upon his return. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Andrew that Jerry will need to be enrolled into Artech prior to participation in fieldwork. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that Catherine Holt from Artech would be reaching out to Jerry and provided her contact information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant additionally noted the field lead, Joshua Keddy, for the Project and provided his contact information. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted fieldwork logistics could be coordinated directly with Joshua, if desired.
August 13, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, requesting availability for a phone call in the week of August 11, 2025, to discuss outstanding topics. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant requested confirmation of Andrew's contact information.
August 13, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting availability for a call on August 13, 2025. Andrew provided his contact information.
August 13, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking him for providing availability for an upcoming call. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated they would call Andrew following a meeting. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided their phone number for reference.
August 13, 2025	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant called Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to discuss various community updates. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant confirmed with Andrew that Aroland First Nation had received the finalized Community Capacity Funding Agreement for their records. Andrew confirmed that the

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						<p>signed agreement had been received and distributed within Aroland First Nation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation had received disbursement of payment for both the Community Capacity Funding and the IK Program. Andrew confirmed receipt of payment for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement but mentioned he would need to follow up with Aroland First Nation to verify the payment status for the IK Program. Andrew committed to following up with Aroland's Band Office for confirmation. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Jerry Shabogamik had returned from leave and would be participating in the upcoming archaeological investigations in August 2025. Andrew reported that Jerry had not returned as planned on August 11, 2025, and his attempts to contact him had been unsuccessful. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if any other community members from Aroland First Nation had expressed interest in participating in archaeological surveys during Jerry's absence. Andrew confirmed there was interest but noted that the selection and coordination of field monitors were Jerry's responsibilities, so he could not provide further details. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Andrew could provide any updates on the requested change of recipients on the invoice for the Community Meeting that took place on May 28, 2025, at the JTS School, from Dillon Consulting to AECOM, to facilitate payment distribution to Aroland First Nation. Andrew inquired if he had been cc'd in those emails and requested the email thread for additional context. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant agreed to forward the thread and provide contact information for the invoice change. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Aroland First Nation was still on track to meet the September 11, 2025, deadline for submission of comments on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report. Andrew indicated Aroland First Nation anticipated providing comments ahead of the deadline, targeting late August 2025. Andrew noted he would inform the MFFN CAR Project Consultant if there were any changes. Andrew noted he would be out of office from August 15-25, 2025, with Ashley Childs handling the Aroland file in his absence. Andrew noted he would try and get in touch with Jerry before his upcoming out of office. Andrew noted that Andrew Dieleman was no longer working for Shared Value Solutions and should be removed from the Project Contact List. Andrew noted a new staff would be onboarded to the Project shortly and their contact information would be provided at a later date. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated he would ensure Andrew Dieleman was removed from future communications.</p>

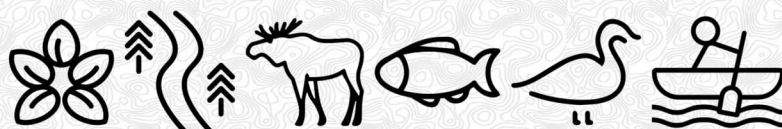
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August 14, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, requesting an updated invoice for the Community Meeting that took place on May 28, 2025, at the JTS School. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided the contact information of the AECOM representative the invoice should be made out to. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted Robinson Meshake or Anna Magiskan, cc'd in the email thread, could provide additional support, if needed.
August 15, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, requesting the signing of documents to finalize enrolment into the Artech platform for ongoing field surveys.
August 19, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant was cc'd on an email from the MFFN CAR Project Team to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, noting upcoming fieldwork up until August 25, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Team indicated they would be happy to accommodate Jerry's availability, ensuring that areas of interest to Aroland First Nation are surveyed on days he is available. The MFFN CAR Project Team noted to expect an email from the MFFN CAR Project Consultant or Field Lead for further details regarding meeting logistics. The MFFN CAR Project Team inquired if Jerry had any preferred dates in mind.
August 21, 2025	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant attempted to call Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, to inquire if he would still be participating in archaeology surveys taking place throughout August 2025. The Aroland Band Office secretary informed the MFFN CAR Project Consultant that Jerry was away for personal reasons and could not be reached at this time.
August 21, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation, requesting availability for ongoing archaeological studies. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided a reminder that onboarding into Artech would be required prior to joining field surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant provided Catherine Holt's contact information from Artech.
August 21, 2025	Phone		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant attempted to call Ashley Childs, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to inquire if she had any updates regarding Jerry Shabogamik's participation in upcoming archaeological surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant left his contact information and requested a call back.

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August 21, 2025	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a call from Ashley Childs, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to discuss Jerry Shabogamik's involvement in ongoing archaeological surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Ashley had been able to get in contact with Jerry. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant indicated he had called the Aroland Band Office and was informed Jerry was still away for personal matters. Ashley indicated she had yet to hear from Jerry. Ashley noted she would forward a previous email sent to Aroland First Nation key contacts, including Jerry, and note the urgency of the matter given the completion of surveys on August 25, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted that sites of interest to Aroland First Nation would begin to be surveyed starting as early as August 22, 2025. Ashley suggested calling the Aroland Band Office again on August 22, 2025, to see if Jerry had returned to office. Ashley noted she would call the MFFN CAR Project Consultant if she was able to get a hold of Jerry.
August 22, 2025	Phone	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received a call from Ashley Childs, Aroland First Nation Consultant, to note she had been able to get a hold of Jerry Shabogamik regarding participation in ongoing archaeological surveys. Ashley indicated that Jerry was reaching out to other Aroland First Nation community members to see if they would be available to participate in archaeological surveys on August 25, 2025. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant reminded Ashley that the identified field monitor would be required to complete onboarding prior to participating in archaeological surveys. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Ashley had the contact information of potential field monitors to expedite the process upon receipt of availability. Ashley noted she would provide the contact information in an email. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Jerry would be letting Ashley or himself know if a field monitor was available. Ashley indicated she anticipated he would be letting her know and committed to providing this information to the MFFN CAR Project Consultant as soon as possible.
August 22, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Ashley Childs, Aroland First Nation Consultant, providing contact information for an additional field monitor. Ashley noted she would let the MFFN CAR Project Consultant know when she had heard back from Jerry Shabogamik regarding the chosen field monitor.
August 22, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Ashley Childs, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking her for providing contact information for a potential field monitor. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant noted they would hold off on reaching out until confirmation was received from Jerry Shabogamik.

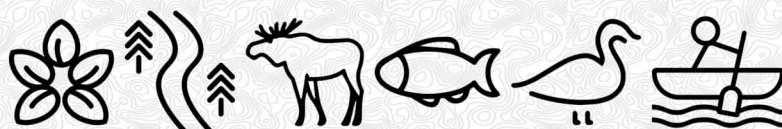
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August 28, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Sonny Gagnon (Chief) ■ Joe Baxter (Councillor) ■ Mark Bell (Councillor) ■ Jerry Shabogamik (Community Consultation Coordinator) ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Team ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Aroland First Nation to provide August 2025 Project updates for MFFN CAR. The email shared a link to an educational video about cumulative effects in relation to the MFFN CAR Project. A follow up on the community-specific ATRI: Draft IA Report, which was originally circulated on June 13, 2025, was also provided.
August 28, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, following up on providing an updated invoice for a Community Meeting that took place on May 28, 2025, at the JTS School. The MFFN CAR Project Consultant inquired if Andrew was able to make any progress.
August 28, 2025	Email	x		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant received an email from Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, noting he had not been able to make any progress on the requested invoice to date.
August 28, 2025	Email		x	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Andrew Peach (Planning Consultant) ■ Ashley Childs (Planning Consultant) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ MFFN CAR Project Consultant 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The MFFN CAR Project Consultant sent an email to Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant, thanking him for an update on the requested invoice.

B2. Aroland First Nation

- B2.1 Outgoing Community Specific Correspondence
- B2.2 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence
- B2.3 Community Specific Meeting Materials



B2.1 Outgoing Community Specific Correspondence





Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Fwd: good afternoon,

Jara Moreno, Lucia <[REDACTED]>
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

1 August 2024 at 15:48

Hi Jerry,

Thank you for providing [REDACTED]'s information. We will coordinate accordingly. I am looping in Kyla Zielbauer.

Thanks

Lucia

[Quoted text hidden]



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Aggregate Drilling Sites Flyover

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 12 August 2024 at 15:45
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
Cc: "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Hi Jerry,

Thanks for participating in the helicopter flyover on July 19 and 20, 2024.

KGS is planning to pay you for your time and participation. Can you please send me your mailing address for the cheque?

Thank you,
Kyla



Kyla Zielbauer (She/Her)
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Vacation Alert: September 2 - 6



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Aggregate Drilling Sites Flyover

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

12 August 2024 at 16:42

Thanks Jerry!

I will send you an email to let you know once the cheque has been sent to you.

Have a good day,
Kyla



Kyla Zielbauer (She/Her)
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Vacation Alert: September 2 - 6

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> 15 August 2024 at 16:32
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>, Chief
Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Mark Bell
<[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique
<[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>,
"Deveaux, Leah" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby
<[REDACTED]>

Good Afternoon,

I hope you are in good health and enjoying the summer.

I am reaching out today to provide some updates and information regarding the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project. Please see the information provided below:

Aroland First Nation/MFFN CAR Project Meetings (June 19 & 20, July 15 & 16)

Thank you to everyone who attended the meetings held in June and July. A lot of great discussions were had and we appreciate the feedback and comments we received on the Project. We are currently preparing summaries of the meetings and will provide those to Aroland First Nation for review when they are ready.

MFFN CAR Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report

The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report documents the archaeological and land use history, to determine whether there is potential for archaeological sites in the additional areas required for aggregate impacts. It incorporates a review of recent mapping, previous archaeological reports, and incorporation of any information collected from Indigenous communities.

The Stage 1 Archaeology Assessment Report was sent out to communities on June 3, 2024. The reports are available for download here: [Draft Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment May 2024 – Google Drive](#). Aroland First Nation's feedback and comments on the report were requested by **August 2, 2024**. Please let us know if Aroland First Nation intends on providing any feedback on the report and when we might expect to receive those comments.

Groundwater Program Monitoring Fieldwork

Representatives from the Project reached out on July 25 and 29 to inquire if Aroland First Nation had any interest in sending a participant to help assist with the Groundwater Program monitoring fieldwork. Jerry provided us with the name and phone number of an individual, however, we were not able to get in touch with that person before the deadline of noon on August 2.

Another opportunity to participate in the monitoring for the program is tentatively scheduled for early October. I am hoping to work with Andrew and Jerry to get a list of a few people's names in advance of the next fieldwork.

IK Program

The signed IK Funding Agreement was sent to Aroland First Nation on July 31, 2024. The IK Sharing Agreement is still with our team for review and will be sent back shortly. Please reach out once you have selected a payment option and let us know if you have any questions regarding the funding.

Community Coordinator Program

Updated information for the Community Coordinator Program as well as the contact information of two potential applicants was provided to Aroland First Nation on July 31, 2024. Please kindly inform us if there is an update on the selection of an applicant to fill the role and whether we can start working together on the next steps of the program.

Please let us know if you'd like to discuss any of these topics further.



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MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program Helicopter Flyover - July 19 and 20 2024

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 19 August 2024 at 10:33
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "McCutchon, James" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, Ryan Dobson <[redacted]>, Cory Pyziak <[redacted]>, "Kuenstler, Dan" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Good Morning,

We wanted to provide some updates regarding the helicopter flyover that took place on July 19 and 20, 2024, as part of Phase 1 of the multiphase geotechnical study. This airborne reconnaissance work was conducted to support and inform the permitting required to install groundwater monitoring wells and geotechnical sampling at potential aggregate and major water crossing locations within and around the CAR.

Jerry Shabogamik attended the flyover with Bob Baxter of Marten Falls First Nation. It is our understanding that no specific concerns were raised during the flyover, however, Jerry did want to review the program information and drilling locations with other community members and provide additional information to the project if there were any concerns. Can you please confirm that you are able to access the documents at the link below and if any concerns have been identified once you are able to review the documents?

A summary of Aroland First Nation's participation in the fieldwork is currently being drafted and will be shared shortly. Detailed drilling locations and water crossing maps are located at the following link for your review:

[redacted link]

Can you please provide some dates and times in the next two weeks that would work for Aroland First Nation representatives to attend a virtual meeting? We would like to meet to discuss the flyover and next steps of the program.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

19 August 2024 at 16:33

Hi Jerry,

KGS just received approval to send out the payment so it should be sent any day.

I will send you an email once I receive confirmation that it is in the mail.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 23 August 2024 at 15:54
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
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Hi Jerry,

I wanted to check in with you and see how the review of the drilling locations and mapping is going? Is there anything else you need to support this review?

We are interested in meeting with Aroland First Nation to discuss this work and any concerns your community may have. Could you please let us know of some dates and times that would work on your end?

A summary of Aroland First Nation's participation in the fieldwork is being reviewed internally and we will provide it to you for review soon.

Have a great weekend,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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AFN-MFFN CAR Indigenous Knowledge Funding Agreements

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 27 August 2024 at 16:34
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>, "McCutchon, James" <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon,

Please find the signed IK Sharing Agreement attached.

Are there any updates regarding the preferred payment method for the IK Funding Agreement? As mentioned before, cheque and direct deposit are both options.

Let us know if there are any further questions or comments regarding these agreements or the IK Program.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

28 August 2024 at 15:29

Hi Jerry,

It is my understanding that the cheques for the flyover participation were issued by KGS last week.

If you do not receive the cheque in the next few weeks, please let me know and I will contact KGS.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 10 September 2024 at 10:20
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
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Good Morning Andrew and Jerry,

I wanted to follow up on the opportunity for Aroland First Nation to send monitors to help participate in upcoming fieldwork, specifically groundwater monitoring that is tentatively scheduled for early October.

We are hoping to work with you to get a list of names in advance to help facilitate participation in the monitoring, as it does take some time to get monitors onboarded with the health and safety requirements to participate.

Please let me know if there is anything we can do to help with this effort.

Thank you,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Hi Andrew,

Thanks for your quick response. We will look forward to receiving some names next week and getting that process started.

As always, if I can help in any way, please let me know.

Thanks,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Aroland First Nation IK Report

Qasim Saddique <[redacted]> 10 September 2024 at 16:10
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Annamarie Makiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkeesh <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew,

Thank you for sharing the IK study report for Aroland. It is received.

Best wishes,
Qasim

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 12 September 2024 at 08:19
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Good Morning,

A summary of Aroland First Nation's participation in the geotechnical program flyover on July 19 and 20, 2024, is attached for your review.

Please provide any feedback on the memo and the detailed drilling locations and water crossing maps by **Friday September 20, 2024**.

Let us know if you have any immediate questions or concerns regarding any of the information provided in the memo or mapping, or if an extension to review the memo and provide feedback is required.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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 **Site Reconnaissance of Aggregate & Water Crossing Sites_Rev.2_V.03.01.pdf**
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Memorandum

To: James McCutcheon, P.Eng. Project Manager	Date: August 30, 2024
	Project No.: [REDACTED]
From: Cory Pyziak, P.Eng.	Cc: Jennifer Bruin, Leah Deveaux, Ingrid Trimble, Katelyn Price, Dan Kuenstler, Bob Baxter, Jerry Shabogamik
Re: CAR Phase 1 – Site Reconnaissance of Aggregate and Water Crossing Sites for Permitting Rev 2	

KGS Group completed a site reconnaissance on July 19th and 20th to visually inspect a total of 18 sites—7 aggregate sites and 11 water crossings—via helicopter along the CAR route. This inspection was conducted to obtain the necessary permits for completing geotechnical investigations in 2024/2025. Two representatives from nearby First Nation communities, Bob Baxter from Marten Falls and Jerry Shabogamik from Aroland First Nation, participated in the reconnaissance. Their involvement ensured that any traditional knowledge concerns were addressed and that the proposed investigation sites could be reviewed with the geotechnical team.

As part of our reconnaissance, the pilot flew to each location and proceeded to complete a 360° fly over giving Bob and Jerry a perspective of the general area. Both Bob and Jerry observed each site from the air and asked questions which were all answered by KGS Group. Prior to leaving any of the sites, Mr. Dobson explained what would be completed at each site and pointed out relevant information we are looking for from a geotechnical perspective (Rock Quality, Water Table, Quarry/Pit Size, etc.). Prior to leaving any sites, KGS Group made sure Bob and Jerry expressed any concerns with the sites.

A daily log for each field day is provided below.

July 19, 2024

After a short weather delay, Mr. Ryan Dobson, P. Eng. and Mr. Cory Pyziak, P. Eng from KGS Group departed from Geraldton Airport at approximately 9:00 am to pick up Bob Baxter and Jerry Shabogamik at Nakina Airport. After arriving in Nakina and briefing Bob and Jerry on the geotechnical program and plan for that day, the team departed at 10:00 am. As we are flying out of Nakina, Mr. Dobson pointed out several existing quarry sites along the Provincial Highway to allow Bob and Jerry to understand what the pit/quarry sites for CAR may look like once the project is completed. The following sites were visited on July 19, 2024: BR-01, SG-19, BR-15, BR-16, WA-11, WA-15, W-31, W-35, NW-12, and NW-13.

July 20, 2024

The project team departed from Makokibatan Lodge at 8:30 am to complete the reconnaissance of the remaining sites: BR-04, WA-01, WA-04, WA-07, WA-10, and WA-17. Bob had expressed no concerns with the locations visited. Jerry also expressed no concerns, however, was most interested in WA-01 and WA-04 (North and South Ogoki Rivers) and had noted that he would be discussing these locations with Chief and Council at an upcoming meeting.

Action Items:

Action Items	Date Completed
Provide Bob and Jerry with figures showing the locations of where we will be drilling at each site.	<p>The figures were sent via transmittal to AECOM on July 26th.</p> <p><i>Follow up: On a meeting with Bob B and the AECOM team on August 12. Bob indicated that he would like the figures for the water crossing updated to include photos from the recon. KGS Group submitted the water crossing figures and Photo Log on August 15, 2024.</i></p>

Conclusion

Bob Baxter from Marten Falls First Nation and Jerry Shabogamik from Aroland First Nation, along with KGS Group, completed a site reconnaissance of eighteen (18) sites along the proposed CAR alignment. Overall, Bob and Jerry raised no concerns regarding the proposed drilling locations for the aggregate and water crossing investigations.

On August 12th, 2024, a debriefing was held with representatives from KGS Group, AECOM, and Bob Baxter of Marten Falls. The meeting focused on discussing the finalized test hole locations for the Aggregate Drilling Program. KGS Group reviewed each location in detail with Bob Baxter and AECOM, concluding that none of the proposed test hole locations raised any concerns at this time.

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Limitations

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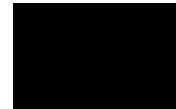
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Prepared By:



Cory Pyziak, P.Eng.
Geotechnical Engineer

Approved By:



Ryan Dobson, P.Eng.
Senior Geotechnical Engineer



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Cory Pyziak <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>

13 September 2024 at 15:32

Good Afternoon Kyla,

We submitted a package on August 15, 2024 to AECOM and the team that had figures showing each water crossing and the associated photo log. Would you be able to forward this off to Jerry?

Thank you,

Cory Pyziak P.Eng.

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Hi Jerry,

I followed up with Kyla but KGS Group submitted a package with figures and photo log to the project team on August 15, 2024. I have asked for them to forward this information on.

Thank you and have a great weekend,

Cory Pyziak P.Eng.

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Good Morning Jerry,

Thank you for following up and for confirming your review of the summary memo.

The water crossings and aggregate site information/mapping was provided to Aroland First Nation in an email on August 19, 2024.

We have put all of the information (including the memo sent on Friday) into a google drive, which can be found here: [redacted]

Once you have a chance to review the mapping/information, let us know if you have any questions or comments.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 19 September 2024 at 09:01
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
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Good Morning Andrew and Jerry,

I wanted to check in regarding the list of names for fieldwork opportunities.

I've been informed that the upcoming groundwater monitoring work is tentatively scheduled for September 28 - October 5, so we would need to look at onboarding someone by mid next week.

If you have any information to pass along, we will work to hopefully get someone onboarded in time to participate.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

19 September 2024 at 16:51

Hi Jerry,

Following up to see if you've received your payment for the helicopter flyover.

Please let me know.

Thanks,
Kyla



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MFFN Community Access Road - About the Draft EA / IS

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 24 September 2024 at 09:27
 To: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Anna Marie Majiskon <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkish <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, "MacInnis, Paul (MINES)" <paul.macinnis@ontario.ca>
 Bcc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Dear Chief Gagnon,

Please find attached a letter and frequently asked questions (FAQ) regarding the circulation of the **Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Report (Draft EA / IS)** for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road for your community's review and comment.

The Draft EA / IS, and supporting documents, will describe how the preferred route was determined and identify how the proposed Community Access Road may affect the social, cultural, economic and natural environment.

As we prepare to submit the Draft EA / IS, we want to ensure your community has easy access to the documents and has identified a key community contact to help guide the review process.

Please fill out this questionnaire to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review process:

We will be in touch in the Fall to discuss these matters with you but if you have any questions or concerns in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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- 2024-09-24 Draft EA IS Process Letter_Aroland First Nation.pdf
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- FAQ - Draft EA IS - September 2024.pdf
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September 24, 2024

Aroland First Nation



Sent via email

Subject: Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Report (EA / IS)

Dear Chief Sonny Gagnon,

This letter is to update you on the proposed Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road and the circulation of the **Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Report (Draft EA / IS)** to Indigenous communities, the public and regulators for review and comment.

The Draft EA / IS, and supporting documents, will describe how the preferred route was determined and identify how the proposed Community Access Road may affect the social, cultural, economic and natural environment. Your input on the Draft EA / IS (e.g., on specific technical documents, proposed impact management and follow up measures, cumulative effects assessment, EA / IS conclusions, and on confirmation that input was captured appropriately) will help us prepare the Final EA / IS.

As we prepare to submit the Draft EA / IS, we want to ensure your community has easy access to the documents and has identified a key community contact to help guide the review process. We will be in touch in the Fall to discuss these matters with you.

Coming Soon for Your Review

Your input to these important planning documents is invaluable, and we want to ensure you have advance notice of when the Draft EA / IS will be circulated and what will be included in it. Some Indigenous communities have indicated that they would like time to review documents in advance of public release, so we're providing Indigenous communities early access to the Draft EA / IS this winter with a minimum review period of 120 days (additional time will be provided if the review period overlaps with the year-end holidays). **We will be in touch with the exact date of the release of the Draft EA / IS as soon as it is confirmed.**

The Draft EA / IS will be circulated to the public and regulators 60-days following the Indigenous communities review period. Individual members of an Indigenous community are welcome to





provide their own comments in addition to those provided on behalf of their community during the 60-day public review period. The exact review dates will be provided once confirmed.

We're Here to Help

The MFFN Community Access Road Project Team is available to support your community during the Draft EA / IS review process.

In addition to publishing plain language summaries to help guide you through the technical documents, we are planning activities to help prepare you for the review process. We will:

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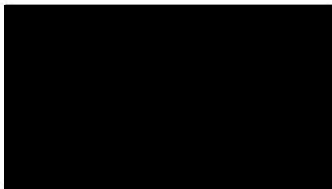
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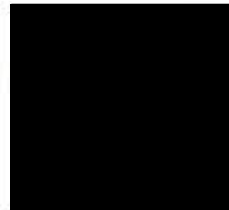
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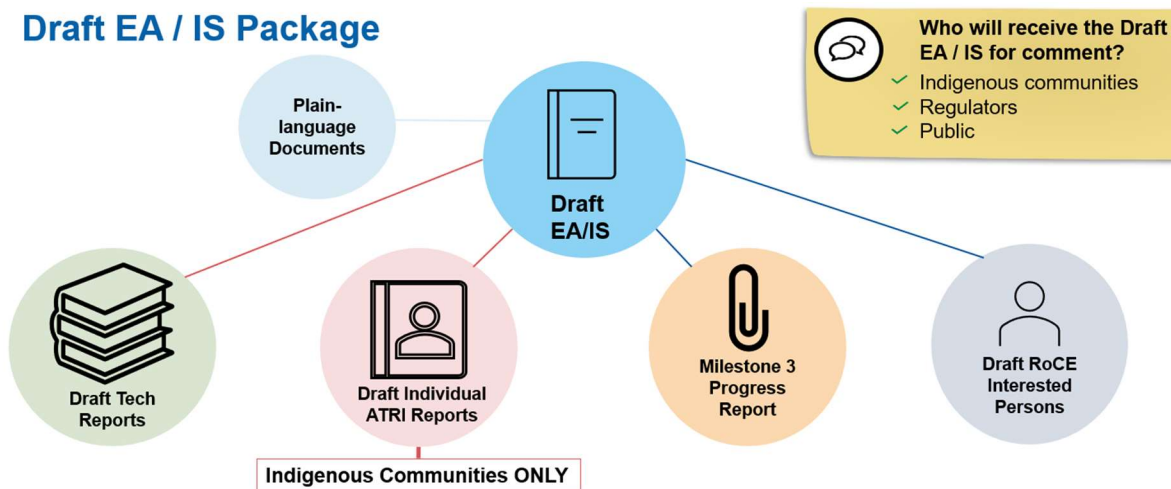
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In-person & virtual consultation activities

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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 25 September 2024 at 16:17
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Chief
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Good Afternoon Andrew,

You mentioned that Aroland First Nation is observing Culture Week this week, but I was hoping to send over some Project updates in the meantime and connect with you next week if there are any items you would like to discuss.

IK Program

Thank you very much for sending Aroland First Nation's IK and Land Use Study on September 10, 2024. Now that both the IK Funding and Sharing Agreements have been signed and sent back to Aroland First Nation, could you please indicate if a lump sum payment would be preferred for the IK funding and if so, could you provide the details necessary for our team to send the payment? Valdine Walker (cc'd here) works with our team to coordinate any payments, should you have any questions.

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MFFN CAR Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report

The Stage 1 Archaeological Assessment Report was sent to Aroland First Nation on June 3, 2024 and feedback was requested by August 2, 2024. Could you let me know if Aroland First Nation intends on providing any feedback or comments on the report? Our team is looking to move forward with finalizing the report.

Aroland First Nation/MFFN CAR Project Meetings (June 19 & 20, July 15 & 16)

Things have been very busy and I apologize for the delay in sending these over. We are currently preparing summaries of the meetings and will provide those to Aroland First Nation for review when they are ready.

Stay Up to Date!

To stay updated on ongoing activities for the MFFN CAR, sign up for our newsletter here: [Contact Us - Marten Falls First Nation \(martenfallsaccessroad.ca\)](#) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#).

Thank you,
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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

WE'RE HIRING!



Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) is undertaking a federal Impact Assessment (IA) and provincial environmental assessment (EA) for an all-season access road to our community. To support these studies, we are looking to hire **Community Coordinators**.

Are you a highly motivated person? Do you have strong organizational and relationship building skills? Would you like to work with a great project team and build experience in environmental management?

If so, this could be the role for you!

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Responsibilities

- Coordinate between the MFFN Project Team and community members living in / outside of your community as per your local practices and in collaboration with Chief and Council;
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 1 October 2024 at 16:08
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I am following up on the proposed October meetings with Aroland First Nation. It is my understanding that Qasim had proposed the following meeting dates and times and that you would follow up with Jerry this week.

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Given that the meeting dates are quickly approaching, I wanted to check in and see if you've had a chance to discuss these proposed meeting details with Jerry. Could you please let me know (by this Thursday, if possible) if there has been any discussion or confirmation on this topic?

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Thanks very much,
Kyla
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Sincerely,

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MFFN Community Access Road - About the Draft EA / IS

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 7 October 2024 at 10:38
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
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Good Morning Andrew and Jerry,

Please see the email below regarding the Draft EA / IS for the MFFN CAR Project, as I just realized you were not cc'd on the original email I sent on September 24th.

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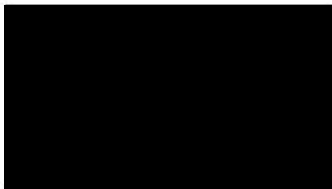
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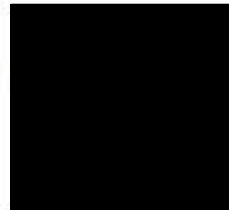
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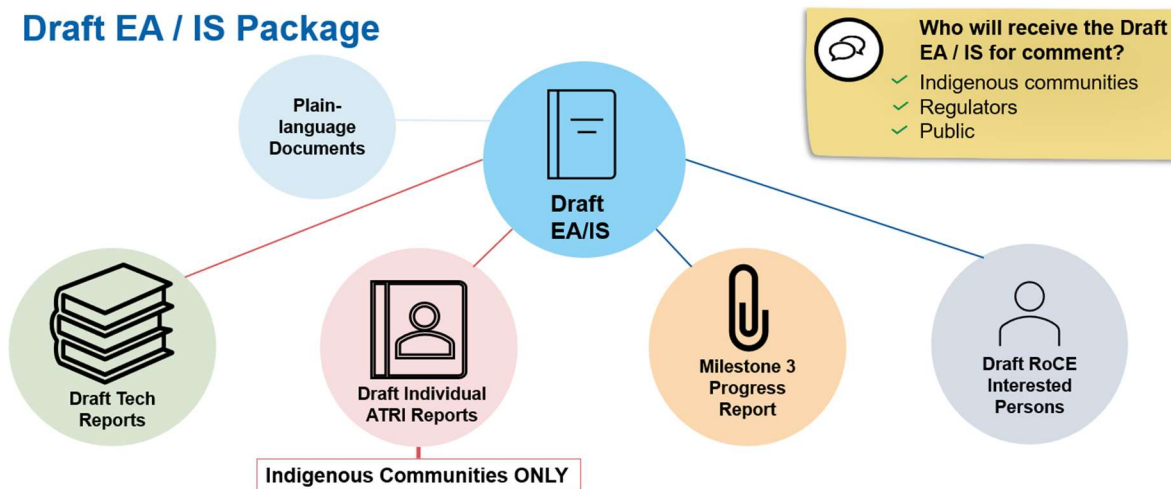
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As part of the provincial EA and federal Impact Assessment (IA) process for the Community Access Road, an assessment of the potential cumulative effects is being completed. The preliminary project Inclusion List identifies potential projects that will be considered for inclusion in the Cumulative Effects Assessment, which will be part of the Draft EA / IS.

How have Indigenous communities been consulted?

Indigenous Knowledge Program

The purpose of this program was to empower Indigenous communities to share information on their land and resource use, cultural practices and values, and rights and interests in the study area. Participation in the program enabled participating communities to either share existing Indigenous Knowledge (IK) and Indigenous Land and Resource Use (ILRU) information (previously collected by communities) or to complete project-specific IK and ILRU Studies.

Community Coordinator Program

The Community Coordinator Program supports the Community Access Road activities, meetings and events, helping to make sure input is collected and shared back with the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team.

Community Coordinators strengthen our collective efforts related to the EA / IA process and allow for a more open and responsive consultation and engagement between Indigenous communities and the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team.

Reports

Through the EA / IA process, the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team has worked with Indigenous communities to produce reports including: ATRI Existing Conditions Report, Milestone #1 and #2 Reports, Cultural Heritage Report, Stage 1 and Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment Reports, and the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement (RoCE).

In-person & virtual consultation activities

To date, our consultation efforts have included:

- Five in-person Public Information Centres (PICs), including dedicated hours for Indigenous Community members;
- 31 in-person or virtual meetings with 11 communities, including 8 in-person or virtual meetings with MFFN;
- Two in-person ATRI forums;





- An in-person Three-road Project Gathering & Expo;
- Attendance at several conferences, including the Prospectors & Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) conference and the Matawa First Nations Management gathering.
- Fourteen virtual webinars; and
- Ongoing outreach including phone calls emails, virtual meetings, and in-person meetings with communities and tribal councils.





Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

good morning re community coordinator job for martin falls first nation

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 10 October 2024 at 11:08
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>
 Bcc: MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Good morning Jerry,

Thanks very much for confirming that Aroland First Nation has selected Jeff Gagnon to fill the Community Coordinator Program position.

I will provide an update once I confirm the next steps with our team.

Have a great holiday weekend,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Aroland First Nation IK Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 10 October 2024 at 09:28
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Annamarie Makiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkeesh <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew,

Would it be possible to receive shapefiles for the information provided in Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Report? Ideally, we would be looking for shapefiles with point information, if possible.

We would like to use this information to overlay with the MFFN CAR ATRI local and regional study areas to determine the potential for impacts on Aroland First Nation's rights and interests.

Let us know if you have any questions or concerns.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Aroland First Nation IK Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 23 October 2024 at 17:59
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Annamarie Makiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkeesh <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks very much for the response.

We appreciate Aroland First Nation sharing their report.

Have a great rest of your week,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 25 October 2024 at 09:05
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Chief
 Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell
 <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique
 <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>,
 "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby
 <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>

Good Morning,

Please find some updates on the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project below:

IK Program

Both the IK Program Sharing and Funding Agreements have been signed. Could you please indicate if a lump sum payment would be preferred for the IK funding and if so, could you provide the details necessary for our team to send the payment? Valdine Walker (cc'd here) is responsible for coordinating payments.

Community Coordinator Program

We received an email from Jerry Shabogamik on October 10, 2024, indicating that Aroland First Nation Chief and Council had selected Jeff Gagnon to fill the Community Coordinator position. I reached out to Jeff through the phone number Jerry provided me, however, there was no answer and I was unable to leave a voicemail as the mailbox was full. I will keep trying his number.

Draft EA / IS Report

On September 24, 2024, we sent you an email with a letter and FAQ in preparation for the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) / Impact Statement (IS) Report. As we prepare to submit the Draft EA / IS, we want to ensure your community has easy access to the documents and has identified a key community contact to help guide the review process. Please fill out this questionnaire to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review process: [redacted]

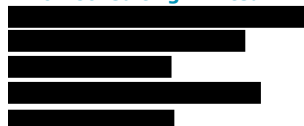
Please let me know if you would like to discuss any of the information mentioned above, or anything else related to the MFFN CAR Project, and I can give you a call.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Re: IK Program funding

Walker, Valdine <[REDACTED]>
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>, Andrea Nokleby <[REDACTED]>

30 October 2024 at 14:17

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the contact information.

I will reach out to Laine shortly.

Have a great day!



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

IK Program Funding MFFN CAR Project

Walker, Valdine <[redacted]>

31 October 2024 at 15:36

To: [redacted]
Cc: Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, 188898 <1[redacted]>

Good afternoon Laine,

I am assisting with the IK program funding for the MFFN CAR Project and would like to confirm the preferred payment method of either a mailed cheque to the address below or a direct deposit payment.

Aroland First Nation

Address: [redacted],

If the direct deposit is preferred could you please send me a copy of a void cheque at your earliest convenience.

Thank you and have a great day!



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Aroland First Nation review of Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Preliminary Existing Conditions Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 6 November 2024 at 07:55
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Chief Bruce Achneepineskum <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Moszynski, Dorothy (MECP)" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Cafaro, Caitlin (IAAC/AEIC)" <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew,

Please find a response to Aroland First Nation's comments on the Preliminary ATRI Existing Conditions Report attached here.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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November 5, 2024

Aroland First Nation
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Sent via email

Subject: Aroland First Nation response to the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Existing Conditions Report

Dear Chief Sonny Gagnon,

Thank you for your letter, received by email on February 16, 2024, in response to our request for feedback on the Draft Preliminary Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) Existing Conditions Report (the Preliminary Existing Conditions Report) for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project (MFFN CAR; the Community Access Road). Our response to your comments on the Preliminary Existing Conditions Report are provided below and have been organized using the same three points of discussion raised in your letter.

1 – Inclusion of information provided by Aroland First Nation in the Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement process to date

Many of the comments provided by Aroland First Nation relate to the absence of information in the Preliminary Existing Conditions Report in terms of potential impacts of the Community Access Road on Aroland First Nation's rights. The Preliminary Existing Conditions Report previously shared with communities were intended to support the collection of information in advance of the preparation of the ATRI Draft Existing Conditions and Assessment Report. We have since received Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study. In addition to this study, as well as the information provided in the February 16, 2024, letter, we are currently revising the description of existing conditions to reflect the information received from both sources.

The revised description of existing conditions will be provided to Aroland First Nation for review in the forthcoming ATRI Draft Existing Conditions and Assessment Report. Indigenous communities and groups will be provided with an opportunity to review and provide feedback on the ATRI Draft Existing Conditions and Assessment Report, which will be used to inform the ATRI Final Existing Conditions and Assessment Report.





2 – Inclusion of Aroland First Nation’s Indigenous Knowledge from forthcoming Project-specific Indigenous Knowledge, Land Use and Occupancy Study (IKLUOS)

We note and thank you for the information outlined in Appendix B regarding areas of interest in the Community Access Road area. Dusey Lake and Patience Lake were highlighted to Aroland First Nation community members during recent community meetings hosted by the MFFN CAR Project Team to receive additional feedback. These areas have also been identified as important areas by Marten Falls First Nation and were used to inform the route selection process. While the potential for impacts on trapping activities has been considered, we are currently reviewing the information provided in Aroland First Nation’s Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study to inform revisions to the description of existing conditions and to the Draft ATRI impact assessment. As noted above, this information will be provided to Aroland First Nation through the forthcoming ATRI Draft Existing Conditions and Assessment Report. We welcome any additional information you may want to share to be incorporated into the report.

We acknowledge your expectations regarding the provision of IKLUOS information for the Community Access Road. The MFFN CAR Project Team and Marten Falls First Nation have expressed for several years our commitment to working with and supporting Aroland First Nation. We will continue to do so, as requested, while respecting your community protocols on the collection and sharing of IKLUOS information. Protocols outlined in the finalized IK Sharing Agreement between Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation will be followed.

3 – Inclusion of Aroland First Nation’s ongoing requests for a deeper consultation process and for a distinctions-based approach to consultation for the Community Access Road

We thank Aroland First Nation in your attempts to engage with Marten Falls First Nation and understand that there have been challenges in aligning our schedules and priorities in the past. A communication protocol agreement was signed in September 2023 between Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation. A new joint community group was established earlier this year. Most recently, the MFFN CAR Project Team hosted several meetings with Aroland First Nation community members in Thunder Bay and in-community. We are happy to have had the chance to strengthen the relationship between Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation, and to mutually align our consultation and engagement processes for the Community Access Road. We look forward to continuing to build the relationship between the Nations and to continuing to receive Aroland First Nation’s feedback and information.

Should Aroland First Nation have further questions or concerns regarding the ATRI Draft Existing Conditions and Assessment Report or related subject matter, please contact Bob Baxter at [REDACTED] and / or Andrea Nokleby at [REDACTED].

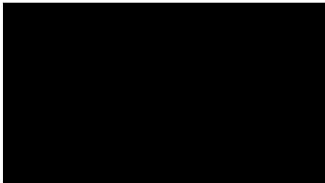
In the meantime, we look forward to continuing our conversations and working with your community. Kyla Zielbauer, at [REDACTED], can be contacted to organize meetings, but please do not hesitate



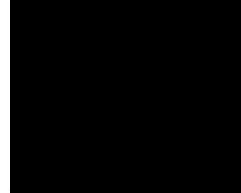


to reach out to either of us to further discuss the Community Access Road or answer any questions you may have.

Sincerely,



Qasim Saddique
Project Director



Lawrence Baxter
Senior Community Member Advisor

Cc:

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- Councillor Mark Bell, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Bernard Gagnon, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Chad Kashkish, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Eunice Magiskan, Aroland First Nation
- Councillor Anna Marie Majiskon, Aroland First Nation
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- Councillor Bob Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation
- Councillor Russell Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation
- Councillor Yvonne Baxter, Marten Falls First Nation
- Andrew Peach, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Consultation Coordinator
- Ashley Childs, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Andrew Dieleman, Aroland First Nation Consultant
- Kate Kempton, Aroland First Nation Legal Counsel
- Dorothy Moszynski, Environmental Assessment Branch, MECP





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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Community Coordinator Program Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 8 November 2024 at 14:53
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hello,

This email is to update you on the proposed Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road and the Community Coordinator Program (the Program).

The timing window for participation in the Program has passed and it is being discontinued and replaced with a one-time capacity funding payment to help support engagement in the Community Access Road in a manner that best suits your community.

The original objective of identifying a Community Coordinator was to have the individual support consultation efforts between the MFFN Community Access Road and your community with outreach, field work and Public Information Centres, among other engagement activities. As we approach the circulation of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS), there are fewer tasks for a Community Coordinator to complete based on the original description of the role. Consultation and outreach activities will continue, however, as we approach the submission of the Draft EA / IS, the focus will change to its review and gathering of feedback.

To ensure your community is supported during the review of the Draft EA / IS, we would like to offer a **one-time lump sum capacity funding payment of [redacted]**. These funds are intended to support your engagement in the Community Access Road; we believe that this approach will provide your community with the flexibility to allocate the funds as you see fit and ensure that their use matches your needs.

If you chose to, these funds could support your review and comment gathering on the Draft EA / IS by Elders and / or youth, for example. If your community would like to have a Community Coordinator to support the review (e.g., by gathering and compiling feedback), you are able to use this funding to pay that position. However, please note that as our Community Coordinator Program is being discontinued, the responsibilities of managing this role will be the responsibility of your community. During the review period of the Draft EA / IS, the Project Team will continue to make themselves available to help support you upon request (e.g., with Project materials and information, and meetings as required).

If this capacity funding is of interest to you, please respond to this email before **February 28, 2025**, identifying which business entity the payment should be made to, and we will provide a funding agreement for your review.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Community Coordinator Program Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 12 November 2024 at 18:06
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for making the time to speak with me yesterday regarding the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the potential next steps.

We discussed the change of the Program to a one-time lump sum capacity funding payment of [redacted] that can be used by the community for engagement on the MFFN CAR Project; how the money will be used is to be determined by Aroland First Nation. We discussed how this could change Jeff Gagnon's role, as he was previously identified as the person to fill the Community Coordinator role. We agreed that you would follow up with Chief and Council to confirm their preferences regarding Jeff's role and whether he would work with MFFN CAR going forward. I let you know that the funding agreement for the capacity funding is being finalized and would be provided ASAP. We also discussed some details regarding the upcoming review of the Draft EA / IS Report including the survey sent by the Project, preferences for the Report review and that the capacity funding could be used to help support the review of the Report. We briefly talked about the potential for a community meeting in the new year.

As mentioned, I'm sending a follow up email to highlight some action items from our call:

- Andrew to confirm the approach for Jeff's role with Chief and Council including communication preferences with MFFN CAR going forward
- Andrew to confirm if Aroland First Nation would like to move forward with the one-time lump sum capacity funding of [redacted]
- Kyla to confirm whether an electronic version of the Draft EA / IS Report will be available
- Kyla to send over the capacity funding agreement or provide update as soon as possible
- Andrew/Kyla to confirm whether a community meeting should be set up in the new year

Please let me know if I've missed anything.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR - Milestone #3 Progress Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 2 December 2024 at 07:40
 To: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Good Morning Chief Gagnon and Andrew,

I hope this email finds you well!

The Milestone #3 Progress Report for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road has been drafted and is ready for review. The following link includes the Report and associated appendices to view or download, for Aroland First Nation. The Milestone #3 Progress Report covers June 1, 2023, to July 31, 2024.

[redacted]

We welcome any edits or comments to your community-specific section by **February 14, 2025**, before the reports are incorporated into the Draft Record of Consultation.

If you haven't already done so, please fill out this questionnaire to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review process: [redacted]. I have confirmed with our team that an online version of the Draft EA / IS Report will be available to your community through a password protected website.

If you have any questions or would like to schedule a meeting to discuss the reports and timeline, please let us know. We also kindly ask if you could let us know when you have received this email and can view/download the documents successfully.

Sincerely,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Community Coordinator Program Update

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 6 December 2024 at 16:36
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

Please find the Community Capacity Funding Agreement attached for Aroland First Nation's review.

To execute the agreement, the following is required of the signatory of the agreement:

- Date agreement (page 1)
- Fill out name of community, mailing address, key contact name and email address (page 1)
- Signing authority (page 5), which must be signed by a person(s) with the authority to execute on behalf of the community

If you could please provide the following information at your convenience, it will help us to expedite the process:

- Community name or entity owned by the community (e.g., band office)
- Phone number
- Key point of contact
- Email address
- Mailing address

Please let us know if you have questions or concerns regarding the agreement.

Have a great weekend!

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 11 December 2024 at 08:16
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew,

I'm emailing this morning to follow up on a few items for MFFN CAR, including the outstanding action items from our phone call on November 11.

IK Program Funding

Valdine emailed Laine Gagnon on October 31 to follow up on the details needed for the funding but we have not heard back. I will send a follow up email to Laine today and make sure you and Jerry are cc'd.

Community Coordinator Program / Community Capacity Funding

We sent an email to Aroland First Nation on November 8, 2024, to provide updates on the discontinuation of the Community Coordinator Program and the program replacement with a one-time community capacity funding payment to help support engagement in the MFFN CAR Project.

We discussed that direction was needed from Chief and Council to confirm Jeff Gagnon's role, communication preferences going forward, and whether Aroland First Nation was interested in the community capacity funding. You confirmed on December 9 that you had received the capacity funding agreement and would discuss those details with Jerry. Please let me know if you have any updates related to the discontinuation of the program that you can share at this time.

Draft EA / IS Report

On September 24, 2024, we sent you an email with a letter and FAQ in preparation for the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) / Impact Statement (IS) Report. A questionnaire to identify a key contact and preferences related to the review process is linked below. I did confirm with our team that an electronic version of the EA / IS will be made available on a password protected website and we will provide the password to Aroland First Nation once it's ready.

Meeting in January

In our phone call, we discussed rescheduling the community meeting that was postponed in October. You had mentioned there may be some interest in meeting in January. Can you please confirm whether Aroland First Nation is still interested in meeting and provide some potential dates for our team to review?

Let me know if you want to discuss any of these items further and we can set up a call.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 11 December 2024 at 11:47
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks very much for the quick response and updates.

If you are able to get in touch with Jerry and are able to prioritize collecting the following information for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, I've been told that if we could get the information below as soon as possible, it would help us to expedite the process and get the funding to Aroland First Nation sooner:

- Community name or entity owned by the community (e.g., band office)
- Phone number
- Key point of contact
- Email address
- Mailing address

I'll look forward to hearing from you if/when you have any further updates.

Thank you,
 Kyla
 On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 16 December 2024 at 10:29
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for the updates!

For the EA / IS Report, if Aroland First Nation would like to receive the report in a few different formats, we can work with you to get that set up. If a hardcopy is requested, we do require some time to get that printed and sent and will require an address that is not a P.O. Box. In a previous email, I noted that our team is able to provide the report digitally through a password protected website, from which anyone with the password will be able to download the report. I will double check with our team where google drive / dropbox are options.

I will also make note to our team that both you and Jerry are to receive correspondence regarding the EA / IS.

I appreciate the update regarding your time off and will look forward to speaking more in the new year. I will be sending some Project updates this week but nothing is urgent / requires an immediate response.

Have a restful holiday!

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 18 December 2024 at 15:30
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Hello Andrew and Jerry,

Please find updates and information for the MFFN CAR Project below.

IK Program Funding and Community Capacity Funding

Thanks for the update letting us know that Jerry will contact the band administration and accounting department to get the required information.

Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) / Impact Statement (IS)

Based on your request, both Andrew and Jerry have been added as contacts for the review phase of the Draft EA / IS. A digital copy of the report will be available through a password protected website. Please advise if other report formats are required. The report preference survey is still available at the following link [redacted].

Milestone #3 Progress Report Feedback

On November 29, 2024, we distributed your community-specific Milestone #3 Progress Report. We welcome any edits or comments to your community-specific section which you may provide through email, telephone or by scheduling a meeting. Please provide your community's feedback by **February 14, 2025**.

Happy 2024 Year-end!

As we approach the new year, we'd like to acknowledge the milestones achieved for the MFFN Community Access Road in 2024. In particular, we celebrated the selection of the final route for the Community Access Road. On August 26, 2024, Marten Falls First Nation Chief and Council signed a Band Council Resolution confirming the proposed final route.

We took part in multiple events this year, including hosting in-community meetings with Marten Falls First Nation in July and October and in-community meetings with Aroland First Nation in June and July. We also attended the Three-Road Projects Gathering and Expo in June. We extend a great thank you to everyone who attended and took part in these gatherings. Your collaboration has helped shape the future of the road.

Coming up in 2025, we are preparing for the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment. We look forward to receiving your insights on this document and are enthusiastic about what 2025 will hold for the Community Access Road.

The Community Access Road is more than infrastructure; it's about securing a better future for our people... It is not just a path to progress; it is a testament to our resilience, our vision for the future and our commitment to the well-being of our people. - Chief Bruce Achneepineskum, Marten Falls First Nation

Have a safe and restful holiday season!

Sincerely,
Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 17 January 2025 at 08:40
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew and Jerry,

Happy New Year - I hope you both had a restful holiday!

I'm emailing to follow up on the details needed in order to finalize and send out the IK Program Funding and initiate the process for the Community Capacity Funding. I've re-shared some information below for convenience.

IK Program Funding

Our team is looking for confirmation of the preferred payment method for the funding, and the information needed to complete the payment. There are two options to receive the funding; a mailed cheque or direct deposit.

If a mailed cheque is preferred, please confirm the mailing address below is correct.

Aroland First Nation

Address: [redacted]

If direct deposit is preferred, please provide a copy of a void cheque.

Community Capacity Funding

To execute the agreement (reattached to this email), the following is required of the signatory of the agreement:

- Date agreement (page 1)
- Fill out name of community, mailing address, key contact name and email address (page 1)
- Signing authority (page 5), which must be signed by a person(s) with the authority to execute on behalf of the community

If you could please provide the following information, it will help us to expedite the process:

- Community name or entity owned by the community (e.g., band office)
- Phone number
- Key point of contact
- Email address
- Mailing address

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 21 January 2025 at 14:13
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew and Jerry,

Please find updates on the MFFN CAR Project below for your review.

Prepare for the Release of the Draft EA / IS

As we approach the release of the Draft EA / IS, we would like to provide you with a few reminders and updates:

MFFN CAR Draft EA / IS Email

All information pertaining to the Draft EA / IS will come from a separate email account ([redacted]). Please ensure any questions and comments on the Draft EA / IS are sent to this email address.

Draft EA / IS Survey

We want to ensure your community has easy access to the documents and has identified a key community contact to help guide the review process. Although we have received feedback on the contacts to receive the report, as well as the request to receive an online copy, it would be helpful if you could please fill out the questionnaire [redacted] to identify any remaining preferences related to the review process. If you do not fill out the survey and identify a preferred method of receiving the document, we will send you a link to a website that hosts the Draft EA / IS document. Please note, the Draft EA / IS is expected to be ~20,000 pages.

Book a Meeting

We are here to assist you in the review process of the Draft EA / IS. We understand the size of the document can be overwhelming and are here to support you with review. The MFFN CAR Project Team will be attending the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo in Thunder Bay (February 19 - 20) and Timmins (February 25 - 26). Aroland First Nation has received an invitation to this event with details on how to register and a link to book a time to speak one-on-one with the Project Team. If you wish to meet with the MFFN CAR Project Team outside of this event, we are happy to book in-person meetings during this timeframe. If an in-community meeting is still of interest, as we discussed prior to the holidays, we can look at that option as well.

