



# Engagement Plan for the Mackenzie Highway (NWT#1) Km 278-800 Operations and Maintenance

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## **1 Introduction**

The Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Infrastructure (INF) is applying for a renewal Land Use Permit for the ongoing operations and maintenance activities for the Mackenzie Highway from Km 278-800 (NWT Highway #1). Operations and maintenance activities include accessing granular material, stockpiling, geotechnical investigations, regular maintenance, operation and public safety improvements at infrastructure locations, and all other public highway access roads.

As GNWT public servants, all INF staff are accountable, and open to the public for discussion of all matters regarding the Mackenzie Highway operations and maintenance. As such, the INF staff are well acquainted with the Communities along the highway and all engagement practices and community relationships are well established.

## **2 Affected Parties**

The Affected Parties identified include:

- Tthets'ek'ehdeli (Jean Marie River) First Nation
- Fort Simpson Métis Local #52
- Village of Fort Simpson
- Łíídlı́ Kúé First Nation (Fort Simpson)
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- Dehcho First Nations
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- Northwest Territory Métis Nation
- Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation (Kakisa Lake)
- Sambaa K'e First Nation (Trout Lake)
- Nahæâ Dehé Dene Band (Nahanni Butte Dene Band)
- Pehdzeh Ki First Nation (Wrigley)
- Deh Gáh Got'ie First Nation (Fort Providence)
- Fort Providence Métis Council
- Akaitcho Dene First Nations
- Hamlet of Fort Providence

INF may engage with other Parties on a case by case basis as appropriate.

## **3 Past Engagement Activities**

INF has engaged with the above listed affected parties prior to submitting the land use permit application. It's important for INF to keep community members and the public involved in an ongoing basis.

## **4 Engagement Approach**

INF believes that meaningful community engagement is crucial to build and maintain good relationships with communities, community members and affected parties. Regional Offices are open for residents to

provide in-person comments and concerns, or to ask questions regarding INF activities. As a result of INF open lines of communication, well-established relationships have been built with the people and communities of the Northwest Territories.

## 5 Engagement Activities for the Project

During the pre-submission engagement period, INF built on the engagement approach and opened lines of communication for affected parties to provide input on the project.

Engagement for the Mackenzie Highway Operation and Maintenance includes activities such as:

- Land Use Permit Renewals, Amendments or Extensions;
- Road Closures an conditions; and
- Road maintenance that could affect the public.

## 6 Summary

A summary of engagement triggers and methods is provided below in Table 1.

**Table 1: Summary of Engagement Triggers and Methods**

<b>Engagement</b>	<b>Primary Purpose</b>	<b>Primary Methods</b>	<b>Participants</b>
Land Use Permit Renewals, Amendments, or Extensions	To advise rights holders and stakeholders of the Departments plans regarding the Land Use Permit	Written notification	Identified potentially affected parties
Highway closures and conditions	To advise the public of any highway closures and/or conditions of the highway	Written and/or verbal notification which could include social media platforms	All members of the public
Highway Maintenance	To advise the public of any maintenance activities that could affect the public	Written and/or verbal notification which could include social media platforms	All members of the public

## Appendix E - Pre-Submission Engagement Record (Summary and Log) Template <sup>13</sup>

### 1. Pre-Submission Engagement Summary

**Name of Proponent:** GNWT – Department of Infrastructure

**Name of Affected Party:** Ttsets'ek'ehdeli (Jean Marie River) First Nation, Fort Simpson Métis Local #52 Village of Fort Simpson, Łíídlı́ Kúé First Nation (Fort Simpson), Dehcho First Nations, Northwest Territory Métis Nation, Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation (Kakisa Lake), Sambaa K'e First Nation (Trout Lake), Nahæâ Dehé Dene Band, Pehdzeh Ki First Nation (Wrigley), Deh Gáh Got'ie First Nation (Fort Providence), Fort Providence Métis Council Akaitcho Dene First Nations, Hamlet of Fort Providence

Name(s) of representative(s) from affected party who participated in engagement	Dates of Engagement (e.g. list dates or range of dates)	Reason(s) for Engagement (e.g., application for timber harvesting)	Overview of Issue(s) Resolved	Overview of Issue(s) Unresolved
Ttsets'ek'ehdeli (Jean Marie River) First Nation <a href="mailto:sao@jmrfn.com">sao@jmrfn.com</a>	Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.  Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.  No comments or concerns were received.	Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006	N/A. No comments or concerns were received.	N/A
Fort Simpson Métis Local #52 <a href="mailto:metisnation52@northwestel.net">metisnation52@northwestel.net</a>	Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.  Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.  No comments or concerns were received.	Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006	N/A. No comments or concerns were received.	N/A

