

## Enclosure 2: Overview of Eligible Expenses and Activities

Impact Assessment Agency of Canada participant funding is intended to assist Indigenous groups with eligible costs associated with preparing for and participating in the planning phase of a potential impact assessment for the Crawford Nickel Project (the Project).

This funding can be used for the following **eligible activities**:

- Provide preliminary information about your community's interest in the Project and potential impacts on your community's exercise of Aboriginal and/or treaty rights, prior to the planning phase;
- Hold internal community meetings and prepare to provide information to the Agency or to prepare for comment periods held by the Agency;
- Participate in meetings with the Agency prior to and during the planning phase;
- Review documents from the Agency and produce documents for the Agency;
- Provide preliminary recommendations about preferences and expectations of both Agency consultation activities and proponent engagement activities in relation to the Project;
- Provide comments on the Initial Project Description, including preliminary views on whether any valued components or issues related to those valued components<sup>1</sup>, are missing from the proponent's overview of potential effects<sup>2</sup> or potential impacts on the exercise of rights<sup>3</sup>.
- If an impact assessment is required, provide comments on the draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and the draft Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan, including:
  - recommendations on valued components or issues related to those valued components or potential impacts on the exercise of rights that should be studied by the proponent during the federal impact assessment;
  - requests, if interested, to collaborate with the proponent on any of these studies by providing information on the specific valued components and the role you see for your community;
  - preferences and expectations of both Agency consultation and proponent engagement activities during the federal assessment of the Project; and
  - requests, if interested, for a collaborative approach to an assessment of any impacts on the exercise of rights due to the Project.

Eligible expenses for the above activities are professional services; reporting costs (i.e. staff salaries and administrative fees); translation services; travel expenses (including

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<sup>1</sup> In this context, valued components are the aspects of the environmental, health, social, and economic conditions that may be important to you or your community.

<sup>2</sup> Effects in the *Impact Assessment Act* means, unless the context requires otherwise, changes to the environment or to health, social or economic conditions and the positive and negative consequences of these changes.

<sup>3</sup> References to rights refer to Aboriginal or treaty rights as described in Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982* which states: (1) The existing aboriginal or treaty rights of the aboriginal peoples of Canada are hereby recognized and affirmed. (2) In this Act, "aboriginal peoples of Canada" includes the Indian, Inuit and Métis people of Canada. (3) For greater certainty, in subsection (1) "treaty rights" includes rights that now exist by way of land claim agreements or may be so acquired. (4) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Act, the aboriginal and treaty rights referred to in subsection (1) are guaranteed equally to male and female persons.

travel kilometres/flights, meals, incidentals and accommodation); and honoraria and ceremonial costs (including costs associated with providing Indigenous knowledge relevant to the engagement activity).

Please contact [Crawford@iaac-aeic.gc.ca](mailto:Crawford@iaac-aeic.gc.ca) for any questions and to confirm your interest in this grant funding opportunity. The Agency's Funding Program will follow-up with you.