Milestone #3 Progress Report Feedback

On December 2, 2024, we distributed your community-specific Milestone #3 Progress Report, which can be found at the following link: [redacted]. We welcome any edits or comments on your community-specific section, which you may provide through email, telephone, or by scheduling a meeting. Please provide your community's feedback **by February 14, 2025**.

Additionally, we look forward to receiving the details needed to finalize the IK Program Funding and Community Capacity Funding Agreements and payments.

If you have any questions or concerns, please let me know and we can set up a phone call.

Thank you,
Kyla
On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 5 February 2025 at 15:36
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for providing those revisions.

I've sent them to our team for review and will get back to you as soon as possible.

Have a good rest of your week,

Kyla

On behalf of the MFFN CAR Project Team



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MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 11 February 2025 at 14:53
 To: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Ashley,

Below are some details to follow up to a phone call I had with Andrew on January 30th. I understand he is on vacation, but wanted to share these updates, particularly the Milestone #3 Report feedback and the Draft EA/IS Assessment Summary Package.

Milestone #3 Progress Report

Feedback received by February 14, 2025, will be incorporated into the report and posted on the project website, in addition to the other milestone reports and the Interim Record of Consultation and Engagement (RoCE). The deadline to provide feedback on the report is February 14, 2025, in order to make updates before the report is made available to the public, otherwise, we will still accept feedback after this date. Feedback received after February 14 will be incorporated into the Draft RoCE.

Later this year, a Draft RoCE will be produced, which will contain the Milestone #3 Report, in addition to the other milestone reports, the Interim RoCE and engagement since August 2024. Indigenous communities will be able to provide feedback for the time period covered by the Milestone #3 Report during their review of Draft RoCE.

Draft EA/IS Distribution

As requested, Ashley has been added to the list to receive any correspondence related to the Draft EA/IS.

An Assessment Summary Package is being sent to communities, and will include documents such as an Introduction to the Assessment Summary, a Draft EA/IS Executive Summary, Plain Language Summaries and a FAQ, in addition to a USB stick with the Draft EA/IS. Should anyone from your team like to receive this package, please send me an email with their address as soon as possible.

IK Program Funding

We will await further details in order to send the funding, as I believe Andrew had said he would follow up with Jerry and Laine to finalize that information.

Community Capacity Funding Agreement

We received Aroland's revisions for the agreement and they are with our team for review. We will provide a response as soon as possible.

Let me know if these updates should be passed on to someone else on your team. Otherwise, if you have any questions or concerns, please reach out.

Regards,
Kyla



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Email: [REDACTED]

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C/O Joanne Wang

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If you are not able to provide us with your feedback through any of these addresses, please contact us at [REDACTED]. We will find a way to support your submission through other means.

Four additional support documents for the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment process will be released over the coming months. These are:

- **Milestone 3 Progress Report**—This summary of consultation activities was issued for review by Indigenous communities in November 2024, in advance of the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement. This progress report provides a detailed account of engagement and communication activities conducted from June 1, 2023 to July 31, 2024. A final version of the report will be made available once feedback has been reviewed and addressed; feedback has been requested by February 14, 2025.
- **Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement with Indigenous Communities**—This Record of Consultation and Engagement will be available this summer in advance of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement. The Indigenous communities and groups we are engaging will have the opportunity to review and comment on the report prior to the release of the Final Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement. Communities will be provided 90 days to review the Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement with Indigenous Communities.
- **Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests Reports (ATRI) Reports**—In the coming months, Indigenous communities will be provided with community-specific Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interest assessment results. In 2024, communities were provided with community-specific preliminary existing conditions ATRI reports for their review. Some feedback was received, and this information will be included, where applicable, in the soon-to-be released ATRI assessment results. This phased approach allows Indigenous communities time to consider their community-specific ATRI assessment in consideration of the information shared in the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement. Communities will be provided 90 days to review their ATRI assessment results and provide comment.
- **Community Well-Being Technical Report**— Community Well-Being examines three interconnected disciplines: economics, socio-community, and human health and community safety. The Community Well-Being Technical Report will describe changes that might result from the proposed Community Access Road; recognizing both opportunities and challenges. This report will be available for Indigenous communities and groups in April ahead of the release of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement to the public and regulators. Communities will be provided 90 days to review the Community Well-Being Technical Report and provide comment. A plain language Community Well-Being summary has been prepared and included with the Assessment Summary. It is also available on the Draft Environmental / Impact Statement website.

Any concerns raised during the review period by Indigenous communities will be documented in the Final Environmental Assessment/Impact Statement Report.

We appreciate your time and effort to review the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement, and associated documents, and look forward to receiving your input. We encourage you to book time to meet with the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team to explore your interests, questions and insights.

Warm regards,

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team

Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road - Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement

Website: [REDACTED]

Email: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Draft MFCAR Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Inquiry

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>
To: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

19 February 2025 at 11:51

Hi Ashley,

Thanks for reaching out.

All questions, and comments/feedback can be directed to the [redacted] email address.

If you'd like to cc me on the email for awareness, that would be great.

Have a good day,
Kyla



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MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 20 February 2025 at 16:18
 To: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Ashley,

Below are further updates on the MFFN CAR Project.

Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS) Available for Indigenous Community Review

MFFN CAR Draft EA / IS Email

As you may already be aware, the Draft EA / IS is now available for Indigenous community review. All information pertaining to the Draft EA / IS will come from a separate email account [redacted]. Please ensure all questions and comments on the Draft EA / IS are sent to this email address.

Book a Meeting!

We are here to assist you in the review process of the Draft EA / IS. We understand the size of the document (~20,000 pages) can be overwhelming and are here to support you with review. We understand that Aroland First Nation would like to host an in-community meeting to discuss the Draft EA / IS in early April. Please let us know once you are ready to move forward with this meeting.

Community Capacity Funding Program

Andrew sent proposed revisions for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement on February 4, 2025. Please find an updated agreement attached with comments and feedback for consideration. Let us know when the agreement has been reviewed and if further discussion is required. We will send along further details for the payment once the agreement has been finalized.

Milestone #3 Progress Report

The deadline to provide feedback on the Milestone #3 Progress Report was February 14, 2025. Feedback was requested by this date in order to make updates to the Report before it is made available to the public on the project website. We will still accept feedback after this date. Any feedback received after February 14, 2025, will be incorporated into the Draft RoCE. Please let us know if we should expect to receive any feedback from Aroland First Nation.

Later this year, a Draft RoCE will be produced which will contain the Milestone #3 Report, as well as the other milestone reports, the Interim RoCE and engagement since August 2024. Indigenous communities will have an additional opportunity to provide feedback for the time period covered by the Milestone #3 Report during their review of the Draft RoCE.

Please note, I will be out of office March 3-7, returning on March 10. I will provide details for my coverage when we get closer to that date.

Sincerely,
Kyla



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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Wed, Feb 26, 2025 at 2:58 PM
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

Thanks for the updates. I hope you had a great vacation!

The questions regarding the Draft EA/IS have been received by our team and a response will be sent shortly.

Regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement; I have forwarded the comments on Sections 5.7 and 5.9 to our team and hope to have a response soon.

Additionally, I am on vacation February 28 - March 9, returning on March 10. I have cc'd my colleague Nolan Lachance to this email. He will be your main point of contact for anything related to MFFN CAR during my absence.

If there's anything you'd like to discuss between now and Friday, please let me know. Otherwise, I will look forward to connecting when I get back.

Sincerely,
Kyla



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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Wed, Mar 26, 2025 at 8:31 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew,

Below are some updates on the MFFN CAR Project.

Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS)

We are here to assist you in the review process of the Draft EA / IS. In the last few months, we have discussed the possibility of an in-person meeting to review/discuss the Draft EA / IS with Aroland First Nation community members. Would a meeting in-community as well as a meeting in Thunder Bay be of interest? Could you please let us know if there is still interest in hosting any meetings and any potential dates, if possible?

Upcoming Webinars

In April and May, we will host webinars on identified project effects and proposed mitigation measures for Land, Water and People. Keep an eye out for a registration email from [redacted].

Community Capacity Funding Agreement

The proposed revisions to the Agreement provided by Aroland First Nation on February 25, 2025, are being reviewed and considered by the Project Team. A response will be provided soon.

IK Program Funding

We await banking details and contact information in order to send over the funding, specifically whether a direct payment or mailed cheque is preferred and an address for the cheque, should that method be requested. Were you able to connect with Jerry and/or Laine to get those details?

MFFN CAR - New Contact

Nolan Lachance, cc'd here, will be working with me on the project. Please include him on all correspondence going forward.

Please let me know if you would like to have a phone call to discuss any of these items further. A virtual meeting is also possible.

Have a good rest of your week,
Kyla



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Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Mon, Apr 7, 2025 at 3:35 PM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for your patience as we worked through the review of the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement.

The Agreement is attached with comments and tracked changes from AECOM's legal team, specifically in response to Sections 5.7 and 5.9. Let us know if the Agreement is acceptable and we will send over a clean version for signing. If further revisions are requested by Aroland First Nation, please let us know.

While waiting for the finalization of the Agreement, our team is able to set up the payment process. If you could please provide the following information and a void cheque, we will work on getting the community set up in the system.

- Community name or entity owned by the community (e.g., band office)
- Phone number
- Key point of contact
- Email address
- Mailing address

Thank you,
Kyla



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Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Fri, Apr 11, 2025 at 10:28 AM
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew,

Thanks very much for providing that information.

I will pass along Aroland First Nation's comments/revisions on the Capacity Funding Agreement to the Project Team for consideration and get back to you as soon as possible.

The outstanding item we would need to complete the Community Capacity Program funding is a void cheque. Is that something you are able to provide?

In addition, could you advise if we can use the banking information you've provided to also complete the funding for the IK Program funding? We would need to use the void cheque for this funding, if direct deposit is chosen. A mailed cheque is also an option.

I was going to reach out to you today to advise that the Project Team will tentatively be in the Thunder Bay area the last week of May and would be available to meet with Aroland First Nation. Would Friday May 30 work for a meeting with the community? Please let us know if that date works or potentially other dates/times around the week of May 26-30 that work for the community.

Have a great weekend,
Kyla



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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Wed, Apr 16, 2025 at 8:45 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew,

I'm emailing to follow up on a potential meeting in May. The Project Team has suggested meeting in the late morning/early afternoon on Thursday May 29.

Please let us know if Chief and Council would be interested in meeting on that date.

Thank you,
Kyla



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 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

I will confirm the details about the proposed meetings and inquire about Project Team availability to meet with in-community and Thunder Bay members and get back to you ASAP.

Regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, could you provide Aroland First Nation's legal counsel contact information? AECOM's legal representative would like to reach out directly to discuss the Agreement.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> Wed, Apr 30, 2025 at 10:36 AM
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Nolan Lachance <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Andrew,

Below are some updates regarding the MFFN CAR Project, including dates for a potential meeting.

Meetings and Events

The Project Team is available to meet with the community on the following dates. It is my understanding that the meetings we offered earlier this month were to be with the community to discuss the Draft EA / IS, however, we would be happy to look into scheduling a meeting with Aroland First Nation Chief and Council.

- May 28 5-8pm community meeting in Thunder Bay
- May 29 4-7pm community meeting in Aroland

We will also be hosting Public Information Centre (PIC) #6 on May 26 in Thunder Bay and on May 29 in Geraldton. The first hour of each PIC is dedicated to Indigenous community members. More information can be found here <https://eais.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/> and keep an eye out for emails from info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca.

IK Program and Community Capacity Funding

Thank you for providing contact information to execute the funding for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement on April 11. In order to move forward with setting up the funding and to distribute funds, we will require a void cheque.

Can you please confirm that we can use the information provided for the Community Capacity Funding Agreement to distribute the IK Program Funding?

Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS) Updates

The Draft EA / IS is now available for public review. Comments and feedback can be provided via the Project website, email or by letter mail.

On April 16, 2025, the Community Well-Being Report was released for review by Indigenous communities and groups.

We are halfway through the review process of the Draft EA / IS. Please keep in mind that the review process concludes on June 23, 2025.

Upcoming Webinars

Our Draft EA / IS webinar series will start in May. The first in this series is Community Well-Being, to be held on May 6, 2025, at 4:00 pm EST. Registration for the webinar is located here: [REDACTED]

Keep an eye out for more information on the remaining webinars in the Draft EA / IS series:

- Land: Ungulates - May 8
- Water: Fish and Fish Habitat - May 22
- People: Land and Resource Use - June 5.

Let me know if you'd like to discuss any of these details further.

Thank you,
Kyla



Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Wed, May 7, 2025 at 1:18 PM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Thank you for confirming those dates work for both a Thunder Bay and in-community meeting.

I will regroup with Jerry when he is back next week for any details we need to coordinate.

Please let us know if we should extend the meeting invite to representatives from the Province, as it is up to the community if they would like them to attend.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Fri, May 9, 2025 at 12:39 PM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Andrew,

Checking in to see if you've been able to procure a void cheque from the community?

Once we get that information, we can get the community registered for payment and will be able to distribute the funds for the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program more easily.

Regarding the Community Capacity Funding Agreement; it is with the Project Team to review and we anticipate being able to send it to the community for signature shortly.

Have a great weekend,
Kyla



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Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Thu, May 22, 2025 at 8:30 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Good Morning Andrew,

Please find a revised version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement attached for Aroland First Nation's review.

It is my understanding that Kate Kempton and AECOM's legal counsel revised this version together but that Kate would like to see this version before it is signed, if you're able to pass this along to her. Once Kate has reviewed and if Aroland First Nation is okay with the agreement as is, please send back a signed version.

Can you please send a void cheque that we can use to set up and issue the payment for the Community Capacity Funding? We will also use this cheque to issue the IK Program Funding should that be agreeable with the community.

Thanks for your help,
Kyla



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MFFN CAR Project Updates

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> Mon, May 26, 2025 at 7:51 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Nolan Lachance <[REDACTED]>

Good Morning Andrew and Jerry,

Below are some updates on the MFFN CAR Project:

Public Information Centre #6

We will be hosting our Public Information Centre (PIC) #6 on Monday, May 26, 2025, and Thursday, May 29, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, respectively. The first hour of each PIC is dedicated to Indigenous community members. For more information, visit <https://eais.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/>. See the attached meeting poster for more details.

Aroland/MFFN CAR Meetings and Country Foods Program

We are looking forward to meeting with Aroland First Nation on May 28 (in Thunder Bay) and May 29 (in Aroland).

As mentioned in a previous email, our team will be looking for community members living in Aroland to provide samples of foods that have been hunted, fished or gathered near the Community to provide baseline information to support the MFFN CAR Country Foods Program. We will be accepting samples on **Thursday, May 29, from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.** at Johnny Therriault Memorial School Gymnasium, during the community meeting. More information and details are in the attached poster.

Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS) - Reminder for Final Review

We are nearing the end of the review process of the Draft EA / IS. Please submit your comments and feedback via the Project website, [REDACTED] email or by letter mail by **June 23, 2025**.

Upcoming Webinar

Keep an eye out for more information on the remaining webinar in the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Series:

- People: Land and Resource Use - Thursday, June 5

If you have any questions or concerns about any of the information above, please let me know.

Thanks and have a great week,
Kyla



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MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL-SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

PUBLIC INFORMATION CENTRE #6: DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT / IMPACT STATEMENT

Join the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Project Team to discuss updates on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Review.

Thunder Bay Monday, May 26, 2025

Location:

Superior Inn and Conference Centre
555 Arthur St. W, Thunder Bay, Ontario

Time:

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Public Session.

*Light refreshments will be served.

Geraldton Thursday, May 29, 2025

Location:

Geraldton Community Centre
200 Wardrope Avenue, Geraldton, Ontario

Time:

4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Public Session

*Light refreshments will be served.

Learn about:

- What is the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement?;
- Understanding identified project effects and proposed impact management measures;
- Update on socio-economic studies and the Community Well-Being Report;
- Cumulative effects; and
- Next steps and future opportunities to get involved.

* The first hour is dedicated to Indigenous Community members only.

If you cannot make the in-person session, you can find the information posted on our website (www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca). Public Information Centres are wheelchair accessible; contact us if you require other accessibility accommodations.

Contact Information

Website: <https://eais.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/>

Email: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Phone: 1-800-764-9114



Scan the QR to learn more, and for other ways to Get Involved.



COUNTRY FOODS STUDY

Purpose of the Country Foods Study

We are studying foods that are hunted, fished or gathered from the land and water, including fish, wild plants and animals. These samples will help us understand substances that may be present in local foods now, before the new road is built.

Metals, chemicals and fuel can be present in soil, air or water from natural sources like minerals or human activities like spills and leaks. Plants and animals can absorb these substances and over time they can accumulate in our bodies leading to health issues, especially for children, pregnant people and Elders.

Samples will be taken to Bureau Veritas Environmental Services Centre in Thunder Bay for testing.

How You Can Help

Share samples of country foods from your community to support the Community Access Road's Final Community Well-Being Report!

It doesn't matter when the food was harvested, as long as it has been kept in the freezer and is not spoiled.

*Please note, we are not asking you to hunt or harvest additional food. Simply bring what you already have on-hand.

What We Need

Please place samples in a plastic bag, directly from your fridge or freezer, cut to the approximate sizes listed below. You do not need to bring all types of food listed below.

Food Type	Approximate Size
Moose meat	70 grams of uncooked meat or fish, OR approximately the size of a deck of cards
Beaver meat	
Pickereel/walleye	
Goose meat	
Wild blueberries	½ cup

*Food may be frozen or thawed but cannot be cooked, smoked, or spoiled.

Required Sample Information

- Type of sample (e.g., moose muscle)
- Approximate date sample was harvested (e.g., January 2025)
- Approximate location the sample was harvested on a map
- How the sample was stored and for how long (e.g., in the freezer for 3 months)
- How you normally prepare this type of food (e.g., typically smoked before eating)

Please Note: Each sample must be from a different animal (i.e., do not bring two moose cuts from the same moose).

Collection Dates

Aroland First Nation

Location:

Johnny Therriault Memorial School Gymnasium

Time:

Thursday, May 29 from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

How You Will Be Thanked

We appreciate your participation and will thank you with:



A \$100 gift card per sample for the No Frills grocery store.

Sign-Up Here

Please sign-up in advance if you are planning to bring country food samples:



Contact information

For questions or comments, contact the Project Team:

Lawrence Baxter, Senior Community Member Advisor, Marten Falls First Nation

Phone: 1-800-764-9114

Email: info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

Website: www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca



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MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 12 June 2025 at 10:04
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Good morning Andrew,

I'm checking in to see if there are any updates regarding the finalization of the revised Community Capacity Funding Agreement?

Could you also send the void cheque at your earliest convenience? We will use this cheque to distribute the Capacity Funding and the IK Program Funding.

Thank you,
Kyla



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MFFN CAR - Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: DRAFT Impact Assessment Report

Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> 13 June 2025 at 14:00
 To: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>
 Cc: Lawrence Baxter <[redacted]>, Bob Baxter <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Alana Vigna <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>

Dear Chief Sonny Gagnon,

As part of our ongoing collaboration on the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road, we're sharing your community specific Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report (Draft Report) for your review and feedback.

This Draft Report includes information from publicly available sources, as well as any Indigenous Knowledge Reports we received before January 2025. It outlines the assessment process for Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests related to the Community Access Road, and it focuses specifically on your community.

Please use the following link to access and download your Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report for the Community Access Road:

[redacted link]

The review period for this report is 90 calendar days. If your community has comments, questions, additional Indigenous Knowledge or details about important sites, areas, or resources—and how often they're used—that could better inform this report we'd appreciate you sharing that with us. Your input will help us refine the potential effects to your Draft Report. A final version of this report will be provided to you.

If we don't hear back with new information by **September 11, 2025**, the Draft Report will be finalized.

We would be very pleased to meet with you to review the Draft Report, answer any questions you may have, or have a discussion on the assessment process.

Kind regards,
Kyla



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Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]> Tue, Jun 24, 2025 at 9:01 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, Nolan Lachance <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>, Valdine Walker <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for sending that over. We send over a final version shortly.

I noticed there is no date under Chief Gagnon's signature - let us know if we can apply the date of your email or if you have another suggestion.

As well, please send us a void cheque as soon as you are able and we will distribute the Community Capacity Funding and IK Program Funding.

Thank you,
Kyla



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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]> Thu, Jun 26, 2025 at 2:30 PM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Andrew,

Below are some updates for the MFFN CAR Project

Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Review Period Complete

Thank you for providing feedback on the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS). As of June 23, 2025, the review period for the Draft EA / IS has officially closed. We sincerely value all the feedback provided. Input on the Draft EA / IS is important to us and will help inform the preparation of the Final EA / IS that will be submitted to the federal and provincial governments for review in mid to late 2026. If you would like to meet to discuss Draft EA / IS and / or feedback provided by Aroland First Nation, please let us know.

Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report

Aroland First Nation's Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) Draft Impact Assessment Report was sent to your community on June 13, 2025. The review period for this report is 90 calendar days. If Aroland First Nation has comments, questions, or additional information to share, we'd appreciate you sharing that with us. Aroland First Nation's input will help us refine the potential effects to your Draft Report. If we don't hear back with new information by **September 11, 2025**, the Draft Report will be finalized. If you could confirm that the ATRI Draft Impact Assessment Report has been received and you are able to access it, that would be greatly appreciated.

Public Information Centre #6

Public Information Centre (PIC) #6 was held on May 26 and 29, 2025, in Thunder Bay and Geraldton, respectively. Thank you to those who were able to attend the meetings in person. Materials from the PIC are available here: <https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/get-involved/#pic6>

Community Meetings

Thank you to all of the community members who were able to attend the Aroland First Nation meeting in Thunder Bay on May 28 and in Aroland on May 29, 2025. We appreciated all of the feedback received and perspectives shared. We also wanted to thank those who participated in the Country Foods Sampling Program, as we were grateful to receive so many samples to help inform the project.

Coming Up

The Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement for Indigenous communities will be released in Fall 2025. Keep an eye out for the report to be sent to Aroland First Nation, including ways to provide feedback.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns, or if you would like us to set up a meeting.

Thank you,
Kyla



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 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
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Good Afternoon Andrew,

Please see the following for updates on the MFFN CAR Project:

IK Program Funding

I've been advised that the IK Program Funding payment of [redacted] will be released to Aroland First Nation on July 25, 2025, via e-transfer. Should the payment not be received by the end of July, please let us know.

Community Capacity Funding

A final version of the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and the program funding will be distributed shortly.

Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and Interests Draft Impact Assessment Report

The ATRI Draft Impact Assessment Report was sent to Chief Gagnon on June 13, 2025. If Aroland First Nation has comments, questions, additional Indigenous Knowledge or details about important sites, areas, or resources that could better inform this report, we'd appreciate receiving that information. Feedback from the community will be used to update the report and a final version will be shared with Aroland First Nation. We would be happy to meet to discuss the report. If we do not hear back by **September 11, 2025**, the Draft Report will be finalized.

Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement for Indigenous Communities

The Draft Record of Consultation and Engagement for Indigenous communities will be released in Fall 2025. Keep an eye out for the report to be sent to your community. Ways to provide feedback will be included.

Ongoing Field Studies

Field programs will be continuing into the 2025 summer and fall seasons to support the Preliminary Design and future permitting for the MFFN CAR. The following three field programs are included in the Summer 2025 Field Notice: Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment, Groundwater Well Decommissioning and Geotechnical Investigation. For more information, the field notice is attached to this email or available at the following link <https://www.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/2025-07-09-MFFN-Summer-2025-Field-Notice.pdf>

Please note that I will be taking a short-term leave and all communications should be directed to Nolan Lachance (cc'd) in the meantime. I hope the rest of your summer is enjoyable, and I will reach out upon my return.

Thank you,
Kyla



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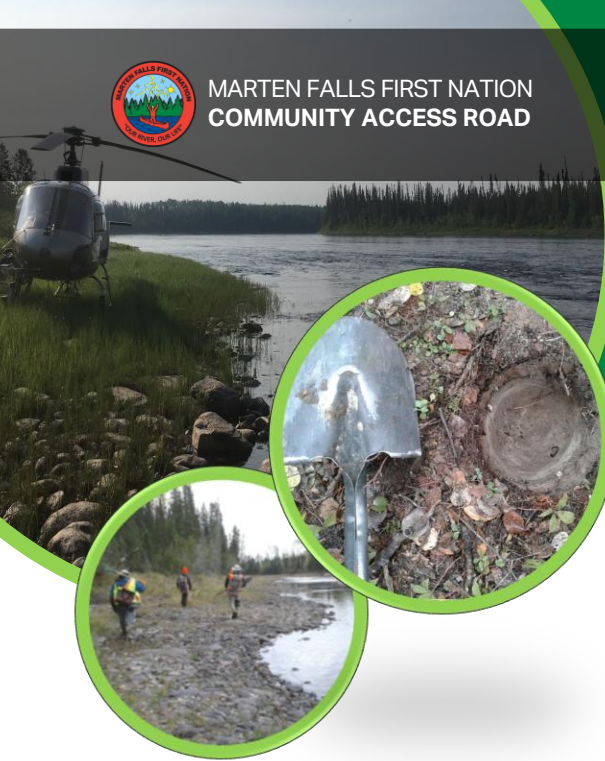


MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

Field Notice

Summer / Fall 2025 Field Notice

Issued: July 2025



What's Happening?

Field programs will be continuing into the 2025 summer and fall seasons to support the Preliminary Design and future permitting for the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road.

The following three field programs are outlined in this notice:

- Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment
- Groundwater Well Decommissioning
- Geotechnical Investigation

Stage 2 Archaeological Assessment

Archaeological assessments are crucial for determining the potential presence of archaeological sites and artifacts and are mandated through the Ontario Heritage Act. For the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road, background archaeological research (Stage 1) began in 2019 to look into archaeological potential for possible unknown sites, and some initial field surveys were conducted in 2019.





Now that the preferred route has now been chosen for the Community Access Road, archaeologists will conduct Stage 2 field surveys in the following locations in advance of geotechnical investigations:

- where the road is planned to cross waterbodies;
- at sites where bridges may be built; and
- at one potential aggregate location.

The investigations will focus on the area where geotechnical drilling will be required, and where helicopter landing sites may be created.

The archaeology team will complete the work **during the summer or fall season**. Dates have yet to be determined, though the work is expected to take approximately two weeks to complete. An update will be provided once dates are confirmed.

The stages of an Archaeological Assessment in Ontario

- 1** **Stage 1 – Background Study:** A background study is first conducted to determine archaeological potential, which means areas where people liked to live.
- 2** **Stage 2 – Field Survey:** Archaeologists go out and look for sites that may be impacted by construction. In Northern Ontario, this is typically completed using a test pit survey. This means a team of archaeologists dig small holes in areas of high archaeological potential and sift the soil to search for artifacts.

If the team finds artifacts, we have a site!

- 3** **Stage 3 – Find Site Limits:** The next step is finding the site limits. When looking for site limits the team of archaeologists digs larger 1 m by 1 m excavation units and collect the artifacts. These units are dug every 5 m until we find the site edge.
- 4** **Stage 4 – Excavation or Avoidance:** In the final step, the site is either excavated or the development is moved to avoid and protect the site. Depending on the size and nature of the site, it might be easy to move the purposed impacts than remove the site. Some projects are easier to move around archaeological sites than others.



Geotechnical Investigation

Field crews are proposing to conduct geotechnical investigations to support preliminary exploration of potential aggregate sites and water crossing locations along the route for the Community Access Road. Geotechnical investigations will focus on aggregate sites and water crossings to assess material quantity, quality, soil suitability and groundwater monitoring.

Advance notice was initially provided for the Geotechnical Investigation in the [Fall 2024 Field Notice](#), however, work was unable to commence at that time. Instead, it is expected that this work will be conducted **during the fall 2025 season**. An update will be provided once dates are confirmed.

Groundwater Well Decommissioning

Field crews will be decommissioning selected monitoring wells this fall as part of the Groundwater and Geochemistry program. This program has been essential for checking the health of groundwater along the proposed route for the Community Access Road. The program has tested for things like minerals, dissolved metals (such as mercury), and volatile organic compounds. By understanding current groundwater conditions, we can better predict how the road might affect the natural environment.

The wells are being decommissioned are in a location that will not support future long term monitoring of the proposed roadway. Future wells within the final right of way may be installed in accordance with the mitigations outlined in Section 9.3.4 of the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement. The report is available here:

<https://eais.martenfallsaccessroad.ca/>

Since 2022, field crews have collected samples from the same monitoring wells each spring, summer, and fall to track seasonal changes. With the sampling now complete, field crews will proceed with decommissioning selected wells **during the fall season**. An update will be provided once dates are confirmed.





What to expect

Field crews will be accessing sites across the study area by helicopter—you may see helicopters in the area. An update will be provided if the above schedule changes due to weather or other conditions.

To learn more about our studies, view our past [webinar recordings](#), [valued component videos](#), [Groundwater and Geochemistry Discussion Guide](#), and the [Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement](#) on our website.

Where?

See the next page for a map of the study area.

Contact Information

You are welcome to contact the MFFN Community Access Road Project Team at any time with questions or comments.

Lawrence Baxter

Senior Community Member Advisor

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Wed, Jul 23, 2025 at 1:47 PM
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Hello Andrew,

As Kyla previously indicated, please direct all communications to me for the time being. I am here to provide support in any way possible and will ensure a seamless transition in this process.

I would also like to remind you that the review period for the Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interest: Impacts Assessment Report is currently ongoing. On June 13, 2025, Aroland First Nation's community-specific Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report was distributed. The review period for this report is 90 days. Please submit any comments, questions, additional Indigenous Knowledge or details about important sites, areas or resources through email by **September 11, 2025**. Please use the following link to access and download Aroland First Nation's community-specific report: [redacted]

Should you have any questions or wish to discuss the Project further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Best regards,
Nolan Lachance
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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

1 message

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Thu, Jul 24, 2025 at 9:03 AM
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: [redacted], Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>

Hello Jerry,

I hope this email finds you well. I am reaching out to let you know about an upcoming opportunity to participate in archaeological investigations that we are coordinating in advance of the KGS borehole drilling scheduled for this fall.

The archaeological investigations will focus on the water crossing locations and the aggregate site [redacted]. While the exact date is yet to be confirmed, we are aiming to commence the fieldwork shortly after the August long weekend. The fieldwork is expected to last approximately four weeks.

Please let us know if you would like to participate in these surveys as a community monitor for Aroland.

Please note that this phase of archaeological fieldwork will be limited to small targeted areas where boreholes are planned. A more comprehensive Stage 2 archaeological assessment for the full corridor will be conducted at a later stage, offering further opportunities for participation.

Regarding payment, AECOM will register you as a one-time vendor in their internal procurement system, COUPA. Should you decide to participate, you will receive a link to the COUPA Supplier Portal and will be asked to provide direct deposit information to facilitate payment.

Could you please let us know if you are interested in participating? If you have any questions or need further information, feel free to reach out.

Best regards,
Nolan Lachance



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Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Wed, Jul 30, 2025 at 9:11 AM
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Hello Jerry,

Thank you for your interest in participating in the upcoming archaeological surveys.

The archaeology crew will be in the field for 16 days, starting August 7, 2025, on a 6-day workweek schedule. The team will be led by Field Director Josh Keddy (cc'd in this email), who can be reached at [redacted] or [redacted].

The team will meet at 9:00am on August 7, 2025, at the Geraldton Airport. Specific fieldwork locations will be finalized with the pilot the morning of August 7, 2025. The crew will fly in and out of Geraldton Airport each morning and evening. Accommodations in Geraldton will be available if needed.

To ensure you are set up in AECOM's payment system (COUPA), please provide your direct deposit information. If a different monitor will be attending, we will arrange payment through Archtech and will need their name, email address, and phone number to set them up before fieldwork begins. Please let me know who will be attending as soon as possible.

Please let me know if you have any questions or need further information.

Best regards,
Nolan Lachance
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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Signed Community Capacity Funding Agreement

1 message

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Wed, Jul 30, 2025 at 11:56 AM
 To: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Niki" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good morning,

I am pleased to provide you with the finalized Community Capacity Funding Agreement for your records. The associated funding was disbursed on July 17, 2025. Can you please confirm that you have received this payment?

I want to acknowledge all of the hard work provided by your team in finalizing this agreement. We look forward to continued engagement.

Best regards,
Nolan Lachance



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Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Fri, Aug 1, 2025 at 10:49 AM
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good morning Jerry,

I'm following up on my previous email. Could you please confirm if you or another Aroland First Nation representative will be able to meet the crew at the Geraldton airport, or if you will require additional assistance with transportation? The field crew is hoping to meet everyone on August 7, 2025, to discuss sites of interest and finalize the plan for the investigations.

With August 7, 2025, approaching quickly and the long weekend coming up, we're hoping to finalize these logistical details as soon as possible.

Looking forward to hearing from you,
Nolan Lachance

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Tue, Aug 5, 2025 at 3:59 PM
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good afternoon Jerry,

I wanted to follow up on my previous email regarding the arrangements for meeting the crew at Geraldton airport.

Could you please confirm whether it will be you or another representative from Aroland First Nation meeting the crew, and if additional assistance with transportation is required? As you know, the field crew is planning to meet on August 7, 2025, to discuss sites of interest and finalize the investigation plans. Ensuring a representative from Aroland First Nation is present for these discussions will allow the team to try and organize sites of interest accordingly.

With the anticipated start date just two days away, it's important that we finalize the remaining details as soon as possible to ensure everything goes smoothly.

As a reminder, if someone other than yourself will be attending, we will need to onboard them through Artech before the start date. This process requires their email, phone number and would need to be provided by no later than 12:00 pm EST tomorrow in order to be finalized on time and in the system for Thursday's start date.

Looking forward to hearing back from you.

Best,
Nolan Lachance

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Thu, Aug 7, 2025 at 8:44 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good morning Andrew,

Thank you for the update. I've discussed with the team, and we are prepared to accommodate Jerry's participation in the fieldwork upon his return next week.

Just as a reminder, Jerry will need to be set up in the Artech Payment System before he can join the fieldwork. Kate Holt will be reaching out to Jerry to complete this process. I've included her contact information below for your reference:

Catherine (Kate) Holt

Account Manager



Artech Technology Canada Limited

[redacted]
 [redacted]
 [redacted]
 [redacted]

Website: www.artech.com

Additionally, here is the contact information for the field lead, Josh Keddy, to facilitate any necessary arrangements:

Josh Keddy

Email: [redacted]
 Phone: [redacted]

Please feel free to coordinate directly with Josh to organize the fieldwork logistics.

Best regards,
 Nolan Lachance



Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]>

Aroland - Community Updates

Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]> Wed, Aug 13, 2025 at 1:56 PM
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

That sounds great! I'm in a meeting until 2:30 PM that might run a bit over, but I'll call you right after.

For your reference, my number is [REDACTED].

Talk to you soon,
Nolan Lachance

[Quoted text hidden]



Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Aroland - Community Updates

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Wed, Aug 13, 2025 at 10:39 AM
To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>

Good morning Andrew,

I would like to schedule a quick phone call sometime this week to discuss a few outstanding topics. Please let me know your availability for the coming days.

Could you please confirm if this is the best number to reach you: [redacted]

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,
Nolan Lachance

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Fwd: Invoice: AFN Community Meeting

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Thu, Aug 14, 2025 at 9:19 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good morning Andrew,

As discussed in our call yesterday, if you could please provide an updated invoice for the Community Meeting that took place on May 28, 2025, at the JTS School, so that we can distribute the payment to Aroland.

Please update the invoice to be made out to the following:

Niki Angelis
AECOM Canada ULC

Robinson Meshake or Anna Magiskan (cc'd in this thread) should be able to provide additional support here if needed.

I appreciate your support here and wanted to thank you again for your time yesterday.

Enjoy your time off,
Nolan Lachance



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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

UPDATE REQUESTED: Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations - Artech Onboarding

1 message

Catherine Holt <[redacted]> Fri, Aug 15, 2025 at 4:49 PM
To: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>
Cc: Simirpreet Singh <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>

Good afternoon, Jerry,

I hope this email finds you well. I understand you've been away for personal reasons, and I hope everything is going as smoothly as possible. Our onboarding team has been trying to connect with you this week regarding the Aroland fieldwork with AECOM.

When you have a moment, could you please confirm if you are still interested in moving forward with this project? If so, there are a few documents that need to be completed so we can set you up on Artech payroll. Please let me know if there's anything I can do to make the process easier for you.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

Catherine (Kate) Holt
Service Delivery Manager



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Website: www.artech.com





Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

UPDATE REQUESTED: Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations - Artech Onboarding

Catherine Holt <[redacted]> Tue, Aug 19, 2025 at 5:21 PM
To: "[redacted]" <[redacted]>
Cc: Simirpreet Singh <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon, Jerry,

I hope this email finds you well. Simirpreet was kind enough to forward your message regarding the start date of the upcoming work. Please see the update below.

The crew is scheduled to be in the field until August 25th. If there's a day between now and then that you are available to join them —once you have completed onboarding with us —they are happy to adjust the schedule to accommodate your availability and focus on areas of interest to you.

Please expect a message from either Nolan Lachance (cc'd here) or the field liaison, Josh Keddy, regarding specific dates. If you have any preferred dates in mind, please let me know, and I can pass those along as well.

Thank you, and I look forward to hearing from you.

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Archaeological Investigation Opportunities

1 message

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Thu, Aug 21, 2025 at 9:01 AM
 To: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Keddy, Joshua" <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha" <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good morning Jerry,

I am reaching out to inquire if you know what days you would like to participate in the archaeological investigations. The archaeology team has a few more days remaining for survey sites of potential interest to Aroland First Nation. As a reminder, you will need to complete the onboarding prior to joining field investigations.

To complete the onboarding process, please continue to coordinate with **Kate Holt**:

Catherine (Kate) Holt

Service Delivery Manager



Artech Technology Canada Limited

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[redacted]

Please let me know when you would like to participate so we can begin coordinating logistical details to get you started.

Best regards,

Nolan Lachance



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Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]>

Archaeological Investigation Opportunities

Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]>

Fri, Aug 22, 2025 at 11:30 AM

To: Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>

Hi Ashley,

Thanks for the update. I'll hold off on sharing this with the team until we hear back from you and Jerry regarding Jeff's availability.

Thanks again for your help.

Best,
Nolan Lachance

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

August 2025 - MFFN CAR Project Updates

1 message

Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]> Thu, Aug 28, 2025 at 10:58 AM
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>
 Bcc: Jodi Miles <[redacted]>

Good morning,

I hope all is well. Below are some updates in relation to the Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road (MFFN CAR) Project:

Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report

On June 13, 2025, your community-specific Draft Aboriginal and / or Treaty Rights and Interests: Draft Impact Assessment Report was distributed. The review period closes on **September 11, 2025**. Please submit any comments, questions, additional Indigenous Knowledge or details about important sites, areas or resources through email. Please use the following link to access and download your community-specific report: [redacted]

New video: Understanding Cumulative Effects

As part of the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment for the Community Access Road, we are looking closely at how different activities - past, present, and future - may combine to affect the land, water, animals, and people. This includes considering how the Community Access Road might interact with other projects happening in the same area or at the same time. By looking at the bigger picture, we aim to better understand the full impact of the Project on the environment and the Community. To watch the latest video, click here: <https://vimeo.com/1096031872/90de3c9f05?fl=pl&fe=vl>

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out.

Best,
Nolan Lachance

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Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]>

Fwd: Invoice: AFN Community Meeting

Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]> Thu, Aug 28, 2025 at 11:05 AM
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki"
<[REDACTED]>
Bcc: Jodi Miles <[REDACTED]>

Good morning Andrew,

I'm following up on the invoice for the Community Meeting that took place on May 28, 2025, at the JTS School. Were you able to make progress on changing the invoice to be made out to AECOM so that payment can be issued to Aroland First Nation?

Thanks,
Nolan Lachance
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Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]>

Fwd: Invoice: AFN Community Meeting

Lachance, Nolan <[REDACTED]> Thu, Aug 28, 2025 at 11:12 AM
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>, "Angelis, Niki"
<[REDACTED]>

Hi Andrew,

Thanks for the update. I appreciate your continued efforts in getting this resolved.

Best,
Nolan Lachance
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B2.2 Incoming Community Specific Correspondence





Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Fwd: good afternoon,

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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From: **Jerry Shabogamik** <[REDACTED]>

Date: Thu, Aug 1, 2024 at 2:40 PM

Subject: good afternoon,

To: Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>

re. ground water sampling ,
here is the name that is willing to do this work.

[REDACTED]
ph, [REDACTED]
no email.
hope this helps



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 8 August 2024 at 12:19
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, MFFN Community Access Road Project Team <info@martenfallsaccessroad.ca>

Hi Kyla,

My turn for apologies in a delayed response. I forwarded this information to Jerry Shabogamik to make sure that the applicants are reviewed by the appropriate HR staff on Aroland's end. I've followed up today to see if there's any progress and will let you know once I've heard back from Aroland.

Just a note that I'll be away on vacation starting tomorrow and back in the office on Tuesday, August 20th. While I'm away, please reach out to Jerry about any questions or updates regarding the Community Coordinator Position.

Thanks very much!

Andrew Peach, MSc | Planning Consultant

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Aggregate Drilling Sites Flyover

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

12 August 2024 at 16:12

re address , jerry shabogamik , [REDACTED],
have good day and thanks

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Aggregate Drilling Sites Flyover

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

12 August 2024 at 16:49

Sounds good, thank you.
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

15 August 2024 at 16:48

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>

Thank you for the update.

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program Helicopter Flyover - July 19 and 20 2024

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

19 August 2024 at 11:01

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "McCutchon, James" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, Ryan Dobson <[redacted]>, Cory Pyziak <[redacted]>, "Kuenstler, Dan" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Thanks, I'll take a look.

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program Helicopter Flyover - July 19 and 20 2024

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

19 August 2024 at 14:11

re honorarium hows that coming along
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program Helicopter Flyover - July 19 and 20 2024

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

20 August 2024 at 09:58

Thanks for the update.
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program Helicopter Flyover - July 19 and 20 2024

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

4 September 2024 at 10:13

Thanks, I will let you know.
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 10 September 2024 at 13:34
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor
 Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique
 <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>,
 "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena"
 <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

Thanks for reaching out about this. I'll connect with Jerry to draft a list of names of monitors that could be available for that time. We'll aim to have identified potential participants by early next week.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]> 10 September 2024 at 13:53
 To: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>
 Cc: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter
 <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs
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 <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena"
 <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>

Sounds great, thanks for the update!

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Aroland First Nation IK Report

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 10 September 2024 at 14:56
 To: Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Annamarie Makiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkeesh <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>

Hello Qasim,

I hope that you're doing well. Please find attached Aroland First Nation's Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study for the Marten Falls Community Access Road.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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MFFN CAR Geotechnical Program Helicopter Flyover - July 19 and 20 2024

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]> 13 September 2024 at 14:56
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, "McCutchon, James" <[redacted]>, "Price, Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, Ryan Dobson <[redacted]>, Cory Pyziak <[redacted]>, "Kuenstler, Dan" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Anderson, Victoria" <[redacted]>

Looks good to me. also ryan and corey said they going to send some picture of the river crossings and some other sites .

have good day
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 20 September 2024 at 12:17
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Contardo, Selena" <[redacted]>, "Crew, Jean-Marc" <[redacted]>

Good Morning Kyla,

Jerry has been working to identify potential monitors for fieldwork opportunities and I have sent him a reminder to provide a list of names before the end of day today.

Also, please note that Aroland is observing a Culture Week next week (September 23rd to 27th) and the band office will be closed.

Thanks for reaching out about this,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 26 September 2024 at 18:14
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Jeremy Shute <[redacted]>, Chief
 Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell
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 "Deveaux, Leah" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby
 <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>

Good Afternoon Kyla,

Thanks for following up on these items. Aroland’s offices are closed this week, but I will follow up with Jerry about each of the items once he’s back in the office next week. We’ll get back to you about these topics as soon as we are able to next week.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Proposed Meetings with Aroland - October 16 and 18, 2024

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 1 October 2024 at 16:39
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

Aroland’s offices were closed last week and yesterday and I have not been able to reach Jerry today to look into the proposed dates that have been recommended. I will continue reaching out to Jerry, and will try and get back to you about the dates as soon as possible.

Thanks for your patience,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Proposed Meetings with Aroland - October 16 and 18, 2024

Mark Bell <[REDACTED]> 1 October 2024 at 16:43
To: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>
Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin
<[REDACTED]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[REDACTED]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[REDACTED]>,
"Angelis, Niki" <[REDACTED]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[REDACTED]>

We have a funeral tomorrow and just had another passing today, not sure what the direction will be. I'll let you know
Thursday

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Proposed Meetings with Aroland - October 16 and 18, 2024

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 1 October 2024 at 17:26
 To: Mark Bell <[redacted]>, "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin
 <[redacted]>, "Trimble Exner, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>,
 "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Thanks for the update Mark. So sorry to hear about the passings in the community. I hope the community is able to take as much time as you need to mourn. Please reach out to me when you're getting back into the swing of things and we can discuss the potential schedule and next steps.

Take care,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

good morning re community coordinator job for martin falls first nation

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

10 October 2024 at 10:38

.aroland has selected [REDACTED] and can you call him on his cell phone
[REDACTED]
thanks have a good day



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

good morning re community coordinator job for martin falls first nation

Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>

10 October 2024 at 14:57

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, "Fisken, Avril" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Have a great weekend too!



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Aroland First Nation IK Report

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 23 October 2024 at 11:20
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Chief Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Annamarie Makiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Bernard Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Chad Kashkeesh <[redacted]>, Councillor Eunice Magiskan <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Councillor Tyrell Gagnon <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Andrew Dieleman <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

Sorry for the delayed response, I've been out of the office and am just catching up now.

In accordance with data sovereignty principles, Aroland reserves the right to share their data in the format and manner that they choose. Aroland will not share shapefiles or associated attribute data presented in the Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use and Occupancy Study (IKLUOS) with groups external to the First Nation. This data includes sensitive information and community knowledge shared with Aroland by community members, who have entrusted the First Nation to safeguard this information on their behalf. As such, Aroland is not comfortable with the community's information being used or interpreted by those external to the First Nation (i.e. to determine the potential for impacts to our First Nation's rights and interests).

Aroland believes that the IKLUOS completed and circulated in September provides an appropriate overview of the data requested, presented at a level that Aroland is comfortable sharing externally. Further, the report provided included an analysis and discussion of potential impacts to Aroland's rights and interests in the local and regional study areas. If specific mapped features or elements of the IKLUOS require further discussion or clarification, Aroland is open to these discussions

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

Re: IK Program funding

Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>

29 October 2024 at 13:51

To: Valdine Walker <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

>

>, Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>

", [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>, Laine Gagnon <[REDACTED]>

Hello Valdine,

I have been asked to connect you to Aroland's Financial Coordinator Laine Gagnon (Cc'd) to coordinate the payment for the IK Program funding. My understanding is that they prefer a lump sum payment.

I hope that you're able to coordinate the necessary logistics, but don't hesitate to reach out if you have any questions for our Project Team.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Community Coordinator Program Update

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 9 December 2024 at 17:22
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

Thanks for passing this along. I will try and connect with Jerry this week to sort out the details for the agreement.

Take care,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 11 December 2024 at 09:59
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>

Good morning Kyla,

Thanks for following up on these items. Responses to each below:

IK Program Funding – I will follow up with Jerry about this and have him confirm that Laine is receiving and responding to your emails.

Community Coordinator Program – I have not yet had the opportunity to connect with Jerry about this but have been working to get in contact with him and will support him in finalizing the agreement as soon as possible.

Draft EA/IS Report – I have asked Jerry to review and complete this form for Aroland and will follow up about it when I have the opportunity to connect with him.

Meeting in January – We will likely be shifting our proposed meeting time into February as the main purpose of the meeting is to provide an opportunity for band members to learn about and provide comments on the draft EA IS documents. I will be discussing this with Jerry when I have the opportunity to connect with him.

I am hoping to speak with Jerry this week- if we're unable to connect by Friday these items will likely have to wait until the New Year.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Hi Kyla,

Jerry and I have connected and he is going to follow up with the band administration and accounting department to get the necessary information to your team for the IK funding and Community Coordinator program.

Regarding the EA IS report, we're asked about the format we'd like to receive documents in. Is it possible to receive the documents digitally through dropbox or google drive or is it required that a USB be mailed to the main contact? And is it possible to have two main contacts, as Jerry and I would both like to be identified as the key contacts for the review phase.

As for the meeting in January, I can confirm that we'll be postponing that until at least February, but perhaps into March depending on the release dates for the EA IS documents.

Finally, I wanted to provide a quick heads up that I am going to be out of the office from December 16th to January 6th, but I will be checking my emails occasionally next week in case anything urgent comes up. I hope that you have a great holiday! We're looking forward to reviewing the draft EA IS documents in the New Year!

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Ministry of Natural Resources
Ministère des Richesses Naturelles

January 13, 2025

Chief Sonny Gagnon
Aroland First Nation

Sent Via Email

[Redacted]
[Redacted]

Email: [Redacted]

SUBJECT: Response to Proposed Marten Falls Community Access Road Investigative Geotechnical Drill Program (2024 – 2025)

Dear Chief Gagnon,

Boozhoo and good day. The Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) would like to thank you for your November 15th letter outlining Aroland First Nation’s concerns with the Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR) Investigative Geotechnical Drilling Program (2024-2025). We have taken some time to review Aroland First Nation’s concerns, met with the project proponent, and would like to share the following details with you.

Wildlife and harvesting concerns

In your letter, you raised concerns regarding impacts to wildlife and subsequent impacts to hunting and trapping. In our consultation letter sent on September 26th, 2024, we indicated that the proponent has committed to mitigation measures and to avoid sensitive habitats. To provide additional assurance, the proponent’s commitments to mitigate potential impacts to wildlife and harvesting are described below:

- Prior to field work, a 2-week field mobilization notice will be sent to communities which will identify the exact dates and locations of the drilling program. Providing an opportunity for your community to request adjusted flight paths to minimize disturbance to traditional activities, as appropriate.
- The field team will maintain suitable altitude when flying to, from and between sampling sites. When safe and feasible to do so, the field team will be over 400 meters above ground level.
- Efforts will be made to not circle sites more than is necessary for safe landing.
- Helicopters will shut down once they have landed on site and is safe to do so and will remain off until departure from site.
- Given the conditions of the site (e.g., number of trees, size of trees), the field team will use chainsaws for clearing of shrubs and trees as this will greatly reduce the amount of time of the disturbance reducing the overall effect on wildlife in the area.

- Should any caribou be observed from the air within 500 m of a proposed drill site, field crew will not land on the site and instead proceed to a different site for the day.
- No work will occur within the restricted timing windows for species at risk. Should work be required during a restricted timing period, a qualified biologist will draft a mitigation strategy and all necessary permits and approvals, including species at risk authorizations, for this work will be obtained by the proponent.

We also acknowledge your concerns around the potential future impacts of aggregate pit or quarry development; however, the current permitting process cannot address these future concerns. We encourage Aroland First Nation to raise these concerns with the proponents directly, for consideration in the environmental assessment process for the broader project.

Sites of historical and archaeological significance and potential for inadvertent disturbance

In your letter, you identified that proposed geotechnical drill locations [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] are within Aroland First Nation's traditional territory and are likely to contain sites of historical and archaeological significance, and that your community has concerns related to traditional harvest (see response above) and the potential for disturbance to cultural heritage resources that may be present.