<p>Village of Fort Simpson  <a href="mailto:kcorrigan@fortsimpson.com">kcorrigan@fortsimpson.com</a></p>	<p>Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.</p> <p>Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006</p>	<p>N/A. No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Łíídlıı Kúęé First Nation (Fort Simpson)  <a href="mailto:exdir@liidliikue.com">exdir@liidliikue.com</a>  <a href="mailto:resources@liidliikue.com">resources@liidliikue.com</a></p>	<p>Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.</p> <p>Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006</p>	<p>N/A. No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Dehcho First Nations  <a href="mailto:Executivedirector@dehcho.org">Executivedirector@dehcho.org</a>  <a href="mailto:Ramona_Pearson@dehcho.org">Ramona_Pearson@dehcho.org</a></p>	<p>Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.</p> <p>Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006</p>	<p>N/A. No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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<p>Ka'a'gee Tu First Nation (Kakisa Lake)  <a href="mailto:kaageetu_manager@northwestel.net">kaageetu_manager@northwestel.net</a></p>	<p>Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.</p> <p>Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006</p>	<p>N/A. No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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<p>Nahæâ Dehé Dene Band (Nahanni Butte Dene Band)  <a href="mailto:soham@ibsgroupcanda.com">soham@ibsgroupcanda.com</a></p>	<p>Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.</p> <p>Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006</p>	<p>N/A. No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>Pehdzeh Ki First Nation (Wrigley)  <a href="mailto:bandmanager@pkfn.ca">bandmanager@pkfn.ca</a>   <a href="mailto:Rmm_pkfnwellness@hotmail.com">Rmm_pkfnwellness@hotmail.com</a></p>	<p>Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.</p> <p>Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.</p> <p>No comments or concerns were received.</p>	<p>Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006</p>	<p>N/A. No comments or concerns were received.</p>	

Deh Gáh Got'ie First Nation (Fort Providence) <a href="mailto:ed@dehgahgotie.com">ed@dehgahgotie.com</a>	Letter was sent via email February 14, 2023 with a two week comment period.  Follow up letter was sent via email February 28, 2023.  No comments or concerns were received.	Pre-submission engagement for the renewal of LUP MV2016E0006	N/A. No comments or concerns were received.	N/A
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**Signature of Proponent (representative):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Affected Party (representative):** <sup>14</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>13</sup> A summary sheet for each affected party should accompany the log (which may be a chronological list of all engagement with all parties).

<sup>14</sup> These signatures represent agreement on the contents of the log and record, but do not necessarily imply that the parties agree on the topics that were discussed



Via Email

DISTRIBUTION LIST:

**Land Use Permit Renewal Application Pre-submission Engagement: NWT Highway #1 Km 278 to Km 800**

We wish to advise you that the Department of Infrastructure (INF) will be submitting a renewal land use permit application to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB) for the ongoing operations and maintenance of NWT Highway #1 from Km 278- Km 800.

The land use activities are currently permitted under MV2016E0006. The renewal land use permit will allow for the Department to continue the operation and maintenance of the highway. There will be no change in scope to the permit and will be exempt from preliminary screening.

Prior to submitting the application to the MVLWB the Department would like to engage with your organization. Any questions or concerns regarding the proposed application can be submitted by February 28, 2023 to Alexis Campbell at 867-767-9083 ext 31055 or by email at [Alexis.Campbell@gov.nt.ca](mailto:Alexis.Campbell@gov.nt.ca).

Sincerely,

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**Attachments:** [Engagement Letter - NWT Highway 1 LUP Renewal.pdf](#)

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Good afternoon,

Please find attached the pre-submission engagement letter for the renewal of the land use permit for Highway 1, Km 278-800. There is no change in scope to the permit, and the current permit can be found here <https://mvlwb.com/registry/MV2016E0006>

If you have any questions please let me know by February 28, 2023.

Thank you,

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Good afternoon,

The Department of Infrastructure would like to follow up on the pre-submission engagement letter for the renewal of the land use permit MV2016E0006 for the operations and maintenance of NWT Highway 1 Km 278-800.

If you have any questions or comments they can be provided to myself or through the Online Review System once the application is uploaded. INF expects to submit the application in early April 2023.

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