

Enclosure 1: Comment Form – Information to Inform the Summary of Issues

Project: Waterloo Airport Runway Project
Proponent: Region of Waterloo International Airport
CIAR No.: 81452
End of comment period: **April 18, 2021**

Métis Nation of Ontario	
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The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada invites Métis Nation of Ontario to provide information it has available at this time on the Project and its potential effects or impacts (both positive and negative) to the environment and to your community and your Aboriginal rights. We also welcome your input on how you would like to be engaged throughout the potential assessment process. Your comments will inform the Summary of Issues¹ with respect to the Project and will be provided to the Proponent to address. You may use this form or use another format of your choice.

All comments should be submitted via the **Submit a Comment** feature available on the Project's Canadian Impact Assessment Registry page (Reference 81452 at <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/evaluations/proj/81452>). Letters and forms can be uploaded using this feature. If you have any difficulties submitting this way, please contact the Agency at IAAC.Waterloo.AEIC@canada.ca for assistance.

Based on information shared during Métis Nation of Ontario's meeting with the Region of Waterloo International Airport (the proponent) and the Agency on July 27, 2020, the Agency summarized your previous comments under the appropriate heading below for your verification. Please add any further detail to assist the Agency's understanding of your community's views.

¹ The Summary of Issues is a list of issues raised in the Planning Phase prepared by the Agency, as per section 14(1) of the *Impact Assessment Act*. This document provides the proponent with an understanding of issues and allows participants to see how their comments and concerns have been characterized.

1. General environmental effects

During the meeting on July 27, 2020, the following was noted:

- Commented about the project's effects on the watercourse running through the project area (Randall Drain), and asked about the proponent's monitoring plans for the watercourse. Also commented on potential impacts to water quality affecting Grand River and Lake Erie downstream.
- Asked if the project site (the Waterloo Airport) is connected to the city's water supply and wastewater treatment plant.
- Commented about noise levels associated with increased air traffic in the residential areas near the project site, and asked about noise abatement measures.
- Asked if fuel dumps would occur in the project area and its effects on water quality, and if an emergency management plan is in place to manage effects from fuel dumps

Please add any further detail, and please identify any additional environmental effects of the Project that are of concern to your community, including any that you think of that were not identified in the Initial Project Description.

2. Effects to physical and cultural heritage

Please describe how the potential change, resulting from project effects to the environment, could result in changes to your community's physical and cultural heritage (e.g. ceremonial sites, burial sites, cultural landscapes)

3. Effects to current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes

Please describe how any potential change, resulting from a project effect to the environment, could result in changes to your community's current use of lands and resources for traditional purposes (e.g. hunting, fishing, trapping)

4. Effects to structures, sites or things of historical, archaeological, paleontological or architectural significance.

During the meeting on July 27, 2020, the following was noted:

- Commented about the Project's effects on archaeology and expressed interest in the next steps of the archaeological study for the Project

Please add any further detail , and please describe how the potential change, resulting from a project effect to the environment, could result in changes to your community's structures, sites or things of historical, archaeological, paleontological or architectural significance (e.g. artifacts, important historic buildings or symbols)

5a. Effects to social conditions

Please describe how the Project could potentially affect social conditions that are important to your community

5b. Effects to health conditions

Please describe how the Project could potentially affect health conditions that are important to your community

5c. Effects to economic conditions

During the meeting on July 27, 2020, the following was noted:

- Suggested that the proponent engage with large local corporations, such as Toyota, to gauge interest and numbers of corporate cargo planes flying in and out of the project site post-construction and during operations
- Commented on the relocation of Shantz Station Road, indicating that the relocation could disturb sod farms and agriculture.
- Asked if the Project includes plans to increase service buildings and employment for aviation servicing

Please add any further detail, and please describe how the Project could potentially affect economic conditions that are important to your community

6. Impact to exercise of rights

If you expect the Project may impact your community’s exercise of rights as protected under section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*, please describe how.

7. Views on proposed activities at the airport terminal building

The Agency understands that the proponent proposes to expand or relocate the airport terminal building as part of the Region of Waterloo International Airport Masterplan. Are you satisfied with the proponent’s characterization of the activities related to the airport terminal building, as described in the Initial Project Description? Do you have any concerns regarding the proposed expansion and or relocation of the airport terminal building?

8-9. Consultation and Engagement

During the meeting on July 27, 2020, the following was noted:

- Expressed interest in reviewing reports from Grand River Conservation Authority related to water, archaeology, and the natural environment

Please add any further detail and, assuming a federal assessment is required for the Project, please provide information on the how you would like to be consulted by the Agency.

If a federal assessment is required for the Project, please provide information on the how you would like the proponent to engage your community.

10. Additional considerations under the impact assessment process

Are there any additional issues, such as issues considered under the impact assessment process (i.e. gender based analysis, sustainability, Indigenous knowledge or Indigenous cultures) that you wish to note for the Agency's consideration?²

Print Name of responder

Signature

Title of responder

Date

Please provide your comments on the Summary of the Initial Project Description using the *Submit a Comment* feature on the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry **by April 18, 2021**. Thank you.

² A link to *Impact Assessment Act* text can be found here:
<https://www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency/corporate/acts-regulations.html>