MNR understands that two Stage 1 archaeological assessments have been carried out within the project area: one for the MFCAR project in 2020 (PIF P438-0207-2020), and another for MFCAR additional aggregate resources in 2024 (PIF P438-0323-2024), which is still in draft form; the reports have yet to be entered into the Ontario Public Register of Archaeological Reports. The 2020 Stage 1 assessment describes participation of two Aroland First Nation representatives (Sheldon Atlookan and John Atlookan) in the field review. MNR understands that Aroland First Nation provided feedback that informed the 2020 assessment and Aroland First Nation was also provided the draft 2024 assessment for review but did not provide comment.

The project team has also shared that Aroland First Nation has been invited to participate in the Indigenous Knowledge (IK) collection program (related to the environmental assessment for the MFCAR), and information related to that program was received after the most recent Stage 1 assessment had been completed and circulated for review. The project team described that it was not available for inclusion in the Stage 1 assessment, but that information from the IK program will be considered in future Stage 2 archaeological assessments which are required for much of the study area.

Aroland First Nation is encouraged to continue participating in opportunities to share information with the project team, to help ensure that cultural heritage and archaeological resources are appropriately considered and accommodated.

Opportunity to review archaeological protocols

Your letter also requests to review and provide feedback on archaeological protocols that the MFCAR project team will adhere to prior to initiating any work at these sites. In the 2024 drill program application submitted to MNR, the following in-field protocols related to archaeological resources are included:

Each test hole location was determined with consideration for archaeological potential and were sited to avoid locations of known archaeological finds as documented in Stage 1 Archaeological Reporting completed by AECOM in 2020 and 2024. The following mitigations will be employed with regards to archaeological resources:

- Prior to any work commencing, a community member from Aroland First Nation and Marten Falls First Nation will be invited to join the program, if safe to do so. The community members will be integral in identifying archaeology potential.*
- Should the drilling locations as identified in the permit application need to be changed or expanded, further review of archaeological potential and any necessary archaeological assessments will be completed as required.*
- Should previously undocumented resources be discovered, there may be a new archaeological site that is subject to Section 48 (1) of the Ontario Heritage Act. The proponent or person discovering the archaeological resources must cease alteration of the site immediately and engage a licensed archaeologist to carry out archaeological field work in compliance with Section 48 (1) of the Ontario Heritage Act. The Heritage Operations unit of the Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism must be immediately notified; and,*
- The Cemeteries Act, R.S.P. 1990 c.C.4 and the Funeral, Burial and Cremation Services Act, 2002, S.O. 2002, c.33 requires that any person discovering human remains must notify the police or coroner and the Registrar of Cemeteries at the Ministry of Consumer Services.*

Aroland First Nation Participation

The letter provided also requests an opportunity for Aroland First Nation to have environmental monitors participate in initial flyovers of the sites, and to observe all on-the-ground activities, with adequate capacity funding to support these activities.

Based on the geotechnical drill program application and information from the project team, MNR understands that as per the Marten Falls First Nation-Aroland First Nation Agreement, a representative from Aroland First Nation (Jerry Shabogamik) participated in the July 2024 aggregate geotechnical reconnaissance flight as well as the previous flights to support the 2021 groundwater drill program. It is MNR's understanding that the aggregate locations and proposed geotechnical drill locations were shifted to address concerns identified as part of the flight. The project team noted that they worked with Aroland to develop a monitoring plan for sites of concern as part of the 2021 groundwater drill program, and that they would also be open to doing the same for the geotechnical drill program if requested. As noted

above, the application to MNR described an invitation to Aroland First Nation to join the drill program, if safe to do so, prior to work commencing.

With regards to funding to support participation the MNR understands that the proponent has provided direct support for Aroland First Nation for consultation and engagement, support of community monitors/field staff, as well as training to participate in reconnaissance flights, site inspections and monitoring. In addition, MNR understands that Aroland First Nation receives funding from the Ministry of Mines via the Participant Funding Initiative to support participation in the environmental assessment process, including implementation of an Indigenous Knowledge data collection and assessment program specific to the proposed MFCAR. We encourage you to make full use of these funds and, should you have any questions regarding this funding stream, please feel free to reach out to Jason Frechette, Indigenous Liaison Officer with the Ministry of Mines at [REDACTED] or by phone at [REDACTED].

MNR anticipates that potential approvals may be granted to the geotechnical drilling application in 2025, The activities will be completed as outlined in the original September 26, 2024 letter provided to your community, and in areas where there are additional efforts required from the proponent, MNR may provide batch approvals until reasonable efforts are made to address other concerns.

Should you have any questions regarding the information in this letter, or feedback relating to the archaeological protocols, you are encouraged to connect with the MFCAR Project Team by contacting Kyla Zielbauer by email at [REDACTED]. You can also reach out to MNR directly by reaching out to myself Alain Joseph, Resource Liaison Specialist by email at: [REDACTED] or phone: [REDACTED] (text or call).

In unity,

[REDACTED]

Alain Joseph, M.Sc.Ag.F., M.Sc., H.B.E.S.
Resource Liaison Specialist, Far North District

Cc:

Aroland First Nation

Aroland Council

Jerry Shabogamik, Community Consultation Coordinator, AFN

Andrew Peach, AFN Consultant, Shared Value Solutions

Ashley Childs, AFN Consultant, Shared Value Solutions

Cc:

Ministry of Mines

Indigenous Liaison Officer, Paul MacInnis, [REDACTED]

Indigenous Liaison Officer, Jason Frechette, [REDACTED]

Proponent

Ryan Dobson, KGS Group Winnipeg, [REDACTED]

Qasim Saddique (MFFN CAR Project Team), [REDACTED]

Bob Baxter (MFFN CAR Project Team), [REDACTED]

Lawrence Baxter (MFFN CAR Project Team), [REDACTED]

Jennifer Bruin (MFFN CAR Project Team), [REDACTED]

James McCutcheon (AECOM), [REDACTED]

Ingrid Trimble (AECOM), [REDACTED]

Leah Deveaux (AECOM), [REDACTED]

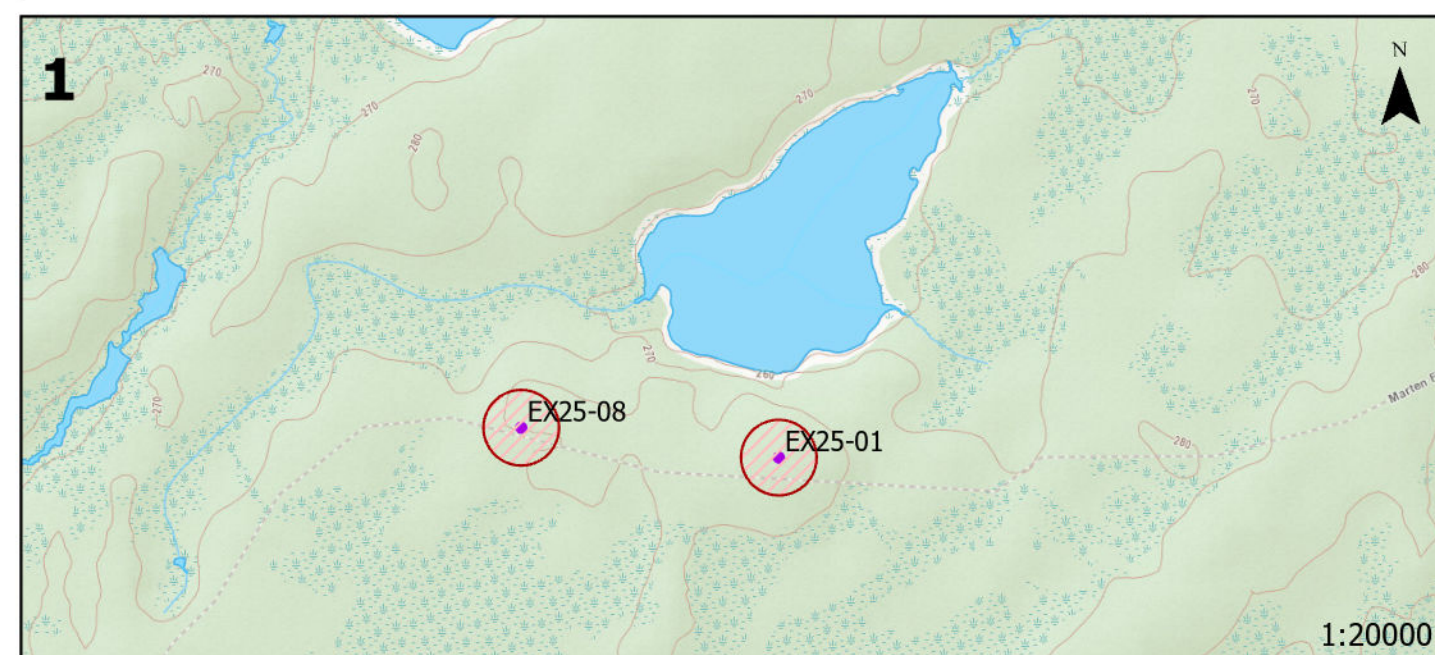
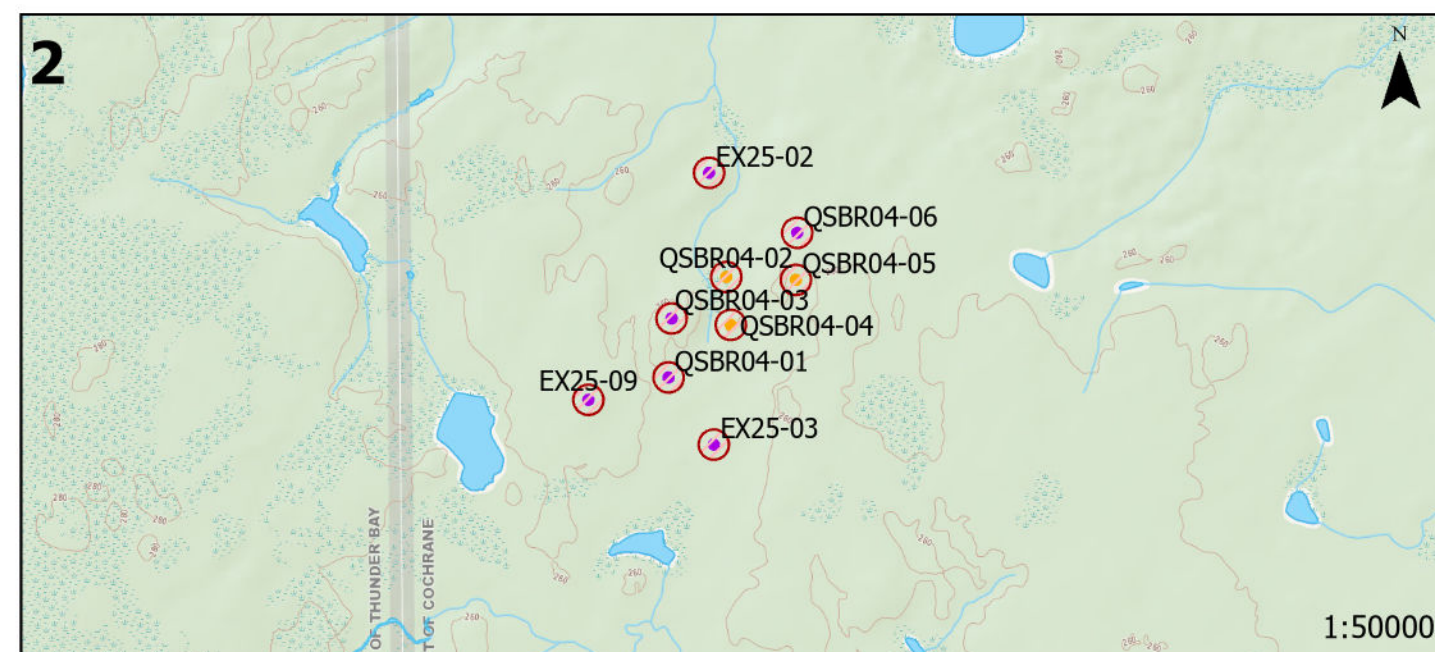
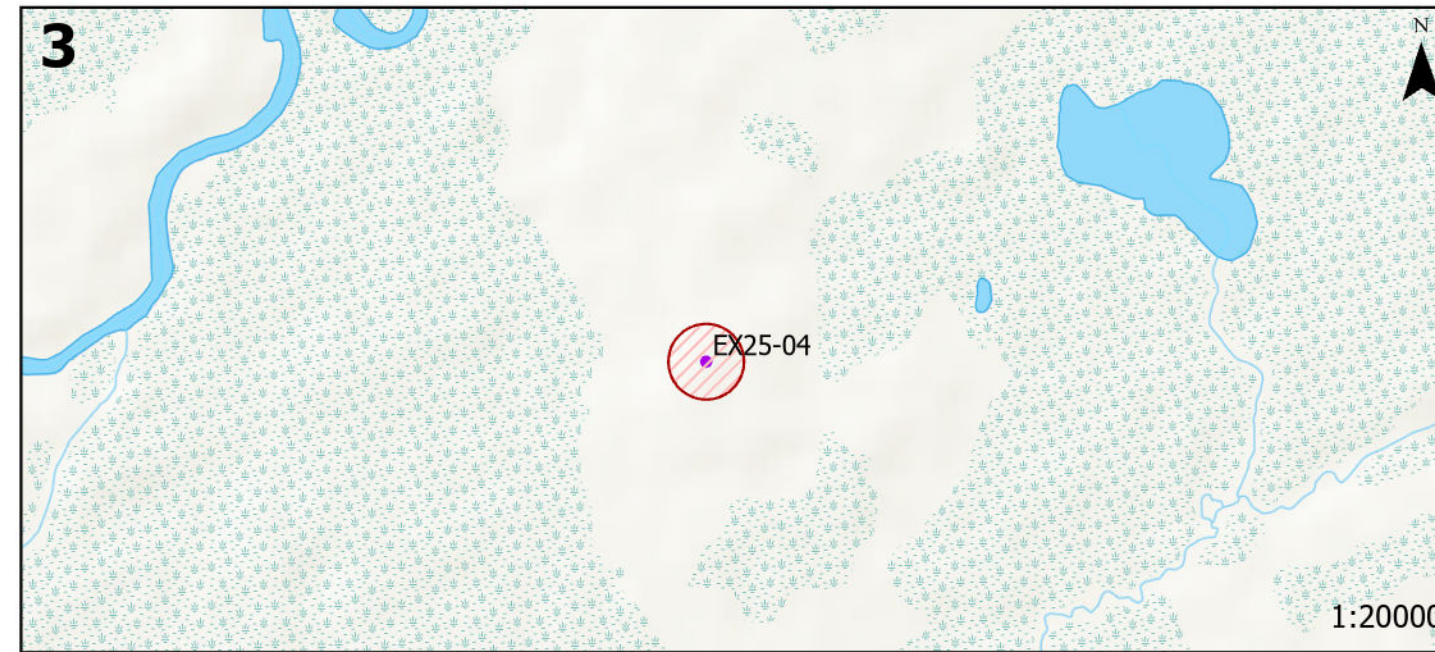
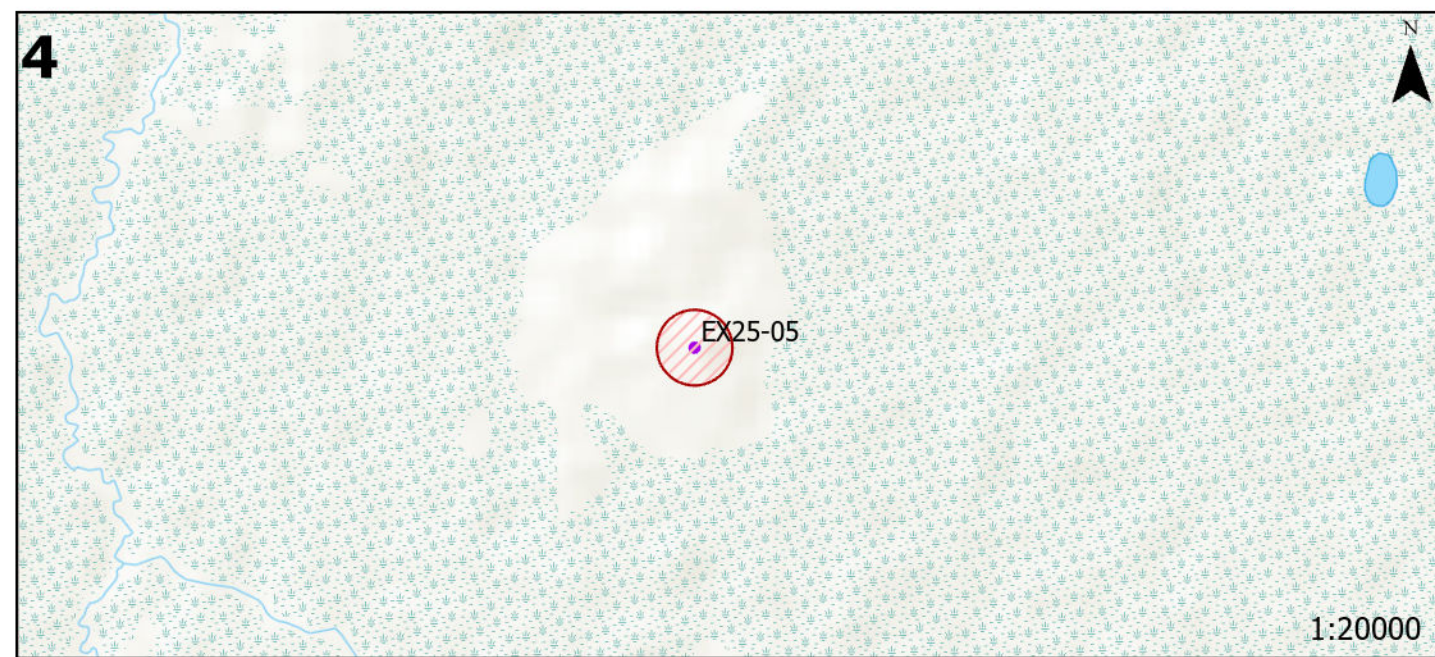
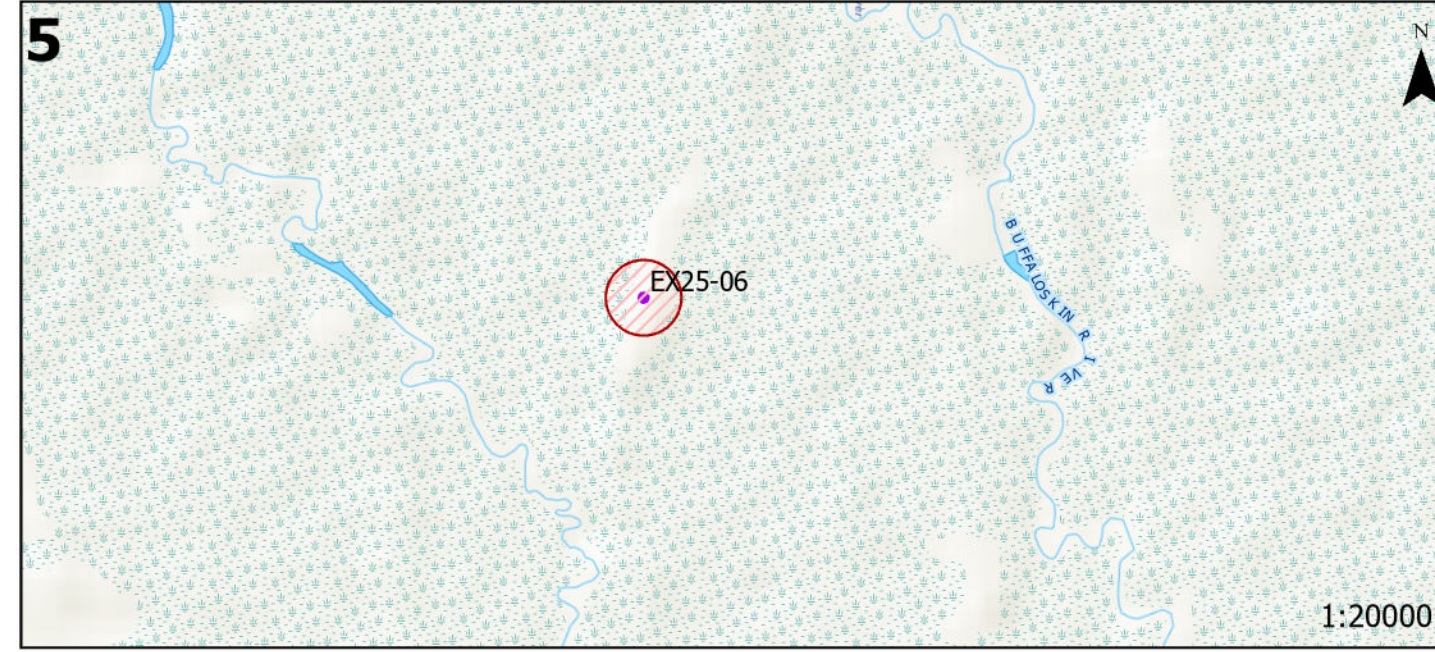
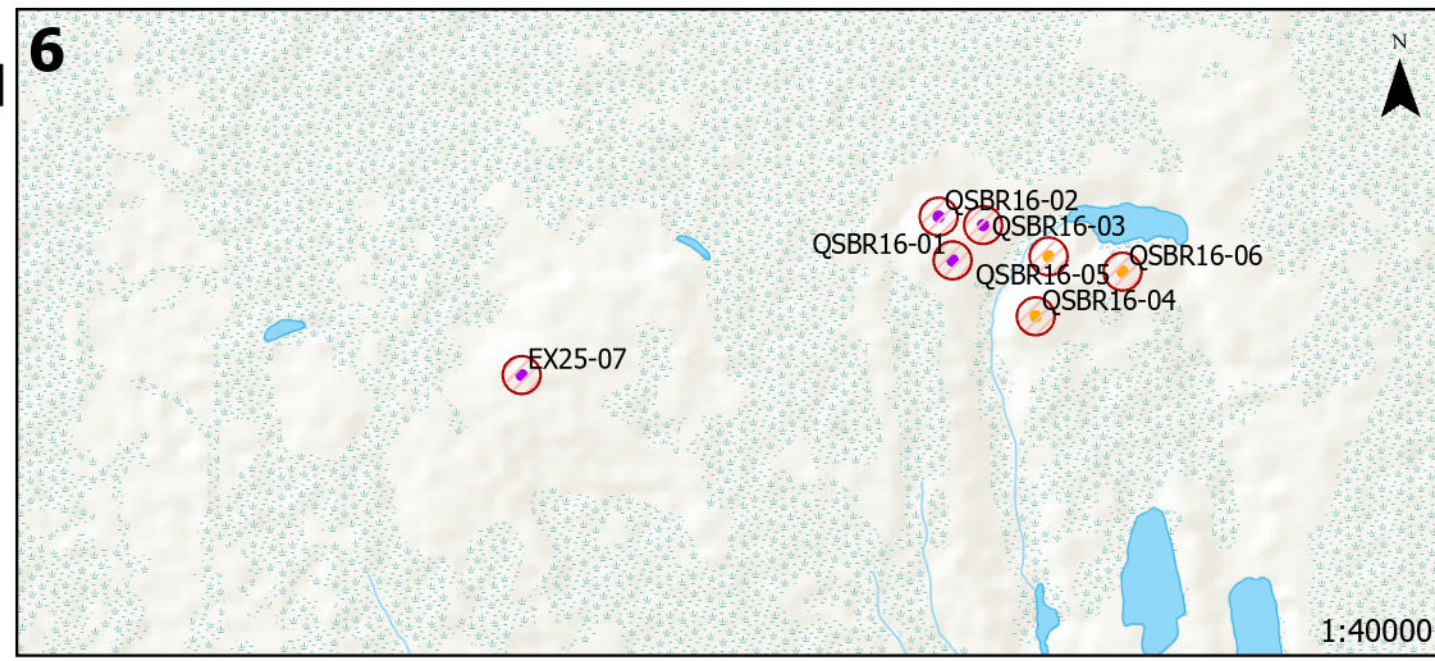
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TO SUPPORT THE PROPOSED MARTEN FALLS COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

FAR NORTH DISTRICT



Map Legend

- Proposed Geotechnical Site Locations
- Marten Falls Community Access Road Study Area
- Limits of Work
- 2024 Proposed Drilling and Monitoring Well Locations
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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 17 January 2025 at 11:03
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>, Andrea Nokleby <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

Happy New Year to you as well!

I'll follow up with Jerry about the funding agreements and get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks very much!

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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good morning re. three roads project meeting.

Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[REDACTED]>

3 February 2025 at 10:14

here are the names of our people that will be attending
JOE BAXTER AND JEFFREY GAGNON, JERRY SHABOGAMIK.



Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

MFFN CAR Project Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 4 February 2025 at 13:16
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor
 Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique
 <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <j[redacted]>, Valdine Walker <[redacted]>, Andrea
 Nokleby <[redacted]>

Good afternoon Kyla,

Aroland’s legal council has reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and has made some edits for the Marten Falls Project Team to review. If your team is OK with the edits, please let us know and we’ll return a signed copy. If you have any questions or concerns about the edits, please let me know and we can review.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[REDACTED]>

MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Ashley Childs <[REDACTED]>

14 February 2025 at 14:34

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[REDACTED]>

Cc: Andrew Peach <[REDACTED]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[REDACTED]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[REDACTED]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[REDACTED]>, Qasim Saddique <[REDACTED]>, Jennifer Bruin <[REDACTED]>, Jeremy Shute <[REDACTED]>

Hi Kyla,

Thank you for sending this information along.

Milestone #3 Progress Report

We have done an initial review of the documents, however, Andrew Peach is most familiar with the details of the consultation process and is currently out of the office. He will be able to get back to you during the week of February 24-28, 2025 with more detailed feedback.

Draft EA/IS Distribution

Thank you for this update. We do not have anyone additional to add at this time.

IK Funding Program

We have followed-up with Aroland on preferred payment method. We will reach out with this information once we have it.

Community Capacity Funding Agreement

Once we have received the agreement, we will ensure Aroland receives a copy to review for signature.

Thank you,

Ashley

Ashley Childs, BMgmt | Lands Manager & Client Liaison

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Zielbauer, Kyla <[redacted]>

Draft MFCAR Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Inquiry

Ashley Childs <[redacted]>
To: Kyla Zielbauer <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

19 February 2025 at 11:15

Hi Kyla,

We had a few questions as we are starting our review process. Should we reach out to you with those questions, or the email identified in the notification?

Thank you,

Ashley

Ashley Childs, BMgmt | Lands Manager & Client Liaison

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Draft MFCAR Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement Inquiry

Ashley Childs <[redacted]>
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

21 February 2025 at 12:35

Hi Kyla,

Thank you for this. We have reached out to the email provided with our questions and cc'ed you to keep you in the loop.

Have a great weekend.

Ashley

Ashley Childs, BMgmt | Lands Manager & Client Liaison

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> 25 February 2025 at 11:58
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>

Good morning Kyla,

We've accessed the draft EA/IS documents and have directed some questions to the separate email account that you've shared. I will work to connect with Chief and Council about their interest in a meeting and get their input on prospective dates for a meeting. I'll circle back to you

Thanks for circulating MFFN CAR's edits to the draft Community Capacity Funding Agreement. AFN's legal counsel has reviewed the edits and made the following comment: Please have your team review and let me know if there are any comments

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[redacted]

Please let us know if the above changes are acceptable or if there is any further review necessary before we are able to finalize and execute the agreement.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Fri, Apr 11, 2025 at 9:55 AM
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

Sorry for the delayed response. I've been travelling this week and away from my computer. Aroland's legal counsel has reviewed the Community Capacity Funding Agreement and provided their feedback here:

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[Redacted content]

Jerry has identified that Aroland's financial coordinator, Laine Gagnon will be the point of contact for the funding agreement and their information is below:

- Aroland First Nation Band Office
- [redacted]
- Laine Gagnon [redacted]
- Mailing address:

[Redacted content]

Please let us know if you require more information or have further questions about the proposed edits to the agreement.



Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Wed, Apr 16, 2025 at 5:31 PM
 To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
 Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

Thanks for reaching out about this. I am reaching out to Chief and Council with a few asks re: meeting with Marten Falls Project Team. Are you able to confirm that your team is inquiring about the following:

- Thursday May 29th – meeting with Aroland Chief and Council in late morning/early afternoon
- Week of May 26-30- meeting with Aroland band members

Would you also be able to confirm if the MFCAR Project Team would be able to conduct two meetings with Aroland band members? One in Aroland and the other in Thunder Bay? Both would need to be evening meetings to accommodate AFN band members' schedules.

Once we've confirmed these details I can work with Jerry and Chief and Council to determine if these work for their schedules.

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Wed, Apr 23, 2025 at 2:20 PM
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hi Kyla,

That sounds good. Once you've shared those with me I can check in with Chief and Council to understand their availability and interest in a meeting.

Aroland's legal counsel is [redacted] and their main contact is [redacted]. She can be reached at [redacted]

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Wed, Apr 30, 2025 at 12:01 PM
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Hi Kyla,

Thanks for the update on potential meetings. I will put those dates in front of Chief and Council to see if they work for them, and will get back to you as soon as I hear from them.

Regarding the funding agreements, I believe that it would be fine to use the same contact for both funding streams. I will follow up with Aroland about getting a blank cheque.

And thanks for the information on webinars. We'll pass that info on to AFN band members who may be interested in joining them.

Thanks again,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Wed, May 7, 2025 at 11:45 AM
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Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

I have confirmed with Chief and Council that the meeting dates of May 28th and May 29th are good for Aroland. I can connect with Jerry to help coordinate the logistics. He's out of the office this week, but should be available next week to help coordinate logistics and distribute advertisements.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

12 June 2025 at 11:14

To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Good Morning Kyla,

I will follow up with Jerry about the agreement and the void cheque and we'll get back to you as soon as possible.

Thanks,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Re: MFFN CAR - Phone Call Follow Up

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Thu, Jun 19, 2025 at 10:19 AM
To: "Zielbauer, Kyla" <[redacted]>
Cc: Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Nolan Lachance <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hello Kyla,

Please find attached the Community Capacity Funding Agreement, finalized and signed by Chief Gagnon.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Sent: 2025-06-23, 2:20:42 PM
From: Andrew Peach [REDACTED]
To: MFFN CAR
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Attachments: [AFN_MFCAR Technical Review Report for EA_2025.06.23.pdf](#)

Hello Joanne Wang,

Please accept the attached report, the Technical Review Report for the Marten Falls Community Access Road Draft Environmental Assessment Impact Statement, on behalf of Chief Gagnon and Aroland First Nation.

Kind regards,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director
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Email: eaisinput@martenfallsaccessroad.ca

C/O Joanne Wang,
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Monday, June 23, 2025

Dear Joanne Wang,

Aroland First Nation (AFN) has reviewed the draft EA/IS prepared by the Marten Falls Project Team for the proposed Marten Falls Community Access Road Project. Our comments, questions, recommendations and requirements for approval on the draft EA/IS can be found in the attached report, which was prepared by AFN with the support of Shared Value Solutions Ltd. (SVS).

AFN is supportive of the development and approval of the MFCAR project ***for the purpose of community access***. Our Band members confirmed this support through a vote in September 2024 and we reaffirmed this support with the Shared Prosperity Agreement that AFN signed with Ontario in February 2025. However, it is important to recognize that this support is limited to the MFCAR and the community access that it will provide. AFN ***has not*** confirmed any support for industrial developments, including but not limited to mining and any proposed developments in the Ring of Fire. We assert that any proposed future developments must be contemplated through meaningful consultation at the deepest level with AFN, and only advanced following comprehensive and coordinated assessment and with AFN's free, prior, and informed consent pursuant to our decision-making governance authority over our lands.

While AFN supports the MFCAR, we believe the coordinated environment and impact assessments serve an important purpose in understanding potential adverse impacts as well as benefits. Our report highlights a number of significant concerns that we have identified within the draft EA/IS report and technical documents that significantly limit our ability to understand the potential impacts to our rights and interests. Within the report, we have also proposed several reasonable opportunities to allow us to work together with the Marten Falls Project Team, and Crown in addressing our concerns collaboratively. This collaborative approach is essential to proactively identify and implement measures to avoid or otherwise mitigate adverse impacts to AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and interests, while also working to maximize the benefits to both of our First Nations on the road to all-season road access for Marten Falls First Nation.

We look forward to your response to our report and to continuing to work with Marten Falls First Nation and the Project Team.



Chief Sonny Gagnon

Cc:

Aroland Chief and Council

Chief Bruce Achneepineskum

Qasim Saddique, Suslop Inc.

Kate Kempton, Woodward and Associates LLP

Andrew Peach, Shared Value Solutions Ltd.

Caitlin Cafaro, Impact Assessment Agency of Canada

Dorothy Moszynski, Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks

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**TECHNICAL REVIEW REPORT FOR
THE MARTEN FALLS COMMUNITY ACCESS
ROAD DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL
ASSESSMENT IMPACT STATEMENT**

Prepared for: Aroland First Nation
June 23, 2025



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Aroland First Nation

Chief Sonny Gagnon
P.O. Box 10
Aroland, ON P0T 1B0

June 10, 2025

Dear Chief Gagnon,

It is our pleasure to provide you with the Technical Review Report on the Environmental Assessment Impact Statement (Draft EA/IS) for the Marten Falls Community Access Road. This review was completed by Andrew Peach, Mark MacDougall, Alison Curran, Leah Culver, Robin Heavens, Jessica Batson, Emily Stairs, Ashley Childs and Marnie Benson of Shared Value Solutions, with assistance from Woodland Heritage Northwest.

We look forward to continuing to serve you in consultation and lands and resources protection matters. Please do not hesitate to get in touch with us if you have any questions or concerns with the enclosed report.

With best regards,



Andrew Peach

Senior Planning Consultant & Project Director, Shared Value Solutions



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

The Marten Falls Community Access Road (MFCAR; the Project) is a proposed all-season roadway intended to connect the remote First Nation community of Marten Falls in northern Ontario to the provincial highway system. The MFCAR is significant as it aims to improve year-round access, support economic development, and enhance the delivery of essential goods and services. The proposed route would link Marten Falls to the existing highway network near Aroland First Nation (AFN), creating new opportunities for trade, travel, and emergency response.

The project is undergoing a coordinated Environmental Assessment (EA)/Impact Assessment (IA) process that combines both provincial and federal requirements. This joint approach streamlines regulatory oversight while ensuring that environmental, cultural, and social impacts are thoroughly considered. The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada and the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks are collaborating to evaluate potential effects on local ecosystems, Indigenous Rights and land use, wildlife, and water systems. Community engagement, particularly with Indigenous communities, is a central component of the assessment, allowing for Traditional Knowledge to inform planning and mitigation strategies. This combined assessment ensures that the Project aligns with environmental protection standards and reflects the values and concerns of affected communities.

AFN has retained Shared Value Solutions Ltd (SVS) to undertake a technical review of the MFCAR IS as part of the dual provincial and federal EA/IS process. AFN has been actively involved in the EA/IA process with the Proponent.

Aroland First Nation understands MFFN's desire and motivation for all-season road access to their community and supports the Project for these purposes. AFN understands the importance of the EA and IA processes in ensuring that all potential environmental, economic and social impacts, as well as potential impacts to First Nations' Aboriginal and Treaty Rights, are understood and mitigated through responsible and proper design. Considering this perspective, AFN has reviewed the draft EA/IS, relevant technical reports, and other supporting appendices, and has prepared comments and recommendations within this technical review report that focus on the accommodation, resolution, and protection of AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and interests within their Traditional Territory.

1.1 AROLAND FIRST NATION

Aroland First Nation is an Anishinaabe First Nation located 60 km north of Geraldton and 20 km west of Nakina on Hwy 643 in Northern Ontario. AFN has over 700 members, approximately 400 of which live in the community, with the majority of off-reserve members living in Thunder Bay, Geraldton, Nakina, and the surrounding area. AFN has a deep and embedded connection to the lands and waters of its Traditional Territory and strong reliance on traditional activities such as hunting, fishing, trapping, and gathering.

AFN's Traditional Territory extends from the shores of Lake Superior in the south to beyond the north bank of the Albany River. AFN defines its territory based on historical and current land use as well as



band members' traplines and asserts that they must be an active party in governance and decision-making for all activities within their territory.

At present, the lands north of AFN's reserve are generally undeveloped. However, due to AFN's position at the southern intersection of the proposed roads to the Ring of Fire mineral deposits and the provincial highway system, AFN's territory is likely to experience unprecedented levels of development in the coming years, including significant mineral exploration, both within the Ring of Fire and along the entire road network.

AFN supports responsible resource development within its Traditional Territory and is involved in forestry, mineral exploration, aggregate development, and mining—most notably as an active partner in the Greenstone Gold Mine outside of Geraldton. The goals of AFN's participation in and review of the EA/IA process for the access road are to ensure minimal impacts to the lands, waters, plants and animals in AFN's Traditional Territory and to ensure understanding and concerns of potential impacts to the Nation's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and the mitigation and accommodation measures required to off-set these impacts.

1.2 AROLAND FIRST NATION INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE AND LAND USE CONTRIBUTIONS

Between 2021 and 2024, AFN hired Shared Value Solutions Ltd. (SVS) to conduct an Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study (IKLUS; the Study) as a part of AFN's ongoing consultations with the province of Ontario and Marten Falls First Nation, the project Proponent, about the proposed MFCAR, as well as the wider network of proposed all-season roads. This includes the Webequie Supply Road (WSR) and Northern Road Link (NRL). The overall goal of these roads is to allow for all-season road access to remote First Nations, as well as road access to the Ring of Fire mineral deposits in the James Bay Lowlands.

As part of this plan, the province has engaged with AFN about two proposed all-season road projects. The MFCAR proposes to connect the remote community of Marten Falls to Ontario's provincial highway network via the Anaconda and Painter Lake forestry roads. The proposed route passes through AFN Traditional Territory, and traffic using the proposed route would pass directly through the community (Shared Value Solutions, 2024). The WSR and NRL would eventually also connect to the provincial highway system through the MFCAR.

AFN also completed a similar study between 2019 and 2020 with support from SVS, as part of proposed upgrades to the Anaconda and Painter Lake roads (Shared Value Solutions, 2020).

Participants in this Study expressed having a deep understanding of and connection to the lands and waters within AFN's Traditional Territory where the MFCAR is proposed. Many participants shared stories about growing up on the land, learning from their Elders about important historical and cultural sites, harvesting techniques, and the importance of contributing to the work at camp. Families have strong connections to particular areas of the territory, with generation after generation returning to the same places.



Members regularly use the Anaconda and Painter Lake forestry roads to access family camps and important harvesting, hunting, gathering and cultural areas. As these existing roads would provide the key link between a proposed MFCAR and the provincial highway system, many AFN members are concerned about the impacts of an increase in traffic on these roads. Members want to be certain that they can continue to use these roads safely and that the increase in heavy vehicle traffic will not put community members at risk, or impact their ability to exercise their harvesting, hunting, gathering and cultural rights on the land.

Study participants mapped 78 land use and occupancy features within 5 km of the proposed MFCAR route (Figure 1). These features are concentrated around three areas: the Anaconda and Painter Lake roads, and the area where the proposed MFCAR would cross the Albany and Ogoki Rivers.

Participants and the project team worked together to map hundreds of harvesting areas, cultural sites, cabins and camping areas, access routes, and areas of ecological knowledge within a few kilometres of the Anaconda and Painter Lake Roads. Continued safe and undisturbed access to these areas is essential to maintain in the planning and execution of the proposed MFCAR.

The Ogoki River and surrounding area is an important place where AFN members have practised commercial fishing, trapping, and harvesting with family members for generations. Participants stated that, today, they use the same trails that their ancestors did many years ago. Routes along the river, its different channels, and the surrounding lakes and creeks have been described by AFN members as historic family settlement areas, with numerous cultural sites, important habitats for fish and waterfowl, and many areas where fish are known to spawn.

Of particular concern to AFN members is the species-at-risk lake sturgeon that live in this river. Many members expressed concerns about the impacts that a new road—crossing this river in two places—could have on this species, which is highly sensitive to disturbance. Special care must be taken during road construction and maintenance to ensure that this species is not further threatened.

Members all described another species at risk, the boreal population of woodland caribou, as being present in the Regional Study Area (Figure 1). Within it, participants marked locations known to be caribou migration routes, as well as areas where they have seen caribou tracks crossing the road. Guidelines for developing road corridors in the known range for this species will have to be followed to ensure that this species is not further threatened by proposed MFCAR activities.

Dusey Lake and surrounding area, including the proposed crossing over the Dusey River, is also an important cultural place. AFN members have lived and practised fishing, hunting, and harvesting in this area for generations. AFN members have often discussed the importance of the Dusey Lake area to AFN's culture and history as a historic family settlement area. It contains numerous cultural sites and important habitats for fish and waterfowl.

Another proposed road crossing, of the Albany River, requires particular care to avoid disturbance of key harvesting and cultural areas. AFN members shared stories of several locations along the river in the Study Area where they practised commercial fishing, guiding, and harvesting, and return regularly to their traditional family camp areas.



AFN provided this Study to the Proponent in September 2024 with the express intent that it would be used to facilitate ongoing dialogue regarding AFN’s rights, interests, and values related to AFN Traditional Knowledge, land use, and occupancy. AFN maintains an expectation that (while ensuring sensitive AFN information is protected from public disclosure) it will be used to inform the development of the Draft EA/IS and ultimately influence the design and execution of Project construction and operation. It is therefore AFN’s expectation that the Proponent will demonstrate how this information was considered and used to inform the Draft EA/IS. AFN also expects that the Proponent will ensure that impact assessment and subsequent mitigation development include concrete measures that safeguard AFN rights, interests, and values from adverse Project effects.

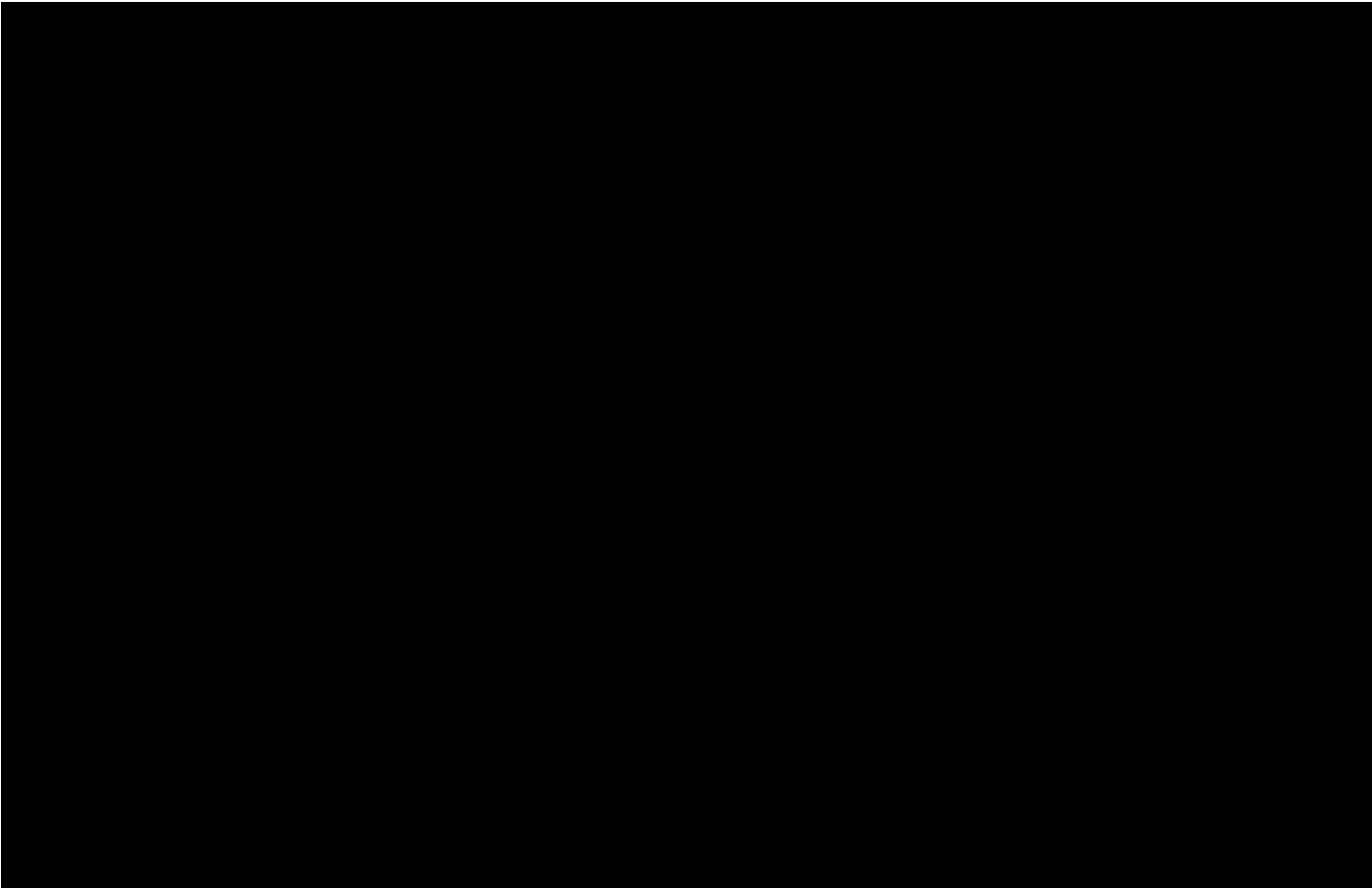


Figure 1. Marten Falls Community Access Road Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study Areas.

1.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION VALUES AND EXPECTATIONS

AFN is supportive of the development and approval of the MFCAR project. Band members confirmed this support through a vote in September 2024. This support was reaffirmed by the Shared Prosperity Agreement that AFN signed with Ontario in February 2025. However, it is important to recognize that this support is limited to the MFCAR and the community access that it will provide, and further that AFN **has not** confirmed any support for industrial developments, including but not limited to mining and any proposed developments in the Ring of Fire. Future developments must only



be contemplated through meaningful consultation at the deepest level with AFN, and only advanced following comprehensive and coordinated assessment and with AFN's consent pursuant to our decision-making governance authority over our lands.

AFN also believes that any decisions about potential industrial developments related to the proposed Ring of Fire, including industrial use roads like the WSR and NRL must be guided by the results of the ongoing Regional Assessment (RA), and should not be approved before the RA is completed. AFN is concerned about the potential for significant cumulative effects spreading throughout their Traditional Territory as a result of concentrated industrial development in the Ring of Fire area, and in general throughout the region due to increased access as a result of the road, and believes that the RA will provide more clarity on these potential impacts.

While AFN supports the MFCAR, we believe the coordinated environment and impact assessments serve an important purpose in understanding potential adverse impacts as well as benefits. It is essential that the Proponent work collaboratively with AFN to proactively identify and implement measures to avoid or otherwise mitigate adverse impacts to AFN's rights, interests, and values, while also working to maximize benefits and accommodations to AFN and MFFN as a result of the road's development.

To this end, AFN has identified several priorities that have been applied in considering the substance of the Draft EA/IS, which guide the development of comments, questions, and recommendations for the Proponent. It is AFN's expectation that the Proponent will continue to collaborate in meaningfully addressing these concerns. Further, we expect that full consideration for AFN's rights, interests, and values will be reflected in the final EA/IS report.

In review of the Draft EA/IS AFN seeks:

1. To protect AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and interests within our Traditional Territory (up to the north bank of the Albany River). AFN wants to ensure that:
 - a. Potential impacts from contamination, pollution, and noise along the roadway are minimized during construction and operation
 - b. Wildlife and fisheries are protected, particularly moose, caribou, walleye, and sturgeon
 - c. The health and wellbeing of members is protected, and where possible enhanced
 - d. Access controls are implemented to prevent too many outsiders from using the roadways to access territory for hunting, fishing, recreation, etc.
 - e. The Proponent provides opportunities for participation in ongoing monitoring and enforcement.
2. To ensure that AFN is a deciding party in all decision-making processes related to the MFCAR and more generally to the Ring of Fire:
 - a. AFN must maintain its voice in guiding the construction and operational phases (as well as closure and post-closure if applicable)



- b. The free, prior and informed consent of AFN shall be a requirement for any decisions made during the construction and operations phases.
3. To maintain and improve the way of life in AFN's community, the Proponent must:
 - a. Ensure safeguards for road safety for drivers, land users, and pedestrians
 - b. Ensure that AFN maximizes economic benefits from the Project
 - c. Identify and maximize opportunities related to employment, training and business development for the Band and members
 - d. Advance community development opportunities in AFN, including housing, grocery, health clinic, hospitality services, etc.

AFN expects that the Proponent will work with AFN to fully identify, understand, consider, and reflect Traditional Knowledge, traditional or cultural use, as well as interests and values unique to AFN into the Draft EA/IS and ultimately the final Project, if approved.

1.4 TECHNICAL REVIEW OBJECTIVES

AFN conducted this review of the Project's Environmental Impact Statement (EA/IS) with the following objectives:

- To compile AFN's comments and recommendations related to the draft EA/IS and supporting documents and appendices for the Crown and the Proponent in advance of the development of the final Project IS.
- To present measures and recommendations to manage potential impacts through mitigation and accommodation, and request further studies or information.
- To identify areas where AFN would like further representation and participation, and offer potential conditions of approval to ensure the Project is held to the highest standard of environmental protection, if approved.
- To ensure that AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and interests within their Traditional Territory are not impacted, and, where impacts are unavoidable, ensure adequate mitigations and accommodations in the EA/IA process and throughout Project permitting, construction, and operational phases.
- To ensure that the Proponent conducts studies in accordance with the Project's Terms of Reference (TOR) and Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines (TISG) as well as accepted best practices, and to provide feedback about how the final EA/IS can ensure that environmental and socio-economic impacts are reduced and/or mitigated appropriately.
- To understand where in the process AFN can be deciding party in decision-making and play a role in the permitting and construction, environmental monitoring, and operational phases.



- To develop recommendations for approval to ensure the final EA/IS aligns with AFN's environmental, economic, and social goals while minimizing impacts to AFN Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and maximizing benefit to AFN.



2.0 SUMMARY OF REVIEW FINDINGS

2.1 OVERARCHING CONCERNS AND CONSEQUENCES FOR AFN

As outlined in Section 1.4 of this document, AFN's focus is on identifying potential risks to AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty rights, and opportunities for the Project to be modified or improved to maximize benefits and minimize impacts. It is also with these goals in mind that AFN contributed Traditional Knowledge and Land Use Occupancy information and expressed views on valued components (VCs), with the collective intention to share AFN's views on rights, interests, and values of highest community importance.

It is AFN's expectation that, the Proponent's Draft EA/IS would reflect this information, demonstrating how it was considered, examined, and utilized to influence the Project and the EA/IA. Additionally, it is AFN's expectation that the Proponent make intentional effort to present a Draft EA/IS that speaks to all aspects of both the TISG and TOR for the joint assessment process. By providing an assessment that reflects AFN submissions, and follows the guidance of the TISG and TOR, the Proponent will be positioned to demonstrate a comprehensive understanding the potential impacts of this project on the rights, interests, and values of AFN.

The sections that follow focus on concerns that the project team identified in review of the Draft EA/IS, including both overarching and targeted recommendations aimed at closing knowledge gaps, identifying meaningful mitigations or monitoring programs, and ultimately reducing or avoiding adverse impacts to AFN. Though concerns and recommendations are provided in detail (sections 3.0–21.0 of this report) based on the thematic sections outlined in the draft EA/IS, the following Section 2.0 subsections outline concerns and issues identified as cross-cutting or otherwise recurring throughout the Draft EA/IS. AFN raises these overarching concerns as substantial challenges or barriers to a comprehensive assessment of impacts from the perspective of AFN. Additionally, these overarching concerns – if not properly addressed—will prevent the Proponent from advancing Project plans and programming to effectively predict, observe, and respond to a range of environmental effects, with the result of having adverse and potentially consequential impacts on the rights, interests, and values of AFN. It is therefore essential that, in working to address targeted thematic comments and recommendations, the Proponent consider the intersection they have with these overarching concerns, which in many instances serve as the root cause.

2.1.1 OVERARCHING CONCERN 1: INCOMPLETE AND/OR FLAWED BASELINE ASSESSMENT

Issue: The Proponent has not completed a comprehensive baseline assessment on several VCs of interest to AFN. This includes fish and fish habitat, groundwater (natural springs), peatlands, vegetation, cultural heritage resources (archaeology), as well as several wildlife, ungulate, and bird species/assemblages.



Potential Consequence: Areas, locations, environments, or species which should be considered sensitive to disturbance may not be appropriately protected by site-specific mitigations, monitoring, or planning, as the potential for impacts is not appropriately captured within the Draft EA/IS. Further, where baseline information is not complete, the Proponent may not identify areas, locations, environments, or species for monitoring. Or, if monitoring does occur, the Proponent may not be in a position to detect meaningful change due to limited or flawed baseline comparisons. Baseline characterization for a range of VCs throughout AFN territory is poor.

2.1.2 OVERARCHING CONCERN 2: INCONSISTENT USE OF BEST PRACTICE

Issue: The Proponent outlines Project activities, including in-water, terrestrial clearing, and earthwork activities that may adversely impact a wide range of terrestrial and aquatic habitats and the species which inhabit them. While some of these activities may be unavoidable, the Proponent is inconsistent in their proposed use of best practices to minimize impacts. One example is the development of protection buffers around sensitive features, proposed to range from 30 m to 100 m, rather than consistently employing the more conservative 100 m for all buffers where possible.

AFN expects that, wherever possible, the Proponent will employ best practices, going above and beyond legal minimums to aim to be conservative in their efforts to protect sensitive features and VCs. Where best practice is not possible or practical, effort must be employed to fully characterize baseline conditions and implement a monitoring and adaptive management program to ensure Project-related activities are observed and corrected where impacts exist.

Potential Consequence: Failure to conservatively follow Project best practice and design in protecting sensitive features and VCs has the potential consequence of increasing Project impacts, causing the loss or alteration of sensitive features or VCs.

2.1.3 OVERARCHING CONCERN 3: POOR CONSIDERATION AND INCORPORATION OF AFN-IDENTIFIED VALUED COMPONENTS

Issue: The Proponent has failed to fully capture a baseline characterization and subsequent assessment of impacts to AFN VCs. This is evidenced in a number of areas: the cultural importance of natural springs; failure to incorporate AFN Indigenous Knowledge of ungulates, fish, and plants/medicines; poor characterization of impacts on the biophysical environment in AFN Traditional Territory; and limited consideration of the human health and wellness implications of the Project specifically along Anaconda/Painter Lake roads and the southern sections of the MFCAR.

While much of the Indigenous Knowledge sections of the draft EA/IS are not available as of the time of this review, it is highly concerning that the Proponent has not demonstrated that the incorporation of extensive AFN Indigenous Knowledge into other sections of the Draft EA/IS has occurred.

Potential Consequence: The consequence of this approach is that the Proponent does not have a firm understanding of how the Project may affect VCs important to AFN, and therefore may disproportionately impact members, due to a lack of specific efforts to develop a baseline understanding, including the use of design measures to protect values and monitor potential changes.



As a result, road activities will occur without consideration for and the resulting required mitigation and accommodation of these values.

2.1.4 OVERARCHING CONCERN 4A: INCONSISTENT INCLUSION, CHARACTERIZATION, AND ASSESSMENT OF VALUED COMPONENTS

Issue: In several instances, the Proponent either fails to consider or makes unjustified decisions about the inclusion of VCs and/or how effects on VCs are to be characterized and assessed.

It is recognized that the environmental/impact assessment process involves important decision points that influence the assessment's scope and extent. AFN emphasizes that the Proponent consider the direction of the TISG, TOR, and Traditional Knowledge and Land Use Occupancy information (and other information) provided by AFN to identify VCs and priorities. It is essential that, in instances where information is not included or other decision points in the assessment are reached, the Proponent must illustrate the rationale for decisions in a manner that is consistent and aligns with the TISG, TOR, AFN rights and interests, and best practice.

Potential Consequence: AFN has worked to document and share Traditional Knowledge and Land Use Occupancy information, specifying VCs and their cultural context. In many instances, VCs are inherently tied to AFN's Aboriginal or Treaty Rights or other community-held interests and values. Failure to contemplate these VCs within the scope of the Draft EA/IS will result in an incomplete understanding of potential impacts on VCs and in turn, AFN rights and interests, which will result in the Proponent's failure to effectively inform development of mitigation, monitoring, accommodation or management plans to minimize impacts.

2.1.5 OVERARCHING CONCERN 4B: INCOMPLETE CONSIDERATION OF THE IMPACT OF CUMULATIVE EFFECTS ON AFN-IDENTIFIED VALUED COMPONENTS

Issue: Cumulative effects as a result of this Project and other previous and foreseeable projects are not well understood, especially as they may impact several VCs identified by AFN. This is a fundamental challenge with the regulatory approach that has been used to advance Ring of Fire projects (e.g., the mines and roads): there is no overarching or consistent methodology and agreed-upon approach to contemplate the cumulative effects of all plausible or foreseeable projects. This issue is further compounded by the MFCAR being effectively the first project, which when taken in isolation, is likely to have relatively few effects when compared to the entirety of the fully built Ring of Fire group of projects. The RA on the Ring of Fire will provide information on potential cumulative effects and AFN continues to assert that it must be completed before further decisions about development in the region are made. The Project does not consider inclusion of the information that will be collected through the RA process in its consideration of cumulative effects.

Potential Consequence: This issue presents a specific challenge to AFN rights and interests in considering both the construction and operation of the road, which will interact with other future projects. The VCs that AFN has identified must be considered through a cumulative effects lens to allow for understanding of how both isolated Project impacts as well as interactive or synergistic



impacts from all foreseeable projects can be minimized, resulting in cumulative impacts to VCs which AFN considers acceptable.

Without appropriate and robust cumulative effects analysis, the Proponent relies on future projects to bear the burden of decisions made today, failing to fully capture the Project's future interactive or synergistic effects, which may only be realized with the advancement of future, yet foreseeable projects.

2.1.6 OVERARCHING CONCERN 5: UNCERTAINTY REGARDING IMPACTS OF UN-SITED PROJECT INFRASTRUCTURE

Issue: While AFN recognizes that significant additional effort is required to complete the final design of the road and associated ancillary infrastructure, the information provided regarding the potential impacts of siting ancillary infrastructure outside of the identified right-of-way (ROW) is insufficient. Further, where impacts cannot be anticipated due to a lack of information available to inform siting decisions, the Proponent has failed to provide appropriate information regarding the decision-making framework for determining siting of additional ancillary infrastructure, including how sites may be selected on the basis of avoiding impacts.

Potential Consequence: Without a complete understanding of the siting of ancillary infrastructure outside of the ROW, nor an indication of the factors that may influence siting decisions, the draft EA/IS fails to contemplate the potential implications of the construction or operation of this infrastructure. This results in an incomplete accounting of Project impacts, which impairs AFN's ability to recommend meaningful avoidance or mitigation measures.

2.1.7 OVERARCHING CONCERN 6: FAILURE TO CONNECT CUMULATIVE PROJECT IMPACTS WITH BEHAVIOUR, HUMAN HEALTH, AND COMMUNITY WELLNESS

Issue: The Proponent fails to effectively connect the cumulative impacts of the proposed Project with potential impacts on human health and wellness, from both a biophysical health perspective as well as a behavioural or psycho-social perspective. Specifically, this gap is evidenced by both a lack of consideration of the full range of likely human receptors for noise, vibration, dust, and air, as well as a failure to contemplate more indirect or abstract impacts on human health such as threats to country food availability and the potential implications of shifting diets, cultural/spiritual connectedness to the land, physical and/or spiritual impacts due to a lack of access or changing access to medicinal plants or sites, and behavioural changes associated with road construction and operation.

Potential Consequence: The impacts of this Project need to be considered through a holistic lens. For AFN, while the community is supportive of the road project, the community access it will provide and the benefits it will provide to the MFFN community, AFN will face significant impacts. Project effects on the biophysical environment when viewed independently may be minor or otherwise manageable. However, it is necessary to examine the weight of all Project effects and subsequent impacts on the biophysical *and* the psycho and social environment, to address overall—cumulative—community well-



being. Failure to contemplate the Project and its impacts through this lens maintains the potential consequence of altering AFN's community fabric and way of life.

2.2 AFN REQUIREMENT FOR APPROVAL AND NEXT STEPS

While AFN has several overarching concerns (Section 2.1) about the contents of the draft EA/IS and their implications for potential impacts to AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty rights, AFN remains in support of the Project and believes that there is a pathway forward to address these concerns without significantly impacting timelines for approval and the subsequent permitting and construction phases of the project.

While AFN does not support industrial access along the road corridor, AFN is supportive of the Project and the community access and benefit it will provide MFFN and does not want the approvals and construction of the road delayed. However, AFN has significant concerns, which are laid out in Section 2.0 and in further detail in Sections 3.0 through Section 21.0. AFN maintains the expectation for the Project Team to consider and resolve all concerns and recommendations identified through this review, and in future interventions to the EA/IA processes AFN understands that to address all of AFN's concerns, especially those regarding the inclusion of AFN identified valued components and IK, revising inadequate baseline assessment collection and following best practices, prior to drafting and submitting a final EA/IS for approval, a significant investment of additional time would be required, potentially increasing project risk leading to delays. ,

Requirement for approval: To ensure that AFN's overarching concerns, comments and recommendations, and recommended conditions for approval are addressed, AFN requires that the Project Team commit to developing an advisory task force with AFN and MFFN with a mandate to address and resolve the issues laid out in this report throughout the permitting and construction and operations phase. The advisory task force must include members from AFN and must be provided with adequate capacity funding, time and decision-making powers to properly address AFN's concerns and recommendations for the Project.

AFN believes that with the Proponent's support and cooperation on an advisory task force they will be able to address the concerns and conditions for approval made throughout this report on an ongoing timeline that does not lead to significant disruptions for advancing the Project.



3.0 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

3.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN supports the construction and operation of the MFCAR provided it is appropriately planned and developed, considering the potential impact it will have on AFN's rights, interests, and values. We understand that, regardless of which road alternative is ultimately selected, the construction and operation of this road will be a substantial undertaking and will have both significant impacts and benefits.

3.1.1 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

The construction and operation of this road will impact sites identified by AFN. To date, AFN has provided the Proponent with a copy of our Traditional Knowledge and Land Use Occupancy report that outlines areas of cultural importance as well as provides context for how our members use the land. AFN maintains an expectation that the Proponent will work with AFN to fully identify, understand, consider, and reflect AFN's knowledge contributions, rights, interests, and values within the final EA/IS and ultimately Project design and execution.

The impacts of this road to AFN's land use and occupancy are outlined in detail in each of the following thematically based sections. Generally, these impacts can be grouped by Project effects which include but are not limited to: clearing of the land and subsequent habitat/loss of use, direct and indirect release or mobilization of contaminants or other harmful constituents, and changes to human health and wellness associated with the road's development and operation.

3.2 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

Recommendations and conditions for approval based on each of the identified effects themes are outlined in the following section of this report. AFN, while in support of this Project overall, believes that structured approval conditions are important in guiding successful Project execution. In advancing our recommendations for Project conditions, we seek to ensure that they are firmly rooted in working together with the Proponent to ensure AFN's rights, interests, and values are safeguarded throughout the life of this Project and that AFN's right to decision-making is reflected.



3.3 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 1: Comment and Recommendations Table for Draft EA Section.

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
1	Draft EA-IS Document Appendix W Traffic Data Review	ES 6	Comment: Cumulative impacts to AFN as a result of increased traffic from the MFCAR and additional proposed road segments are not adequately understood, evaluated, or considered. The Traffic Data Review estimates an AADT of 700 vehicles by 2046, 64% of which would be heavy trucks, which will inevitably create impacts throughout AFN's Traditional Territory, and within AFN's reserve community. However, the impacts that this increased traffic will have on the existing road network is not adequately contemplated in the draft EA/IS	Context: Sections 3.2.2, 8.1, 11, 17.1, 17.5 and 18.4 of the TISG all outline requirements to contemplate the direct impacts increased traffic will have on the existing road network connecting to the MFCAR, however, traffic flow is reasonably expected to increase if other elements of the Ring of Fire are advanced. This may include up to an expected 700 additional vehicles per day moving through AFN whose impacts are not adequately assessed, considered, or understood. Recommendation: Based on the direction provided in Section 22 of the TISG, additional road segments (e.g., NRL, WSR), and mining development, must be considered in the assessment of cumulative effects.
2	Draft EA-IS Document	ES 14	Comment: Data, impacts, limits, and other assumptions appear to be based on comparison to other developments occurring in parts of Ontario, but without justification of why these comparisons are appropriate. The Project is proposed for a very unique environment. As such, comparisons should be made to other projects in similarly undeveloped areas.	Context: When making comparisons to existing developments for the purposes of identifying baseline circumstance or predicted effects, the Proponent should not utilize the standards and regulations geared towards areas with existing development. Comparisons should only be made to other examples of remote greenfield development in northern settings in order to capture the unique state and challenges of this development. Recommendation: We recommend that the applicant review standards related to similar projects, such as the Tlicho All Season Road and other northern road development programs and develop site specific standards that are more appropriate to the unique environment of the James Bay Lowlands than the general provincial and federal requirements.
3	Draft EA/IS Document	Section 7.1.1 Overview	Comments: AFN is concerned that while the road may be constructed for a designed speed of 100 km/h, with a posted speed of 80 km/h, the nature of this road which includes a remote setting, within known wildlife corridors, and constructed amongst soils which are dynamic and subject to flooding, isostatic rebound, and erosion/deposition, such a high posted speed may not support safe operation.	Recommendation: AFN recommends that whatever speed limit is ultimately posted, it be informed by a range of factors including public safety and efforts to protect wildlife.
4	Draft EA/IS Document	Section 7.1.1 Overview	Comment: AFN notes that in the construction of the road, significant aggregate and other building materials will be required. These materials may be difficult to source locally, and in sourcing them, the project may create other yet unforeseen adverse impacts or benefits.	Recommendation: AFN is interested in working with the Proponent in identifying the location of aggregate materials as well as developing opportunities to benefit from the provision of building materials, including aggregates.
5	Draft EA/IS Document	Section 7.1.1 Overview	Comment: It is anticipated that the road will contain approximately 70 watercourse crossings, approximately 47 will be designed as bridges and	Recommendation: AFN requests that where possible open-bottom box culverts be used in place of corrugated culverts, and that in all instances



the remainder as culverts. AFN seeks to ensure that all watercourse crossings are designed in a manner that promotes fish habitat and passage, while minimizing risks of flooding.

watercourse crossings be designed to maintain natural flows and substrate conditions

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Draft EA/IS Document

Section 7.2 Our Road Activities

Comment: Figure 7-1 outlines the general phases of the project including 75 years of operational life. Within the scope of Operations the Proponent doesn't identify major reconstruction due to use or environmental conditions, additionally routine activities such as culvert replacement are not described.

Question: Does the Proponent contemplate long-term maintenance activities beyond what is listed within the scope of this assessment?
Recommendation: If the Proponent has not contemplated the potential impacts associated with activities such as culvert replacement, or replacement of sections of the road which, although they may not constitute routine maintenance, are likely foreseeable over the lifespan of the project, it is requested that these activities be contemplated within the scope of the assessment.



4.0 ACOUSTIC & VIBRATIONS

4.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

From AFN's perspective, one of the greatest potential impacts to our community is the significant increase in traffic through our community en route to Marten Falls. Traffic will increase dramatically because of future development associated with the Northern Road Link, Webequie Supply Road, and/or other projects related to the Ring of Fire. AFN is concerned that there is no consideration or evaluation of the impacts to AFN from the additional noise and vibration due to construction and operational traffic. Noise and vibration are two key factors in determining impacts to quality of life, as increased traffic poses a significant risk of altering the peace and tranquility of living in AFN.

4.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

AFN is concerned by the lack of consideration within the Draft EA/IS of the potential impacts of noise and vibration in areas identified by AFN as important. This includes but is not limited to the community of AFN, cabin and overnighting sites, harvest sites, and locations of cultural or spiritual importance.

- Noise and vibration cannot simply be assessed at receptors associated with permanent occupation, such as a dwelling. Rather, the Proponent must contemplate the effects and impacts noise and vibration may have on the use of habitat in proximity to the road and associated infrastructure, as well as transient use (by AFN members) who may preferentially use lands or waters in proximity to the roadway to exercise rights. Failure to contemplate the impacts of noise and vibration on areas may result in undetected or unmitigated impairment to wellness or the acoustic/aesthetic environment.
- In contemplating impacts of noise and vibration on structures, the Proponent must consider the realities of construction quality in developing comparisons. Because of the use of natural building materials (e.g., logs) or inferior build quality, comparing buildings in the Study Area to buildings in southern Ontario may result in improper estimations of impacts from noise or vibrations.
- The Proponent sets acceptable noise and vibration levels based on a degraded soundscape rather than consideration of how noise and vibration may alter a pristine or natural soundscape. The potential implication is that Project thresholds for noise and vibrations may be set higher than they should for the purpose of preventing impacts.
- By not considering interactions between the Project and sites or areas of importance as identified by AFN members, the Proponent will not be positioned to establish mitigation



measures or monitor noise and vibration levels effectively for the purpose of minimizing avoidable impacts to AFN rights, interest, and values.

4.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.1 ATMOSPHERIC, ACOUSTIC, AND VISUAL ENVIRONMENT

- *provide current ambient noise levels at key receptor points to traditional land users and sensitive human receptors, including the results of a baseline ambient noise survey and permissible sound levels for each receptor. Information on typical sound sources (both natural and anthropogenic), geographic extent and temporal variations will be included. When collecting baseline ambient noise survey data at human receptor locations, consider the following recommended questions:*
 - *Does the community or land users value certain non-anthropogenic (i.e., natural) sounds?*
 - *Is there an expectation of quiet at any specific locations or times?*
 - *What are typical sleep hours (10pm to 7am being the default assumption)?*
 - *What is the baseline prevalence of noise annoyance toward existing noise sources (e.g., road traffic, aircraft, and other industrial sounds)?*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 12.2 CURRENT USE OF LANDS AND RESOURCES FOR TRADITIONAL PURPOSES

- *the experience of the practice (e.g., connection to the landscape without artificial noise and sensory disturbances, air quality, visual landscape, perceived or real contamination, etc.);*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 12.4 CONDITIONS RELATED TO THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- *the experience associated with the exercise of rights (e.g., noise and sensory disturbances, air quality, visual landscape);*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 14.1 CHANGES TO THE ATMOSPHERIC, ACOUSTIC, AND VISUAL ENVIRONMENT

- *consider the expectation of peace and quiet at receptors (e.g., in a quiet rural area or during Indigenous land use) and the applicable community-based policies concerning noise (e.g., complaints resolution processes);*



4.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

AFN believes that effects from noise and vibration could have a number of impacts on members' land use and occupancy. The Proponent has not incorporated AFN's Indigenous Knowledge into analysis of how noise and vibration may impact sites identified and used by AFN members, but AFN does anticipate that members could be displaced, both temporarily during the construction phase, and more long term during the operational phase of the Project. AFN members have a strong psycho-spiritual connection to the land, and have identified the importance of the peace, quiet, and stillness of being in the bush to their well-being. Noise and vibration will likely impact this sense of well-being and lead AFN members to a reduction in the quality of their psycho-spiritual connection within the LSA, or may choose to avoid the area altogether as a result.

4.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN has the following recommendations for adequately understanding of potential impacts from noise and vibration:

- The Proponent must incorporate AFN's Indigenous Knowledge into the analysis of how noise and vibrations may lead to impacts on AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty rights and land use and occupancy.



4.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 2: Comment and Recommendations Table for Acoustic and Vibration Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
7	Draft Acoustic and Vibration Environment Technical Support Document	Appendix P, iii	Comment: Utilized City of Toronto for vibrations and potential damage to buildings and human disturbance.	<p>Context: Buildings in Toronto are extremely different than those in Northern Ontario. This is not a proper comparison as the building methodologies are extremely different.</p> <p>Recommendation: A study to understand the construction methodology of northern communities and vibration damage should be done to ensure damage does not occur</p>
8	Draft Acoustic and Vibration Environment Technical Support Document	Appendix P	Comment: Limits are based on anthropological effects for an area with little to no anthropological influence. Further, it does not adequately contemplate impacts to wildlife or the aesthetic quality or psycho-spiritual relationship with the land that the LSA's inhabitants experience.	<p>Recommendation: Limits should be reviewed to determine what level of noise and vibration impact the environment around the Project can sustain, including an understanding of the unique relationship that inhabitants of the region have with their environment.</p> <p>The Proponent should clarify how it measures and understands the impacts of noise and vibration on wildlife. Mitigations for noise and vibration should be in place for construction activities, including blasting and aggregate resource development to minimize impacts to wildlife, including taxa-related timing restrictions and activity-specific pre-construction wildlife sweeps. AFN should be included in discussions about specific accommodations and monitoring especially during the permitting and construction phases.</p>
9	Draft EA-IS Document	9.5.3.3	Comment: Magnitude levels utilizing provincial limits is potentially inappropriate.	<p>Context: The regulatory limits for noise and vibration may not be acceptable for a development in an area with little to no preexisting development, as they have been developed with the intention to be applied in less-than-pristine environments.</p> <p>Recommendation: As a result, the project should employ site-specific standards for more sensitive receivers (River crossings, ceremonial sites, etc.).</p>



5.0 GROUNDWATER & GEOCHEMISTRY

5.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

Overall, AFN seeks to ensure that all water is protected throughout Project construction and operation phases. Water protection within AFN Traditional Territory is of the greatest importance to the Nation. All water is connected. Groundwater and surface water flow into each other. Healthy groundwater supports healthy rivers, lakes, and springs. Healthy water is essential for traditional food sources, medicines, and the well-being of AFN members.

5.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS ON AROLAND FIRST NATION

AFN is concerned that the construction and operation of the MFCAR may lead to impacts to groundwater quantity and quality. Many of the construction activities could impact groundwater. Of particular concern is quarry blasting and dewatering. These activities could have a significant impact on groundwater. Additionally, acid rock drainage and metal leaching due to aggregate mining, road materials, and stockpiles are of major concern. Water is immeasurably important to AFN. Some specific impacts to AFN rights that were not captured in the EA/IS include:

- AFN identified the spiritual importance of springs during engagement sessions, and their concern that the Project may impact springs. Despite AFN's concerns, and the requirements set out in the TISG, the Proponent has not engaged AFN to identify springs of spiritual importance, nor have they established baseline conditions for springs or investigated potential changes to groundwater quality for springs.
- Acid rock drainage and metal leaching could be the most significant risk to water quality that this Project poses. All information regarding a geochemical testing and monitoring program has been left out of the Draft EA/IS to be completed at another time. Without this information, it is not possible to fully evaluate potential impacts to groundwater and surface water quality.
- Results of the geochemical characterization include sulphate leachate concentrations within the "Goldilocks zone" for optimal methylation of naturally occurring mercury. It is unclear whether sulphate leachate has been adequately evaluated for the risk it poses through methylation of naturally occurring mercury in nearby wetlands and waterways. Elevated mercury methylation within adjacent wetlands/waterbodies and subsequent bioaccumulation in fish tissues could be devastating for AFN members who rely on fish as a traditional food source.



5.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.6 GROUNDWATER AND SURFACE WATER

- *“Identify all springs and any other potable surface water resources within the local and regional project areas and describe their current use, potential for future use, and whether their consumption has Indigenous cultural importance;”*
- *“Provide a delineation and characterization of groundwater-surface water interactions, including an identification of groundwater-dependent ecosystems, wetlands, discharge and recharge areas;”*

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- Despite AFN's concerns regarding the preservation of springs and their spiritual value, the potential impacts were not investigated. In fact, the only mentions of springs in the EA and Appendix H indicate their importance to AFN as identified during engagement.
- The Proponent must identify and quantify potential water quality impacts to springs. This process should include:
 - Targeted engagement with AFN to identify springs with significant spiritual importance
 - A baseline characterization of all springs identified by AFN including baseline water quality sampling and flow rate measurements

5.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

The main threat to land and occupancy as it relates to groundwater and geochemistry are potential impacts to water quality and subsequently fish. Water quality impacts could occur from acid rock drainage, metal leaching, and an increase in the methylation of naturally occurring mercury.

5.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN has the following recommendations for adequately understanding of potential impacts to groundwater:

- The Proponent must identify and quantify potential water quality impacts to springs. This process should include:
 - Targeted engagement with AFN to identify springs with significant spiritual importance



- An evaluation of potential changes to groundwater quality at spring locations due to the Project.
- To properly quantify and evaluate potential impacts from acid rock drainage and metal leaching, AFN recommends that the Proponent update the Draft EA/IS to include the technical information outlined in Section 14.2, p. 88 of the TISG. In particular, the Proponent should:
 - *identify potential risks to surface and seepage water quality from the aggregate and overburden stockpiles and project infrastructure during construction, and operation, decommissioning and abandonment;*
 - *provide aggregate sources, volumes and tonnage, and extraction construction methods;*
 - *provide an acid rock drainage assessment and mitigation plan that describes the confirmatory monitoring of construction materials and potential mitigation strategies to prevent or control acid rock drainage and metal leaching during construction, operation, decommissioning and abandonment; and*
 - *describe contingency plans, monitoring during operation, decommissioning and abandonment, and maintenance plans.*
- To further understand the potential impacts from acid rock drainage and metal leaching, AFN recommends that the Proponent provide the methodology for ensuring that appropriate and sufficient sampling to identify acid generating potential occurred at each proposed construction disturbance and aggregate area
- AFN requests that the Proponent fully investigate, evaluate, and provide details regarding the risk of increased methylation of naturally occurring mercury due to the Project, including:
 - Evidence-supported prediction of potential increased sulphate loading causing sulphate concentrations within the “Goldilocks zone” in adjacent wetlands and waterways
 - Identification of wetlands and waterways at higher risk (e.g., those adjacent to aggregate stockpiles and disturbance areas)
 - A monitoring plan to capture any increase in methylation of naturally occurring mercury due to sulphate leachate



5.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 3: Comment and Recommendations Table for Groundwater and Geochemistry Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
10	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	Draft EA/IS 8.1.1 Indigenous Knowledge of Water, Table 8-2: Indigenous Knowledge of Water, p. 99	<p>Comment: AFN identified the spiritual importance of springs during engagement sessions, and their concern that springs may be impacted throughout the Project.</p> <p>Despite AFN’s concerns and requirements set out in the TISG, the Proponent has not engaged AFN to identify springs of spiritual importance, nor have they investigated potential changes to groundwater quality for springs.</p> <p>Furthermore, the TISG, Section 8.6 requires the Proponent:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “identify all springs and any other potable surface water resources within the local and regional project areas and describe their current use, potential for future use, and whether their consumption has Indigenous cultural importance;” <p>Section 14.2 of the TISG requires the Proponent to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. “describe spatial and temporal (i.e., all project life cycle) changes to groundwater quality at potential receptor locations (e.g., existing or future drinking water wells and spring water sources), including traditional land users, due to effluents from the Project including changes to physicochemical parameters (temperature, pH, salinity, dissolved oxygen, dissolved organic carbon), chemical constituents (major and minor ions, trace metals, nutrients, organic compounds);” <p>Despite AFN’s concerns regarding the preservation of springs and their spiritual value, the potential impacts were not investigated. In fact, the only mention of springs in the Draft EA/IS and Appendix H is to indicate their importance to AFN as identified during engagement.</p>	<p>Recommendation: The Proponent must identify and quantify potential water quality impacts to springs. This process should include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Targeted engagement with AFN to identify springs with significant spiritual importance b) A baseline characterization of all springs identified by AFN including baseline water quality sampling and flowrate measurements <p>Analysis and description of potential changes to groundwater quality at identified spring locations due to the Project, including changes to physicochemical parameters (temperature, pH, salinity, dissolved oxygen, dissolved organic carbon) and chemical constituents (major and minor ions, trace metals, nutrients, organic compounds).</p>
11	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	14.4.2.5 Physiography, Terrain, and Soils. p. 975	<p>Comment: The Proponent states that they will, “develop and implement a geochemical testing and monitoring program to assess the potential for acid rock drainage from any soils, or bedrock, which will be exposed during aggregate extraction;”</p> <p>Acid rock drainage and metal leaching could be the most significant risk to water quality that this Project poses. It is highly surprising that a</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN recommends that the Proponent update the Draft EA to include the technical information outlined in Section 14.2, pg. 88 in the TISG, as quoted below. It is important to provide AFN with this information now so that the scope and magnitude of potential impacts associated with acid rock drainage and metal leaching can be properly evaluated.</p>



			<p>geochemical testing and monitoring program has been left out of the Draft EA to be completed at another time. Without this information, it is not possible to fully evaluate potential impacts to groundwater and surface water quality.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “identify potential risks to surface and seepage water quality from the aggregate and overburden stockpiles and project infrastructure during construction, and operation, decommissioning and abandonment; • provide aggregate sources, volumes and tonnage, and extraction construction methods; • provide an acid rock drainage assessment and mitigation plan that describes the confirmatory monitoring of construction materials and potential mitigation strategies to prevent or control acid rock drainage and metal leaching during construction, operation, decommissioning and abandonment; and • describe contingency plans, monitoring during operation, decommissioning and abandonment, and maintenance plans.”
12	Appendix H – Draft Groundwater Technical Support Document, Attachment B - Geochemical Characterization Technical Support Document	Section 4.3 – Sample Collection, p. 13	<p>Comment: The Proponent references Figure 4-1 for the location of soil sampling locations but the sampling locations are not present on the Figure.</p> <p>It is unclear if sample locations are in suitable proximity to the proposed construction disturbance and aggregate areas, to confirm that the samples with noted acid-generating potential will not be disturbed.</p> <p>Furthermore, it is unclear whether all proposed construction disturbance areas and proposed aggregate sites had appropriate and sufficient sampling and analysis to confirm acid generating potential at those locations.</p>	<p>Information Request: AFN requests that the Proponent provides the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) An updated Figure 4-1 with sampling locations added b) Methodology for selection of sample locations c) Methodology for ensuring that appropriate and sufficient sampling to identify acid-generating potential occurred at each proposed construction disturbance and aggregate area (i.e. was a model created? Are sampling locations strategic to evenly calibrate the model?)
13	Appendix H – Draft Groundwater Technical Support Document, Attachment B - Geochemical Characterization Technical Support Document	6. Results. p. 21-39	<p>Comment: Results of the geochemical characterization include sulphate leachate concentrations within the “Goldilocks zone” for optimal methylation of naturally occurring mercury (sulphate concentrations in the range of 20-50 mg/L).</p> <p>It is unclear whether sulphate leachate has been adequately evaluated for the risk it poses to methylation of naturally occurring mercury in nearby environments.</p> <p>It is also unclear if samples with sulphate leachate concentrations in the Goldilocks Zone coincide with aggregate stockpiling sites adjacent to wetlands, and/or if any adjacent wetlands have been analyzed for natural sulphate concentrations. Elevated mercury methylation within adjacent wetlands/waterbodies and subsequent bioaccumulation in fish tissues could be devastating for AFN members who rely on fish as a traditional food source.</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN requests that the Proponent fully investigate, evaluate, and provide details regarding the risk of increased methylation of naturally occurring mercury due to this project including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence supported prediction of potential increased sulphate loading causing sulphate concentrations within the “Goldilocks zone” in adjacent wetlands and waterways b) Identification of wetlands and waterways at higher risk (e.g., those adjacent to aggregate stockpiles and disturbance areas) c) Monitoring plan to capture any increase in methylation of naturally occurring mercury due to sulphate leachate



6.0 SURFACE WATER

6.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN wants to ensure that all water is protected throughout the construction and operation phases. AFN puts a high importance on protecting water within their Traditional Territory. All water is connected. Surface water and groundwater flow into each other. Healthy surface water means healthy rivers, lakes, and fish. Healthy water is essential for traditional food sources, medicines, and the well-being of AFN's members.

6.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS ON AROLAND FIRST NATION

AFN is concerned that the construction and operation of the MFCAR may lead to impacts to surface water quantity and quality.

It appears that only a subset of proposed water crossing locations were sampled over 2020–2022 with the intent to extrapolate the results over entire catchments. The methodology used to verify that this approach was indeed representative is missing (it seems no analysis or verification sampling was completed). The rationale to ensure that this approach captured seasonal and inter-annual variability is also missing. For example, it is unclear if the same location was sampled more than once over every season.

Without proper characterization at each watercourse crossing that captures inter-annual and seasonal variability, the baseline water quality sampling results are essentially unusable in any future water quality monitoring program identified in Section 14 of the Draft EA to identify impacts to water quality. As a standalone, it is inadequate for characterizing baseline water quality at the crossing locations.

Many of the construction and operation activities could impact surface water. Of particular concern are road accidents occurring on and around water crossings, acid rock drainage, metal leaching, and lack of proper monitoring. Water is immeasurably important to AFN. Issues of particular concern include:

- Inadequate baseline sampling and characterization of existing surface water quality conditions. It appears that only one round of baseline water quality sampling took place at the proposed water crossing locations. The baseline water quality sampling results are essentially unusable in any future water quality monitoring program identified in Section 14 of the Draft EA/IS to identify impacts to water quality. As a standalone, it is inadequate for characterizing baseline water quality seasonal trends.



- Acid rock drainage and metal leaching issues identified in the Groundwater and Geochemistry section would impact surface water quality.
- The surface water monitoring plans proposed in the Draft EA/IS are severely lacking in detail and will not provide enough evidence for adaptive management if necessary.

6.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN’s review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.6 GROUNDWATER AND SURFACE WATER

- *describe the surface water quality baseline characterization program, including sampling site selection, monitoring duration and frequency, sampling protocol, and analytical protocol, including quality assurance and quality control measures;*
- *provide baseline surface water quality data, for a minimum of two years, for physicochemical parameters (temperature, pH, electrical conductivity, dissolved oxygen, turbidity, suspended solids) and relevant chemical constituents (major and minor ions, trace metals, radionuclides, nutrients, and organic compounds, including those of potential concern); the data should illustrate the seasonal and inter-annual variability in baseline surface water quality, including possible changes due to groundwater–surface water interactions;*

BEST PRACTICES OR AFN EXPECTATIONS

- To adequately characterize the baseline seasonal and inter-annual variability, sampling should take place over two years on a quarterly basis at the same location.
- Uncertainties regarding the indefinite operation of the road will be imposed on rights holders. AFN maintains a minimum expectation that the Proponent will develop a robust baseline so that impacts and subsequent adaptive management actions can be identified and implemented if needed.

6.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

The main threat to land and occupancy as it relates to surface water is potential impacts to water quality and subsequently fish. Water quality impacts could occur from acid rock drainage, metal leaching, and an increase in the methylation of naturally occurring mercury. The current surface water monitoring plans proposed in the Draft EA/IS are severely lacking and will not provide enough evidence for adaptive management.



6.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

In addition to the recommendations provided above for the Groundwater and Geochemistry sections, which will also be protective of surface water, AFN has the following recommendations:

- AFN recommends that, before construction begins, the Proponent design and implement a surface water quality baseline characterization program, including sampling site selection, monitoring duration and frequency, sampling protocol, and analytical protocol, including quality assurance and quality control measures. The Proponent at a minimum should provide baseline surface water quality data, for two years on a quarterly basis, to ensure the data illustrates the seasonal and inter-annual variability in baseline surface water quality.
- AFN recommends that the Proponent provide quantifiable information to support their assertion that the magnitude of water taking will be negligible. This information should include:
 - Water balances for larger construction activities such as large quarries/aggregate extraction/stockpiles
 - Rough estimates of total water volumes and diversion rates for larger water takings, along with information regarding how estimates adhere to the definition of “negligible” provided in the Draft EA/IS
 - AFN recommends that Section 14.3.1.1 Surface Water should include a commitment to continue surface water monitoring at sites where water quantity or quality has been impacted until a return to baseline is observed. For example, in cases where water taking is intermittent, every water taking must be accompanied with monitoring as if it was the instance of water taking.



6.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 4: Comment and Recommendations Table for Surface Water Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
14	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	General Comment	<p>Comment: It appears that only a subset of proposed water crossing locations were sampled over 2020-2022 with the intent to extrapolate the results over entire catchments. The methodology used to verify that this approach was indeed representative is missing (it seems no analysis or verification sampling was completed). The rationale to ensure that this approach captured seasonal and inter-annual variability is also missing. For example, it is unclear if the same location was sampled more than once over every season.</p> <p>Without proper characterization at each watercourse crossing that captures inter-annual and seasonal variability, the baseline water quality sampling results are essentially unusable in any future water quality monitoring program identified in Section 14 of the Draft EA/IS to identify impacts to water quality. As a standalone, it is inadequate for characterizing baseline water quality at the crossing locations.</p> <p>AFN has identified protection of water as one of their highest priorities. The protection of water begins with a complete baseline sampling program.</p>	<p>Recommendation a: AFN requests that, before construction begins, the Proponent design, describe, and implement a surface water quality baseline characterization program, including sampling site selection, monitoring duration and frequency, sampling protocol, and analytical protocol, including quality assurance and quality control measures.</p> <p>Recommendation b: Prior to Project construction, the Proponent, at a minimum, should provide baseline surface water quality data for every proposed water crossing location over two years on a quarterly basis to ensure the data illustrates the seasonal and inter-annual variability in baseline surface water quality.</p> <p>The Proponent should provide water quality results for the following physicochemical parameters and chemical constituents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temperature • pH • Electrical conductivity • Dissolved oxygen • Turbidity • Suspended solids • Major and minor ions • Trace metals (including dissolved) • Nutrients • Organic compounds (e.g. VOCs and PAHs) <p>Uncertainties regarding indefinite operation of the road will be imposed on rights holders. The least that can be done is to establish a proper baseline so that impacts and subsequent adaptive management actions can be identified and implemented if needed.</p>
15	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	General Comment	<p>Comment: Overall, the methodology for the Surface Water Effects Assessment is lacking structure and meaningful evaluation of potential impacts.</p>	<p>Information Request: AFN requests that the Proponent provide the information identified in the following comments and revise the surface water subsections to include the requested information.</p>



			A significant amount of information is missing and the information that is provided does not quantify potential impacts. The following comments will identify the missing information.	
16	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	General Comment	<p>Comment: In general, there is very little information about how climate change may increase the scale and magnitude of the project’s potential impacts.</p> <p>For example, water taking during drought conditions, and extreme weather events during construction and operation.</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN requests that the Proponent identify and evaluate how the impacts to surface water from this project may be exacerbated by climate change during the construction and operation phases. In particular:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Extreme precipitation events and flooding Droughts Rapid snow/ice melt events
17	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	Table 9-6: Summary of Residual Effects for Surface Water, p. 387	<p>Comment: There are no quantifiable details regarding the scope and magnitude of water takings during the construction phase.</p> <p>Table 9-6, Summary of Residual Effects for Surface Water, presents the magnitude of water taking to be “negligible” but there is no quantifiable evidence to support this.</p>	<p>Information Request: AFN requests that the Proponent provide quantifiable information to support their assertion that the magnitude of water taking will be negligible. This information should include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Water balances for larger construction activities such as large quarry/aggregate extraction/stockpiles Rough estimates for total water volumes and diversion rates for larger water takings and how this adheres to the definition of “negligible” provided in the Draft EA
18	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	8.1.5.3 Surface Water and Sediment Quality, p. 121	<p>Comment: The water quality results from the field sampling are not summarized in this section. Only the results from the desktop study are provided. This is surprising and gives the sense that this report section was rushed and not thought through with the care and attention that it deserves. The Draft EA/IS is an important document that should bring together information to provide a summary, not perpetuate the fragmentation of information.</p>	<p>Information Request: The Proponent should summarize all available surface water quality baseline information in this section. Exceedances and trends should be summarized by watershed.</p> <p>Section 8.1.7.2 Groundwater Quality does a much better job at summarizing baseline water quality data. AFN suggests that the Proponent follow this format for presenting surface water baseline results.</p>
19	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	9.3.2.4 Summary of Residual Effects, Table 9-6: Summary of Residual Effects for Surface Water, p. 387	<p>Comment: AFN is concerned about road accidents occurring on and around water crossings impacting water quality. The Proponent is estimating 700 vehicles a day using the access road. It is assumed that many of these vehicles will be transporting fuel. Given the large number of water crossings and all-season operation of the road, traffic controls should be used to mitigate spill risks.</p> <p>While it is encouraging that the Proponent has many mitigation measures in place for accidental spills, traffic controls are not discussed.</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN suggests the Proponent implement the following traffic controls:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Slowdown signage along the road 100 m before and after all watercourse and wetland crossings Posted speed limit should be reduced from 80 km/h to 50 km/h to ensure safe travel across bridge decks in all seasons All industrial vehicles and industry staff vehicles should be equipped with GPS to enforce adherence to the posted speed limit of 80 km/h and posted slow down zones around watercourse crossings and wetland areas
20	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR	14. Monitoring Programs and Future Commitments, p. 945-978	<p>Comment: The surface water monitoring plans proposed in this section are severely lacking in detail and are lumped together with fish and fish habitat monitoring.</p> <p>The groundwater monitoring commitments are significantly more detailed and systematic.</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN suggests that the Proponent create a separate sub section in Section 14.1.1 Water, for surface water. AFN requests that the Proponent revise every surface water sub section of Section 14, Monitoring Programs and Future Commitments and add the following information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A baseline monitoring program with similar elements to the groundwater baseline monitoring program (i.e. identifying strategic monitoring locations, monitoring frequency prior to a



- water taking, etc.). The baseline monitoring program should include locations identified by AFN as culturally significant.
- b) Section 14.3.1.1 Surface Water should include a commitment to continue surface water monitoring at sites where water quantity or quality has been impacted until a return to baseline is observed. It should also include a commitment to continue monitoring along with project activities. For example, in cases where water taking is intermittent, every water taking must be accompanied with monitoring as if it was the first time.

21	Appendix F - Draft Surface Water Technical Support Document, Attachment A - Surface Water Study Plan	7.2.3 – Surface Water and Sediment Quality, p. 26	<p>Comment: The Proponent states, “dissolved Metals will not be included in the parameter list as total metals are used for direct assessment against water quality guidelines.”</p> <p>Many water quality guidelines are specifically for dissolved metals as they relate to the protection of aquatic life. For example, zinc.</p> <p>AFN relies on fish as a traditional food source. To properly determine impacts, if any, to water quality and subsequently, aquatic life, the appropriate parameters must be evaluated. This begins with proper baseline sampling of parameters relevant to the protection of aquatic life (i.e. dissolved metals).</p>	<p>Recommendation a: AFN suggests the Proponent conduct a thorough review of water quality criteria identified Section 9.3.2.3, Discipline-Specific Characteristics of the Draft EA/IS. The review should identify metals that are required to be sampled as dissolved metals according to the most stringent criteria to ensure relevant, comparable water quality results.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN suggests that the Proponent conduct more baseline water quality sampling. This expanded baseline water quality sampling program should include the applicable dissolved metals identified in the review as parameters.</p>
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7.0 FISH & FISH HABITAT

7.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN looks forward to the access and connection the Project will foster, allowing AFN families and harvesters to navigate their territory safely, to visit family and friends in MFFN, and providing access to fishing, hunting, and camping areas, along with the economic benefits it will bring. However, AFN has understandable concerns with the implications of road construction, maintenance, operation, and increased traffic on AFN members, fish, wildlife, and water in their community and wider territory.

7.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

AFN is concerned about the MFCAR causing impacts to fish health and populations in their Traditional Territory. Fish are a critical sustenance resource for AFN members and fishing is an essential cultural practice for all generations. Fish populations in AFN's territory have been declining due to development of road networks and the forestry industry, which have altered fish habitat and impaired water quality with harmful chemicals. Water is known by members to have already been impacted by equipment fuels, pesticides, and herbicides used in forestry practices for harvesting and planting forestry blocks.

The development of the MFCAR will bring more industrial and public traffic close to and across waterways, and the construction of the MFCAR increases the chances of harmful additions to the water including dust, gravel, and chemicals with the potential to further impact fish and the aquatic ecosystems in the territory. Some specific impacts to AFN rights that were not captured in the EA/IS include:

- An incomplete fish habitat use data set. Not having a comprehensive fish habitat use data set will result in a lack of information for use in the assessment of effects once construction and operations begin to alter the environment. There is no quantitative data to trigger adaptive management to ensure the impacts to fish and fish habitat remain consistent with the findings of this predicted impact assessment.
- A limited protection area for waterways and all aquatic ecosystems. Widening the riparian zone setback to 30 m from the high-water mark will provide a stronger buffer to protect fish and fish habitat from impacts of the road, construction work areas, and quarries.
- The lack of management suggestions for protecting fisheries resources from increased public access will undoubtedly put significant pressure on lakes and rivers in the territory. Additional public fishing pressure from increased access to fishing areas may reduce available valued fish species that are a critical part of AFN's traditional diet, essential for their physical, mental, and spiritual health and wellness.



7.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.6 GROUNDWATER AND SURFACE WATER

- *provide baseline sediment quality and characteristic data for key surface water sites likely to be effected by the road (i.e., from runoff, spills, erosion and sedimentation, etc.);*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 15.1 FISH AND FISH HABITAT

- *describe any direct, incidental or cumulative predicted positive and/or adverse effects to fish (all developmental stages) and fish habitat as defined in subsection 2(1) of the Fisheries Act, including the calculations of any potential habitat loss (temporary or permanent) including spawning grounds, nursery, rearing, food supply, and migration areas, or death of fish. . The assessment must include a consideration of:*
 - *the geomorphological changes and their effects to hydrodynamic conditions and fish habitats (e.g., modification of substrates, dynamic imbalance, silting of spawning beds);*
 - *changes to water quality due to runoff from any temporary and permanent project components*
 - *potential for direct effects of contamination downstream of the Project on fish and bioaccumulation of contaminants (e.g., selenium, mercury, chromium, arsenic) in fish that may be consumed by Indigenous groups;*
- *describe the effects of changes to the aquatic environment on fish and fish habitat, including:*
 - *the anticipated changes in the composition and characteristics of the populations of various fish species, especially those of cultural significance to Indigenous communities with traditional land use practices in the area and provincially or federally listed aquatic species at risk;*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 15.5 CLIMATE CHANGE

- *provide a qualitative description of the Project's positive or negative effects on carbon sinks, including from the removal and alteration of wetlands;*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 17.6 CULTURE

- *The Impact Statement must assess potential impacts to surrounding communities, including local Indigenous communities. The spatial and temporal boundaries for the assessment should be determined with the input from the community based on pre-contact in consideration of aspects that are relevant to the community's understanding of their culture. The Impact Statement must assess changes to:*



- *culturally significant plants or wildlife.*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 18.4 INFRASTRUCTURE

- *whether the Project will result in, or facilitate the construction of other infrastructure (such as railways, airports, power plants, transmission lines, pipelines, dams, water mains, sewage lines, etc.);*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- *Changes in the availability and quality of lands and resources used for traditional activities*
- *Changes in the sufficiency of lands and resources for cultural tradition*
- *Disruption of cultural heritage resources by the introduction of physical, visual, audible or atmospheric elements that are not in keeping with the character and setting of cultural heritage resources*

BEST PRACTICES OR AFN EXPECTATIONS

- The Proponent set the riparian zone buffer at an arbitrary setback of 30 m, disregarding the high-water mark for each individual watercourse/waterbody. This setback should be different at each waterbody depending on its unique characteristics and habitat value. At the very least, AFN expects that a “blanket setback” would be a lot more protective and be considerate of the *highest* value or largest riparian area to ensure water and fish habitat protections from the road/construction
- The Proponent did not include any specific mitigations relating to avoiding spills or mishandling/storage of harmful chemicals like fuels. Best practice is to include specific mitigation measures.
- Where SAR are present or may be present, the DFO’s Code of Practice should not be referenced. The COP focuses on methods to follow for “light projects” like removing beaver dam debris or temporary watercourse crossings and give the Proponent permission to do the Project without a fisheries act authorization (FAA). But these expressly state you cannot just follow a COP without a FAA if there are SAR present or there *may* be SAR present. Where sturgeon or other SAR may be present proper methods must be adhered to.
- Erosion and sediment control mitigations did not include prescribed monitoring to ensure that controls are properly installed, maintained, and working during/after heavy rainfall or snowmelt. Best practice is to monitor control mitigations.

7.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

The development of the MFCAR will provide safe and easy access to AFN and MFFN members to travel between communities, and to access camping, fishing, and hunting areas in their shared territory. However these areas will also become more easily accessible to non-rights-bearing members of the public. Potential impacts include:

- Increased pressure on fish populations and waterbodies with public road use and easier access to waters. Increased access will have negative impacts to fish available for harvesting by AFN members if no management is put in place with the construction of the road.



- AFN suggests that fishing and hunting be prohibited for construction crew staff unless they are rights-holding members in the territory.
- AFN also suggests that permits be required in the territory for non-rights-bearing members of the public to access boat launch sites, fishing, and hunting.
- Any monetary compensation for permits for land, water, and resource use and taking by non-rights-bearing members should become economic benefits for AFN, MFFN, and other rights-bearing Nations that share territory.

7.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

The following recommendations are critical for fish and fish habitat inventory and protection in AFN territory, especially those habitats that the MFCAR will intersect and impact. Below are recommendations for baseline data collection, road construction and operation, fish and water resource management, and ongoing monitoring of fish and fish habitat to verify the impact assessment and adapt changes as necessary for the protection of fish and AFN's rights to fish.

- Strong concerns about spills and , especially at waterways, should be addressed by placing conditions on the Project including: mandatory slow downs at crossings to 50 km/h, mandatory GPS units in industrial vehicles using the road that monitor and enforce speed limits, and consideration in the road plan for narrowing the road at watercourse crossings to encourage slower traffic and avoid speeding traffic stirring up dust, sand, and gravel at sensitive fish habitat locations.
- All fish species of cultural importance need to be included in the impact assessment and fish habitat use monitoring, not just those that overlap with other Nations.
- Sediment quality monitoring must occur at all watercourse crossings before construction activities commence. Limited sediment quality monitoring has been done to date and there are no plans for follow-up monitoring of sediment to confirm the EA/IS assessment for the operational years of the road.
- Stronger fish community monitoring and habitat use data is essential to compare and evaluate the predicted impacts to fish after construction and during operation.
- Fish habitat assessments must be done in all open water seasons with multiple sampling events to quantitatively capture the fish habitat use and fish community assemblages at all watercourse crossings so that future monitoring events can more accurately capture changes to fish habitat use and any impacts the road may have on fish to trigger adaptive management.
- The Proponent should use a wider range of sampling gear to monitor fish than they have so far to ensure large-bodied fish are not excluded from habitat assessments in deeper waters.
- Absence of a comprehensive fish habitat use data set will not provide enough information for the assessment of effects once construction and operations begin to alter the environment.
- Quantitative data triggers must be created to lead to any necessary adaptive management to ensure the impacts to fish and fish habitat remain consistent with the findings of this predicted impact assessment.
- Increase the riparian buffer zone to 30 m from the high-water mark, or minimum of 60 m from the water's edge for temporary set back until the high-water mark can be identified, verified, and flagged by an aquatic specialist and AFN monitors to ensure protection of these filtering and protective zones for fish and fish habitat.
- Pits and quarries that are developed for road materials must only occur above the water table to ensure that such areas can be fully decommissioned, reclaimed, revegetated, and closed without creating a permanent scar on the landscape and AFN's territory.



- Quarterly surface water quality monitoring must be done at water crossings for the first three years after construction to ensure the impact assessment remains comprehensive and accurate. It is also necessary that this surface water quality monitoring regime continue in perpetuity as the connector to the Ring of Fire will increase the traffic on the road and the potential for road associated contaminants such as dust, spills, or sediments increases with it.
- Permits for land and resource use should be required for boat launching and fishing for the non-rights-holding members of the public using the roads. Proceeds raised from such permit sales should be given to Nations who share the territory and its resources.



7.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 5: Comment and Recommendations Table for Fish and Fish Habitat Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
22	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.1.6.3 Species of Cultural and Conservation Concern	Comment: The list of important fish species for AFN in this section is not fulsome. The Proponent listed brook trout, lake sturgeon, northern pike, sucker, walleye, and lake whitefish.	Recommendation: The environmental impact assessment should also include assessment of impacts to AFN’s rights and interests related to all species of cultural importance, not just those that overlap with MFFN. AFN presented a list of valued species of cultural importance including sustenance fish species that also includes lingcod (burbot), suckers/redhorse, lake trout, and sauger. These species must also be included in the impact assessment and monitoring commitments, in order to appropriately assess potential impacts to AFN’s rights.
23	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-9: Fish and Fish Habitat Magnitude Definition	<p>Comment: The Proponent lists near identical rationale for Negligible and Low Magnitude level impacts to fish related to the death of fish.</p> <p>Negligible “Potential incidental death of individual fish to a degree that is not likely to disrupt overall population dynamics or affect local productivity.”</p> <p>Low: “Potential incidental death of fish to a degree that is not likely to disrupt overall population dynamics or affect local productivity.”</p>	Recommendation: AFN does not recognize a difference between these statements and believes there needs to be differentiating factors in the definitions in order to identify low-level effects. AFN suggests the Proponent edit the rationale for negligible to exclude the death of fish altogether. Any death of fish related to project activities should at minimum be seen as a low-level effect. The IA should take this into account.
24	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-10: Summary of Residual Effects for Fish and Fish Habitat	<p>Context: Mitigation Measures for the Construction phase included actions if an unidentified watercourse was encountered during construction activities. The instruction reads “if new waterbodies are identified during construction, clearly flag the waterbody and suspend activity within 30 metres of the location until an Aquatic Specialist has assessed the waterbody and determined a suitable course of action, which may include contacting Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the Ministry of Natural Resources.”</p> <p>Comment: AFN would prefer that activities should be suspended for a wider distance from the waterbody than the prescribed 30 m in order to protect the integrity of the water and its riparian area.</p>	<p>Recommendation a: AFN suggests that the activity be suspended within 30 m of the high-water mark of the water body or at minimum 60 m from the water’s edge on either side if the high-water mark cannot be identified by personnel on-site during the discovery of the waterbody or watercourse. As the Project lies within mapped critical habitat for both terrestrial and aquatic SAR, buffer zones around waterbodies and watercourses must provide sufficient protections from construction activities, while allowing access and egress for these species throughout critical life stages, in all seasons.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN requests the Proponent to commit to site-specific protection or management plans for construction, operation and maintenance phases, at (minimum) the large watercourse crossings (e.g., Ogoki and Albany rivers). This will include protections beyond 30 m from the high-water mark, due to the documented wildlife and traditional use of these areas (see comments below under Peatlands, and Wildlife sections).</p> <p>Recommendation c: AFN further requests involvement in the development and implementation of the plan(s).</p>



25	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-10: Summary of Residual Effects for Fish and Fish Habitat	<p>Comment: Mitigation measures for reducing changes to fish habitat through changes to riparian vegetation include clearing and revegetating the riparian zone following specific guidance from a number of referenced documents but does not explicitly state what the riparian zone will be revegetated with.</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN would prefer to see changes to the riparian zone be mitigated with the planting of native species specific to the ecosystem in the ROW. The specific plants that are meant to grow in this area surrounding watercourses are key to supporting fish habitat and the wider ecosystem. Efforts should also be made to source plants and seeds from local populations to ensure their compatibility with the ecosystem for this mitigation measure to be successful in avoiding changes to fish habitat.</p>
26	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-10: Summary of Residual Effects for Fish and Fish Habitat	<p>Comment: In the table the description of the potential effect was “changes to fish survival and reproduction from improved public access to recreational angling areas.</p> <p>For construction and operations/maintenance phase activities related to this potential effect, AFN is concerned with added angling pressure on the waterbodies and lakes that will be more accessible to road crews and public traffic and doesn’t feel that the listed mitigations are strong enough to address this concern.</p>	<p>Recommendation a: To mitigate the additional harvesting pressure on fish populations during the construction phase crew members should be prohibited from fishing in the project area unless they have Aboriginal Rights to harvest in their territory that overlaps the project area.</p> <p>Recommendation b: To mitigate the additional harvesting pressure during the operations and maintenance phase fishing adjacent to the road should be limited to rights holding members exclusively. Permits for non-rights holding water users like boaters and anglers could be sold to the public for launching or fishing on particular days within the territory with proceeds from the permits to be dispersed to impacted Nations throughout the lifetime of the public road.</p> <p>Recommendation c: AFN would also be interested in opportunities to train and employ their members as enforcement officers to issue permits, check permits, and patrolling water-use areas to ensure road users are complying with fish protection regulations issued as a result of the public access road being built.</p>
27	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-10: Summary of Residual Effects for Fish and Fish Habitat	<p>Comment: The Proponent suggests mitigations to prevent changes to fish survival and reproduction from spills of fuel or other materials, but the mitigation list is incomplete.</p> <p>Specifically, this mitigation is missing information “Store fuel and other materials for the machinery in [missing information] to prevent any deleterious substances from entering a waterbody (DFO, 2023).</p>	<p>Recommendation: Please complete the mitigation in the final EA to include any refueling activities or storing of fuel or other deleterious substances 50 m from the high-water mark of any waterbody in level and signed/flagged areas that make them obvious to crew members.</p> <p>Fuels and other deleterious substances should be stored in protective containers that are locked and stored on flat ground with spill prevention and clean up equipment/kits next to them.</p> <p>Inside of fuel storage containers, a copy of the Proponent’s Spill Prevention and Adaptive Management Plan and Actions should be laminated and accessible for quick reference.</p> <p>Equipment that is not in active use should be parked at minimum 30 m away from a water body’s high-water mark.</p>
28	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	14.3.1.2 Fish and Fish Habitat – Operations and	<p>Comment: The Proponent suggests that DFO’s Codes of Practice for debris removal will be followed for maintaining bridges and culverts to prevent blockages.</p> <p>Codes of practice cannot be used in place of a <i>Fisheries Act</i> authorization for</p>	<p>Recommendation: This section should be modified to indicate that fisheries authorizations will be applied for any debris removal activities in the project area to ensure protection for SAR sturgeon and mussels. Otherwise the predicted effects to these species must be increased to account for potentially harmful interactions with the project in the impact assessment.</p>



		Maintenance Monitoring	activities in and around fish habitat when SAR habitat is present at the work site. Since sturgeon is found throughout the waterway and unidentified mussels were found during site assessments for fish community, there is a high risk of project activities interacting with SAR.	
29	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	14.3.1.2 Fish and Fish Habitat – Operations and Maintenance Monitoring	Comment: The Proponent reports that any changes to the morphology of a water body channel affecting fish habitat quality or quantity will be identified and addressed, as needed. AFN is concerned that channel changes will be made without sharing knowledge of those changes with members of AFN, which could impact members’ access to harvesting sites and fish.	Recommendation: The Proponent should notify AFN of any channel morphology changes as a result of project activities so that membership is aware of changes.
30	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	General Comment	Comment: Sediment chemistry was not evaluated as part of the watercourse crossing fish community assessments. Impacts to fish and fish habitat cannot be fully evaluated without a comprehensive baseline sediment quality assessment.	Recommendation: AFN requests that the Proponent evaluate sediment chemistry at all watercourse crossings to establish baseline sediment chemistry to allow for comparisons with future sediment chemistry monitoring as an avenue to understand potential changes to fish habitat and impacts to fish.
31	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	General Comment – Operational Mitigation Measures	Comment: The proposed speed limit (80 km/h) is not protective enough of watercourse crossings and water quality in ditches that lead to other waterbodies surrounding the road. This speed is likely to cause dust issues and deposit fine particulates and loose gravel into waterways, impacting their water quality and fish habitat quality.	Recommendation: AFN suggests the Proponent reduce speed limits near all watercourse crossings to be protective of habitat, especially those supporting sensitive life stages such as spawning or nursery of eggs or young fishes. The Proponent should implement slowdown signage along the road 100 m before and after all watercourse crossings. The posted speed limit should be reduced from 80 km/h to 50 km/h to reduce impacts on fish health, water quality, and fish habitat quality from high-speed traffic raising dust and causing roadway erosion at watercourse crossings.
32	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	General Comment – Construction and Operational Mitigation Measures	See issue above.	Recommendation: To improve traffic abundance of slowdown zones, the road should be narrowed on either side of all bridges at watercourse crossings to encourage traffic slow downs and reduce the crossing’s impacts on fish habitat and riparian area impacts for watercourses.
33	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	General Comment – Construction and Operational Mitigation Measures	See issue above.	Recommendation: AFN suggests that any industrial traffic, construction equipment, and construction staff vehicles be equipped with GPS to track the speed of vehicles utilizing the roads to ensure that they abide by the posted speed limit of 80 km/h and posted slow down zones around watercourse crossings and wetland areas.
34	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions	General Comment – Fish Habitat and Community Monitoring	Comment: Fish habitat use was not well assessed at the majority of water course crossings. A subset of watercourse crossings were assessed for fish community and a rapid habitat assessment, but no fish were caught at many of the crossings that had single sampling events. AFN is concerned that single unsuccessful fish community sampling events will not be sufficient to compare fish habitat use after the road is constructed and in use. Fish	Recommendation a: AFN requests that fish community and habitat use assessments are done at each watercourse crossing that has potential to be fish bearing, including collected wetlands, upstream and downstream of the watercourse to gather this quantitative data before construction. Recommendation b: AFN also requests that fish habitat monitoring is



and Effects Assessment (2024)

habitat use may change as a result of the project and insufficient quantitative baseline data has been collected to allow for future assessments of whether effects/impacts have occurred and how severely.

executed annually in the spring and fall to capture any fish spawning habitat use, however, AFN recognizes that MFFN may have limited capacity for conducting an ongoing annual aquatic monitoring program. Therefore AFN requests that the Proponent commit to monitoring at all water course crossings in the years 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, and 10 of operations. AFN also suggests that Ontario be responsible for monitoring every three years at all crossings starting after year 10 of operation in perpetuity, similar to the environmental effects monitoring for fish used to ensure mining development compliance with surface water and fish habitat regulations. The Ring of Fire connector will bring about increased traffic associated with mine creation that will have cumulative impacts on fish and fish habitat.

35	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	2. Project Description, 2.1.1 Community Access Road pg. 6., PDF page 22	Comment: AFN is concerned that the predicted traffic utilizing the road may increase to 700 vehicles per day. This increase in traffic through AFN's community is concerning for member safety.	Context: A bypass road will likely be necessary to meet AFN's safety needs and alleviate concerns considering an increase of 100 vehicles a day (the expectation of the MFCAR) is a significant increase to AFN's current traffic volume. Recommendation: AFN suggests that fish habitat baseline data is collected around AFN during the baseline data collection fish monitoring program for the construction of the MFCAR. This is needed in the case that a community bypass road is constructed in the future.
36	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	2.1.4 Temporary Infrastructure for Construction pg. 8, PDF pg. 24	Comment: Potential pits and quarries have been identified for development in support of construction and operational maintenance. There is insufficient information presented in the Draft EA/IS to understand if any or all of these aggregate sites are planned for extraction below the water table. Extracting aggregate below the groundwater table comes with significant risks and potential impacts to groundwater and surface water quality. The TISG presents ten requirements for the Draft EA/IS if the Proponent is planning on quarrying below the water table to reflect the increase in risk for potential impacts.	Question: AFN requests that the Proponent clarify if they are committed to only extraction above the water table to ensure impacts are adequately captured in this Draft EA/IS and mitigated with the required reclamation under permitted activities (e.g., ARA, MECP), so that the Project may verify the stated predictions. Recommendation: If the Proponent plans on extracting below the groundwater table, AFN requests that the Proponent follow the requirements for the Draft EA/IS outlined in the TISG on pg. 87-88. AFN is in alignment with these technical requirements for quarrying below the groundwater table.
	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment		
	Appendix I – Peatlands Technical Support Document (2025)	2.1.3; 7.3	The Proponent suggests that all pits and quarries will be decommissioned using backfilling, levelling, recompacting, and redistributing organic materials to encourage natural revegetation but does not include information regarding the class of pits and quarries that will be developed.	
	Appendix N – Physiography, Terrain and Soils Technical Support Document (2025)	General comment	AFN is concerned with the potential impact of the pits and quarries on water quality so close to important fish habitat and the change in water regimes in those habitats should pits and quarries be extracted below the water table. AFN is further concerned with the potential impact from groundwater drawdown on the surrounding habitats (e.g., Peatlands, SAR habitats) within the Zone of Influence of groundwater drawdown for pits and quarries, should it be determined any of these are required below the water table.	
37		Table 4-7 Fish Community	Comment: The Proponent reports that two methods of fish community sampling occurred using backpack electrofishing in waters 70 cm or	Recommendation: AFN requests that fish habitat assessments are done in spring and summer. Sampling should be done over multiple days as



		Sampling Methods Employed pg. 46	shallower (safe for wading) and minnow trapping in water deeper than 30 cm in streams, rivers, lakes, and ponds. AFN is concerned that this would not adequately capture fisheries data for waterbodies that contain valued components but have water deeper than 70 cm. Minnow traps can only capture juvenile large-bodied species, which would require the habitat be suitable for juvenile fish and may underrepresent habitat use and fish populations at baseline at watercourse crossings or watercourses in close proximity to the ROW.	necessary to quantitatively capture the habitat use and fish community assemblages at all watercourse crossings. This data is critical to determine if there are changes to fish habitat use and the impacts the road may have had on fish. This quantitative data analysis is needed to determine when adaptive management is required to protect fish and fish habitat in the ROW. AFN also requests that the Proponent utilize a wider range of sampling gear to monitor fish, so as to not exclude large, bodied fish habitat in deeper waters.
38	Appendix G – Draft Fish and Fish Habitat Technical Support Document: Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment (2024)	PDF page 156 Section 7.3.1.1.2 Mitigation and Engagement Measures pg. 140, PDF pg. 156	Comment: AFN is concerned with the lack of detail in the mitigations around monitoring erosion and sediment controls during the construction phase and believe the Proponent should commit to more specific actions.	Recommendation: To help protect water and fish habitat, AFN requests that the Proponent include erosion and sediment control monitoring and checks at regular intervals during construction. This should include monitoring at all temporary crossings, as well as additional checks during/after precipitation events to maintain or replace any damaged or dysfunctional erosion and sediment controls.
39		9.1 Pre-construction Monitoring Program / 9.2 Construction Monitoring Program pg. 210/211, PDF pg. 226/227	Comment: The Proponent reports that any new water bodies identified prior to construction will be assessed by an aquatic specialist.	Recommendation: AFN requests that the Proponent include instructions that if water bodies are found prior to or during construction, activities will halt and an aquatics specialist and a monitor from AFN will assess the water body as a team to ensure proper mitigations and enhancement measures are implemented to reduce or avoid effects on habitat quantity and quality. Any fish rescues or relocations should also be done in the presence or with the assistance of AFN Monitors.
40		9.3 Operation and Maintenance Monitoring Program pg. 211, PDF pg. 227	Comment: The Proponent suggests that erosion and sediment control measures and the water crossing infrastructure will be monitored during operations. AFN is concerned that there are no written commitments for habitat quality monitoring to ensure the road is not causing ongoing impacts to fish and fish habitat.	Recommendation a: AFN requests that quarterly water quality monitoring be done at the crossings for the first three years after construction. Recommendation b: AFN would also like quarterly water quality monitoring to continue in perpetuity as traffic increases with the connector to the Ring of Fire and the potential for road-associated contaminants such as dust, spills, or sediments increases with it. To ensure the impact assessment remains comprehensive and accurate.
41		Attachment A - pg. 25 of Draft Study Plan, 7.2.1.4.1 Biological Sampling - Fish Communities, PDF pg. 279	Comment: Table 7-2 in the Fish and Fish Habitat Study Plan suggests that a variety of methods were proposed to be used in fish community assessments but in the Fish and Fish Habitat technical support document only backpack electrofishing and minnow trapping were reported, which would have excluded the majority of harvested and culturally important large-bodied fish from the assessments.	Recommendation: AFN requests that the Proponent utilize a wider range of sampling gear to monitor fish, so as to not exclude large-, bodied fish habitat in deeper waters.



8.0 PHYSIOGRAPHY, TERRAIN, & SOIL

8.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

While generally supportive of the preferred route for the MFCAR (e.g., Segment 1 using Alternative 1; Segments 2 and 3 using Alternative 4) AFN maintains concerns around community and road safety. Given the permanent nature of the Project, robust mitigation measures and strategies that prevent or minimize impacts to AFN and address uncertainty and potential long-term effects are critical to its safe development and operation.

8.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

In relation to the Physiography, Terrain, and Soil VC, AFN maintains concerns around intermittent permafrost in the region, which may pose a risk to permanent infrastructure (e.g., localized subsidence resulting from thaw) or delays/changes to planned restoration and rehabilitation measures (e.g., soil enhancements). Additional information is required to fully understand potential impacts relating to permafrost, groundwater, and surface water interactions at the Project. Consistency between protection, management, and offsetting/rehabilitation plans for all VCs that interact with the Physiography, Terrain & Soil VC is essential to ensure projected impacts and effects to AFN rights and interests are minimized, and restoration/rehabilitation measures are determined to be successful.

8.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.3 GEOLOGY, GEOCHEMISTRY AND GEOLOGICAL HAZARDS

- *identify any geological hazards that exist in the areas planned for the project facilities and infrastructure, including:*
 - *isostatic rise or subsidence; and*
 - *history of landslides, slope erosion and the potential for ground and rock instability/landslides, and subsidence during and following project activities.*



IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 23.2 EFFECTS OF THE ENVIRONMENT ON THE PROJECT

- *identify any areas of potential wind or water erosion, slumps and slope instability, geologic hazards, including but not limited to those caused by geologic movements;*

8.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

For the Physiography, Terrain & Soil VC, baseline information was used primarily as ecological and social context to assist in evaluating potential impacts to associated interacting VCs. Please refer to the Impacts to Land Use and Occupancy sections under Peatlands, Vegetation, Wildlife, Birds, and Ungulates.

8.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

For the Physiography, Terrain & Soil VC, baseline information was used primarily as ecological and social context to assist in evaluating potential impacts to associated interacting VCs. However, AFN requests several commitments that align with the Project objectives and technical recommendations outlined for the Physiography, Terrain & Soil VC. Please also refer to AFN'S Recommendations and Conditions for Approval sections under Peatlands, Vegetation, Wildlife, Birds, and Ungulates.

AFN concerns relating to safety, climate change, and cumulative effects must be addressed through the Permafrost Management Plan to be developed for the Project. We request fulsome collaboration between the MFCAR project team, Indigenous partners such as AFN, and other foreseeable future project teams, to develop a coordinated approach to assessing permafrost in the region prior to construction that aligns with the TOR for the Ring of Fire area. The Permafrost Management Plan must further be reviewed, informed, and verified by a geotechnical engineer and hydrogeologist in advance of implementation, and must be consistent with/adhere to the recommendations and commitments in related protection, management, offsetting, and rehabilitation plans.

AFN concerns relating to uncertainty and timelines for rehabilitation must be addressed through a Reclamation Suitability Assessment within the CDA during detailed design and ongoing field investigations (e.g., to support siting of infrastructure in the Project ROW). This is especially important to AFN, as the long-term viability and resilience of habitats in the Traditional Territory are inherently linked to AFN's way of life, and an overall objective of the Project.



8.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 6: Comment and Recommendations Table for Physiography, Terrain and Soils Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
42	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix N – Physiography, Terrain and Soils Technical Support Document (2025)	7.1.2.1; 8.2.8.5.4; 9.4.6.1 General comment	<p>Comment: Potential cryosolic soils have been identified west of the Regional Study Area (RSA); predictive surficial geology mapping also identified palsas in the northern portions of the RSA.</p> <p>Isolated patches of permafrost were identified during the supporting baseline helicopter survey, with five potential instances of permafrost identified mainly in the northeastern portion of the LSA, and two locations documented within the CDA.</p> <p>Excavation in permafrost areas “will be avoided whenever possible, as cutting into surface vegetation can disturb the permafrost regime resulting in thaw and unstable ground.” (page 78; PDF pp. 126); as a precaution, the design will follow recommendations in the Permafrost Management Plan.</p> <p>The Technical Support Document (Appendix N) recommends additional permafrost studies be completed to determine the potential extent and depth of permafrost, and potential for thaw settlement/terrain instability associated with thawing, especially around proposed pit areas SG-12 and SG-19.</p>	<p>Context: There are noted concerns by AFN members around community and road safety. Localized subsidence and potential infrastructure failure is a risk in permafrost areas at local and regional levels, caused by thaw. Section 14.3 of the TISG requires the IS to describe changes to permafrost conditions as a result of the Project, but this is not limited to general degradation as currently described in the Draft EA/IS.</p> <p>Although no frozen ground was found during field investigations in 2022, field investigations for permafrost have been recommended to be completed in advance of detailed design and construction. AFN requests the Proponent commit to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommendation a: Collaboration with MTO, A/PL Roads Upgrades, NRL, Rapid Lynx Broadband, and WSR Project Teams to develop a coordinated approach to the Permafrost Assessment prior to construction (for comparison post-construction and during operations/maintenance phases, to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures and accuracy of assessment predictions, or inform adaptive management measures) - Recommendation b: The Permafrost Management Plan must be reviewed, informed, and verified by a geotechnical engineer and hydrogeologist in advance of implementation. The specialists’ response must include recommendations and contingency measures for construction and operations/maintenance phases. This must include reference to potential effects relating to climate change and the cumulative effects of other foreseeable future developments in the Ring of Fire Area. - Recommendation c: The Soils Management Plan must include appropriate mitigation measures and measurable indicators for cryosolic soils identified through the Permafrost Assessment, in addition to appropriate monitoring/testing to ensure rehabilitation and restoration measures consider cumulative degradation of permafrost soils from soil enhancements/modifications to improve suitability, installation and eventual decommissioning or abandonment of temporary ancillary facilities, and/or permanent infrastructure - Recommendation d: The Environmental Protection Plan, Revegetation Plan, Terrestrial Biodiversity Offsetting Plan, Wetland Offsetting Plan, and site-specific rehabilitation plans (required under the ARA for pits/quarries), must adhere to



recommendations of, and maintain consistency with, the requirements outlined in the Permafrost Management Plan (e.g., demonstrate overall net benefit for SAR wildlife or plant species that use habitat within intermittent permafrost areas).

43	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix N – Physiography, Terrain, and Soils Technical Support Document (2025)	8.2.8.7.3; 9.4.6.4	<p>Comment: Over 60% of soil samples tested against the Northern Forest Region suitability criteria were rated poor for reclamation suitability. “Poor or unsuitable ratings don’t mean the soil can’t be used for reclamation, but it might need careful planning, good management, and possibly soil amendments to improve its suitability.” (Page 297; PDF pp. 345).</p> <p>“The resilience and adaptive capacity of reclaimed soils are high.” (Page 66; PDF pp. 714). There are 6.7% soils available in the CDA rated “good” or “fair” for reclamation suitability, and therefore readily available for use in progressive rehabilitation efforts (e.g., for borrow areas, laydowns, storage areas, work camps, aggregate areas, associated temporary access used for construction).</p> <p>There are no residual effects anticipated for changes to soil quality from project construction activities (as it relates to compaction and admixing). It does not appear the assessment for the Physiography, Terrain & Soils VC considers the potential requirement for soil amendments that may be needed for progressive/final reclamation.</p> <p>There is little evidence to support the Draft EA/IS conclusions of no residual effects to soil quality, due to the inherent uncertainty for reclamation suitability in the CDA.</p>	<p>Context: Concerns and uncertainty remain that there is insufficient information provided regarding reclamation material suitability and resilience, to justify the conclusions presented in the Draft EA/IS regarding final soil quality. If soil sample testing can reliably be inferred to suggest less than 10% of soils are even marginally suitable for reclamation, AFN is concerned by a potential deficit in available soils required for rehabilitation of temporary facilities used for construction. This is a total area of at least 700 ha, which may be unfeasible to import suitable material to achieve successful reclamation. Delays in reestablishing material suitability will likely extend the timeline required for successful progressive/final rehabilitation of temporary infrastructure. This factor carries significant weight and requires careful evaluation, due to its profound implications to AFN Traditional Territory, related practices, and spiritual connection to the lands and waters.</p> <p>Recommendation a: A reclamation suitability assessment must be undertaken in the CDA during detailed design and ongoing field investigations (e.g., completed to support siting of infrastructure within the ROW), and inform the Environmental Protection Plan, Erosion and Sediment Control Plan, Soil Management Plan, Revegetation Plan, Terrestrial Biodiversity Offsetting Plan, and Wetlands Offsetting Plan required for the Project. The assessment should integrate both measured and qualitative parameters related specifically to plant growth (e.g., vegetation growth classes used to rank soil material suitability for revegetation). Additional indicators include soil chemical properties (e.g., ARD/ML potential, as confirmed through soil testing), admixing materials to enhance capability of poorer rated soils, compaction and rutting sensitivities, soil moisture conditions, and/or quantity of soil losses (e.g., by wind/water erosion) during soil handling or reclamation activities, etc., as indicated.</p> <p>The pre-construction reclamation suitability assessment within the CDA will inform site-specific mitigation measures and trigger/threshold values for implementation (e.g., to evaluate effectiveness of mitigation measures, inform adaptive management measures, and accuracy of Draft EA/IS predictions, etc.) during construction, operation, and maintenance, especially as it relates to metrics for vegetation growth. This will help to reduce the existing uncertainty relating to successful reclamation at the Project.</p> <p>Recommendation b: Soil and reclamation material suitability criteria must be evaluated throughout construction, post-construction, and operations/maintenance phases to ensure successful progressive/final rehabilitation of temporary facilities and roads, establish effective mitigation and offsetting measures, identify opportunities for adaptive management, and ultimately evaluate the predictions of the Draft EA/IS for other VCs that interact with the Physiography, Terrain & Soils VC.</p>
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9.0 PEATLANDS

9.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

The Baseline conditions of peatlands throughout the PSA note that fragmentation is generally absent but impacts to peatlands (because of the Project) are unavoidable.

Peatlands play a significant and complex role in the hydrologic cycle, carbon cycle, and in supporting habitat functions for various wildlife and plant species that have cultural significance to AFN. AFN maintains there is significant uncertainty associated with effects related to changes in groundwater and surface water VCs, which interact directly and indirectly with the peatlands VC, which make it challenging to validate the predictions in the EA/IS and assess potential impacts to AFN.

9.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

The Project relies on minimal disturbance and construction techniques (e.g., “floating road” methodology) as a primary mitigation measure for peatland ecosystems to allow for groundwater movement, yet there is not enough information known about the current interactions of peatlands, permafrost, groundwater and surface water in the CDA to confidently predict and identify all potential effects of the Project on AFN Traditional Territory.

All water is interconnected, and AFN maintains concerns that the water VC grouping was not considered in a holistic way in the Draft EA/IS, since the Peatlands VC effects assessment and baseline information was not woven into the document at the time of drafting.

9.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.5 RIPARIAN AND WETLAND ENVIRONMENTS

- *quantify, delineate and describe wetlands (fens, marshes, peat lands, bogs, etc.) within the local study area potentially directly, indirectly and/or cumulatively effected by the Project in the context of:*
 - *wetland class, ecological community type and conservation status;*
 - *biodiversity with respect to both flora and fauna;*
 - *abundance at local, regional and provincial scales;*



- *distribution; and*
- *current level of disturbance.*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 14.3 CHANGES TO RIPARIAN, WETLAND AND TERRESTRIAL ENVIRONMENTS

- *describe direct, incidental and cumulative predicted positive and/or adverse effects to riparian, wetland (including separate description relevant to peatlands) and terrestrial biodiversity metrics, effects of fragmentation, changes to regional biodiversity that could be caused by all project activities, including but not limited to effects to wetland ecological functions, including effects that may alter the wetland's capacity to perform hydrological, biogeochemical cycling, habitat, and climate functions.*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 15.3 TERRESTRIAL WILDLIFE AND THEIR HABITAT

- *describe the potential direct, incidental and cumulative adverse effects to other wildlife and wildlife habitat, including population level effects that could be caused by all project activities, including but not limited to: project noise and sensory disturbances, habitat alteration, air emissions and dust, increased predation, increased potential for spread of disease, invasive species introductions, poaching opportunities, any linear access corridors (roads, rights of way) particularly in the vicinity of wetland (including peatlands), lake and riparian habitats and on migratory corridors;*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 9.1.1 COMMITMENTS IDENTIFIED DURING THE TERMS OF REFERENCE

- *MFFN will assess potential effects to peatlands in the EA. An estimate of the length of road corridor that will cross through peatlands will be provided in the EA.*

9.2.2 CLIMATE CHANGE CONSIDERATIONS

In evaluating potential effects to Peatlands, the Draft EA/IS may have overrepresented select wetland ecosite types on the landscape (e.g., organic swamps/marshes). AFN is concerned that this may influence the carbon accounting for the Project and result in underestimation of soil organic carbon storage. However, it is unclear if this limitation was captured in the Carbon Storage and Flux assessment. Overall, the results indicate that peatlands function as carbon sinks; however, organic swamps are considered sources of carbon dioxide (CO₂) and account for the largest daily/seasonal releases of methane (CH₄).

There is also high uncertainty associated with the effects related to changes in groundwater quantity and flow, surface water interactions, and permafrost, as they relate to the Peatlands VC. This uncertainty may be exacerbated by the anticipated effects of climate change, which is uncertain, but generally assessed as having an adverse influence overall. The residual effects assessment indicates that climate change may lead to drier conditions in peatlands (e.g., increased rate of



evapotranspiration, rapid drainage, localized subsidence), resulting in potential disconnect between wetlands within the same complex, changes to vegetation and species phenology (i.e., alteration or loss of habitats), or increasing the potential likelihood and intensity of wildfire hazards. AFN considers community and road safety a priority for the Project.

9.2.3 CUMULATIVE EFFECTS

AFN's Traditional Territory has already been impacted by previous activities such as forestry, mineral exploration, and mining activities. The MFCAR represents the beginning of future development in the region, facilitating further development in the Ring of Fire area, increasing the volume of commercial/industrial traffic, forestry, and other forms of infrastructure expansion. This will have wide-ranging implications to wildlife habitat, migration routes, and sensitive species (including SAR), beyond the predictions identified in the Draft EA/IS.

The Anaconda and Painter Lake roads are located within the heart of AFN Traditional Territory, and traffic to the MFCAR (and therefore to the access roads) is expected to increase throughout operations and into the future. Required modifications/realignments of portions of these roads to construct the Project may create new disturbance, and alter or contribute to the loss of ecosystems that support traditional uses and/or culturally significant species. There remains significant uncertainty with respect to the cumulative effects of fugitive dust and particulate emissions on surrounding habitats in the Project Local Study Area (LSA).

Given the relatively remote nature of the Project location and current lack of invasive species observations during supporting baseline surveys, AFN maintains concerns regarding invasive species management at the Project and insists that chemical approaches to invasive species management is not acceptable. While mechanical removal or hand-pulling is the preferred approach for the MFCAR, chemical herbicides will be reserved for select conditions, based on information presented in Appendix I. Mitigation measures presented in the Draft EA/IS indicate herbicides will *not* be used during construction, and operations and maintenance phases for the Project.

9.2.4 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

A majority of traditionally significant vegetation species (46 of 56) were observed growing in peatland communities during field investigations, with other locations well-documented by AFN within the Traditional Territory. It is important to AFN to retain and protect access to traditional use species and known harvesting locations that support intergenerational transfer of ecological knowledge and traditional, cultural, and spiritual uses; especially considering that Project impacts to peatlands are unavoidable. Peatlands in the Project area also support habitat for various wildlife and plant SAR, in addition to species of traditional and cultural importance.

AFN is concerned that new disturbances along the access roads (in support of the Project) may also allow access for non-rights-bearing members of the public. As the Project is intended to be permanent infrastructure, AFN is also concerned that the Project may limit or restrict access to traditional use areas or travel routes during construction, and into operation and maintenance phases.



9.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN's recommendations for peatlands, to allow for a full understanding of potential Project impacts to the community, Traditional Territory, and region as a whole, aligning with the TOR for the Ring of Fire Area, are as follows:

- AFN requests a commitment that the Project align disturbance and Project activities with harvesting timelines for traditional use species, and requests notification in advance; such that AFN members are afforded the appropriate space and time to take part in traditional activities on the lands and waters prior to disturbance.
- Residual effects assessments for impacted VCs, including the Peatlands VC, must integrate the required Anaconda and Painter Lake road upgrades context for a fulsome prediction of residual effects that have potential to impact AFN rights and interests.
- Update Appendix I (Peatlands Technical Support Document) and Draft EA/IS for consistency, to include missing figures, correct broken links/references, and copy/paste errors.
- Peatlands offsetting is a requirement of the TISG for the NRL Project, with similar offsetting expected for the Project. AFN requests a commitment to further engage and collaborate with AFN on any Project offsetting, restoration, or revegetation.
- AFN requests that the Proponent commit to further engagement with AFN in the planning/development and implementation of the post-construction invasive species monitoring program and Project Environmental Protection Plan.



9.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 7: Comment and Recommendations Table for Peatlands Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
44	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General Comment	<p>Comment: The Peatlands Effects Assessment information was not included in the Draft EA/IS. Peatlands have a significant and complex role in the hydrologic cycle. Peatlands interact with both surface water and groundwater.</p> <p>Given the vast amount of peatlands in the study area, it is highly concerning that the peatlands assessment was not included in the Draft EA. Impacts to peatlands will have spillover effects to surface water and groundwater.</p> <p>Given the interconnectedness of water between surface and ground water, as it interacts in peatlands, “Water” VC group which is to include surface water, groundwater, and peatlands was not considered in a holistic way. As a result, not considering cross-over between these VC’s results in the Proponent’s limited understanding of hydraulic interconnectivity and related direct and indirect effects on many other VCs.</p>	<p>Context: The interactions of water and local peatlands ecosystems are inherently linked to the:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Alteration or loss of peatlands, in turn impacting the availability of peatland habitat required for various vegetation and wildlife species (including SAR, regionally significant species, habitat-specialist species, and species of traditional/cultural importance to AFN; e.g., various focal species represented in the Birds, Vegetation, Wildlife, and Ungulates VCs). Changes to peatlands will result from changes in water flow or availability resulting from the Project, if infrastructure components are not planned or executed effectively. b) Occupancy or use by wildlife and vegetation species that require peatland habitats throughout their lifecycle will change as a result of changes to peatland habitats. c) Safety of spring water for human consumption. d) Effective restoration and rehabilitation of peatland ecosystems that may be required for offsetting Project impacts. <p>If traditionally used wildlife and vegetation species are unavailable to AFN because of direct or indirect disturbance resulting from the Project, this may lead to further cascading impacts, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Risks loss of intergenerational transfer of Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) and Indigenous Knowledge (IK) of the landscape, waterways, travel routes, and species of the region. b) Rights-bearing land users and harvesters/gatherers will need to travel further in the region to acquire what is currently available locally. This may further risk safety to individual community members that actively use the land. c) Competition or conflict with licenced hunters/anglers or uneducated members of the public (i.e., poachers). <p>Recommendation: AFN suggests that the Proponent revise the Draft EA/IS to include the Peatlands Effects Assessment. Subsequent impacts to groundwater and surface water should be quantified and woven into the different VC sections, including appropriate assessment of indirect effects for all VCs which intersect or otherwise are impacted along an effects pathway. It is important to consider the interactions between surface water, groundwater and peatlands to ensure the effects assessment adequately captures impacts on water in a meaningful and holistic way.</p>



Context: it is possible that the Anaconda and Painter Lake Forestry Access Road upgrades may also require realignment of a portion of the road which would also represent a new disturbance and involve more extensive impacts on peatlands than if works were limited to upgrades along the existing footprint.” (PDF pp. 221; Page 166)

“For the purposes of route selection, it was assumed that all upgrades to Anaconda Road and Painter Lake Road required to construct and operate Segment 1 will be completed in advance by others.” (PDF pp. 89; Page 41)

Comment: Fragmentation, like that associated with forestry, camps, communities, or roads, is generally absent in the RSA; the primary influence on the landscape is natural disturbance (e.g., fire, blowdown, etc.).

Areas of surface seepage are noted adjacent to the preferred route tie-in required from Section 1 of the MFCAR into the A/PL Roads. Further, the primary mitigation for peatland ecosystems in the CDA is to use a “floating road” construction methodology to allow for groundwater movement.

Noted information for the road tie-ins (e.g., location, transition information, etc.), maintenance facilities, rest stops and pull outs required for the Project, is pending detailed design and not provided in the Draft EA/IS.

Context: Project impacts to peatlands are unavoidable during construction and operation/maintenance, with high uncertainty associated with effects related to changes in groundwater quantity and flow. Forty-six of 56 plants identified as traditionally significant to Indigenous and First Nations communities were observed growing in peatland communities during field investigations supporting the Project baseline, and other locations are well documented by AFN within the Traditional Territory. Upgrades to the A/PL Roads are required to complete the MFCAR Project and are planned to tie-into the southernmost portion of the Project (Section 1), in AFN Traditional Territory. Required modifications/realignments of portions of these access roads to construct the Project, may create new disturbance in areas considered significant to AFN, alter or contribute to the loss of ecosystems that support traditional uses and/or culturally significant species, or result in surplus cumulative effects beyond current predictions. AFN therefore requests the Proponent commit to:

- **Recommendation a:** Updating the residual effects assessment for the final EA/IS integrating this context (i.e., required upgrades and/or realignments to A/PL Roads to complete construction/operations of the MFCAR) for the Peatlands, Physiography, Terrain & Soils, Vegetation, Birds, Ungulates, and Wildlife VCs, as this is a critical element to understanding potential cumulative effects associated with traditional use species and other important species (such as SAR) to AFN. Many species-project interactions are not well understood in the southernmost portion of the PSAs (overlapping AFN Traditional Territory), or there is not sufficient existing or current data to verify the predictions of the Draft EA/IS.
- **Recommendation b:** Historic and current land use by AFN must inform baseline conditions in the EA/IS, while working toward shared objectives of AFN in the future. The Draft EA/IS presents information that does not highlight AFN Traditional Territory has been previously impacted by development activities, which may represent priority areas for AFN to restore and reclaim.

Information Request: It is also important for AFN to know (at minimum) general location and preliminary design information for the tie-in and ancillary facilities for the Project, in addition to any available upgrade information for A/PL Roads within AFN Traditional Territory. Given the limited human disturbances and fragmentation of existing peatlands in the PSAs, required upgrades to the A/PL Roads, and pending data associated with peatlands (e.g., groundwater flow, permafrost investigations, including AFN TEK and IK into the Draft EA/IS, etc.) required to complete detailed design and sighting of Project infrastructure, this information is integral to fully understand potential existing, residual, and/or cumulative risks and effects to AFN Rights and interests. AFN further requests the Proponent commit to:

- **Recommendation c:** Including AFN concerns related to potential effects of the Project on groundwater.
- **Recommendation d:** Include AFN TEK and IK in the Draft EA/IS that identify springs near the Ogoki River, and along A/PL Roads



				<p>which may be impacted by associated required upgrades. Groundwater springs hold spiritual value for AFN land users.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendation e: Collaborating with AFN to develop appropriate siting for the southernmost tie-in of the MFCAR to the A/PL Road network, and ancillary facilities for the Project within the planned ROW. • Recommendation f: Co-management and co-development/ implementation of required plans with AFN to complete the Project and align with other future foreseeable projects/Ring of Fire Regional Assessment.
46	Appendix I – Peatlands Technical Support Document (2025)	4.3.2.1	<p>Comment: To estimate the quantity and distribution of organic swamps and organic marshes in the RSA, all marsh and swamp communities from the Ontario Land Classification mapping were included. Manual corrections were completed in an iterative process during field investigations.</p> <p>While organic marshes account for a small percentage of peatlands in the PSAs, organic swamps were determined to be a source of CO₂, and account for the largest daily and seasonal releases of methane of peatland groups in the LSA, representing 23% of peatlands in the LSA.</p> <p>It is unclear if limitations to the estimation of carbon storage in select peatland groups have been accounted for in the Draft EA/IS.</p>	<p>Context: Although this represents a conservative approach to evaluating potential Project impacts to wetlands, this method may overrepresent these ecosite types on the landscape. This may lead to misclassifications in the carbon accounting, and result in underestimating soil organic carbon storage (e.g., forested wetlands are difficult to differentiate from forested uplands unless ground verification has been completed; forested wetlands store significantly more carbon than forested uplands).</p> <p>Question: Please clarify if these limitations have been captured in the Carbon Storage and Flux assessment, and if these data gaps will be closed by information gathered in the pre-construction siting surveys.</p>
47	Appendix I – Peatlands Technical Support Document (2025)	Figure 5-2; Figure 5-3	<p>Comment: Plates 2 through 7 are missing from the Figures within the Appendix.</p>	<p>Information Request: Please provide the remaining plates for review and consideration in the updated Draft EA/IS.</p>
	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Figure 5-2, Figure 5-3		
48	Appendix I – Peatlands Technical Support Document (2025)	5.3.1; Table 5-5	<p>Comment: Availability of peatlands in Section 5.3.1 indicates the RSA is 40-60% bog cover. This is inconsistent with the 2% bog cover in the RSA noted in Table 5-5.</p> <p>There are several broken links/references to tables and figures throughout the report.</p>	<p>Recommendation a: Please update Section 5.3.1 to be consistent with information presented in Table 5-5.</p> <p>Recommendation b: Please also correct broken links and references throughout the document for clarity and ease of reference.</p>
		General comment		
49	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	9.4.3.4	<p>Comment: Invasive species were not observed during field surveys. While mechanical removal is the preferred approach for the Project, chemical herbicides will be reserved for select management conditions; although the Draft EA/IS state herbicides will not be used during construction and operations/maintenance phases.</p>	<p>Context: AFN maintains concerns regarding invasive species that have the potential to contribute to native and traditional use species declines in the CDA and LSA, especially considering the relatively remote nature of the Project and the current lack of observations during supporting surveys. AFN does not support the use of chemical controls for invasive species, which can further exacerbate secondary effects on peatland community</p>
	Appendix I – Peatlands Technical Support Document (2025)	7.3		



composition and function. Similar secondary impacts to vegetation and wildlife VCs can be expected in the CDA/LSA.

Recommendation: AFN requests the Proponent commit to further engagement with AFN, in the planning/development and implementation of the post-construction invasive species monitoring program and Environmental Protection Plan for the Project.



10.0 VEGETATION

10.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN is generally supportive of the preferred route alternative for the MFCAR; however, the Ogoki River crossing (alternative 1) and the Albany River crossing (alternative 4) locations hold significant cultural and traditional importance for AFN, especially for harvesting/gathering sustenance and medicinal plant species. Further, approximately 5.7 ha of the Albany River Provincial Park is proposed to be directly impacted by the Project. Ontario Parks has recognized and respected First Nations' rights and interests under the *Constitution Act* (1982), including activities like hunting, fishing, trapping, gathering, and spiritual ceremony. The loss of portions of Albany River Provincial Park marks a direct loss or alteration of areas used traditionally by AFN. Maintaining access to healthy lands and waters is integral to the continuation of AFN culture, way of life, and Traditional Knowledge transfer to future generations, especially at these planned crossing locations.

Overall, the Project area generally lacks fragmentation and invasive species but supports sensitive and at-risk vegetation species. Fifty-six separate traditional use vegetation species have been identified in the Project area. There are known locations of black ash (endangered in Ontario; pending listing federally under SARA; Threatened under COSEWIC; Critically endangered globally) in the CDA based on field observations, and good potential that the species is found in other locations within the CDA; however, there are severe limitations for protection of black ash under the Ontario *Endangered Species Act* in the Project area, that the Project intends to follow.

Further, the Project overlaps areas assessed by the province to be susceptible to emerald ash borer , and the Draft EA/IS identified areas of "insects" and "pests" disturbances already existing in the PSAs; however, this context was not woven into the existing conditions of the PSAs. Long-term monitoring of ecosystems and terrestrial species is important to AFN members, as this works towards the shared objectives of conservation, protection, and restoration of ecosystems for species and areas of traditional or cultural importance.

Project impacts will be largely mitigated based on the Proponent's plans for minimal disturbance construction techniques, rehabilitation of disturbed land and offsetting habitats, with the expectation that this will be successful to replace healthy and functioning habitat. There is significant uncertainty that Project impacts to AFN rights and interests will be successfully mitigated using these methods based on information provided in the Draft EA/IS.



10.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

While the landscape-level approach to the Draft EA/IS recognizes the cultural importance and connectivity of wetland and riparian ecosystems at a *regional* scale, the defined 30-m riparian buffers associated with major watercourse crossings (e.g., Ogoki and Albany rivers) along the preferred route must be weighted differently in the assessment on a *local* scale. [REDACTED]

Wetland function has been summarized and rated in the information provided; however, there were no definitions provided for the ratings (i.e., “low,” “moderate,” “variable,” “high”). “The ability of each wetland vegetation community (i.e., swamp, marsh, fen, bog) to perform the associated function varies depending on characteristics such as landscape position (e.g., riparian, basin), soil type (i.e., mineral or organic), and size. The relative importance of each function also varies and may be related to the type and proximity of other vegetation communities” (PDF pp. 113; Page 80). Without knowing what metrics have been used in the assessment to evaluate wetland functions, it is unclear how the Project estimated these ratings and the associated potential impacts for each wetland type. This is especially concerning, as loss or alteration of wetlands, riparian habitats, and peatlands, *will* result from the Project (i.e., impacts are unavoidable). There is still lasting uncertainty regarding siting of ancillary facilities, and further study is required to identify interactions between related VCs (e.g., peatlands and groundwater). Supporting rationale and detailed descriptions of methods used to complete the wetlands function assessment (including sampling design), is a requirement of the TISG (Section 8.5).

Indicators such as “disease” and “insects” may impact both vegetation/forest health and wildlife health (e.g., chronic wasting disease, ticks, etc.). Although these disturbances were mapped, there was no context provided in the Draft EA/IS or Appendix J (Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document) to explain the baseline conditions of these factors or how they play a role in future predicted conditions. The current level of both anthropogenic and natural disturbances associated with vegetation is a requirement of the TISG (Section 8.7).

The protection for black ash in the PSA is important to AFN, as habitat that supports black ash is crucial for the survival and recovery of other SAR and benefit other species of traditional/cultural importance. Given the expected susceptibility of the PSA to emerald ash borer, and despite the conditional exemptions limiting black ash protections in the PSA, this species is recognized globally as critically endangered and holds great cultural significance to First Nations in the region.

10.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN’s review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:



IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.7 VEGETATION

- *within the local study area of the Project, provide a description of:*
 - *the biodiversity, relative abundance and distribution of vegetation species and communities of ecological, economic or human importance (e.g., traditional use, forestry, tame pasture, native prairie, wetland or old growth);*
- *describe the use of local vegetation for medicinal or cultural purposes or as a source of country foods (traditional foods).* [REDACTED]
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- *describe any other plant species of concern for consumption or where use has any Indigenous cultural importance;*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 14.3 CHANGES TO RIPARIAN, WETLAND AND TERRESTRIAL ENVIRONMENTS

- *describe any changes to plant species of cultural importance*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 15.3 TERRESTRIAL WILDLIFE AND THEIR HABITAT

- *describe the potential direct, incidental and cumulative adverse effects to other wildlife and wildlife habitat, including population level effects that could be caused by all project activities, including but not limited to: project noise and sensory disturbances, habitat alteration, air emissions and dust, increased predation, increased potential for spread of disease, invasive species introductions, poaching opportunities, any linear access corridors (roads, rights of way) particularly in the vicinity of wetland (including peatlands), lake and riparian habitats and on migratory corridors;*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 19.1 EFFECTS TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- *The potential effects, to consider assessing include both adverse and positive effects to the current use of land and resources for traditional purposes, physical and cultural heritage, and environmental, health, social and economic conditions of Indigenous peoples impacted by the Project, including interferences of the Project with the following:*
 - *quantity and quality of resources available for harvesting (e.g., species of cultural importance, including traditional and medicinal plants);*



ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- *Changes in the availability and quality of lands and resources used for traditional activities*
- *Changes in the sufficiency of lands and resources for cultural tradition*
- *Disruption of cultural heritage resources by the introduction of physical, visual, audible or atmospheric elements that are not in keeping with the character and setting of cultural heritage resources*

10.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

It appears that the traditional use plant habitat accessibility assessment does not include the expansive Indigenous Knowledge of AFN land users and Knowledge Holders. Although MFFN provided 43 separate species, AFN members contributed an additional 13 species to the Project list that were not woven into the assessment. This information was to be considered in determining how accessible each of the mapped ecosites are for harvesting, which may impact AFN land use and occupancy in the long term.

The use of chemical herbicides to control invasive species or fugitive dust emissions may also have a lasting perceived and/or human health impact to AFN community members within and beyond the Project ROW. Feasible vegetation control approaches required for the Project are outlined in the Draft EA/IS (per TISG, Section 8.7). However, the methods are inconsistent across the information presented for other interacting VCs.

Fugitive dust emissions and respirable particulate matter is also a significant concern to AFN land users/harvesters in both the existing and future foreseeable conditions. Dust impacts are expected beyond the defined ROW for the Project, into areas where AFN continues traditional practices. Further study must be conducted around dust emissions at the Project to fully understand the extent of existing or potential future impacts to AFN land users and Knowledge Holders, as this is a requirement of the TISG (Section 16.1, Section 17.6, Section 26).

Further, *all* monitoring results (i.e., for *all* VCs) should be validated through a First Nations lens, reducing potential impacts on the ability of disturbed lands to contribute to traditional land uses.

10.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

To fully understand potential Project impacts to the community, Traditional Territory, and the region as a whole; and align with the TOR for the Ring of Fire Area, AFN recommends:

- Several collaborative stewardship actions in sensitive/culturally significant areas (such as the Ogoki and Albany river crossing locations), such that the Project is constructed and operated in a manner that meets the needs of AFN land users and harvesters. The Project must commit to maintaining safe and undisturbed access to traditional use locations (including river



crossings) by ensuring advance notification and access/use of these areas should they become inaccessible during any time of the year.

- That the Project commit to incorporate recommendations to reassess the status of black ash protections in the PSAs (e.g., under the Vegetation Management Plan) and region as a whole (e.g., under the future regional assessment for the Ring of Fire Area)
 - Regardless of permit requirements for black ash, the Project must include offsetting, assessment/transplantation of healthy individuals, or 1:1 planted replacement of removed black ash to suitable habitat at appropriate time(s) of year. Suitable performance metrics must be developed to evaluate success during operations, as per the post-construction monitoring requirements for the Project. AFN recommends ongoing consultation and engagement to facilitate planning and implementation of any offsetting, transplantation, and/or replacement measures.
- The Draft EA/IS should be updated to include existing conditions context for all VCs that have potential to interact with forest diseases and pests for an accurate representation of existing conditions and potential future impacts to AFN rights and interests resulting from a changing climate.
- AFN recommends an ongoing proactive study to determine potential effects to humans that ingest or use vegetation species in the CDA that may be impacted by fugitive dust emissions. The study must include evaluation of seasonal implications as it relates to First Nations harvesters, consistent with the final TOR for the Ring of Fire Area (e.g., consideration for timing of traditional practices).
- As per the Government of Canada's *Supplemental Guidance on Human Health Risk Assessment for Country Foods*, tissue sample collection should reflect local methods of collection, preparation, and consumption, because food harvesting practices, preservation, treatment, and/or cooking methods can change the concentration and speciation of contaminants of concern. Sample collection should reflect the local patterns of harvesting for species retained for consumption, so that tissue samples reflect local use.
- An ongoing collaborative study with future foreseeable Project teams, to test environmentally friendly dust suppressant options (e.g., plant-derived applications) during construction to minimize requirements for water withdrawals/usage throughout all Project phases and prioritize an agreeable suppressant alternative for use during operations and maintenance phases.
- AFN requests the Proponent commit to further consultation and engagement with AFN to develop and implement the Vegetation Restoration Plan, Environmental Protection Plan, and involve AFN in development and implementation of Project monitoring activities.
 - Incorporate guidelines for developing road corridors in known ranges for SAR, incorporate reclamation/restoration/enhancement requirements for disturbed areas within critical habitat for SAR, and/or other planning requirements for the Project (e.g., ARA permitting, Overall Benefit Permits, offsetting requirements)



- Monitoring results should be validated through a First Nations lens, reducing potential impacts on the ability of disturbed lands to contribute to traditional uses.
- Update Appendix J (Vegetation Technical Support Document) and Draft EA/IS for consistency, to include missing information (e.g., forest diseases and pests in the existing conditions scenario, “Other” ecosystem type ,wetland function metrics, supporting Anaconda and Painter Lake road upgrade requirements, etc.), and correcting typographic errors.



10.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 8: Comment and Recommendations Table for Vegetation Section.

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
50	Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025) Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment	<p>Comment: [REDACTED]</p> <p>Access to healthy lands and waters is integral to the continuation of AFN culture, way of life, and capacity to transfer TK from one generation to the next. This is evident from baseline investigations, where fragmentation and invasive species are generally absent in the Project study areas and the primary influence on the landscape is natural disturbance related to wildfire.</p>	<p>Context: Particular care must be taken to avoid disturbance of key harvesting and cultural areas that have not been clearly captured in the assessment.</p> <p>It is clear there are substantial knowledge gaps in the Draft EA/IS that limit AFN's ability to identify interactions and potential effects, thereby restricting our collective ability to determine mitigation and management programming and understand whether the predicted Project impacts are considered acceptable. This would include whether the Project and associated infrastructure will result in habitat fragmentation, loss of wetland function, and be susceptible to the establishment or spread of invasive species.</p> <p>Recommendation: AFN requests further collaboration to complete detailed design/sighting in these sensitive and culturally significant areas (especially referring to the Ogoki and Albany River crossing locations):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To ensure an inclusive and holistic approach to environmental management by incorporating meaningful site-specific mitigation measures informed by AFN (e.g., monitor and prioritize control of invasive species using mechanical methods/hand pulling or culturally appropriate means) in the Environmental Protection Plan - Commit to incorporate recommendations that reassess the status of black ash protections under a proactive study in the Vegetation Management Plan (see comment below). - Construct and operate the Project in a manner that meets the needs of AFN land users and harvesters (e.g., include opportunities to support, retain and enhance education and transfer of knowledge around the importance/significance of traditional use species, provide offset or compensation support for areas in adjacent/accessible locations, implement adaptive management, monitoring and follow-up programs, provide notifications/access in advance of construction, etc.) - Maintain safe and undisturbed access to river crossing locations during construction to the extent feasible; AFN requests advanced notification and use of these areas, if they will be publicly inaccessible during any time of the year. This will ensure AFN citizens have adequate time, access, and space for harvesting and gathering at important sites adjacent to planned river crossings in advance of Project disturbance.



51	Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025)	General comment; 7.3.1.1.1.4	<p>Comment: Fifty-six traditional use vegetation species were identified, but no invasive plant species were observed during field investigations. Invasive species are known to reduce local biodiversity, alter ecosystems, directly compete with native species, and change habitat structure (making ecosystems less suitable for SAR).</p> <p>One vegetation SAR (black ash) was confirmed in the Study Area overlapping AFN traditional territory during field surveys: “One known location of Black Ash is within the Construction Disturbance Area. There is good potential that Black Ash is found in other locations within the Construction Disturbance Area” (PDF pp. 236; Page 161).</p>	<p>Context: Despite “conditional exemptions” that severely limit black ash protections under the Ontario <i>Endangered Species Act</i> in the Project area, the species is critically endangered globally, with Ontario representing approximately 25% of the global range, and is a species of great cultural significance to First Nations in the area. The Project also overlaps the areas assessed by the province to be susceptible to emerald ash borer. Habitat supporting black ash is crucial for the survival and recovery of other SAR (e.g., by providing forage, shelter, ecosystem functions, biodiversity, stability of wetland/upland forests, etc.), benefit species of traditional importance that share habitat with black ash, and the recovery strategy for the species recommends ecosite-level wetland protections where one or more black ash trees are present (including young/regenerating trees).</p> <p>Recommendation: The Project, regardless of approval conditions, must include offsetting, assessment/transplantation of healthy individuals, and/or 10:1 planted sapling replacement of removed mature black ash (to suitable habitat at appropriate times of year). In addition, the co-development of acceptable performance metrics with AFN is requested, to meaningfully evaluate success and determine adaptive management actions during operations, per the requirements of the post-construction monitoring commitments (TISG).</p> <p>Planning and implementation of offsetting, transplantation, and/or replacement measures for vegetation (or wildlife) SAR will require ongoing consultation and engagement with AFN.</p>
52	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	7.2.2.1; 7.3.1.10.1.1	<p>Comment: Fugitive dust emissions are expected to be produced during Project construction activities. Construction-related dust effects are considered irreversible.</p> <p>Project phasing anticipates construction occurring in multiple locations simultaneously to expedite construction activities for completion within three to ten years. The number of construction locations will be determined as part of detailed design.</p> <p>Water is anticipated to be used for dust control at temporary construction camps, but water use will be subject to a PTTW.</p> <p>AFN maintains concerns about dust and noise from construction and operation of the MFCAR, that will have a negative impact on human health and terrestrial systems.</p>	<p>Context: Air quality modelling shows threshold exceedances for respirable particulate matter (PM_{2.5} and PM₁₀) “are predicted to be reached at less than 300 m from the emission source” (e.g., MFCAR ROW) (PDF pp. 256; Page 181) in the absence of mitigation. Residual effects from fugitive dust emissions (i.e., after mitigation measures have been applied) are predicted to degrade vegetation immediately adjacent to the Project (e.g., impede natural processes, degrade plant health, alter species composition, structure, and/or biomass, etc.). AFN recommends an ongoing proactive study to determine potential effects to humans that ingest or use vegetation in the CDA that may be impacted by fugitive dust emissions, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommendation a: Tissue analysis of (at minimum) a subset of the 56 identified traditional use vegetation species noted for the Project, that identifies heavy metal content or other potential cumulative effects to human health through consumption or use of vegetation in impacted areas (e.g., within 100 m of CDA or ROW). Rationale must be provided for species selection in the program. Measurable indicators/threshold values must be included and tied to adaptive management requirements; rationale must also be provided for threshold/indicator values. This may be used to assess the effectiveness of fugitive dust emission mitigation measures during construction; and/or modify or enhance mitigation measures as necessary through adaptive management during operations/maintenance.



- **Recommendation b:** Evaluate seasonal implications as it relates to First Nations plant harvesting seasons; incorporate findings into a construction-specific adaptive management program that may include temporary traffic or activity-specific limitations, access or site-specific speed restrictions, and/or inform siting of ancillary facilities during detailed design (as required). This is consistent with the final TOR for the Ring of Fire Area, that take into consideration the timing of traditional practices.
- **Recommendation c:** Consider testing environmentally friendly dust suppressant options (e.g., plant-derived applications) during construction, that minimize requirements for water withdrawal and usage through all phases of the Project.

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7.2.3.4;
7.3.1.6.2

Context: “Disturbed areas will be prepared for natural revegetation or seeded, as required.” (PDF pp. 136; Page 88)

“Use progressive restoration on-site once staging areas are no longer needed.” (PDF pp. 250; Page 175)

Construction phase decommissioning of temporary facilities and roads not required for maintenance, anticipate activities to encourage natural revegetation.

Additional requirements for revegetation and restoration are anticipated under ARA permitting.

Comment: The Project intends to prepare and implement a Vegetation Restoration Plan that incorporates the seeding/planting of traditional use plants.

The Project impacts will be largely mitigated based on the Proponent’s plans for minimal disturbance construction techniques, rehabilitation of disturbed land and offsetting habitats, with the expectation that this will be successful to replace healthy and functioning habitat. The Proponent does not provide sufficient detail in the Draft EA/IS on the rehabilitation plans, monitoring plans to determine success, and what criteria and indicators will be used to evaluate this, or what will be done if the rehabilitation trajectories are not being met.

Context: Passive reclamation (e.g., natural revegetation) is not guaranteed to restore ecological function. AFN is concerned that the Draft EA/IS approach to revegetation (e.g., natural succession, seeding) will not effectively re-establish habitat along most of the ROW on completion of construction; as a result, this may lead to unintentional delays in reclamation and restoration efforts of temporary facilities/roads.

Recommendation a: AFN expects further consultation and engagement to develop and implement the Vegetation Restoration Plan that aligns with AFNs vision for end-land use restoration trajectories. The full understanding of pre-disturbance site conditions must incorporate AFN TEK and IK, and proposed reclamation methods in the Draft EA/IS must discuss:

- Nature of the disturbance (i.e., watercourse crossing impacting riparian areas, temporary disturbances, ROW clearing, etc.). For example:
 - Guidelines for developing road corridors in the known range for SAR will need to be adhered to, such that these species will not be further threatened by the proposed Project activities.
- Detailed assessment of pre-disturbance soil quality, vegetation, and hydrology (including implementing mitigation and planning contingency measures/adaptive management actions to ensure restoration trajectories, evaluating the potential for residual impacts, etc.). For example:
 - AFN encourages and approves of the Proponent’s commitment to use traditional/cultural use vegetation species for plantings and seeding disturbed areas in the Vegetation Restoration Plan.
 - Active mitigations should be applied, including limiting topsoil storage, monitoring for effective invasive species management, hydrological restoration after material placement, and enhancing disturbed areas for wildlife use, etc.
 - Reclamation requirements for disturbed areas within critical habitat of species at risk (i.e., caribou) and/or other planning requirements for the Project (e.g., ARA



permitting and closure requirements), must demonstrate an inventory of pre-existing site conditions that will help establish triggers and criteria (metrics) for comparison where vegetation treatments are required.

- Identification of environmental sensitivities (e.g., springs, active bird nests, amphibian breeding pools, etc.)
 - This will help determine success and use of species sharing reclaimed areas, develop and implement meaningful mitigation, monitoring, protection and/or accommodation measures, in consultation with AFN.

Context: Long-term monitoring of ecosystems and terrestrial species is important to AFN members, as this works towards the shared objectives of conservation, protection, and restoration of ecosystems for species and areas of traditional or cultural importance.

Recommendation b: AFN requests a commitment from the Proponent to further engage AFN on the development and implementation of all monitoring activities for the Land and Water VC groups that interact with the Project. Monitoring results should be validated through a First Nations lens, reducing potential impacts on the ability of disturbed lands to contribute to traditional land uses. A monitoring program that meaningfully ensures AFN is involved to adequately address community concerns is vital to the acceptance of the Project by AFN.

54	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025)	8.2.3 4.2.3; Table 4-3; Table 4-4; Attachment A	Comment: Section 8.2.3 of the Draft EA/IS defines the spatial boundary of the LSA for the Vegetation VC, as 3 km from the Project centreline (e.g., 6-km-wide effects study area); whereas the technical support document identifies the LSA (Project Study Area) as both 2.5 km from the Project centreline (e.g., 5-km-wide effects study area) and 3 km from the Project centreline (e.g., consistent with the Draft EA/IS).	The LSA spatial boundary defines the area where most of the direct effects of the Project are likely to occur and must be consistent for each VC throughout all documentation provided in the application. While it appears the assessment and evaluation of impacts consider the 3-km buffer from Project centreline (e.g., 6-km-wide LSA), only Appendix J clarifies the original 2.5 km assessment area for all VCs when the assessments began in 2019. Recommendation: Please incorporate this information into the Draft EA/IS for clarity and ease of reference throughout the sections referring to the vegetation VC.
55	Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025) Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment	Comment: [REDACTED] Access to healthy lands and waters is integral to the continuation of AFN culture, way of life, and capacity to transfer TK from one generation to the next. This is evident from baseline investigations, where fragmentation and invasive species are generally absent in the Project study areas and the primary influence on the landscape is natural disturbance related to wildfire.	Context: Particular care must be taken to avoid disturbance of key harvesting and cultural areas that have not been clearly captured in the assessment. It is clear there are substantial knowledge gaps in the Draft EA/IS that limit AFN’s ability to identify interactions and potential effects, thereby restricting our collective ability to determine mitigation and management programming and understand whether the predicted Project impacts are considered acceptable. This would include whether the Project and associated infrastructure will result in habitat fragmentation, loss of wetland function, and be susceptible to the establishment or spread of invasive species. Recommendation: AFN requests further collaboration to complete detailed design/sighting in these sensitive and culturally significant areas (especially referring to the Ogoki and Albany river crossing locations):



				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To ensure an inclusive and holistic approach to environmental management by incorporating meaningful site-specific mitigation measures informed by AFN (e.g., monitor and prioritize control of invasive species using mechanical methods/hand pulling or culturally appropriate means) in the Environmental Protection Plan. - Commit to incorporate recommendations that reassess the status of black ash protections under a proactive study in the Vegetation Management Plan (see comment below). - Construct and operate the Project in a manner that meets the needs of AFN land users and harvesters (e.g., include opportunities to support, retain and enhance education and transfer of knowledge around the importance/significance of traditional use species, provide offset or compensation support for areas in adjacent/accessible locations, implement adaptive management, monitoring and follow-up programs, provide notifications/access in advance of construction, etc.). - Maintain safe and undisturbed access to river crossing locations during construction to the extent feasible; AFN requests advance notification and use of these areas, if they will be publicly inaccessible during any time of the year. This will ensure AFN citizens have adequate time, access, and space for harvesting and gathering at important sites adjacent to planned river crossings in advance of Project disturbance.
56	Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025)	4.3.2; Table 5-1	<p>Comment: A total of 90 Vegetation ground-based field investigations and 316 aerial visual checks occurred between 2021–2023 during the appropriate season (i.e., leaf-on season), specifically:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - September 19, 21-29, 2021 (10 days) - July 13-18, 22, 2022 (7 days) - June 15, 17, 18; August 3-5, 2023 (6 days) <p>Visual photo interpretation was completed for 75 locations, with photographs taken June 1-10, 2022, and August 10-13, 2022.</p>	<p>Context: The Draft EA/IS identifies that approximately 19% of mapped ecosite types were verified through ground investigations in CDA and LSA; with the remainder of the verification process estimated through aerial/photo interpretation. AFN notes the mapping exercise has indicated the presence of “diseases” and “pests.” which have not been assessed or verified during ground-based investigations; yet is a valuable indicator to determine existing conditions for forest and vegetation health. Please clarify if these forest health indicators have been assessed during any ground verification survey efforts, and/or if this will be included in the long-term monitoring programs. AFN stresses the importance of forest health as a crucial indicator of a thriving environment and stability in regulating vital ecosystem processes/functions required for First Nations land use and occupancy, in addition to providing the appropriate baseline context for assessing residual effects of the Project.</p> <p>Recommendation: AFN recognizes the slight deviations from the TISG study plan requirements for field verification due to limitations outside of the control of the Project team; however, every effort must be made to ensure habitat/species’ sensitivities have been mapped, and mitigation has been developed, in advance of final sighting and detailed design phases.</p>
57	Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025)	4.3.3; 5.7.1; Table C-1	<p>Comment: MFFN contributed knowledge paths and locations that were considered in determining how accessible each of the mapped ecosites were for traditional use plant harvest.</p>	<p>Information Request: It is unclear if only the original 43 species provided by MFFN were used to identify candidate traditional use plant habitat suitability in the assessment. Please clarify if additional species provided by AFN were included in the traditional use plant habitat suitability</p>



			<p>“Any ecosite that intersected or was within 500 m of any Indigenous Knowledge point or path received a score of 1. Ecosites that did not intersect with any Indigenous Knowledge location, or the 500 m buffer scored 0 in terms of habitat accessibility.” (PDF pp. 64; Page 43)</p>	<p>assessment, as these have not been incorporated into Table C-1 (PDF pp. 600; Page 291).</p> <p>The habitat accessibility assessment does not explicitly include the expansive Indigenous and TEK of AFN land users and Knowledge Holders. This is a significant concern, as one of the Project mitigation measures commits to locate infrastructure away from known traditional use plant harvesting areas. Several traditional use harvesting areas have been mapped by AFN in the PSAs, that require further protections and mitigation measures to adequately address community concerns around access and availability of traditional use vegetation species.</p>
58	<p>Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025)</p> <p>Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)</p>	<p>Figure 7-6; Table 7-9</p> <p>General comment</p>	<p>Comment: Figure 7-6 identifies existing natural disturbances such as “disease” and “insects” that were not summarized in the baseline information for the Draft EA/IS or Vegetation Technical Support Document (Table 7-9: Anthropogenic and Natural Disturbances in the Effects Assessment Local and Regional Study Areas).</p> <p>Predicted conditions indicate future climate warming may bring forest pests (e.g., defoliators like emerald ash borer), further north; future conditions may also encourage vegetation diseases (e.g., root or leaf diseases) and intensify severe weather effects (e.g., drought or snow damage).</p>	<p>Information Request: Indicators of existing forest health (such as forest diseases and/or pests identified in the terrestrial mapping exercise) must be summarized and examined in the Draft EA/IS and technical support documents to fully understand the implications of the proposed Project on the existing and future conditions surrounding environment, ensure adequate mitigation measures and adaptive management thresholds are established, and appropriate monitoring is planned for/implemented to maintain habitat functions under future operating conditions.</p> <p>“Disease” and “insects” can impact both vegetation/forest health and wildlife health (e.g., ticks, chronic wasting disease, etc.). This information must be included in the existing conditions assessment for identified VCs.</p>
59	<p>Appendix J – Draft Vegetation Technical Support Document (2025)</p>	<p>5.5.1</p>	<p>Context: “Approximately 8.1% of the riparian zone within the existing conditions Local Study Area and 32% of the riparian zone within the existing conditions Regional Study Area are mapped as Water. The presence of water within the riparian zone is a mapping anomaly as the Ontario Hydro Network Waterbody layer, which was one of the layers used to create the 30 m riparian buffer, does not correspond directly to the polygons mapped as “Water” during desktop vegetation community mapping.” (PDF pp. 118; Page 85)</p> <p>Comment: Environment Canada recommends maintaining a minimum 30-m-wide naturally vegetated riparian area on both sides of watercourses and waterbodies to protect aquatic habitat along at least 75% of the length of the watercourse, though wider areas may be needed for highly functional wildlife habitat.</p>	<p>Context: While the landscape level approach to the Draft EA/IS recognizes cultural importance and the connectivity of wetland and riparian ecosystems at a regional scale, the riparian areas associated with major watercourse crossings along the preferred route at a local effects scale must be weighted differently, especially considering the water budget studies still required in advance of detailed design and construction.</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>Recommendation a: AFN recommends updating the local-scale effects assessment of riparian habitats for the preferred route existing conditions, to include sufficient boundaries that provide adequate protections for wildlife and sensitive vegetation habitat known to overlap the LSA and CDA.</p> <p>Recommendation b: Taking into consideration the uncertainty with mapping data and sensitivity of species known to occur in these areas, AFN recommends establishing a 100-m buffer around each water body, in line with the Birds VC Study Plan (i.e., distinguished riparian habitats by establishing a 100-m buffer surrounding each water body using the Ontario Hydro Network 1:100,000 scale watercourse and water body data set).</p> <p>Context: [REDACTED]</p>



[REDACTED], and the inherent uncertainty around if Project-related pits/quarries will be completed above or below the water table, a standard minimum 30-m buffer used to define the riparian areas at the Project is not appropriate to characterize the baseline, determine potential impacts or put forward effective mitigation measures to important wildlife habitat availability and use at these crossing locations. The proposed 30-m riparian area buffer width is supported in the literature as general guidance to apply broadly as a *minimum* recommendation for riparian systems as it relates to protections for aquatic habitats, and greater widths may be required to provide for highly functional wildlife habitat, as is demonstrated in the Project study areas. Beyond the proposed 30 m, [REDACTED]

60	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.2.4.2; Table 8-16; Table 8-21	Comment: “Other” ecosystem type is not explained under the availability of upland and wetland ecosystems within the existing conditions Study Areas.	Question: Please clarify in Section 8.2.4.2, Table 8-16 and Table 8-21, what habitats the “Other” ecosystem type is comprised of. Although this ecosystem type is only present in small amounts in the RSA, without additional context it is difficult to understand potential regional impacts.
61	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.2.4.4	Comment: “For easier mapping and analysis, ecosites have been grouped into four <i>upland</i> vegetation community groupings.”	Recommendation: This section relates to wetland ecosystems. Please update the statement to reflect this.
62	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 8-19	Comment: Table 8-19 summarizes wetland function and performance within existing conditions study areas. “Low”, “Moderate”, “Variable” and “High” function ratings have not been defined. “The ability of each wetland vegetation community (i.e., swamp, marsh, fen, bog) to perform the associated function varies depending on characteristics such as landscape position (e.g., riparian, basin), soil type (i.e., mineral or organic), and size. The relative importance of each function also varies and may be related to the type and proximity of other vegetation communities.” (PDF pp. 113; Page 80)	Context: Without understanding what metrics are used to understand the assessment rankings of wetland functions, it is unclear how the Project evaluated these and the associated potential impacts for each wetland type. Question a: Please clarify if the assessment of wetland function was completed on a site-by-site basis or regional scale. Question b: Please also clarify any limitations associated with the method of analysis and update the residual effects assessment to reflect any updated context. Recommendation: Finally, please update the Draft EA/IS (and corresponding sections of Appendix J), to include this information and the definitions of wetland function ratings used in the assessment.



11.0 WILDLIFE

11.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

The Project is expected to result in both direct/indirect and residual effects to all wildlife VCs. Mitigation measures have been proposed/expected to minimize or reduce the effects of the Project on wildlife during the construction and operations and maintenance phases. However, AFN maintains that a more conservative approach to protections and mitigation measures at the Project will be necessary for reducing potential impacts to AFN rights and interests to an acceptable level. Many focal species chosen to evaluate Project impacts are species of traditional, cultural, and/or spiritual importance for AFN. As such, validation of baseline conditions and the fulsome evaluation of potential direct/indirect and residual effects to the wildlife VC are of vital importance to AFN land users and Knowledge Holders.

There are several deviations from the TISG that have not been explained. This apparent lack of oversight of the Draft Wildlife Technical Support Document (Appendix K) is concerning to AFN. Several SAR and Special Concern species have been omitted from Appendix K, making it difficult for AFN to fully understand the information provided in a holistic manner, undermining AFN's trust that all interactions between related VCs (e.g., bats, reptiles) were considered in a meaningful way. Necessary requirements from applicable legislation have also been excluded, calling into question the validity of the report and the recognition that the reports have considered the inherent connections between the lands and waters that sustain AFN culture and way of life, and the current commitments of the Project Team.

11.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

While there were few reptile observations during baseline studies for the Project (i.e., limited to eastern gartersnake), AFN members identified several locations near the Project and along the A/PL Roads upgrade locations where turtle and snake species and/or sensitive locations for reptiles (i.e., turtle nesting locations) have been observed by AFN community members and land users. This information appears to have been omitted from the Draft EA/IS and Appendix K. There were no targeted field surveys completed for reptiles during the Project baseline, and there is a likelihood, based on AFN observations of reptile occurrences in the region, that they also occur in the CDA and PSAs. Identifying provincial, territorial, or federal permits or authorizations that may be required in relation to SAR is a requirement of the TISG (Section 15.4). It is unacceptable that the conclusions presented in the residual effects assessment for reptiles is predicted to be not significant with low prediction confidence, while habitat availability/suitability and survival/reproduction characteristics have not been adequately assessed, and several SAR reptile species have been omitted without justification or verification during baseline surveys. Snakes and turtles are considered traditionally and culturally significant wildlife to AFN.



Similarly, describing adverse effects of the Project on protected species (e.g., under provincial status, assessed by COSEWIC as extirpated, endangered, threatened, or special concern) and their habitats not currently listed federally under SARA is a requirement of the TISG (Section 15.4). Several SAR were omitted from the Draft EA/IS, including species of Endangered migratory bats and Special Concern reptiles that have potential to overlap the PSAs, and known by AFN members to occur in the region. For example, this is significant for the endangered migratory bats. The assessment notes that habitats within the PSAs may provide suitable bat maternity roosting habitat for omitted species, and that the results of high-frequency calls are challenging to identify to species-level (i.e., for eastern red bat). Both eastern red bat and hoary bat were detected in 2019 surveys supporting the Project baseline, with elevated bat activity (noted in multiple years) adjacent to the Albany and Ogoki rivers (considered significant areas for AFN). It is unacceptable that SAR were not flagged in the assessment, yet the conclusions presented note the predicted residual effects to SAR bats will be not significant and that prediction confidence is considered low.

Required context from the Ontario *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act* is also missing, despite the Project assessment selecting focal species to represent wildlife VCs that are included on the Schedules of this Act (i.e., designated “Specially Protected Wildlife”). This context is critical to fully understanding the magnitude and significance of all potential Project impacts/effects to the wildlife VC in addition to validation of baseline existing conditions. This factor carries significant weight for AFN, as many of these species are also considered important for cultural, traditional, or spiritual purposes when practicing inherent rights on the lands and waters of AFN Traditional Territory.

General Habitat Descriptions (GHDs) for SAR are intended to describe the habitats required to carry out a species’ life processes and define general boundaries for habitat protections to benefit the species and ensure Project activities do not negatively impact a designated species or their habitats. There is no GHD available for wolverine; the Draft EA/IS and Appendix K have not discussed detailed habitat differences and requirements for wolverine during the sensitive denning period (defined by the Project to be between February 1 and May 1, annually). There are significant differences and habitat preferences for wolverine in selecting maternal dens vs. natal dens, and this context must be made available in the Draft EA/IS to fully understand the potential Project impacts and residual effects to this species of traditional and cultural importance for AFN. Further, disturbance to active wolverine dens is a contravention of the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act* and Ontario *Endangered Species Act*, unless a licensed trapper is employed, despite the annual timing. The Project must consider the most conservative approach to assessing impacts and providing protections for wolverine, given the relatively unfragmented/undisturbed nature of the existing conditions within the PSAs.

A healthy and productive aquatic and riparian habitat is required for community members to exercise their inherent rights and interests in AFN Traditional Territory. Beavers also represent a significant traditional use species for AFN, as a focal species in the Wildlife VC for the Project. As such, appropriate management of this species is a priority for AFN throughout the duration of the Project. Measures to remove beaver dams/lodges and/or instream debris during all phases of the Project must align with the requirements of any *Fisheries Act* Authorizations (i.e., due to presence of fish SAR or other conditions that exclude the use of DFO’s Codes of Practice) associated with the watercourse. This information was not presented in the Draft EA/IS, nor Appendix K. While various



preventative measures are available for beavers to discourage activity and use of areas that risk infrastructure or safety of the Project, including select commitments would provide a better overall understanding of the predicted effects to a culturally significant species identified by AFN.

11.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.10 TERRESTRIAL WILDLIFE AND THEIR HABITAT

- *describe the historic and current use of terrestrial wildlife as a source of country foods (traditional foods) or where use has Indigenous cultural importance (e.g., black bear, caribou, deer, moose, beaver, arctic fox, fisher, wolverine, rabbits, marten, muskrat, and otter);*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 19.1 EFFECTS TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- *quantity and quality of resources available for harvesting (e.g., species of cultural importance, including traditional and medicinal plants);*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- *Changes in the availability and quality of lands and resources used for traditional activities*
- *Changes in the sufficiency of lands and resources for cultural tradition*
- *Disruption of cultural heritage resources by the introduction of physical, visual, audible or atmospheric elements that are not in keeping with the character and setting of cultural heritage resources*

11.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

The documentation provided has left out necessary information for the Project to be successful, opting to consider the Project as a stand-alone development in the region. However, to effectively construct the Project, the A/PL Roads require upgrades to allow equipment access for construction of the Project (and ultimately operations into the future). This context is crucial to AFN's approval of the Project; understanding that the Project and associated A/PL Roads upgrades represent a significant uptake in development throughout the region, and the likelihood that this infrastructure will provide additional access and prospects for further resource development that will impact AFN community members into the future. All associated commercial/industrial and passenger traffic using the Project will be required to pass through AFN Traditional Territory. This context is also imperative to the fulsome understanding of Project impacts and potential residual effects for *all* VCs selected.



Potential impacts to land use and occupancy associated with the Wildlife VC is also linked with increased access to AFN traditional use areas and travel routes by non-rights-bearing members of the public. Increased levels of recreation and harvesting by others will result in reduced harvesting opportunities for AFN (e.g., through sensory disturbance by others, dust/traffic that make the areas less suitable for traditionally harvested species, inappropriately discarded waste, establishment or spread of invasive species, direct competition with licensed hunters or poachers, etc.), and potentially lead to reduced or altered function of wildlife habitat, and deterrence or avoidance of typically available wildlife. Significant changes to wildlife habitat quality/quantity and behaviours due to human activities may further result in cumulative impacts to land use and occupancy for AFN, including to the ability of members to share TK and TEK with future generations.

11.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

To fully understand potential Project impacts to the community, Traditional Territory, and the region as a whole; and align with the TOR for the Ring of Fire Area, AFN recommends:

- On completion of pre-construction studies required for detailed design/siting of project infrastructure (e.g., groundwater, beaver lodges, etc.), a detailed Project schedule must be developed. AFN requests an initial review of Project scheduling, that must:
 - Incorporate scheduling of all Project activities by planned segment and phased locations that overlap any permitted-, Project- or First Nations-identified environmental sensitivities (e.g., Gantt chart)
 - Incorporate mapping of the preferred route that includes any boundaries of “environmental sensitivities” identified and verified by the Project, jurisdictional authorities, and Indigenous partners. Mapped sensitive features must be referenced to recommended environmental protection and/or mitigation measures in the Environmental Protection Plan. Access notes, along with physiography, terrain, and soils sensitivities such as permafrost regions and soil salvage information, must also be included due to the Project’s preference for winter construction, completing construction outside of sensitive timing windows for wildlife to the extent possible, and potential limitations/challenges associated with current uncertainty.
 - Incorporate timing considerations for the Project to provide advance notification, access, and space to AFN community members, and ensure all appropriate site-specific protections/mitigation measures are in place for birds, fish, and wildlife. As sensitive timing windows for wildlife, birds, and fish SAR cannot be strictly adhered to during disruptive Project activities, further permitting and consultation/engagement with AFN and other jurisdictions will be required.
- The Project must prioritize the development and implementation of the wildfire prevention and response plan, in collaboration with AFN. AFN discourages burning unusable timber byproducts but is open to shared management of stockpiled timber for the



benefit of AFN community members. Due to the potential for wildlife use/occupancy of stored timber at select times of year, it is recommended that a seasonal timing restriction be incorporated for this activity.

- Confirm if the Project has submitted an IGF to MECP for information regarding SAR (i.e., especially with respect to bats and reptiles). In the absence of this information, the most conservative approach to the assessment must include:
 - Rationale for not originally including these species in the Draft EA/IS, or (preferably) updating the Draft EA/IS to include these missing species.
 - Incorporating further pre-disturbance surveys/field investigations, and ongoing monitoring for these species (to determine presence/absence, sensitive habitats, etc.), in collaboration with AFN. If disturbance is required in identified sensitive habitats for SAR, an Overall Benefit Permit and Offsetting Plan to provide overall benefit to the species will be required. Further engagement and collaboration with AFN on offsetting measures will be required.
 - Endangered migratory bat species (i.e., eastern red bat, hoary bat): *all* sensitive timing windows for bats must be adhered to for all Project activities, *and* compensation habitat is recommended prior to clearing/site preparation works. Suitable maternity roosting habitat descriptions must also be included.
 - Special Concern reptiles (i.e., northern map turtle, snapping turtle): reptile habitat availability overlapping the PSAs has not been estimated in the Draft EA/IS. AFN requests the Project commit to including an evaluation of reptile habitat availability within the PSAs. Additional mitigation measures for reptiles must include pre-construction surveys and planning if relocations are required in advance of clearing and site preparation works.
- Confirm if permanent lighting will be installed for the Project.
- Commit to further engagement and collaboration in the development and implementation of the Environmental Protection Plan, Terrestrial Biodiversity Offsetting Plans, Cleanup and Reclamation Plans, and reporting protocol/systems to benefit and track wildlife, especially traditional use species and SAR:
- Relocations, as a proposed mitigation measure for herpetofauna, may require an Overall Benefit Permit (i.e., for SAR), wildlife handling permit(s), and relocation plan(s). AFN requests the Project commit to further engagement and consultation regarding salvages and relocations that involve wildlife (or vegetation), to develop and implement appropriate plans that protect and benefit wildlife and vegetation species impacted by the Project.
- The Environmental Protection Plan for the Project must include a beaver management plan, developed in consultation with AFN, which outlines how Project phases will align with the requirements of DFO Authorizations, in addition to current commitments (e.g., beaver lodges are “sensitive” habitats, afforded additional protection). The beaver management plan must include specific provisions to restore and revegetate riparian areas that may be



disturbed by Project activities, installation of ESC measures, monitoring effectiveness of mitigation measures, prevention and response for deleterious releases to waterbodies and watercourses, timing of activities to avoid sensitive periods, monitoring and response actions (contingency measures), etc.

- Should the updated information requested for wolverine above identify sensitive denning area habitat (e.g., either for maternal or natal dens, and/or high-quality movement territory between den types) within (minimum) 1.5 km of either side of the CDA, a wolverine management plan must be developed and implemented under the Environmental Protection Plan for the Project, in consultation with AFN.



11.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 9: Comment and Recommendations Table for Wildlife Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
63	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	7.2.3.1	<p>Comment: Vegetation clearing and grubbing will occur at construction laydowns, staging areas, and temporary construction camps. Clearing, grubbing, and soil material stripping is anticipated to occur as part of the CDA site preparation along the ROW.</p> <p>Although these Project activities are planned for execution outside of sensitive timing windows for birds, fish and wildlife, with a preference for winter clearing, the Draft EA/IS notes that if seasonal windows cannot be adhered to, additional permitting and mitigation measures will be required.</p> <p>Based on the information provided in the Draft EA/IS, it is not possible for the Project to adhere to all sensitive species timing windows with preference for winter construction.</p>	<p>Construction and site preparation activities will result in direct and indirect effects to birds, fish and wildlife.</p> <p>Recommendation a: AFN recommends, upon completion of further studies required for detailed design and siting of Project infrastructure (e.g., groundwater studies), the Project Team must incorporate scheduling of all Project activities by planned segment and phased locations into a Gantt chart, overlapping any and all mapped site-specific sensitivities (i.e., SAR, critical habitat, wetlands, beaver lodges, etc.). Maps of the preferred route alternative should be included and incorporate boundaries of sensitive features that reference recommended environmental protection/mitigation measures for contractor use. This should be a central part of the Environmental Protection Plan.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN further requests an initial review of Project scheduling to ensure appropriate site-specific protections and mitigation measures are in place for birds, fish, and wildlife, and to ensure Project activities do not interrupt AFN cultural and spiritual interactions with the lands and waters in the Project CDA.</p> <p>If sensitive timing windows for wildlife, bird, or fish SAR cannot be strictly adhered to during disruptive Project activities, further permitting and consultation/engagement with AFN and other jurisdictional authorities will be required.</p>
64	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	7.2.3.1	<p>Comment: Brush and timber disposal is proposed for non-merchantable or unusable timber and material will be collected and burned at designated sites.</p> <p>A wildfire prevention and response plan for construction works is an identified mitigation measure.</p>	<p>Context: The Project must prioritize engagement and collaboration with AFN in the development and implementation of the wildfire prevention and response plan, prior to any site preparation activities. Community and road safety remains a priority for AFN.</p> <p>Recommendation: Although the wildfire prevention/response plan is a commitment of the Project, AFN discourages burning as a disposal method for unusable timber byproducts resulting from Project activities. This is due to the potential for uncontrollable conditions contributing to natural wildfire disturbance at scale, and uncertainty regarding the management of designated sites presented in the Draft EA/IS. Instead, AFN requests the Project make excess unusable timber available for use by AFN community members as a priority, before expected burning at designated sites. A time limit must be incorporated if materials are stockpiled at select times of year, such to discourage wildlife use while still allowing opportunities for AFN.</p>
65	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	7.2.2.1; 8.2.5.1; Table 8-24; Figure 8-16; 9.4.3	<p>Comment: “If seasonal windows cannot be adhered to, additional permitting and mitigation measures will be required.” (PDF pp. 130; Page 82)</p>	<p>Context: Endangered migratory bats (Scheduled species under the Ontario <i>Endangered Species Act</i>) such as eastern red bat and hoary bat would feasibly be expected to occur in the PSAs based on existing habitat conditions and known</p>



Bat VCs as described, do not include all SAR bats with potential to occur in the PSAs.

“Suitable” maternity roosting habitat is not defined or described in the Draft EA/IS for each species, but is calculated in Table 8-24, and mapped on Figure 8-16. Analysis of the distribution of little brown myotis and northern myotis notes suitable maternity roost habitat is uncommon and unevenly distributed in the LSA/RSA, but concentrated around the Ogoki and Albany river crossings.

range of each species. Bats are considered a species of traditional importance to AFN.

Information Request a: Please confirm if the Project has submitted an Information Gathering Form (IGF) to MECP, otherwise *all* sensitive timing windows specified for SAR bats overlapping the Project that have potential to occur *must* be adhered to for all Project activities, *and* compensation habitat is recommended (e.g., rocket boxes) to be in place at least one year in advance of clearing or site preparation efforts.

Information Request b: Please include suitable maternity roosting habitat descriptions for each species in the Draft EA/IS for clarity in understanding potential impacts to bat SAR. **Information Request c:** Please also include rationale for not including endangered migratory species in the assessment, or update the Draft EA/IS to include these species for a more fulsome assessment of SAR overlapping the Project area.

Recommendation: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] to demonstrate the Project results in no negative impacts to SAR wildlife habitat. Approaches to determine presence/absence of SAR bat species and potential habitat areas along the preferred route should be included in the pre-construction field investigations. If disturbance is required in identified sensitive hibernacula/maternity roost areas, an Overall Benefit Permit and offsetting plan to provide overall benefit to the species will be required. Further engagement and collaboration with AFN on offsetting measures will also be required.

66	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix K (Draft Wildlife Technical Support Document 2025)	8.2.5.4 General comment	<p>Context: “The only reptile species known to occur in the wildlife existing conditions Local Study Area and Regional Study Area is eastern gartersnake.” (PDF pp. 262; Page 214)</p> <p>Comment: The reptiles and amphibians cited in the Draft EA/IS do not include snake/turtle species observed by AFN members within the Traditional Territory. Snakes and turtles are considered species of traditional and cultural importance to AFN. Table 8-27 and Figure 8-21 summarize only amphibian habitat availability overlapping the PSAs.</p>	<p>Context: [REDACTED] [REDACTED] These upgrades will be required before the Project can proceed.</p> <p>Turtle habitat availability is also influenced by various factors that include appropriate substrate for nesting/overwintering, in proximity to foraging and basking locations. Limiting factors for turtle species tend to be the availability and suitability of nesting and overwintering sites. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] This species requires large, slow-moving water bodies like those that occur in the PSAs, is listed federally and provincially as a species of Special Concern (SARA, Ontario ESA), and a Specially Protected Reptile under the Ontario <i>Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act</i>.</p> <p>Recommendation a: As garter snakes were observed during field surveys in support of characterizing the baseline conditions for the Project, and both snakes/turtles have been observed by AFN land users in the area, AFN recommends appropriate pre-construction and ongoing surveys/monitoring, targeting reptiles in collaboration with AFN:</p>
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- In areas with potential for snake hibernacula, complete Visual Encounter Surveys and targeted habitat surveys at suitable times of year, on days with appropriate weather conditions
- In areas with potential for turtle nesting and overwintering, complete Basking surveys and Visual Encounter Surveys that target breeding and emergence periods for local species, on days with appropriate weather conditions.

Recommendation b: Further, AFN requests the Project commit to completing a reptile habitat availability assessment in the wildlife VC PSAs for an accurate and fulsome assessment in the Draft EA/IS. Relocation is discussed in other comments.

Ongoing surveys for amphibians during construction is recommended to take place, as the Project denotes breeding habitat as “sensitive,” warranting further protection/mitigation.

67	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.2.5.2.1; 9.4.3.4	<p>Comment: Wolverine is a species of traditional and cultural importance for AFN.</p> <p>There is no General Habitat Description (GHD) available for wolverine to describe the habitat required to carry out the species’ life processes, as required under the Ontario <i>Endangered Species Act</i>. GHDs clarify a species’ required habitat(s) and delineate boundaries for habitat protections, ensuring project activities do not negatively impact a designated species or its habitat.</p> <p>Wolverines use two types of dens during the breeding season (i.e., natal dens for parturition, maternal dens for rearing kits). Although the Project defines a wolverine denning season extending across both denning windows (Feb 1–May 1), there is no GHD available and den types may be located in different areas. Note that while the wolverine denning season timing (as defined by the Project) represents the general denning period for this species, wolverine may initiate or complete denning periods outside of this timing window.</p>	<p>Context: Disturbance to active wolverine dens is in contravention of the <i>Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act</i> and Ontario <i>Endangered Species Act</i> unless a licensed trapper is employed.</p> <p>Recommendation a: Because the GHD remains unavailable, MECP should work with the Project Team and future foreseeable project teams, in collaboration with AFN and other local First Nations communities, to incorporate all available records from the region for the Project assessment of wolverine. Information must be included in associated wildlife management/monitoring plans (as it becomes available), based on the commitments noted in the Draft EA/IS. Consideration should also be given to include any records for suitability, territory size, etc., and apply site-specific protections for wolverine based on this.</p> <p>The Ontario Recovery Strategy for wolverine indicates that all habitat associations, including den selection, are correlated to distance from roads and logging. Den selection for wolverine will likely consider proximity and connectivity between preferred/suitable natal den areas and maternal den areas, in addition to other habitat factors necessary for the species’ life processes.</p> <p>AFN requests the Project commit to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommendation b: Separating natal and maternal den timing windows (i.e., mid-February to mid-March: natal dens; mid-March to end-April: maternal dens) as currently defined in the Draft EA/IS. - Recommendation c: Incorporate a conservative (e.g., at minimum, month-long) extension to the sensitive period for wolverine to ensure gravid females are able to find suitable denning habitat before giving birth, and effectively rear kits postpartum (e.g. extend defined sensitive window from beginning of January until early April). - Recommendation d: Include appropriate habitat descriptions and availability of high-quality habitat areas for both den types used by wolverine in the PSAs. - Recommendation e: Should the updated information resulting from the request above identify sensitive denning area habitat (e.g., either for maternal or natal dens) within (minimum) 1.5 km of either side of
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the CDA, a wolverine management plan must be developed and implemented under the Environmental Protection Plan for the Project, in consultation with AFN.

68	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	7.2.3.1	<p>Comment: Vegetation clearing and grubbing will occur at construction laydowns, staging areas, and temporary construction camps. Clearing, grubbing, and soil material stripping is anticipated to occur as part of the CDA site preparation along the ROW.</p> <p>Although these Project activities are planned for execution outside of sensitive timing windows for birds, fish and wildlife, with a preference for winter clearing, the Draft EA/IS notes that if seasonal windows cannot be adhered to, additional permitting and mitigation measures will be required.</p> <p>Based on the information provided in the Draft EA/IS, it is not possible for the Project to adhere to all sensitive species timing windows with preference for winter construction.</p>	<p>Construction and site preparation activities will result in direct and indirect effects to birds, fish and wildlife.</p> <p>Recommendation a: AFN recommends, upon completion of further studies required for detailed design and siting of Project infrastructure (e.g., groundwater studies), the Project Team must incorporate scheduling of all Project activities by planned segment and phased locations into a Gantt chart, overlapping any and all mapped site-specific sensitivities (i.e., SAR, critical habitat, wetlands, beaver lodges, etc.). Maps of the preferred route alternative should be included and incorporate boundaries of sensitive features that reference recommended environmental protection/mitigation measures for contractor use. This should be a central part of the Environmental Protection Plan.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN further requests an initial review of Project scheduling to ensure appropriate site-specific protections and mitigation measures are in place for birds, fish and wildlife, and to ensure Project activities do not interrupt AFN cultural and spiritual interactions with the lands and waters in the Project CDA.</p> <p>Recommendation c: If sensitive timing windows for wildlife, bird, or fish SAR cannot be strictly adhered to during disruptive Project activities, further permitting and consultation/engagement with AFN and other jurisdictional authorities will be required.</p>
69	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-2	<p>Comment: It is unclear why Wildlife (ungulates) have both potential and no potential pathways for indirect effects as it relates to the visual environment, resulting from Project interactions between VCs. Similarly, wildlife are expected to interact with each other, resulting in indirect effects to other focal wildlife VCs, as a result of the Project.</p>	<p>Information Request: Please clarify both potential and no potential pathways indicated for indirect effects between wildlife (ungulates) VCs and the visual environment in the Draft EA/IS.</p> <p>Context: Indirect interactions between wildlife VCs may result from Project activities due to noise/sensory disturbance that deter select species into surrounding habitats, attractants in localized areas, creation of preferred habitat characteristics for select species that encroach into surrounding habitats, etc.</p> <p>Recommendation: Please update the Draft EA/IS for same, or provide additional context or rationale explaining why wildlife VCs are not expected to interact indirectly with each other as a result of the Project.</p>
70	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix K – Wildlife Technical Support Document (2025)	General comment	<p>Comment: It is unclear if permanent lighting will be installed as part of the infrastructure required for the Project.</p>	<p>Question: Will permanent lighting be installed for the Project during construction or operations phases? Permanent lighting will result in cumulative sensory disturbance to wildlife (e.g., attractant or deterrent), which may be mitigated by appropriate siting and directional shielding; however, this may also result in improved safety conditions during operations and maintenance phases considering there are currently no operational timing restrictions identified for commercial or passenger vehicles.</p>
71	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	9.4.3.4	<p>Comment: Developing a mandatory protocol/system for reporting incidental wildlife interactions and collisions at the Project, in addition</p>	<p>Recommendation: AFN requests the Project commit to further engagement and collaboration in the development and implementation of the</p>



	Appendix K – Wildlife Technical Support Document (2025)	Table 7-10	to Terrestrial Biodiversity Offset Plans, are identified as a mitigation and enhancement measure for wildlife.	Environmental Protection Plan, Terrestrial Biodiversity Offsetting Plans, Cleanup and Reclamation Plans, and reporting protocol/systems to benefit and track wildlife, especially traditional use species and SAR.
72	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-21; 9.4.3.2; 9.4.3.4; Table 9-22	<p>Comment: Project-environmental interactions do not consider the potential for Project activities/construction to result in habitat sinks for reptiles and amphibians.</p> <p>Reptile and amphibian eco-passages and exclusion fencing have been proposed as potential mitigation measures.</p> <p>“Any reptiles or amphibians found within work areas will be relocated to suitable habitat nearby. Safe handling practices will be used to move turtles, snakes and other herpetofauna to areas away from the construction (for example, Ontario Species at Risk Handling Manual: For Endangered Species Act Authorization Holders).” (PDF pp. 503; Page 505)</p>	<p>Context: The loss or alteration of habitats required for reptiles and amphibians can lead to physical harm of individuals, change reproduction habits, reduce habitat quality, and/or disrupt habitat connectivity, which would make these habitats less suitable for these species or result in potential localized habitat sinks. As noted in earlier comments, it appears that not all species of reptiles/amphibians (including SAR, and important traditional or cultural use species) have been considered in the assessment.</p> <p>Recommendation a: In the absence of species-specific baseline information relating to TEK of reptile and amphibian species from AFN land users and Knowledge Holders, AFN recommends the Proponent commit to the development and implementation of pre-construction surveys and an ongoing monitoring program targeting reptile and amphibian habitats along the preferred route. This will also help to validate and site reptile passages/tunnels as an effective/successful mitigation measure for reptiles/amphibians, and identify areas for wildlife exclusion fencing or relocations.</p> <p>Relocations, as a proposed mitigation measure for herpetofauna, will potentially require an overall benefit permit (e.g., for SAR), wildlife handling permits, and relocation plans.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN requests the following are included in any Relocation Plans:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Permit conditions and wildlife reporting requirements Weave overall Project wildlife tracking approach and results from preconstruction and ongoing survey efforts targeting reptiles and amphibians, into adaptive management actions that ensure likelihood of success and resilience of relocated populations Salvage must be completed under appropriate weather conditions and at appropriate time(s) of year The salvaged individual(s) are treated with appropriate husbandry and handling requirements that ensure likelihood of survival Relocation to adequate, and sufficiently sized habitat during appropriate time(s) of year, and under appropriate weather conditions Monitor for, and manage, potential disease transfer during salvage operations Complete ongoing monitoring of salvage and relocation habitats to ensure overall success. <p>Recommendation c: AFN requests the Proponent commit to further engagement and consultation regarding salvages and relocations that involve wildlife or vegetation, to develop and implement appropriate plans that protect, and benefit wildlife and vegetation species impacted by the Project.</p>



73	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	Table 9-22; 9.4.3.4	<p>Comment: The summary of residual effects for wildlife, indicates several species with only “net residual effect” identified (e.g., no assessment of magnitude, direction, geographic extent, etc.) in the Draft EA/IS. For example, Bats (little brown myotis and northern myotis) VC during operations and maintenance phases, related to potential incidental take; Furbearer (wolverine) VCs during operations and maintenance phases, related to habitat loss and alteration, and incidental take.</p>	<p>Recommendation: Please incorporate the evaluation information from Table 8-10 (Appendix K) into the characterization of predicted residual effects and determination of significance for wildlife VCs in the Draft EA/IS for clarity and ease of reference.</p>
	Appendix K – Wildlife Technical Support Document (2025)	Table 8-10		
74	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	9.4.3.4	<p>Comment: Mitigation and enhancement measures for beaver during construction and operations and maintenance phases include only beaver guards installed on culverts as a preventative measure to discourage beaver activity along the preferred route. Measures to remove beaver dams and lodges will also require alignment with <i>Fisheries Act</i> Authorizations required for the Project, as the standard conditions for DFO Codes of Practice (COP) do not apply. This has not been identified in the Draft EA/IS (wildlife-specific sections). A healthy and productive aquatic and riparian habitat is required for community members to exercise rights and interests in AFN Traditional Territory.</p>	<p>Recommendation a: AFN requests the Proponent commit to further collaboration and engagement to develop and implement the Environmental Protection Plan (EPP) and Cleanup and Reclamation Plan for the Project. The EPP must include a beaver management plan developed in consultation with AFN, which outlines how construction and operations will align with the requirements of DFO Authorizations, in addition to current commitments (e.g., beaver lodges identified as sensitive habitats, affording them additional protection). This should also include specific provisions to restore and revegetate riparian areas disturbed by Project works/activities, installation of ESC measures, monitoring for effectiveness of ESC, prevention and response for deleterious releases to waterbodies/watercourses, timing of activities to avoid sensitive periods, etc. Reference to <i>Fisheries Act</i> requirements in the beaver-specific sections of the Draft EA/IS and Appendix K must be updated for a fulsome assessment of potential impacts.</p> <p>Context: Beaver dam removal is known to impact dissolved oxygen content in water, with impacts to fish survival. The management plan must further include monitoring and response actions for potential changes in dissolved oxygen content during dam, and major debris removals. Repeated removal of beaver dams at a watercourse may result in cumulative stressors in the aquatic environment that may require additional offsetting, or accommodation plans to prevent long-term impacts. Various preventative measures are available for beavers to discourage activity that may impact infrastructure or safety of the Project during construction, operations and maintenance phases of the Project (e.g., install fencing/grates on or around culverts that allow fish passage/hydrological connectivity but deter beaver activity; reduce forage availability/install tree protection devices, trapping, etc.). While these may be outlined in BMPs or associated approvals, permits or authorizations, including select commitments will provide a better understanding of the predicted residual effects to a culturally significant species identified by AFN.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN recommends the Project include preventative/deterrence measures, in addition to ongoing monitoring for beaver activities at both temporary (during construction) and permanent (during construction/operations) crossing locations. This will help to maintain flow/connectivity at these locations while minimizing the need for extensive debris removal.</p>
	Appendix K – Wildlife Technical Support Document (2025)	7.3.1.5; 9.0 (General comment)		



12.0 BIRDS

12.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN maintains concerns that the proxy species assessed to characterize the Birds VC did not fully incorporate IK and information on Indigenous land and resource use/cultural values into the design and implementation of the field programs from 2018–2022. One or few representative species from each habitat type may not be sufficient for the analysis of wide-ranging effects to birds at the Project, especially due to the lack of baseline information available and gathered to support the Project Birds VC RSA from 2018–2022, and the Project commitment for a post-construction Before-After-Control-Impact (BACI) Study to validate the predictions of the assessment. It is insufficient to AFN that the Project has only conducted baseline surveys to describe the pre-construction conditions for the Birds VC (including SAR proxy species), with no further pre-construction surveys required to validate the predictions in the assessment.

12.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

Several species identified by the Project as proxy species for the Birds VC are species of traditional importance to AFN and observed by AFN members within Traditional Territory (some species are also considered SAR). AFN maintains concerns about instances where SAR habitat availability, abundance, and distribution have been estimated by limited sampling intensity/frequency, temporal, or spatial coverage throughout the PSAs, with no targeted surveys completed (although habitat is available, e.g., for short-eared owl, eastern whip-poor-will).

Information presented in the results do not include AFN IK and TEK relating to Bird VC proxy species at the Project. Further, proxy species were assumed to occur in sufficient numbers within the PSAs to support modelling; however, standard error calculations are incomplete for several species due to low sample size. These are conditions outlined in the TISG for the Project.

12.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, AFN found the following items to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.9 BIRDS, MIGRATORY BIRDS AND THEIR HABITAT

- *describe the use of (magnitude, timing) migratory and non-migratory birds as a source of country foods (traditional foods) or where use has Indigenous cultural importance (e.g., Canada Goose, Snow goose, Swans, Gyrfalcon, Loon, Peregrine Falcon, and duck species);*



IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 15.2 BIRDS, MIGRATION BIRDS AND THEIR HABITAT

- *describe direct, incidental and cumulative predicted positive and/or adverse effects to migratory birds and non-migratory birds, including population level effects that could be caused by all project activities, including but not limited to:*
 - *site preparation/vegetation removal;*
 - *air emissions and dust;*
 - *deposit of harmful substances in waters that are frequented by migratory birds;*
 - *changes to the aquatic flow regime and sediment load;*
 - *sensory disturbance;*
 - *increased predation opportunities;*
 - *disruption of wildlife movement corridors;*
 - *increased poaching opportunities; and*
 - *site reclamation.*
- *Describe the potential direct, incidental and cumulative adverse effects of the Project on migratory bird species (such as SARA-listed Yellow-Rail) who inhabit the project area during breeding season as well as during migration (as staging and stopover sites);*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 19. 1 EFFECTS TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- *quantity and quality of resources available for harvesting (e.g., species of cultural importance, including traditional and medicinal plants);*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- *Changes in the availability and quality of lands and resources used for traditional activities*
- *Changes in the sufficiency of lands and resources for cultural tradition*
- *Disruption of cultural heritage resources by the introduction of physical, visual, audible or atmospheric elements that are not in keeping with the character and setting of cultural heritage resources*



12.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

Different species demonstrate varying tolerance and resilience to potential changes predicted by the Project and future foreseeable projects in the region, which directly effect species availability for AFN traditional, cultural and spiritual use. Potential impacts to land use and occupancy associated with the Birds VC is also linked with increased access to AFN traditional use areas and travel routes by non-rights-bearing members of the public. Increased levels of recreation and harvesting by others will result in reduced harvesting opportunities for AFN (e.g., through sensory disturbance by others, dust/traffic that make the areas less suitable for traditionally harvested species, inappropriately discarded waste, establishment or spread of invasive species, direct competition with licensed hunters or poachers), and potentially lead to reduced or altered function of wildlife habitat, and deterrence or avoidance of typically available wildlife (including birds). Significant changes to habitat quality/quantity and behaviours due to human activities may further result in cumulative impacts to land use and occupancy for AFN through the transition of TK and TEK to future generations.

12.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

The following AFN recommendations for Birds, will allow for a full understanding of potential Project impacts to the community, Traditional Territory, the region as a whole, and align with the TOR for the Ring of Fire Area:

- The Environmental Protection Plan must include a Bird Management Plan that:
 - Outlines specific measures implemented to minimize or mitigate potential Project impacts (including direct, indirect, residual effects) to BCRs 7 & 8
 - Includes a commitment to conduct ongoing monitoring during all phases of the Project as recommended in specific AFN comment (Appendix A)
 - Identifies species-specific activity setback distances consistent with ECCC guidance for all species observed during the baseline survey efforts; operational restrictions must be applied within these buffers (no disturbance is preferred).
 - The Draft EA/IS must be updated to:
- Reassess the cumulative impacts of the Project on the Birds VC to account for *all* potential sources of environmental change in BCRs 7 & 8 to adhere to the ECCC strategies outlined for each region.
- Clarify/justify how the potential effects of the Project would be better determined for Birds VC through a small number of proxy species, and prior to incorporating IK/TEK from local First Nations.
- Clarify how bird species affected by Project activities in the LSA will be identified. A tracking/reporting procedure similar to that proposed for Wildlife VCs must be employed



for the Birds VC. AFN requests a commitment to further engage and consult on overall Project wildlife tracking and reporting procedures.

- Update the status of species known to be in consideration for downlisting under SARA
- Incorporate requirements and sensitivities afforded by the *Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act*, or justify why this legislation is not relevant to the Project (applicable, at minimum, to various focal species representing the Wildlife, Birds, and Ungulates VCs). The assessment of effects should reconsider sensitivity weightings for applicable species.
- Clarify how Section 15.4 requirements of the TISG will be met for all Birds VC SAR.
- Clarify how ARU analysis will reduce observer bias from point count surveys, and if this information will be included in the BACI study plan to verify the post-construction predictions of the assessment.
- Commit to further pre-construction and ongoing monitoring of birds at the Project.



12.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 10: Comment and Recommendations Table for Birds Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
75	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment	Comment: Many birds selected as focal species are also considered priority species under BCR Strategies available for Regions 7 and 8 (e.g., Project overlaps these BCR Regions).	Context: The conservation objectives and recommendations under the BCR strategies are to be used as the basis to develop guidelines and BMPs that adhere to the MBCA. To better align the Draft EA/IS with ECCCs management strategies for BCR 7 and BCR 8, as well as the ToR for the Ring of Fire Area, AFN emphasizes the thorough evaluation of cumulative effects on the focal species chosen for the Bird VC at a regional scale. Recommendation: AFN recommends the Environmental Protection Plan includes a Bird Management Plan, outlining specific measures implemented to minimize or mitigate potential Project impacts (i.e., direct, indirect, residual) to the BCRs associated with the Project. To thoroughly assess cumulative impacts of the Project, <i>all</i> potential sources of environmental change in these regions must be considered.
76	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment	Comment: Various bird species selected for focus to represent the Bird VC are adaptive and resilient to human disturbances. AFN is concerned that these selected focal species may not represent the most conservative species and habitat assumptions for the assessment, as the proxy species were assumed to occur in sufficient numbers within the PSAs to support model validation. The cumulative effects assessment for the Birds VC does not consider focal species separately, such as SAR and species of traditional and cultural importance for AFN. This is a requirement of the TISG.	Context: One or a few representative species from each habitat-type may not be sufficient for the analysis of wide-ranging effects to the Birds VC. It is unclear, as there is no rationale provided, how the potential effects of the Project would be better determined for birds through a small number of selected proxy species, prior to incorporating IK and TEK from local First Nations. Information Request a: Please clarify this with justification. Context: It is also unclear how any bird species likely to be directly or indirectly affected by the activities taking place in the LSA, will be identified. Information Request b: Please clarify if the tracking and reporting approach (anticipated as a mitigation measure for Wildlife VCs) will also be used for the Birds VC.
77	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment; 9.0	Comment: Species listed as Specially Protected Wildlife under the Ontario <i>Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act</i> have not been denoted or discussed throughout the Draft EA/IS. This is applicable (at minimum) to focal/proxy species representing wildlife, bird, and ungulate VCs.	Context: Specially Protected Raptors under Schedule 7 include osprey, boreal owl, bald eagle, peregrine falcon, and short eared owl. Specially Protected Birds under Schedule 8 include rusty blackbird. There is several other focal wildlife species presented under other Schedules within the Act (e.g., Schedule 6 - mammals). Recommendation: Please update the Draft EA/IS to include this extra context, or provide rationale as to why the Act and its supporting Schedules are not applicable to the Project. The assessment of effects should reconsider sensitivity weightings as context for applicable species.
78	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix L – Draft Bird	9.4.4.1 General comment	Comment: There is no standard deviation provided for boreal owl, Wilson’s snipe, mallard, sora, common nighthawk and eastern whip-poor-will, eastern wood-pewee, short-eared owl, black tern, lesser yellowlegs, and yellow rail density estimates.	Context: Providing estimates of abundance and distribution of proxy species for the Bird VC, in addition to predicted confidence or error approximations, are a requirement of the TISG (Section 8.9). Published studies may not be able to provide sufficient information to replace data collection, analysis and area-specific modelling for the PSAs that contribute to estimates provided in the Draft EA/IS.



	Technical Support Document (2025)		Some error calculations were not able to be completed due to low sample size. No density estimate was provided because ARUs represent unlimited distance point counts.	Question: Please provide rationale as to why this was only completed for <i>select</i> proxy species identified for the Birds VC, or (preferably) include this information in the updated final report.
79	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.2.6.6; 14.1.2.3	Comment: Existing conditions in the PSAs do not show modelled habitat availability for SAR birds (e.g., figures), as is the case for all other Bird VC focal species, and per noted commitments of the Study Plan for Bird VCs. The Draft EA/IS notes that additional pre-construction monitoring for the Birds VC is not required. The Study Plan and TISG requirements for Birds VCs note point count recordings will be taken during ground-based point count surveys with human observers; however, paired ARU and breeding bird surveys were not completed for the Project. It is unclear how the data will be analyzed to reduce potential human observer bias.	Context: Surveys in 2018 and 2019 were completed prior to the development of the TISG, with noted differences in methods across years. Baseline data collected for breeding birds, nightjars (such as, common nighthawk and eastern whip-poor-will), and marsh birds during point count and autonomous recording unit surveys from 2018 to 2022 are assumed to be adequate for pre-construction monitoring; however, the TISG (Section 8.9, Section 8.11) notes that rare species often require additional survey effort and rarity should be accounted for in the survey design, increasing number or duration of surveys, and the design/implementation of the study plan occurred before the integration of IK and TEK from local affected First Nations. Although scheduled recording timeframes for ARUs deployed in 2022 provided more frequent data collection (i.e., valuable for detecting rare species), it is unclear if all requirements from Section 15.4 of the TISG will be met for all SAR. Information Request a: Please provide additional information and clarification into same. Information Request b: Please also provide justification for omitting the modelled habitat availability for SAR Bird VC proxy species, or (preferably) include same in the Final Draft EA/IS. Context: AFN maintains concerns relating to SAR birds, as many species are also considered traditionally or culturally significant. Recommendation: AFN requests the Project commit to additional pre-construction and ongoing monitoring of birds at the Project, as indicated further in the comment below. Information Request c: Lastly, please clarify ARU analysis to reduce observer bias, as noted in the Study Plan; and if this information will be included in the BACI study plan to verify the post-construction predictions of the assessment.
80	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	9.4.4.4; 14.2.2.3	Comment: Mitigation measures for the bird VC include pre-clearing bird nesting surveys during the migratory bird breeding season (April 28 – August 14; corresponding to the General Nesting Period [GNP] for migratory birds in Zone C5 and C6); in addition, wildlife sweeps for pileated woodpecker nests and raptor stick nests prior to clearing is recommended at any time of year in select habitat types. The GNP is established by ECCC as a guide and establishes when the highest number of birds are likely to be nesting in a given zone. However, birds may nest outside of the GNP and disturbance of active nests is prohibited by the MBCA regardless of timing. Nest sweeps should be conducted in the weeks leading up to and following the GNP.	Context: Detectability of migratory birds may change over the course of a survey, varies with type and quality of habitat, density of vegetation growth, and surveyor experience. Given the extent of the areas to be cleared, it is highly likely that nest sweeps may not identify all active nests in advance of clearing efforts (i.e., Draft EA/IS indicated clearing will occur between August 15 and April 27; however, it is also noted that if seasonal windows cannot be adhered to, additional permitting and mitigation measures will be required). Recommendation a: Active nests should not only be located, but the nesting species should be identified so that appropriate mitigations can be applied. <i>The Guideline to Reduce Risk to Migratory Birds</i> recommends two benchmark measurements that should be applied to determine appropriate setback distance from an active nest: alert distance and flush distance (ECCC, 2021). Recommendation b: Identified nests will require species-specific no work areas (i.e., buffers) and ongoing monitoring to ensure adequate protection is established around active bird nests, or ensure the nests are determined inactive, prior to vegetation clearing during the GNP (e.g., complete sweep within 48 hours prior to disturbance vs. within 3- to 10-days, as breeding birds can construct a nest and lay eggs in as little as two to three days). Bird species have varying tolerances to disturbance; as such, species-specific buffers must be sufficient to mitigate Project-related effects to sensitive species. Operational restrictions must be applied within the buffer; no disturbance is preferred.



81	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	9.4.4.4	<p>Comment: The evaluation of residual effects to the Birds VC, anticipate sensory disturbance to most species in proximity to the CDA, with varying levels of spatial tolerance. Mallard, chimney swift, barn swallow, and bank swallow do not have identified sensory disturbance limitations like other focal Bird VCs.</p>	<p>Recommendation c: Nest sweeps conducted ahead of vegetation clearing must have a validation period. This validation period must be short enough to ensure new nests will likely not be constructed, or no new eggs are laid between sweeps and the start of construction; but also be long enough to not disturb the nest being monitored. Limited details are provided on the methods or conditions for these surveys (e.g., additional information pending to understand search effort, size of areas, weather conditions, surveyor qualifications, etc.).</p> <p>Sweeps do not supersede the requirements and rigor of survey efforts, especially for sensitive or at-risk species. AFN further recommends (at minimum):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Recommendation d: Annual call playback surveys targeting inconspicuous nesters/cavity-dwelling bird species (e.g., pileated woodpecker, owls), during appropriate times of year, and under appropriate weather conditions. The Migratory Birds Regulations (MBR) under MBCA, protect pileated woodpecker nests year-round, and require <i>surveys</i> to identify the presence of nests, assess their condition, and determine avoidance actions or minimize impacts. If avoidance is not possible, permitting and installation of compensation habitat may be required. - Recommendation e: Commitment to further engagement with AFN to develop and implement ongoing monitoring programs for wildlife, birds and ungulates at the Project.
82	Appendix L – Draft Birds Technical Support Document (2025)	General comment	<p>Comment: Eastern whip-poor-will call playback survey locations identified in the study plan note only one existing and one additional proposed station along the preferred route alternative. All stations targeting this species in the Study Plan are located south of Dusey Lake.</p> <p>Sampling effort for eastern whip-poor-will in 2022 placed 8 ARUs in the same locations as those sampled in 2019 (i.e., only one location on the preferred route alternative was sampled).</p>	<p>Context: AFN notes IK and information on Indigenous land and resource use/cultural values were not available at the time of the design/implementation of bird field programs supporting the baseline characterization of Bird VC proxy species at the Project. AFN has identified eastern whip-poor-will (among other proxy species chosen for the Draft EA/IS), as a species of traditional and cultural importance, with observations in the Traditional Territory. Despite increased ARU sampling effort in the PSA, there are minimal results available for eastern whip-poor-will along the preferred route alternative. Similarly, there were <i>no</i> ARUs deployed for short-eared owl within the preferred route alternative LSA. No targeted surveys were completed for these SAR, and no ARUs were deployed in the RSA to use as comparison to verify the predictions of the Draft EA/IS. The limited results presented for these species does not necessarily indicate their lack of presence or occurrence within the PSAs.</p> <p>It is unacceptable to AFN that the Project has noted baseline surveys are sufficient to describe pre-construction conditions for the Birds VC (including SAR proxy species) and no further pre-construction surveys are required to validate the predictions in the assessment.</p>



<p>Recommendation: Please refer to the comments above for AFNs recommendations and requirements for monitoring the Birds VC during all phases of the Project, so satisfy AFN rights and interests.</p>			
83	Appendix L – Draft Birds Technical Support Document (2025)	Annexure A: Bird Species List	<p>Comment: Although a comprehensive listing of species observed during baseline surveys has been provided in Annexure A, it appears several species denoted as not observed during baseline surveys were actually observed (e.g., short-eared owl detected on deployed ARU in 2022).</p> <p>Information Request: Please review and correct Annexure A to reflect all positive detections in the PSAs for listed species. For those confirmed “Yes”, please include the method of detection (e.g., ARU, point count, aerial, etc.), and year (i.e., unless observed in all years).</p>



13.0 UNGULATES

13.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

There remains significant uncertainty around potential impacts to the Ungulates VC from the Project as a whole, and traditional use species that represent the Ungulates VC in the PSAs.

The Cervid Ecological Framework has been used to help characterize baseline conditions for moose, yet it also provides broad management guidance for other focal species representing the Ungulate VC (i.e., caribou), which was not discussed in the Draft EA/IS. Similarly, Significant Wildlife Habitat (SWH) has been described only for moose. While SWH has not been described for Ecoregions 2E and 3W (i.e., ecoregions overlapping the PSAs that do not have corresponding criteria schedules) Ontario guidance on SWH would be broadly applicable to many other species of wildlife and plants identified as proxy/focal species representing their associated VCs (for example, seasonal concentration areas, animal movement corridors). The most conservative approach to the assessment would include describing potential SWH and include a fulsome assessment of potential SWH for all focal species identified in the Draft EA/IS.

An agreement under Sections 10 and 11 of the *Species at Risk Act, 2002* (SARA) was formalized between the province of Ontario and the Government of Canada in 2022 (ECCC, MECP, 2022). This agreement outlines specific requirements for Ontario to undertake in alignment with federal plans for the conservation and recovery of woodland caribou in Canada, with a focus on maintaining and recovering self-sustaining boreal caribou populations. Various conservation measures, including habitat restoration, protected areas, evidence-based management strategies, monitoring/reporting, and collaboration with Indigenous communities are included in the commitments. To meet their objectives, the province of Ontario has agreed to implement a caribou-specific Range Management Policy, supporting the federal conservation and recovery goals for the species (MECP, 2019). The policy's guiding principles for range management include managing for:

- Cumulative disturbance, to maintain or move toward supporting self-sustaining populations.
- Amount and arrangement of habitat, to remain consistent with natural landscapes that support the species
- Forest composition, pattern, and structure, to maintain ecological functions and habitat features benefitting caribou.

ECCC has identified caribou habitat overlapping the Project PSAs and the Project must therefore be subject to the Sections 10 and 11 agreement that includes collaboration with Indigenous communities. AFN is deeply concerned that this information was omitted from the Draft EA/IS and supporting Appendix M (Draft Ungulates Technical Support Document) yet remains directly applicable to the species' management at the Project.



13.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

Similar to wolverine (a focal Wildlife VC), there is also no GHD available for eastern migratory caribou. The Draft EA/IS, and Appendix M (Draft Ungulates Technical Support Document) assume that all caribou in the Project RSA may be represented by boreal woodland caribou due to the evidence of overlap between species in their seasonal ranges. These documents also assume that anticipated mitigation measures for boreal woodland caribou would likely result in avoidance and minimization of the effects to eastern migratory caribou. The caribou assessment is further constrained to the winter ranges of eastern migratory caribou, when they are anticipated to occur within the Project LSA. While the Project anticipates that effects to eastern migratory caribou may be overestimated in the assessment, results of the collaring program to collect baseline data suggest that at least six collared females were regularly travelling beyond the Project LSA (mortality investigations of individuals), into the RSA and beyond, where there is significantly more overlap between caribou subpopulations and ranges. AFN considers caribou a species of traditional and cultural importance. Harvesters and land users have mapped several locations where caribou have been observed in the PSAs that have not been included in the baseline characterization for Ungulates at the Project.

AFN maintains that it is inappropriate that the Project suggest boreal woodland and eastern migratory caribou be represented by only boreal woodland caribou. This is due to the significant lack of data available to fully understand potential Project impacts to both subspecies in the PSAs, and between caribou herds in the region. Considering that this will be a likely component of the Regional Assessment for the Ring of Fire Area, and a likely condition of provincial and federal permitting, overall benefit will need to be provided by the Project to compensate for impacts to caribou in the CDA. AFN must be included in further discussions regarding the planning and implementation of overall benefit requirements and mitigation measures targeting caribou and other focal species representing the Ungulates VC.

13.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 1.1 FACTORS TO BE CONSIDERED IN THE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- *Indigenous knowledge provided with respect to the designated project;*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.11 SPECIES AT RISK

- *In relation to providing required information for caribou, the Impact Statement must:*
 - *describe boreal caribou use of the study areas (e.g., distribution, movement) over time using surveys to complement existing data if data within the project study areas are insufficient*



or unavailable to be able to understand how caribou use the habitat. Involve province of Ontario for data and survey requirements. Consider Indigenous knowledge and community knowledge;

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 15.4 SPECIES AT RISK AND THEIR HABITAT SCIENCE-BASED EVIDENCE FROM THE RELEVANT JURISDICTION THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE RECOVERY STRATEGY

- *The sources of information that should be consulted are:*
 - *Indigenous knowledge*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- *Changes in the availability and quality of lands and resources used for traditional activities*
- *Changes in the sufficiency of lands and resources for cultural tradition*
- *Disruption of cultural heritage resources by the introduction of physical, visual, audible or atmospheric elements that are not in keeping with the character and setting of cultural heritage resources*

13.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

AFN notes that IK from AFN was *not* included in the Ungulates Technical Support Document and therefore the Draft EA/IS. There are extensive data collected by AFN harvesters and land users that can and must contribute to the Project’s characterization of existing conditions for the Ungulates VC. This includes potential sensitive locations that require additional protections and/or establishment of restoration priorities by the Project. Despite the Project suggesting additional pre-construction monitoring is not required targeting the Ungulates VC, AFN respectfully disagrees. This is based partially on the Proponent’s admitted lack of data to support assessment predictions for caribou and moose in the PSAs over time. Baseline data must continue to be expanded upon, and monitoring programs adapted, including use of the extensive IK available from AFN for ungulates.

Anticipated impacts to the focal species represented by the Ungulates VC (also considered species of traditional and cultural importance to AFN) include exhibiting strong behavioural avoidance of the PSAs throughout the lifespan of the MFCAR. Project-related changes in habitat availability/distribution and survival/reproduction of caribou could also approach or extend beyond the resilience capabilities of one or more of the populations represented within or beyond the RSA. Similar concerns have been raised by AFN in reviewing other VCs (i.e., anticipated sensory disturbance resulting from increased traffic that will have future impacts on the presence of traditional use species in these previously undisturbed areas). These anticipated effects will directly impact species availability for use in traditional practices by AFN, and in turn could influence important Indigenous Knowledge transfer to future generations.



Timing restrictions are not proposed for moose in the Draft EA/IS or Appendix M. Knowing that the most current information provided to characterize moose populations in the PSAs demonstrate moose are in decline, specific protections and targeted mitigation measures must be afforded to moose at the Project. AFN recognizes that sensitive periods for moose include (at minimum):

- Mating/rutting season (i.e., typically from late September to December, annually), when moose are often more active near waterbodies/wetlands and bulls are more aggressive:
 - Daily activity peaks (around dawn and dusk), when moose are most active, travelling between habitats and foraging should inform the timing of construction, operations and maintenance of the Project, especially throughout the rutting period, and should avoid potential human-wildlife interactions to the extent possible
 - Incidental observations of individuals during construction and maintenance phases must be subject to a temporary “stop work” policy that allows undisturbed access for species of traditional importance to traverse between their natural habitats.
- Calving season (i.e., typically mid-May to early June, annually), when moose are often observed near islands, peninsulas, shorelines, or open wetlands; cows select preferred sites providing isolation, cover, and escape from predators; and,
- Active use of aquatic feeding areas (spring/summer), early or late winter concentration areas (before/after rut), and mineral licks (throughout the year). For the protection of identified site-specific habitat features, access roads and other temporary/permanent disturbance must be routed to avoid these features, and access restrictions must be kept in place during sensitive timeframes. General guidelines must be followed to maintain habitat values in these locations, and AFN recommends a protective setback for these identified areas of no less than 150 m.

13.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN’s recommendations for Ungulates, to allow for a full understanding of potential Project impacts to the community, Traditional Territory, and the region as a whole; and align with the TOR for the Ring of Fire Area, are as follows:

- AFN requests that the Draft EA/IS and Appendix M be updated to correct errors, update figures for clarity, and include:
 - The Project must adhere to various conservation measures and objectives of Sections 10 and 11 of the SARA bilateral Agreement. This includes the implementation of caribou-specific Range Management Policy principles, Recovery Zones (based on ecoregion boundaries, known caribou use, and regional threats), and action plans that focus on specific needs of caribou. This is especially important to AFN because of the potential cumulative effects



- associated with the future foreseeable developments and linear disturbances predicted to occur with the approval of the MFCAR, and the continued uncertainty around residual effects to populations of focal species representing the Ungulates VC assessed by the Project.
- Broad management strategies and mitigation measures/best practices guidance information for all focal species represented by the Ungulates VC, from the Cervid Ecological Framework.
 - A fulsome assessment of potential SWH for all focal species identified in the Draft EA/IS (as the most conservative approach to the assessment), or include rationale as to why SWH was only considered for moose.
 - Timing sensitivities and mitigation measures targeting moose at the Project.
- Specific provisions for traditionally important ungulates that include an Ungulate Management Plan as part of the overall Environmental Protection Plan, to be developed in collaboration with AFN. The Ungulate Management Plan must include (at minimum):
 - Collaboration with future foreseeable Project Teams to ensure consistent, adequate, and long-term protections for focal species representing the Ungulates V.
 - Expanding riparian buffer zone protections to 100 m around waterbodies or wetlands providing moderate-high quality habitat (i.e., equal to riparian area assessment for birds).
 - Wildlife policy must include a temporary “stop work” requirement for incidentally encountered ungulates, that would allow individuals time and space to pass through the CDA without expending valuable energy to avoid sensory disturbances (i.e., stop work for 15–30 minutes, allowing individuals to pass through area undisturbed). Incidentally encountered wildlife must be identified and reported during all phases of the Project, and data will inform adaptive management measures and monitoring efforts moving forward.
 - Mortality investigations involving ungulates must include tissue sampling for factors affecting human health and/or to improve baseline information (i.e., chronic wasting disease, heavy metals, pregnancy, etc.), if decomposition or conditions do not compromise testing. This information must be used to inform adaptive management measures and monitoring efforts moving forward.
 - Progressive and final rehabilitation and reclamation measures must include targeted habitat enhancements and/or replacement measures that provide overall benefit to ungulates at the Project. This should also include ways to mitigate line-of-sight issues (i.e., deters predation), and strategic plantings or vegetation management measures to encourage or discourage habitat use in select areas that benefit ungulates for use by AFN.
 - Signage along the CDAs must inform vehicle traffic of high-risk wildlife crossing areas and reduce speed limits within 50 km of identified sensitive areas. Regular security should patrol constructed road networks in collaboration with future foreseeable Projects in the



PSAs, to enforce limitations or access restrictions, and report collisions/conduct testing, as required.

- AFN requests further capacity and involvement in the development and implementation of any programs that provide overall benefit to caribou within the Traditional Territory. This includes collaborating on the development and implementation of ongoing studies to fill information gaps relating to caribou in the southern portion of the PSAs, within AFN Traditional Territory.



13.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 11: Comment and Recommendations Table for Ungulates Section.

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
84	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix M – Draft Ungulates Technical Support Document (2025)	Figure 8-34; Figure 8-35; Figure 8-36; Figure 8-37; Figure 8-38 General Comment	Comment: The figures in the Draft EA/IS indicate large portions of the region are “Federal Lands”. Corresponding figures in the Appendix also suggest large portions of the region are “Federal Lands”. There are several copy/paste errors (e.g., table numbers, misspelled words) and incomplete sentences throughout the Appendix and Draft EA/IS, making it difficult to fully understand the information provided.	Recommendation a: Please update the figures for accuracy and consistency with other sections of the Draft EA/IS. The clear delineation of federal and non-federal lands relating to SAR is another requirement of the TISG (Section 15.4). Recommendation b: Please correct typographic errors throughout the Draft EA/IS and Appendix M for clarity.
85	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025) Appendix M – Draft Ungulates Technical Support Document (2025)	8.2.7.1 5.1	Context: “For this assessment, the forest-dwelling boreal caribou will be treated as a stand-in for all caribou. We assume that eastern migratory caribou will face the same effects as boreal caribou when they are in the ungulates study areas.” (PDF pp. 290; Page 242) “However, we don’t have enough data on caribou in the southern part to understand connectivity there.” (PDF pp. 299; Page 251) “The lack of collared caribou in the southern portions of the Caribou existing conditions Regional Study Area limits the ability to understand connectivity in that area.... under existing conditions, caribou survival and reproduction does not appear to be constrained by a lack of connectivity on the landscape in the caribou existing conditions Local Study Area and northern portion of the caribou existing conditions Regional Study Area.” (PDF pp. 164; Page 136) Comment: Survival estimates were not calculated for Ozhiski herd assessment due to a lack of collaring data available. The Nipigon herd range was assessed federally as being already below the 65% threshold of undisturbed habitat required to support a self-sustaining population. More recent landcover data indicates both Nipigon and Pagwachuan ranges are more disturbed than the published federal and provincial assessments.	Context: While boreal woodland caribou and eastern migratory caribou share many similarities, they differ significantly in their migratory patterns and seasonal use of habitats. Ontario has developed a General Habitat Description for boreal woodland caribou but not eastern migratory caribou; as such, similar habitat protections are not applicable for eastern migratory populations. Overall, there appears to be uncertainty about population trends in the caribou RSA. There is clearly a need for more data to fully understand potential Project impacts to woodland and eastern migratory caribou, in the southern and northernmost portions (respectively) of the RSA. This is expected to be included in the priorities of the TOR for the Regional Assessment in the RoF Area, and likely a condition of provincial/federal permitting that will require the Project to provide overall benefit to compensate for Project impacts to caribou in the CDA. Recommendation a: AFN requests involvement in the development and implementation of any programs that provide overall benefit to caribou within the Traditional Territory. Context: Suitability of habitat for caribou may be altered or isolated from preferred baseline habitat existing conditions as a result of the Project (i.e., northern portions of the PSAs). Given the current lack of fragmentation and disturbance in the northern portions of the RSA, preference or use of this habitat by caribou (boreal woodland or eastern migratory) is likely to change as a result of the Project; however, the magnitude of these changes is unknown due to the current lack of data available for all subpopulations. These changes also represent potential alteration to the availability and harvest of traditional use species, such as caribou; and ultimately the



				<p>transition of Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Indigenous Knowledge of the lands and waters within the Traditional Territory to future generations.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN further requests the Proponent collaborate with AFN on the development and implementation of an ongoing study to fill information gaps relating to caribou in the southern portions of the PSAs within AFN Traditional Territory, especially considering the entire Project is within critical habitat for caribou, biophysical attributes and objectives to maintain 65% undisturbed habitat are priorities for the provincial and federal governments (Agreement for the Conservation of Caribou, Boreal Population in Ontario, 2022), and caribou are considered a species of traditional and cultural significance for AFN.</p>
86	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.2.7.2	<p>Comment: Cervid Ecological Zones defined in the framework by MNR, and used to characterize the baseline conditions for moose, provide broad management guidance for other focused ungulate valued components (e.g., caribou). This was not identified in the Draft EA/IS.</p>	<p>Context: The Cervid Ecological Framework (CEF) also underlines broad management strategies for caribou in Ontario, and is focused on species and population recovery through landscape-scale habitat management and minimization of stressors. The CEF uses a tiered approach to establish requirements and conditions for caribou that would ensure no net loss of undisturbed habitat resulting from the Project. It emphasizes the importance of maintaining large and undisturbed natural habitats (as these factors are crucial for caribou survival and movement), and includes the potential establishment of new management areas for caribou. The framework also integrates the management of caribou with other cervids (e.g., moose, deer) across seasons, and addresses threats like human activities that alter hydrological patterns.</p> <p>Recommendation: This information should be included in the Draft EA/IS mitigation measures and baseline management information for caribou and not just moose.</p>
87	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	8.2.7.2	<p>Comment: In the southern portion of the RSA, there are moose aquatic feeding areas, calving sites, and mineral licks. None have been documented in the LSA, but they likely exist and just have not been documented yet. Similarly, significant wildlife habitat (SWH) has been described only for moose but also apply to other wildlife and plants. This information was not provided in other applicable sections of the Draft EA/IS.</p>	<p>Context: SWH in Ontario is divided into four broad categories, including: seasonal concentration areas, rare vegetation communities or specialized habitats for wildlife, habitats of species of conservation concern (excluding habitats of endangered/threatened species), and animal movement corridors. SWH may be applicable to several other focused VC species/habitats included in the characterization of the baseline for the Project, but this was not assessed outside of the potential impacts to SWH of moose, likely due to the lack of information available for the 2E and 3W ecoregions (i.e., where the project is situated). As a result, potential SWH for other species may be overlooked (e.g., failing to identify and protect SWH during construction or operations and maintenance phases may lead to habitat loss, fragmentation, degradation, etc.) or significance may be underrepresented in the impact assessment (e.g., AFN identified areas of turtle nesting SWH that were not captured in the Draft EA/IS, noting eastern gartersnake is the only reptile in the PSAs).</p> <p>Recommendation: Please provide a fulsome assessment of potential SWH for all focal species identified in the Draft EA/IS as the most conservative approach to the assessment or include rationale as to why SWH was only considered for moose.</p>
88	Draft EA/IS – MFCAR (2025)	General comment	<p>Comment: Existing information describes moose populations in Ontario in decline, particularly in the northern portions of their range; with at least one</p>	<p>Context: AFN notes that TEK and IK from AFN, was not included in the Ungulates Technical Support Document. There is extensive data collected by</p>



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management unit overlapping the PSAs below the 2030 population objectives.

There appears to be overall uncertainty around the population trends of moose in the ungulate existing condition PSAs. Similarly, there is uncertainty around population trends of caribou in the PSAs.

Moose and caribou are among other ungulate species of traditional and cultural importance to AFN, and it is of utmost importance that ungulate species are managed appropriately throughout the duration of the Project.

AFN harvesters and land users that can contribute to the Project's characterization of existing conditions for the Ungulates VC, and potential sensitive locations that require additional protections by the Project.

Recommendation: AFN requests specific provisions for traditionally important ungulates that include an Ungulate Management Plan as part of the overall Environmental Protection Plan. The Ungulate Management Plan must include (at minimum):

- Collaboration with Proponent and future foreseeable Project Teams that ensure consistent and adequate protections for focal species representing the Ungulates VC in the long-term.
- Expanding riparian buffer zone protections to 100m around waterbodies or wetlands providing moderate-high quality habitat (i.e., equal to riparian area assessment for birds).
- Wildlife policy must include a temporary 'stop work' requirement for incidentally encountered ungulates - that would allow individuals time and space to pass through the CDA without expending valuable energy to avoid sensory disturbances (i.e., stop work for 15-30 minutes allowing individuals to pass through area undisturbed). Incidentally encountered wildlife must be identified and reported during all phases of the Project, and data will inform adaptive management measures and monitoring efforts moving forward.
- Mortality investigations involving ungulates must include tissue sampling for factors affecting human health and/or to improve baseline information (i.e., Chronic wasting disease, heavy metals, pregnancy, etc.), if decomposition or conditions do not compromise testing. This information must be used to inform adaptive management measures and monitoring efforts moving forward.
- Progressive and final rehabilitation and reclamation measures must include targeted habitat enhancements and/or replacement measures that provide overall benefit to ungulates at the Project. This should also include ways to mitigate line of sight issues (i.e., deters predation), forage accessibility (i.e., lichen-dominated habitat replacement), and strategic plantings or vegetation management measures to encourage or discourage habitat use in select areas that benefit ungulates for use by AFN.
- Signage along the CDAs must inform vehicle traffic of high-risk wildlife crossing areas and reduce speed limits within 50km of identified sensitive areas. Regular security should patrol constructed road networks in collaboration with future foreseeable Projects in the PSAs, to enforce limitations or access restrictions, and report collisions/conduct testing, as required.
- Limitations on the use of air breaks must be considered as a sensory disturbance mitigation measure during critical sensitive timeframes while the road is in the operations and maintenance phase

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General
comment

Comment: ECCC has identified caribou habitat overlapping the Project PSAs and must therefore be subject to the bilateral Sections 10 and 11 SARA agreement (2022) between Canada and Ontario, that includes collaboration

Recommendation: AFN requests the Draft EA/IS and Appendix M be updated with the requirements of the Sections 10 and 11 SARA bilateral Agreement. The Project must adhere to various conservation measures and



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with Indigenous communities. AFN is deeply concerned that this information was omitted from the Draft EA/IS and supporting Appendix M (Draft Ungulates Technical Support Document) yet remains directly applicable to the species' management at the Project.

objectives of the agreement, including the implementation of caribou-specific Range Management Policy principles, Recovery Zones (based on ecoregion boundaries, known caribou use, and regional threats), and action plans that focus on specific needs of caribou. This is especially important to AFN because of the potential cumulative effects associated with the future foreseeable developments and linear disturbances predicted to occur with the approval of the MFCAR, and the continued uncertainty around residual effects to populations of focal species representing the Ungulates VC assessed by the Project.



14.0 AIR QUALITY & GREENHOUSE GAS

14.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN is concerned about the potential impacts from the Project on air quality and emissions, especially with regards to the potential for dust that may be kicked up during the construction and operational phases. AFN band members have experienced the impacts of dust kicked up by trucks along the forestry roads throughout their Traditional Territory and are keenly aware that they are likely to experience similar impacts along the MFCAR and surrounding area to a potentially much larger magnitude, given the estimated 700 vehicles per day travelling the route by 2046. The draft EA/IS discusses the potential for dust suppression activities, but due to the potential significance of the impacts from dust, AFN would like to see a more detailed mitigation strategy that also implements ongoing monitoring of the issue.

14.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

AFN is concerned that the construction and operation of the MFCAR will affect air quality and release greenhouse gases, potentially impacting AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights in the following ways:

- Generation and spread of dust and particulate matter via construction and vehicles driving on the road. This will impact AFN band members' willingness and safety to use the road to access their Territory for land-based activities, and dust may coat vegetation and pollute waterways far beyond the ROW for the road, impacting harvesting, gathering, and staying out on the land.

14.2.1 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

The main impact to land use and occupancy is the potential for the generation and spread of dust and particulate material during the construction and operational phases of the road. This will impact AFN band members' willingness and safety to use the road to access their Territory for land-based activities, and dust may coat vegetation and pollute waterways far beyond the right of way for the road, impacting harvesting, gathering, and staying out on the land.

14.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- AFN needs to understand the baseline and potential impacts of increased traffic emissions during construction and operation. Understanding of these impacts is needed before approvals.
- A detailed monitoring plan for specific identified sites is needed to understand and protect sites of concern and significance.



14.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 12: Comment and Recommendations Table for Air Quality and Greenhouse Gas Section.

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
90	Draft EA-IS Document	7.2.5.2	Comment: Indicates there "may be" dust suppression activities. A road of this speed, construction, and traffic levels will create dust that will not only impact the safety of users but the surrounding environment. Covering localized vegetation in dust makes it unavailable for use or the collection of plants for cultural purposes.	<p>Recommendation a: Dust mitigation plan should ensure that dust is controlled to the 100-m ROW and does not extend past the ROW, impacting sites identified by AFN or other communities.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN recommends that, as a condition of approval for this Project (if approved), the Proponent be required to develop a dust management plan that identifies how dust will be minimized through construction and operation of the road, expected levels of acceptable dust suspension and dust fall, and monitoring and management approaches for intervening if dust exceeds acceptable limits. This can be modelled after existing gravel highways with similar speeds from across Canada in remote areas (e.g. Robert Campbell Hwy in the Yukon).</p>
91	Draft EA-IS Document	14.2.3.5	Comment: Lacks monitoring plan details.	<p>Context: The construction and operation phase will increase air, dust, noise, and vibration increase on AFN, serving as access to the construction area.</p> <p>Recommendation: AFN recommends that the proponent develop a base plan to monitor impacts on the community and any identified sites along the route.</p>



15.0 LAND USE

15.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN largely concurs with the Project's characterization of the various planning regimes that overlap with the PSA and how they may influence the Project's trajectory and outcome. However, due to the significant overlap in territory between MFFN and AFN within the PSA, from the southern portion of the ROW up to the northern shores of the Albany River, AFN asserts that MFFN's Community Based Land Use Plan (CBLUP) process under the Far North Act must include AFN, and that AFN must be a decision-maker with regards to the final plan. The Proponent asserts that there is no conflict between MFFN's CBLUP and the Project because MFFN, as the Proponent, can simply update the plan as necessary. This perspective ignores AFN's inherent jurisdiction and right of governance authority over these lands as an integral part of their Traditional Territory, but AFN believes that this can be rectified by including them in the planning process to ensure that potential land use conflicts are identified early and addressed appropriately throughout the permitting and construction phases.

AFN also has some concerns with how the Proponent has portrayed potential impacts to trapping as "not significant." The Draft EA/IS makes this conclusion by noting that the amount of land disturbed by the Project is a small portion of each trapline's total land tenure. However, the Proponent did not engage any of the trappers to understand how they use the lands within their traplines, and no specific information about where they set up their traplines and overnight locations is included in the analysis of impacts. From AFN's perspective, the Proponent needs to seek input from the trappers whose traplines they are proposing to build the ROW for the road through.

15.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

Due to the fact that the Project's proposed ROW intersects with a significant portion of AFN's Traditional Territory, AFN understands that the construction and operational phases of the Project are likely to impact AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. These impacts are discussed throughout this report and appendices. AFN believes that a significant step that the Proponent can take in working with AFN to understand these impacts and to develop mitigation strategies for them is to include AFN in the process for planning and making final decisions on MFFN's CBLUP.

AFN also believes that impacts to land use activities like trapping are likely to be more than the Draft EA/IS's determination of "not significant." It is not enough to determine that, because trapline tenures are large, trappers will simply be able to move their activities to an unimpacted area. Trappers have a deep and historic connection to the land that includes access routes, overnight locations, and ecological knowledge that stretches back generations, and the Proponent is wrong to assume that they can simply move their trapping areas to a new location without any impact to their land use and occupancy. The Proponent must engage with trapline holders to understand the real potential



impacts of the Project to trapping and how, if at all, these potential impacts can be mitigated or accommodated.

15.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

15.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN requires the following conditions for approval related to land use planning and considerations for the Project:

- MFFN inclusion of AFN in the development of their CBLUP in areas where there is territory overlap between the two First Nations, from the southern limit of the PSA to the north bank of the Albany River. AFN should be engaged and included as a decision-maker for land use planning purposes.
- The Proponent must engage AFN's trapline holders for [REDACTED] to better understand the potential impacts of the Project on their ability to exercise their Aboriginal and Treaty Rights within their traplines and to develop mitigation and accommodation measures where determined necessary by AFN and the trapline holders
- AFN should be included in the development and implementation of any Environmental Protection Plans for the LSA



15.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 13: Comment and Recommendations Table for Land Use Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
92	Draft EA-IS Document; Appendix U-Land Use	8.3.9.1, p. 365; 5.1.2, p. 62, 7.2.1, p. 99	Comment: The draft EA states that AFN is continuing the planning process to develop a Community Based Land Use Plan under the <i>Far North Act</i> . This is incorrect as the province withdrew funding for AFN in 2020 and ended AFN's participation in this process. Were AFN allowed by Ontario to continue this process, the LSA would fall within lands under jurisdiction of AFN's Community-Based Land Use Plan and it is possible that adverse effects to Land Use Compatibility VCs would be identified.	Recommendation a: Please update the wording to accurately reflect the current status that AFN is not continuing the planning process because Ontario withdrew funding for AFN's participation. Recommendation b: Furthermore, as expressed in the Draft EA/IS, AFN would like to resume their participation in the Community-Based Land Use Planning process, including through participation and engagement with MFFN in their planning process. AFN and MFFN share a significant portion of their territories, including a significant portion within the SA, and AFN would like to be engaged and included in MFFN's planning process, including in the final decision-making process about the final plan.
93	Appendix U-Land Use	7.2.1, p. 100	Comment: The Proponent recommends that MFFN be involved in planning activities related to new developments in the RSA that may occur because of the Project, with justification due to MFFN's CBLUP. AFN is not included in this recommendation, despite significant overlapping territory with MFFN in the RSA.	Recommendation: AFN believes that due to the significant overlap in AFN and MFFN's territory within the RSA, and that AFN's own CBLUP was defunded by Ontario that the Proponent should also recommend that AFN be involved in land and resource use planning activities to manage new development that may occur due to the Project, at least within AFN and MFFN's shared territory.
94	Draft EA-IS Document	8.3.9.6, p. 367	Comment: Section claims that trapping is less common due to decline in fur prices and rising cost of inputs and then states, "Trapping is now largely recognized as a pastime and a way to preserve Indigenous culture and not a commercial activity." This framing could be interpreted to undermine AFN band members Aboriginal and treaty rights, and the importance of trapping as a method of cultural expression, continuity and education.	Context: Trapping, like hunting, fishing and gathering, is a way of life for AFN band members and is enshrined in their Aboriginal and treaty rights. The current decline in the economic value of trapping should have no bearing on the Crown's duty to ensure that trapping is protected and that any potential impacts to trapping by the Project are understood and mitigated. Recommendation: The section should be rewritten to emphasize the importance of trapping as a way of life for First Nation peoples in the region, and to recognize the potential land use incompatibility between the Project and trapping.
95	Draft EA-IS Document; Appendix U-Land Use	10.4.8, p. 837; 7.2.7, pp. 118 - 124	Comment: Draft EA/IS states "the total area removed/potentially disturbed by the combined projects is still relatively small compared to the size of the trapping tenure. As such, the cumulative effect is low to moderate in magnitude and considered to be non-significant." However, the Draft Land and Resource Technical Support Document states that for each trapline that intersects the LSA, specific information from the trapline holder was unavailable, with no comment about if or how the Proponent attempted to engage trappers.	Context: AFN does not agree that the Proponent can make the assertion that impacts to trapping will be "non-significant" without conducting meaningful consultation with trapline holders in the LSA. Consultation to determine the level of significance of impacts must consider <i>where</i> trappers set up their traplines within their tenure, and other factors that influence this geography, including quality of the area for the purpose of trapping, location of furbearing animals, travel and transportation routes, overnight locations and areas of cultural significance. Furthermore, the opening up of the area to other travelers and land users by the Project indicates a significant potential for cumulative impacts that could put stress on furbearing animal populations. Recommendation: AFN asks that the Proponent provide a detailed rationale as to how they have determined that cumulative impacts to trapping will be non-significant, provide further opportunities to consult with trapline holders, particularly AFN band members who are the



				trapline holders for [REDACTED] and to commit to a follow-up monitoring program to capture the ebb and flow of furbearing population sizes over at least the
96	Appendix U-Land Use	Table 7-3, p. 137	Comment: An Environmental Protection Plan will be implemented, in part, to address and mitigate potential impacts to trapping in the LSA during the construction phase.	Recommendation: AFN would like to be included in the development of any Environmental Protection Plan for the LSA, especially as it pertains to access restrictions and operational considerations such as speed limits. AFN would also like these measures, or similar, to pertain to the operations and maintenance phase of the project.
97	Appendix U-Land Use	Table 7-3, p. 138	Comment: In determining potential effects on trapping during the operations and maintenance phase, impacts from dust were not considered.	Recommendation: Consideration of potential impacts to trapping should include effects from dust to trapping, including impacts directly to trappers on the land and to the populations of furbearing mammals.



16.0 HUMAN HEALTH

16.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

It is important to consider the definition of health beyond a physical or mental state. Individual and community health is intrinsically tied to the health of spirit, culture, and the lands and waters. Colonial influences have impacted all of these components of health, and continue to perpetuate pressures and shifts socially, economically, and environmentally that cumulatively impact the health of AFN members.

16.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS TO AROLAND FIRST NATION

The Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document (Appendix T), which forms the basis of the assessment of Project impacts to human health for the Draft EA/IS, did not include a comparison of field study data against applicable human health risk-based standards. The exclusion of this information from the assessment makes it very difficult to accurately and appropriately assess the potential risks to human health, and therefore the impacts to AFN. Additionally, no country foods dietary surveys or country foods sampling programs have taken place to inform the human health risk assessment process. Without this essential baseline data on the existing conditions, it is difficult to determine potential exposures to contaminants during the Project construction and operation. This lack of data will also make it impossible to determine if food consumption patterns shift as a result from the Project's effects (real and/or perceived) on country food quantity and/or quality. Until this additional data is collected and appropriately evaluated, the potential impacts to AFN members' health is uncertain.

16.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 9. BASELINE CONDITIONS – HUMAN HEALTH

- *Provide the approximate number, distance and identity factors of likely human receptors, including any foreseeable future receptors, that may be impacted by changes in air, water, country food quality (e.g., dust deposition on vegetation), and noise levels. At minimum, provide a map showing approximate locations of permanent residences, temporary land uses (e.g., cabins and traditional sites) and known locations of sensitive human receptors (e.g., schools, hospitals, community centres, retirement complexes or assisted care homes);*
- *Describe drinking water sources which may be effected by the Project, including surface and/or groundwater (permanent, seasonal, periodic or temporary), their distance from project activities and approximate wellhead capture zones;*



- Provide baseline contaminant concentrations in drinking water and in the tissues of country foods (traditional foods) consumed by Indigenous groups and local communities. For game animals, the proponent is expected to work with local Indigenous groups to gather tissues samples, as appropriate;
- Describe the consumption of country foods (traditional foods) outside of the commercial food chain, including food that is trapped, fished, hunted, harvested or grown for consumption, medicinal purposes or has cultural value. Specify which species are used, quantities, frequency, harvesting locations, and how the data were collected (e.g., site specific consumption surveys);
- If a Human Health Risk Assessment is required, provide baseline contaminant concentrations in the tissues of country foods (traditional foods) consumed by Indigenous groups and local communities; and
- Describe the status of food security and food sovereignty within the Indigenous groups and local communities.
- The proponent should refer to Health Canada guidance documents such that best practices are followed in the collection of baseline information to assess real and perceived project related impacts to human health due to changes in air quality, noise, drinking and recreational water quality, country foods and/or multiple pathways of exposure to contaminants. The proponent should provide a detailed rationale/explanation for any deviation from recommended baseline characterization approaches and methods, including from Health Canada's guidance, or when determining such characterization is not warranted.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 16 EFFECTS TO VALUED COMPONENTS – HUMAN HEALTH

- Within the context of the predicted changes to the biophysical environment, social and economic conditions resulting from the Project, the proponent must assess the adverse and positive effects of the Project on human health, particularly regarding the effects of the higher-level health determinants on well-being.
- The assessment must consistently take into account real and perceived risk and carry out baseline studies using recognized methodological best practices and as reflected in these guidelines, to determine perceived risk.
- The proponent must describe how community and Indigenous knowledge was used to collect baseline data and assess health effects and disaggregate the source of community or Indigenous knowledge, as well as social, economic, and health data, by representation by sex, age and other community relevant identity factors to support identification of disproportionate effects through the application of GBA+.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 16.1 BIOPHYSICAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

- Provide an assessment of adverse and positive effects on human health in consideration of, but not limited to, potential changes in: o air quality; o noise exposure; o effects of vibration; o current and future availability (including contamination/quality) of country foods (i.e., food that is trapped, fished, hunted, harvested or grown for subsistence, cultural or medicinal purposes); and o current and future availability (including contamination/quality) of water for drinking, recreational and cultural uses.
- Identify predicted effects of the Project on the quality and quantity of ground or surface water used for domestic uses based on the most stringent guideline values of the following criteria; Canadian Drinking Water Quality Guidelines (CDWQG), Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standards (ODWQS), or Ontario Soil, Groundwater and Sediment Standards (SGSS);
- Describe and quantify the health risk from exposure to COPCs (e.g., arsenic, chromium, mercury) via consumption of country foods and differential risk for vulnerable subgroups;
- Conduct a problem formulation exercise/preliminary model predictions to determine whether a Human Health Risk Assessment is required. The proponent must provide a rationale/explanation if problem



formulation/preliminary model predictions indicate that a Human Health Risk Assessment is not warranted;

- Provide a detailed rationale/explanation if a determination is made that an assessment of any COPCs (e.g., arsenic, chromium, mercury) or exposure pathways should be excluded and/or screened out of the assessment and if the proponent decides to deviate from the suggested assessment approaches and methods or determines that such assessment is not warranted;
- Describe and quantify the project-related activities, and provide an inventory of contaminants of potential concern and their sources, potential exposure pathways, adverse human health effects and the potential human receptors of these effects;
- Describe nuisances and environmental, social and economic changes that could potentially be sources of adverse human health effects and the potential human receptors of these effects;
- In situations where project related air, water or noise emissions meet local, provincial, territorial or federal guidelines, and yet public concerns were raised regarding human health effects, provide a description of the public concerns and how they were or are to be addressed;
- Food security: describe effects to availability, use and consumption of country foods (traditional foods) and health impacts of this effect; and
- Describe any project-related changes that may result in positive health effects.

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 20 MITIGATION AND ENHANCEMENT MEASURES

- Propose mitigation measures to reduce all potential adverse effects to health conditions of all potentially impacted communities and Indigenous groups and present opportunities for enhancing positive effects;

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 21 RESIDUAL EFFECTS

- Characterize residual effects for human health using human health-related criteria most appropriate for the carcinogenic and non-carcinogenic health effects of non-threshold contaminants

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- Changes in air quality, noise levels and water quality
- Changes to public health and community safety
- Changes to diet

16.2.2 IMPACTS TO LAND USE AND OCCUPANCY

- N/A

16.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN is concerned by extensive deficiencies related to assessment of human health in comparison to the guiding TISG and TOR, as well as the overall lack of assessment of impacts and corresponding



mitigation measures. Prior to the final EA/IS being submitted, AFN requires that the following recommendations be implemented by the Proponent:

- Completion of the human health sections of the EA/IS such that all requirements from the guiding TISG and TOR are fulfilled.
- All available field study data must be screened against the human health risk-based standards and included in the problem formulation, with a corresponding quantitative human health risk assessment if deemed appropriate based on the screening.
- Completion of a country foods study for AFN, including the determination of the current baseline of traditional food consumption patterns from AFN members, regular ongoing monitoring of consumption patterns and attitudes toward harvesting traditional foods through a representative dietary survey (including behavioural shifts in consumption due to both real and perceived contamination), and adequate baseline and ongoing sampling of the tissues of traditional foods.
- Completion of a quantitative human health risk assessment for inhalation of vapours and/or suspended particulates in air.
- An evaluation of how climate change exacerbates potential predicted effects to human health.



16.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 14: Comment and Recommendations Table for Human Health Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
98	Appendix T – Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document	Table 4-1, p. 16	Comment: Traditional foods is listed as a VC, with the rationale for selection being the potential for contamination due to construction and operations activities, and availability changes due to habitat disturbance or increased harvesting pressure. The potential for changes in availability of traditional foods as a result of behavioural shifts from perceived contamination has not been considered.	Recommendation: AFN requests that the community well-being study assess the potential for changes in consumption of traditional foods due to behavioural shifts related to perceived contamination. The assessment should include a current baseline of traditional food consumption patterns for AFN members, with regular future monitoring of consumption patterns and attitudes towards harvesting traditional foods to appropriately determine if shifts in behaviour have occurred as a result of the Project, and/or as a cumulative effect from multiple future projects within AFN's Traditional Territory.
99	Appendix T – Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document	Table 4-8, p. 34	Comment: The magnitude definitions for the “Consumption of Traditional Foods” VC is based on only improved access to traditional harvesting sites and the potential positive effects that may arise from the Project. The definitions do not consider the potential for negative effects to the consumption of traditional foods.	Recommendation: In order to properly and fully assess the potential impacts of the Project on AFN, it is important that both positive and negative effects are discussed and defined in the IA process. The magnitude definitions for the “Consumption of Traditional Foods” VC should include the possibility for potential decreased availability of traditional foods as a result of increased external pressures, perceived and/or actual contamination and food quality risks, decreased availability of traditional foods because of direct project impacts to the quantity of harvested species, etc.
100	Appendix T – Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document	5.1.11.2, p. 115	Comment: AFN members have expressed concerns about contamination in traditional foods, however no contaminant analyses have taken place to form a baseline of existing conditions for traditional food contaminant concentrations.	Context: Despite the concerns that have been expressed by AFN members regarding contamination of traditional foods from glyphosate and various industries, no baseline data on existing conditions has been collected for tissue concentrations for key harvested species, nor has a baseline traditional foods consumption survey been completed. Recommendation: AFN requests that these traditional foods assessments take place, so that appropriate mitigation measures can be implemented, if necessary, to minimize potential cumulative effects on AFN member concerns with traditional foods and further shift consumption patterns away from traditional foods to purchased foods.
101	Appendix T – Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document	General Comment (applicable throughout Appendix T)	Comment: No screening of available field study data against human-health risk-based standards has been completed for inclusion in the problem formulation, nor has a country food sampling program and accompanying traditional food consumption survey taken place.	Context: It is imperative that the existing baseline conditions are appropriately characterized prior to Project approval decisions, so that risks can be fully understood and mitigated against. Without this information, it is difficult to fully appreciate what health risks might arise from the MFCAR construction and operations, and would make it nearly impossible to determine if Project effects are realized. As per the Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines, there is a requirement from IAAC for the Project Draft EA/IS to describe and quantify the health risk from exposure to COPCs via consumption of country foods, and include an assessment of



				<p>differential risk for vulnerable subgroups. Prior to any approval decisions being issued for the Project, AFN requires that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendation a: Available field study data is screened against human health risk-based standards and included in the problem formulation, with a corresponding quantitative human health risk assessment if deemed appropriate based on the screening. AFN requests an opportunity to review and provide input and comment to the screening outcomes and potentially accompanying risk assessment. • Recommendation b: A country food sampling program is undertaken, with meaningful input from AFN on its design and implementation, to determine a baseline for contaminant concentrations in the tissues of traditional foods harvested by AFN members. The sampling program must consider the specific parts of the plants and animals that are consumed by AFN members, be adequately representative of the species consumed (e.g., statistically significant sample sizes for the species being analyzed), and appropriately reflect the seasons in which they are harvested and consumed. The data resulting from the country food sampling program must be assessed as part of the problem formulation, and be used as a baseline of conditions for comparison in future, ongoing monitoring programs aimed at assessing potential impacts of the Project. • Recommendation c: A household dietary survey is undertaken, with appropriate representation from AFN members, that is used to assess potential exposures in the human health risk assessment. The survey must be designed such that it can be replicated in the future, to monitor potential shifts in traditional food consumption patterns resulting from the Project, its contribution to cumulative effects within AFN's Traditional Territories, and potential behavioural shifts from perceived effects to traditional food quality.
102	Appendix T – Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document	Attachment A – Draft Problem Formulation for Human Health Risk Assessment, Table 9-1, p. 102	Comment: Table 9-1 suggests that a quantitative human health risk assessment should take place for the inhalation of vapours and/or suspended particles in the air. There is no mention of if and when such a risk assessment will take place.	<p>Recommendation a: As per the recommendation in Table 9-1, AFN requires that a quantitative human health risk assessment for inhalation of vapours and/or suspended particulates in air be completed, prior to a Project approval decision.</p> <p>Recommendation b: AFN requests sufficient time and opportunity to review and provide comment on future human health risk assessments that will be completed as part of the EA process for this Project.</p>
103	Appendix T – Draft Community Well-Being Technical Support Document	General Comment	Comment: There is no information on how climate change may contribute to the Project's potential impacts to human health.	Recommendation: AFN requests that the assessment of community well-being, and in particular the assessment of biophysical determinants of health, explicitly identify and evaluate potential impacts or exacerbation of predicted effects to human health due to climate change.



17.0 VISUAL

17.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN understands that the Project will result in visual impacts on the landscape throughout the construction and operational phases. AFN does not have concerns with the methodological approach that the Proponent used to determine the level and magnitude of the visual impacts. However, the Proponent did not include analysis of AFN's cultural values within the PSA or CDA that AFN provided as part of their IKLUS.

17.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS ON AROLAND FIRST NATION

AFN is unable to accurately evaluate the Proponent's characterization of visual impacts because AFN's data has not been included in this analysis. The final EA/IS must include AFN's mapped values in this analysis and edits to the Visual Technical Report based on AFN's data must be identified to AFN.

17.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 8.1 ATMOSPHERIC, ACOUSTIC, AND VISUAL ENVIRONMENT

- *provide the approximate number, distance and identity factors of likely human receptors, including any foreseeable future receptors, that may be impacted by changes in air, water, country food quality (e.g., dust deposition on vegetation), and noise levels. At minimum, provide a map showing approximate locations of permanent residences, temporary land uses (e.g., cabins and traditional sites) and known locations of sensitive human receptors (e.g., schools, hospitals, community centres, retirement complexes or assisted care homes).*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 12.2 CURRENT USE OF LANDS AND RESOURCES FOR TRADITIONAL PURPOSES

- *access to resources (e.g., physical access to harvest specific species, culturally important harvesting locations, timing, seasonality, distance from community);*
- *the experience of the practice (e.g., connection to the landscape without artificial noise and sensory disturbances, air quality, visual landscape, perceived or real contamination, etc.); and*



- *other current uses identified by Indigenous groups.*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 12.4 CONDITIONS RELATED TO THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- *the experience associated with the exercise of rights (e.g., noise and sensory disturbances, air quality, visual landscape);*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 14.1 CHANGES TO THE ATMOSPHERIC, ACOUSTIC, AND VISUAL ENVIRONMENT

- *describe consultation with regulators, stakeholders, community groups, landowners and Indigenous groups about potential effects to the atmospheric, acoustic, and visual environment*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 16.2 SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

- *identify predicted visual or other aesthetic effects of the project on existing land use in the study area;*

IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 19.1 EFFECTS TO INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

- *cultural heritage, and structures, sites or things of historical, archaeological, paleontological or architectural significance to groups, including, but not limited to:*
 - *visual aesthetics over the life of the Project and post-Project abandonment or decommissioning.*

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TOR – SECTION 7.2 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

- *Alteration of existing landscape and visual character of the area (e.g., scenic values and viewpoints)*

17.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION’S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- The final report must include any cultural heritage values identified in AFN’s IKLUS that may be within the CDA or PSA, including evaluation for magnitude of impact.
- The Proponent must invite AFN monitors to participate in any work related to ground truthing to identify potential effects to sensitive receptors and commit to providing adequate capacity funding for AFN’s participation.



17.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 15: Comment and Recommendations Table for Visual Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
104	Appendix V- Visual Technical Report	Table 7-1, p. 76	Comment: Table lists Cultural Heritage Sensitive Receptors by segments throughout the proposed right of way within the PSA and CDA. The table does not include sites identified by AFN's IKLU study.	Recommendation: The final report must include any cultural heritage values identified in AFN's IKLU study that may be within the CDA or PSA and evaluate for magnitude of impact. Edits to this table must be identified to AFN.
105	Appendix V – Visual Technical Report	Table 7-2, pp. 101-104	Comment: Mitigation measures for Cultural Heritage Resources includes ground truthing sensitive receptors within CDA.	Recommendation: The Proponent must invite AFN monitors in any work related to ground truthing to identify potential effects to sensitive receptors, including the provision of adequate capacity funding for AFN participation.



18.0 ABORIGINAL TREATY RIGHTS AND INTERESTS & INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE

18.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

The lack of AFN comments and recommendations in this review related to the integration of Indigenous Knowledge must not be interpreted by the Proponent nor the Crown as AFN accepting the contents of the draft EA/IS.

AFN was unable to review and provide comment on the majority of the draft EA/IS related to the inclusion of Indigenous Knowledge given the Project team's failure to integrate the information provided in the Aroland First Nation Indigenous Knowledge and Land Use Study for the Marten Falls Community Access Road submitted in September of 2024. This Study provides critical information for the EI/IS related to AFN's Indigenous Knowledge of the area, including areas of land use and occupancy as well as cultural values of significance. Further, the Aboriginal and Treaty Rights and Interests (ATRI) report was not included as part of the draft EA/IS technical documents, rendering AFN unable to review this information.

The Project team informed AFN that the ATRI would be made available, and AFN's input included in the draft EA/IS, at a later date with an independent timeline for review. AFN does not agree with this approach as both the information provided in the ATRI and integration of AFN's Indigenous Knowledge in the draft EA/IS are critical to informing the Proponent's interpretation of potential impacts on AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. As a result, AFN has determined their only option is to wait for the ATRI to be made available, and their Indigenous Knowledge appropriately integrated into the EA/IS, to conduct a fulsome technical review. The EA/IS must not be approved in any way without the integration of AFN's Indigenous Knowledge.



19.0 ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSESSMENTS

19.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

The lands and waters within the Study Area include a significant portion of AFN's Traditional Territory, where its members have hunted, fished, trapped, gathered, travelled, and lived for time immemorial, creating many sites of cultural and archaeological importance, including historic settlements, camps, burial grounds and more. Many of AFN's sites of cultural and archaeological importance have been documented as part of their IK mapping, but believe that there are many more important sites that could be impacted by the Project. AFN requires that they be actively involved in the identification of sites before, and during any activity undertaken on the ground by the Project.

19.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS ON AROLAND FIRST NATION

The Project has the potential to significantly impact sites of cultural and archaeological importance to AFN, including historic settlements, camps, burial grounds and more. Because the Proponent has not integrated AFN's IK data into the draft EA/IS, they do not consider AFN's mapped cultural values in identifying potential sites, and falls short of best practices for understanding and protecting the full archaeological history of the region. The report does not consider how the land may have changed over time over the past several thousand years, and how that may have influenced patterns of settlement and movement. Nor are human disturbances like dam construction and the resulting fluctuation in water levels considered in understanding how the environment may have looked differently in the past.

19.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN is concerned by the lack of engagement undertaken by the Proponent to identify and understand potential cultural heritage and archaeological sites located within the Study Area, as well as the lack of inclusion of AFN's IK and cultural heritage data shared with the Proponent in September, 2024. As a condition for approval, AFN would like to see the following actions:

- The Proponent must provide AFN with the opportunity to fully participate in all activities undertaken to locate and identify potential archaeological sites within the Study Area. The Proponent must also provide AFN with the opportunity and capacity to ensure that monitors can be present during work activities to ensure that all archaeological protocols are followed in order to protect AFN's cultural and archaeological heritage resources.
- Inclusion of AFN's cultural values mapping and IK information into the analysis of important archaeological sites and heritage resources within the Study Area



19.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 18: Comment and Recommendations Table for Archaeological Assessment Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
106	Appendix Q: Draft Cultural Heritage Technical Support Document	Page 9; Table 8-1, pp. 74	Comment: The Draft Cultural Heritage Technical Support Document has identified one site of cultural significance for AFN. This is not accurate or reflective of the information that AFN provided in the MFCAR IK report in September 2024. It is expected that the information from AFN is included and an updated comprehensive assessment will be completed prior to the final EA being released.	Recommendation: The Proponent must consider all information provided in the AFN as it relates to sites of cultural heritage as identified in the Draft Cultural Heritage Technical Support Document (harvest areas, travel routes, habitation areas, and cultural, spiritual, and sacred sites).
107	Appendix R – Archaeological Assessments – Stage 1 (P438-0207-2020)	Section 1.3.1.1	The report presents the notion that the current environment is the same as it would have been 2,000 – 5,000 years ago and does not account for changes to the landscape, especially as a result of human disturbance through dam construction and the fluctuation of water levels.	Recommendation: The report should be updated to reflect how the environment would have looked in the past, and must consider the impacts of human disturbances on the landscape.
108	Appendix R – Archaeological Assessments – Stage 1 (P438-0207-2020)	Section 1.1.1	The use of LiDAR is not discussed. The assessment relied on Satellite Imagery but neither the source of the imagery nor the resolution is disclosed.	Information Request: The Proponent must explain why LiDAR, which is more reliable than satellite imagery and topographical maps was not used. Regarding the use of satellite imagery, the Proponent must disclose the source of the imagery and the resolution of the images.
109	Appendix R – Archaeological Assessments – Stage 1 (P438-0207-2020)	Section 1.3.3	The report only lists four registered archaeological sites within 50 km of the Study Area. The rationale for the low number of sites is the lack of development in the area as well as the effects of fluvial processes that could have washed sites away. However, consideration is not given that these areas have just not been examined extensively for archaeological resources because of the lack of development. This should be considered a bias- the lack of sites does not mean that there aren't many more that have not been discovered and/or documented.	Recommendation: The Proponent needs to clarify how they have considered the potential for archaeological sites that have not yet been identified within the LSA. The Proponent must include AFN and AFN band members in the identification of additional potential sites and must describe how AFN's IK data has been considered in site identification.
110	Appendix R – Archaeological Assessments – Stage 1 (P438-0207-2020)	Section 2.3	The report does not give consideration for navigable waterways, nor does it include discussion about how lands were used in the past and what might be important to Indigenous peoples as they travelled the landscape.	Recommendation: The Proponent should conduct physical inspection of all areas that require shovel testing as a means to narrow down what needs to be tested in greater detail. Not every water body would have been used in the past and may not be appropriate for testing, but must be considered with regards to how Indigenous people utilized the landscape and waterways.
111	Appendix R – Archaeological Assessment – Stage 2 (P438-0225-2020)	Executive Summary	The report does not explain efforts to include Indigenous participation in the field assessment. AFN members have a vast amount of information of the area that could be vital to the interpretation of archaeological potential.	Recommendation: The Proponent must explain how AFN band members' knowledge and information of the LSA has been incorporated into identifying sites of archaeological potential.



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Appendix R –
Archaeological
Assessment –
Stage 2 (P438-
0225-2020)

Section 3.1

The report states that an artifact was found during a beach survey but does not specify what type of survey or follow up testing was conducted. Was it a pedestrian surface find? Was it found in a shovel test pit? If it was found on a beach was there subsequent shovel testing? The report states that investigators walked the area- was that all that was done?

Question: Please provide more detail about the manner in which the artifact was discovered and the tests that were conducted as a result of the find.



20.0 CLIMATE CHANGE & RESILIENCY

20.1 SUMMARY OF AROLAND FIRST NATION'S PERSPECTIVE

AFN recognizes the importance of climate change adaptation measures in ensuring that the MFCAR remains operational and resilient in the face of changing conditions and increasingly frequent climate events such as wildfire, increased precipitation, extreme heat, and more. As climatic conditions and events evolve, AFN also appreciates the necessity of shifting and reassessing approaches to climate change adaptation and resiliency. It is AFN's priority to ensure that decisions surrounding climate change as it relates to the MFCAR, including the implementation of adaptation measures, are made in a way that is collaborative and respects AFN rights and interests, and draws on the Indigenous Knowledge shared by community members. AFN must be included as a party in the decision-making process for any climate change related decisions.

20.2 EVALUATION OF IMPACTS ON AROLAND FIRST NATION

While climate change adaptation measures are necessary for ensuring the resiliency of the MFCAR into the future, AFN has outstanding concerns surrounding how the proposed climate change adaptation measures may impact AFN and the surrounding environment. It remains unclear how some proposed climate change adaptation measures (e.g. fire breaks, vegetation trimming and control) might impact the surrounding land and wildlife, and in turn, AFN community members who rely on them.

Climate change and the development of the MFCAR in combination have the potential to change patterns of access and travel throughout the region. AFN is concerned that where warmer winters due to climate change mean that areas accessed by winter roads are becoming less accessible, areas surrounding the MFCAR will become more accessible. There is potential that non-Treaty Nine members, with increased access to AFN's Territory, facilitated by the MFCAR, will use the territory for harvesting (hunting, fishing, gathering), which could put increased pressure on areas surrounding the MFCAR and AFN's Aboriginal and Treaty Rights.

To ensure these impacts are appropriately avoided and mitigated where appropriate, it is critical that AFN be included in decision-making and monitoring processes related to climate change impacts and adaptation.

20.2.1 ASSESSMENT DEFICIENCIES

Through AFN's review of the Draft EA/IS, and in comparison to the guiding TISG, TOR, and Best Practices or AFN Expectations, the following items were found to be absent or deficient:



IMPACT ASSESSMENT TISG – SECTION 23.2 EFFECTS OF THE ENVIRONMENT ON THE PROJECT

- *identify the Project's sensitivities/vulnerabilities to change in climate (both in mean conditions and extremes such as short-duration heavy precipitation events), describe climate resilience of the Project and how climate change effects have been incorporated into the Project design (e.g., water crossings) and planning over the lifetime of the Project and describe the climate data, projections used, and related information used to evaluate these sensitivities (i.e., risks) over the full project lifetime;*

BEST PRACTICES OR AFN EXPECTATIONS

20.2.2 CUMULATIVE EFFECTS

Climate change will not only produce extreme weather events requiring adaptation as detailed in Section 12 of this assessment but will also exacerbate or otherwise interact with other environmental and human impacts. Given these interactions, climate change must be considered not only as a source of direct weather-related impacts but also part of the larger context of cumulative effects this Project exists in.

Climate events are also cumulative, in that they can co-occur spatially and temporally or create the conditions for new events. For example, extreme heat, drought, and wildfire are all interconnected and can amplify the severity and frequency of one another. From this perspective, the impacts of climate change must be assessed in combination and not as singular events.

Leveraging Indigenous Knowledge related to climate change and cumulative effects is necessary for understanding these interactions from a holistic perspective. While this assessment summarizes some Indigenous Knowledge related to climate change contributed by surrounding communities, further research is required to better understand how climate change might impact the road and what adaptation measures are appropriate for the surrounding environment.

20.3 AROLAND FIRST NATION'S RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

AFN requires the following actions to ensure that issues related to climate change and resiliency are addressed:

- The Proponent should ensure Indigenous Knowledge is integrated alongside western scientific data in assessing climate change to more fully leverage an Indigenous climate lens. Gaps in the Indigenous Knowledge included (i.e. areas that require further research) should be clearly identified in the assessment and accompanied by appropriate plans for follow-up to fill them in partnership with surrounding Indigenous communities.
- Decisions surrounding climate change adaptation measures, including their design and implementation, should be made in partnership with AFN, as a deciding party, to ensure that



they do not create additional impacts to the land and/or wildlife, or exacerbate changes already being experienced by community members in the region. A monitoring and decision-making framework should include:

- Pathways for AFN to collect and share Indigenous Knowledge on an ongoing basis
- AFN involvement and decision-making in ongoing monitoring and inspections
- AFN inclusion as a decision-making party in any decision-making related to the creation of new adaptation measures or updates to existing adaptation measures
- The Proponent must provide further information surrounding how climate change and the development of the MFCAR in combination could change patterns of access and travel throughout the region.
- Follow-up and monitoring plans are critical in the context of climate change as conditions evolve over time. The Proponent must develop clear processes and protocols for follow-up and monitoring that include AFN participation and ensure:
 - Climate change projections and metrics are updated at regular intervals
 - New scientific findings and insights related to climate change adaptation measures are reviewed and included on an ongoing basis
 - Indigenous Knowledge is gathered and revisited on an ongoing basis to contribute further insight into changes on the land and the efficacy of adaptation measures



20.4 SPECIFIC COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Table 19: Comment and Recommendations Table for Climate Change and Resiliency Section

COMMENT #	DOCUMENT NAME	EA/IS SECTION REFERENCE	ISSUE	QUESTION/RECOMMENDATION
113	Draft EA/IS Document	12.1.4	Comment: Section 12.1.4 speaks about leveraging an Indigenous climate lens and the importance of Indigenous Knowledge in understanding climate change and associated potential impacts. However, it remains unclear how the Indigenous Knowledge related to climate change documented as part of this assessment and summarized in Section 12.1.4 was integrated in the process of characterizing impacts and developing adaptation measures related to the Project.	<p>Recommendation: Indigenous Knowledge, including that shared by AFN, should be integrated alongside western scientific data in characterizing what impacts of climate change are already occurring or being experienced in the area, determining what areas or elements of the land surrounding the Project are vulnerable to further impacts of climate change, and developing appropriate adaptation measures. The assessment should clearly outline where and to what extent Indigenous Knowledge was used to draw conclusions and develop the recommended adaptation measures.</p> <p>If gaps exist where additional Indigenous Knowledge is needed to truly leverage an Indigenous climate lens for the MFCAR, the assessment should clearly identify these gaps and appropriate follow-up measures to address them in partnership with AFN.</p>
114	Draft EA/IS Document	Table 12-3, Table 12-4	Comment: Table 12-3 and Table 12-4 identify climate change adaptation measures, but the assessment overall lacks detail surrounding how these measures might impact the land and environment (e.g. fire breaks, oversized culverts, vegetation trimming). Further, it does not consider how these measures might interact with ongoing changes already being experienced in the region and documented through Indigenous Knowledge.	<p>Context: AFN supports the development of climate change adaptations to support the resilience of the MFCAR. It is AFN's view that such measures must be designed and implemented in a way that does not create additional impacts to the land and/or wildlife, or exacerbate impacts and changes already being experienced by community members in the region. For example, changes in stream flows and vegetation were identified as ongoing changes being experienced by Indigenous communities in the region in Section 12.1.4, which could be exacerbated by adaptation measures such as oversized culverts and vegetation control, respectively.</p> <p>Recommendation: The Proponent should identify how decisions surrounding the implementation of adaptation measures will be made, and what steps will be taken both prior to construction and on an ongoing basis to ensure potential impacts as a result of these adaptation measures are avoided or mitigated appropriately. Decisions surrounding their design and implementation should be made in partnership with AFN and draw on Indigenous Knowledge as appropriate.</p>
115	Draft EA/IS Document	12.1.4	Comment: Climate change is anticipated to impact winter access roads to northern communities throughout the region. In combination with the development of the Project, this has significant potential to change patterns of travel and access throughout AFN's territory. The assessment largely focuses on direct impacts to the MFCAR as a result of climate change and does not consider this broader context.	<p>Context: AFN recognizes the importance of the MFCAR in the context of climate change and reduced reliability of winter access roads throughout the region. However, AFN has outstanding questions surrounding how climate change is projected to impact existing winter access roads, and how this in combination with the creation of the MFCAR might change or redirect patterns of travel and harvest throughout their territory. For example,</p>



unreliable winter roads preventing access to some areas may redirect harvesters to those more easily accessed via the MFCAR in AFN territory.

Recommendation: AFN seeks to better understand how climate change and associated impacts to surrounding winter access roads are anticipated to change patterns of access and use of the MFCAR in their territory. Ultimately, this should inform the development of appropriate mitigation, monitoring, and management plans in partnership with AFN to address potential issues related to increased access or use of AFN territory by non-AFN members facilitated by the MFCAR.

116	Draft EA-IS Document	Table 12-3, Table 12-4	<p>Comment: The assessment of potential impacts to the MFCAR as a result of climate change, and development of associated adaptation measures, does not include clear plans or frameworks for follow-up, monitoring, or ongoing decision-making.</p>	<p>Context: AFN appreciates that adaptive management will be required to ensure the resilience of the MFCAR in the long-term and in the context of climate change. It is likely that the adaptation measures conceived of at this stage will need to change over time to account for new conditions and events. This will require follow-up and monitoring initiatives, as well as ongoing decision-making processes as new information emerges.</p> <p>Recommendation: AFN must be appropriately and meaningfully included in decision-making as it relates to climate change adaptation measures and the resiliency of the MFCAR on an ongoing basis. The Proponent should develop plans that include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pathways for AFN to collect and share IK of climate change and climate change impacts as they relate to the MFCAR to inform operations and maintenance decisions. • AFN involvement in ongoing monitoring and inspections related to climate change adaptation measures. • Processes for AFN to be included in decision-making related to the adjustment of existing adaptation measures, or development of new ones as climate and weather conditions change.
117	Appendix Y	8.0	<p>Context: The Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment does not consider climate impacts from a cumulative perspective, or those that are spatially and/or temporally co-occurring: “The underlying assumption for this assessment was singularity – the events occur independently, successively, and without impacting one another.”</p>	<p>Context: Climate events do not occur in isolation, often interacting with or preconditioning one another and/or spatially and temporally co-occurring. Assuming that events occur in singularity does not create a holistic or accurate picture of how climate change and associated events are likely to occur as they relate to the MFCAR.</p> <p>Recommendation: AFN requests additional information surrounding how climate events are likely to occur from a cumulative perspective, and how this might impact the MFCAR. The Proponent should detail in the assessment how and to what extent the results of their analysis can be applied to the Project even with the understanding that climate events are likely to be preconditioned or co-occur spatially and temporally.</p>
118	Appendix Y	9.0	<p>Comment: The Existing Conditions and Effects Assessment acknowledges that the results of the risk assessment must be reviewed again as scientific findings, human behaviour, and site characteristics are altered. However, it</p>	<p>Recommendation: Due to the evolving nature of climate change and associated impacts, it is critical that the Proponent develop appropriate follow-up and monitoring measures to ensure that climate change data related to the MFCAR remains up to date. This will serve to ensure that mitigation adaptation measures are adjusted to account for changing conditions over time on a</p>



does not identify any measures for monitoring programs, follow-up, or future commitments.

proactive basis (i.e. looking ahead) rather than reactively (i.e. in response to events that have already occurred) to the extent possible.

Follow-up and monitoring measures should include:

- Revisiting climate projections and associated potential impacts from climate change as they relate to the MFCAR at regular intervals
- Reviewing relevant scientific findings and new insights related to climate change adaptation measures for the MFCAR at regular intervals
- Development of long-term climate monitoring initiatives with a focus on IK in partnership with AFN



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Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Mon, Jul 28, 2025 at 1:17 PM
 To: "Lachance, Nolan" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Hello Nolan,

Thanks for reaching out about this opportunity for Aroland to participate in the fieldwork for the upcoming archaeological investigations. I have spoken with him and can confirm that Aroland is interested in having a monitor participate in the fieldwork. The monitor would most likely be Jerry himself, and if he is not available he has a few other people in mind that could support.

Could you please reach out to Jerry with any other details that he would need to get set up to participate?

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Invitation to Participate in Upcoming Archaeological Investigations

Andrew Peach <[redacted]> Wed, Aug 6, 2025 at 4:03 PM
 To: "Lachance, Nolan" <[redacted]>, Jerry Shabogamik <[redacted]>
 Cc: Councillor Joe Baxter <[redacted]>, Councillor Mark Bell <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs
 <[redacted]>, Qasim Saddique <[redacted]>, Jennifer Bruin
 <[redacted]>, Chief Sonny Gagnon <[redacted]>, Lucia Jara Moreno
 <[redacted]>, "Trimble, Ingrid" <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>, "Price,
 Katelyn" <[redacted]>, "[redacted]" <[redacted]>, "Markham, Samantha"
 <[redacted]>

Hello Nolan,

I have just heard that Jerry is going to be off for the remainder of the week for personal reasons. I hope that you are able to accommodate him joining for the fieldwork when he has returned to work next week.

In the meantime, I can do my best to support with anything that you need from Aroland's perspective.

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Aroland - Community Updates

Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Wed, Aug 13, 2025 at 1:09 PM

To: "Lachance, Nolan" <[redacted]>

Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>

Hi Nolan,

I am available this afternoon for a short call if that works for you. After 2:30 works for me. Best to reach me directly on my cell at [redacted].

Speak with you this afternoon,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Archaeological Investigation Opportunities

Ashley Childs <[redacted]>
To: "Lachance, Nolan" <[redacted]>
Cc: Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Fri, Aug 22, 2025 at 11:21 AM

Hi Nolan,

Here is Jeff's email: [redacted]

Once I hear from Jerry on if Jeff has availability for Monday, I will be sure to let you know.

Have a great weekend.

Ashley

Ashley Childs, BMgmt | Organizational Development Advisor

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Lachance, Nolan <[redacted]>

Fwd: Invoice: AFN Community Meeting

Andrew Peach <[redacted]>

Thu, Aug 28, 2025 at 11:08 AM

To: "Lachance, Nolan" <[redacted]>

Cc: Lucia Jara Moreno <[redacted]>, Ashley Childs <[redacted]>, "Angelis, Niki" <[redacted]>

Good morning Nolan,

Thanks for reaching out. Unfortunately, I have not been able to make any progress as I have not been able to contact Jerry over the past few weeks. Hopefully I will be able to connect with him soon to get this addressed.

Thanks very much,

Andrew Peach, MSc | Senior Planning Consultant and Project Director

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B2.3 Community Specific Meeting Materials





MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

Project Name: Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) All Season Community Access Road (CAR)

Date of Meeting: February 20, 2025

Time:

1:00-2:00 pm EST

Attendees: Joe Baxter, Aroland First Nation Councillor
Jerry Shabogamik, Aroland First Nation Consultation Coordinator
Qasim Saddique, MFFN CAR Project Team
Jennifer Bruin, MFFN CAR Project Team
Bob Baxter, MFFN CAR Senior Community Member Advisor
Ingrid Trimble, MFFN CAR Project Consultant
Gabbie Ratajczak, MFFN CAR Project Consultant

Project #: [REDACTED]

Location: Thunder Bay, Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo

Prepared By: Gabbie Ratajczak (MFFN CAR Project Consultant)

Absent:

N/A

Regarding: MFFN CAR Breakout Session at Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo

Notes of Meeting

Meeting Summary

The MFFN CAR Project Team (the Project Team) and representatives of Aroland First Nation privately met to discuss the Community Access Road and the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS) during the Three Road Projects Gathering and Expo.

Summary of Meeting Action Items

- N/A





MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

Item #	Topic / Theme	Comments / Questions	Response / Action Items
1	Traffic	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the estimated traffic on the road once completed? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team indicated that Appendix W of the draft EA / IS includes information on MFFN's traffic assumptions and challenges. MFFN indicated that a previous traffic report had forecasted Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT) of 500, while the Ministry of Transportation was suggesting an AADT of 1,000. Appendix W outlines MFFN's assumption of an estimated AADT of 700 for the north-south portion of the Community Access Road and 100 for the east-west portion. MFFN clarified that the volumes reflected an anticipated peak traffic in 2046.
2	Construction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> How long will it take to build the road once construction starts? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Between 3-10 years for the MFFN CAR.
3	General Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What is the cost for building this road? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MFFN CAR Project Team indicated that information is confidential and that the final number will be different from the current number. The next 2-3 years will allow for the cost to be refined.
4	Socio-Community, Accidents and Malfunctions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the past our community has experienced chemical spills, and it wiped out the trout in the rivers. It took 70 years for the trout to return. We are unaware of what chemicals were used. Those are some concerns we have – what chemicals will the mines bring in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There are ongoing discussions between MFFN and the province on the ownership and responsibility for the CAR. The legal perspective that the MFFN CAR received is that the liability associated with the development





MARTEN FALLS FIRST NATION
ALL SEASON COMMUNITY ACCESS ROAD

Item #	Topic / Theme	Comments / Questions	Response / Action Items
		<p>the future? Additionally, what will the road bring? Aroland is going to be a doorway to the CAR. If accidents happen or drugs enter the community, there will be a liability. Many people have asked us who will be responsible for that.</p>	<p>of the CAR is very significant. All concerns will go to the provincial government as they are providing the funding. The conversations occurring are trying to have more active policing and having community members involved with continuous monitoring. These are some ideas proposed, but nothing has been decided yet.</p>
5	Access, Security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There also needs to be control in who is insured and ensure all are driving insured vehicles on the road, along with valid drivers licenses. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All vehicles will need to be insured and all people driving on the road will need a drivers license. If people are not insured, they will be in violation of the Act.

Any errors or omissions please contact Gabbie Ratajczak within 2 weeks of distribution. Finalized meeting minutes will be included in the public Record of Consultation.





Marten Falls First Nation Community Access Road Aroland First Nation Community Members Only Meetings (Associated with Public Information Centre #6) May 28 and 29, 2025 Summary Report

This summary report has been prepared to provide an overview of the feedback captured at the Aroland First Nation community members meetings on May 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay and May 29, 2025, in Aroland First Nation.

Timing and Location

Italian Cultural Centre
Thunder Bay, Ontario
May 28, 2025
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Johnny Therriault Memorial School
Aroland, Ontario
May 29, 2025
4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Purpose

These meetings were planned for Aroland First Nation community members only. The content presented was related to Public Information Centre (PIC) #6 for the Draft Environmental Assessment / Impact Statement (EA / IS) of the Marten Falls First Nation (MFFN) Community Access Road. The purpose of the meetings was to provide updates on:

- Draft EA / IS review process, schedule, and ways to review and provide comments;
- How the Preferred Route was selected;
- Understanding potential effects and mitigations;
- The cumulative effects process and results;
- Final projects / activities considered as part of the Cumulative Effects Assessment;
- How the Community Access Road could affect community well-being for Marten Falls and nearby communities;
- Land and resource use;
- The opportunity to participate in a bridge / culverts navigability exercise;
- The opportunity to participate in the Country Foods Program; and
- How to provide input on the Draft EA / IS and upcoming activities.





Notices and Promotion

The meeting details were provided to the Aroland First Nation key community representative for distribution. Outreach consisted of an email with meeting details for each engagement along with a poster for distribution. The email notification showed the correct meeting dates (May 28, 2025, in Thunder Bay and May 29, 2025, in Aroland First Nation), however a typo on the poster led to a miscommunication around the Thunder Bay meeting date. As a result, Aroland First Nation members attended the MFFN Members meeting on May 27, 2025, in Thunder Bay, as well as the planned Aroland meeting on May 28, 2025. A copy of the poster is provided in **Appendix A** and email notification in **Appendix B**.

Format

The community meetings were held in an open house format and featured a series of display boards, large, printed maps as well as hand outs related to the Draft EA / IS, the Cumulative Effects Assessment and Community Well-Being studies. MFFN Community Access Road Project Team, including MFFN Senior Community Member Advisors (together hereafter referred to as the Project Team) and consultants, were available to guide attendees through the display boards and answer questions. Attendees were encouraged to review display boards and provide comments and feedback by having one-on-one discussions with the Project Team members and consultants.

The following printed materials were made available to attendees:

- Open house display boards;
- Frequently Asked Questions – Draft EA / IS;
- Draft EA / IS Executive Summary (English, Oji-Cree, and Ojibway);
- 11 plain language summaries (English, Oji-Cree, and Ojibway) including:
 - Archeology and Cultural Heritage
 - Climate Change Adaptation
 - Community Well-Being
 - Fish and Fish Habitat
 - Groundwater and Surface Water
 - Acoustics (Noise and Vibration)
 - Peatlands
 - Physiography, Terrain, and Soils and Vegetation
 - Ungulates
 - Visual Environment and Land and Resource Use
 - Wildlife and Birds
- Maps of: Preferred Route, tourism outfitter locations, Project Inclusions List (cumulative effects), water crossings and tissue sampling area;
- Cumulative Effects information sheet





- Community Well-Being Economics information sheet;
- Socio-Community Effects and Mitigations information sheet; and
- Feedback form.

All engagement materials shared are included in Appendix C; maps are included in Appendix D (maps with confidential information are not included in the appendix).

In addition to the display boards, there were additional opportunities for the Community Well-Being Teams to engage with Aroland First Nation community members through the Country Foods Program and Story Beads Exercise.

Country Foods Program

The Community Well-Being Team conducted a Country Foods Program where community members provided samples of foods that they had hunted, fished, or gathered from the land and water, including fish, wild plants, and animals. The purpose of collecting these samples was to assess existing contaminant levels, if any in traditional food species commonly harvested and consumed in the community. The collected samples included moose meat, beaver meat, pickerel / walleye, goose meat and wild blueberries. In total, 18 samples were collected.

These samples will help the Community Well-Being Team understand which contaminants may currently be present in local foods. This information will serve as a baseline before the Community Access Road is built, allowing Aroland First Nation to track any potential impacts over time.

Advertisements for the program were provided to the Key Contact for Aroland First Nation for distribution to their membership. Many participants learned about the program upon attending the meeting and were able to retrieve and provide samples within the meeting timeframe.

The samples are currently being tested. Once the results of the program are received, they will be shared with the community.

Story Beads Exercise

The Story Beads exercise was intended to create space for intergenerational dialogue and shared storytelling using beadwork as a metaphor. Participants were offered a variety of colored beads, each representing a theme (e.g., green = land, blue = water, yellow = food, purple = youth, red = healing, black = challenges, white = hope). Participants were asked to select 3 to 5 beads and string them onto a cord or safety pin and share the story or memory behind their choices, either by writing it down, drawing, or sharing with a facilitator. Aroland First Nation community members expressed strong interest in the Community Access Road, highlighting its potential to improve access to food, goods, services, and employment opportunities. There's a clear emphasis on preserving Indigenous Knowledge and traditions, with concerns about environmental impacts, especially related to water, wildlife migration and the Ring of Fire. Many also commented on the importance of cultural healing, traditional foods and maintaining connections between communities like Aroland First Nation and MFFN.





Attendance

Approximately 12 individuals attended the community meeting in Thunder Bay on May 28, 2025, and approximately 23 individuals attended the meeting in Aroland First Nation on May 29, 2025. However, due to a miscommunication regarding the date and time of the Aroland First Nation community members only meeting, members of Aroland First Nation attended the MFFN Members meeting on May 27, 2025, as well. Approximately 22 Aroland First Nation community members attended the meeting on May 27, 2025.

Paul MacInnis and Jason Frchette from the Ministry of Energy and Mines (MEM) were present at both meetings to provide a brief update and assist in answering questions from attendees.

Highlights of Participant Feedback

Attendees were encouraged to share their feedback, concerns and pose questions throughout the meeting or provide written feedback using the feedback form provided. Comments, questions or concerns from the meetings are included in this summary report. Key themes / items of interest raised by attendees are included below. Note that all questions are labeled with a 'Q', comments with a 'C' and answers with an 'A'. Questions were answered by the Project Team and consultants. Seven participants completed the feedback form that was available at the meeting. Please note comments and questions from Aroland First Nation members who attended the May 27, 2025, meeting are also captured below.

Community Well-Being: Country Foods Program

C: A community member noted that dandelions have many good properties.

C: A community member noted traditional medicine is found around Trebell Lake.

A: The information was documented.

C: A community member shared their concern for blueberries and how they may be impacted by the activities related to the Community Access Road. The individual was happy that the Country Foods Program was testing foods prior to the start of construction to document any changes. The community member was generally concerned about unintended consequences for the land and hopes that the planning is being done properly.

A: The Project Team recorded the comment and noted that impact to the land is being accounted for in the development of the Final EA / IS.

C: A community member inquired about why walleye was selected over other fish for the Country Foods Program.

A: It was noted that walleye was common in the area, especially at this time of year.

C: A community member discussed the healing properties of blueberries, specifically the use of blueberry stems for medicinal treatments in healing tea. The community member flagged the importance of collecting samples to ensure they are not negatively impacted by the road.





Community Well-Being: Health

C: A community member noted past instances where ponds that were previously drinkable water became contaminated due to dust and roads built in close proximity.

A: The concern was discussed with the community member and some mitigation measures described in the Draft EA / IS related to dust, including the use of dust suppressants that are free of chlorides were noted.

C: A community member noted the importance of traditional medicine, including the use of blueberries, dandelions, stinging nettle and tree bark for various healing purposes.

C: A community member shared a story about how blueberries have been sprayed by planes and that the group of people who ate those blueberries got sick.

Cultural Heritage

C: A community member provided information on a smallpox outbreak at Dusey Lake was shared. The outbreak took the lives of approximately 30 people and there are burial grounds there.

Land and Resource Use - Traplines

C: A community member noted a trapline used by her family and mentioned her plan to retire in the area, indicating a long-term connection to the area.

A: The area of the trapline was documented.

C: A community member provided information on a trapline located by Painter Lake, referred to as the "southern trap" or "bottom trap". He also noted its winter use.

A: The area of the trapline was documented.

C: A community member mentioned a trapline at the north with a canoe and boat route used as part of a circuit for portaging, accessing the Ogoki River.

A: The area of the trapline was documented.

C: A community member flagged and requested that trap lines be specifically considered in the project planning.

A: The MEM representative noted that existing conditions for trap lines, such as buffers and timer constrictions, are included in the Forest Management Plan, and the Community Access Road cannot go against this plan. It was suggested that the best approach is to get paperwork done through the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) to designate the head trapper for a trapline. The MEM representative offered to connect the community member to the appropriate person.

C: Several community members noted their knowledge of trap lines on the map including trapline 147 and one around Trebell Lake.

A: The area of the traplines was documented.





C: A community member mentioned accessing the Ogoki River via a trapline route that is part of a circuit used for portaging.

A: The area of the trapline was documented.

C: A community member raised concerns about traplines and future generation's ability to use them.

Water Crossings

The purpose of the water-crossing navigability exercise was to gather input on the uses or activities that are known to take place at specific water crossings that are being proposed for the Preferred Route. Please note that all information specific to water crossings was marked on the physical maps and transcribed into formal documentation. The water crossings map can be viewed in Appendix D. The following comments were made and documented.

C: A Community member provided information related to the southern crossings (Proposed Culvert Site: C01).

C: A community member specifically noted past problems with culverts causing flooding in Geraldton and preferred a bridge structure to allow boats /canoes through without flooding issues.

A: Local input from fishers, hunters, and trappers can help identify the right clearances for water crossings. While some traditional knowledge has been gathered, more details may be helpful during the detailed design phase. Hydraulic studies are conducted to assess whether culverts or bridges can handle expected water flows and designed to help reduce potential incidents of flooding.

C: Community members noted that many creeks are very narrow, necessitating portaging, sometimes using logs.

C: A community member provided feedback on site conditions near the south end of the route, indicating that it was very swampy and narrow. The area can accommodate canoeing and portaging, but not larger boats.

C: A community member shared concerns regarding the influence of the dam and stressed that the road design needs to take water level fluctuation into consideration.

C: A community member noted lots of people are travelling via canoe in the area south of Anaconda Road and from road to lakes.

C: A community member noted use of ski-doo, canoe, and trapping in the south portion of Anaconda Road and from road to lakes. He also noted moose hunting in this area.

C: A community member noted boat use, moose hunting, traditional medicine, canoeing, and portaging around Trebell Lake, specifying that no big boats can get to this area.





C: A community member noted that throughout the bush in the area, many people died a long time ago from pneumonia, suggesting there could be remains found.

C: A community member noted her parents' traditional area on the map as an area (noted areas used for canoeing, snowmobiling, and portaging. They also noted locations of burial sites that are present in the southern portion of the route.

Potential Effects

C: A community member conveyed that her daughter thinks the Community Access Road is a risk to the environment and has concerns.

A: The concerns were discussed with the attendee, and it was explained that the purpose of the EA / IS is to mitigate environmental impacts as much as possible. The attendee was encouraged to view the Draft EA / IS for information on her specific concerns.

C: A concern was raised about dust on vegetation due to the road.

A: Some mitigation measures described in the Draft EA / IS related to dust, including the use of dust suppressants that are free of chlorides were noted.

C: A community member emphasized the risk of contamination from machinery or people entering the area (e.g., seeds) and suggested that anything coming in should be cleaned beforehand.

A: Mitigation measures to prevent contamination outlined in the Draft EA / IS, including cleaning equipment were shared.

Other

Q: A community member asked if the proposed road connects Marten Falls and Aroland First Nation.

A: Where the Preferred Route would connect to Painter Lake Road was shown.

C: Several community members stated that they are supportive of the Community Access Road and believe it will promote employment.

Next Steps

The Draft EA / IS is available online. Feedback from community members was welcomed between February 18, 2025, and until the end of the review period on June 23, 2025. Community input during this time will help shape the Final EA / IS, targeted for release in 2026. Upcoming engagement opportunities were shared including a webinar on Land and Resource Use scheduled for Thursday, June 5, 2025.

