

**Engagement plan**  
**Establishing a groundwater monitoring network in Whatì NWT**  
**Land Use Permit Application**  
**Attachment #5**

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## 1.0 Introduction

This project is a partnership between the Community of Whatì, The Government of Northwest Territories, Queen's and McGill universities.

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## 2.0 Summary of engagement

Engagement has been facilitated between project lead Stephanie Wright and:

- Community Government of Whatì
- The Tłıchq Government
- The North Slave Metis Alliance
- Wek'èezhìi Renewable Resource
- GNWT – Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre
- GNWT – ECCC, Regional Superintendent of the North Slave Region
- GNWT-ECCC, Wildlife Biologist

During the pre-engagement processes no concerns for the proposed project were raised by engaged parties as seen in attachment 5: Engagement summary, Table 1: Engagement log. The Tłıchq Government requested to review drafts of the Waste Management, Spill Contingency, and Engagement Plans. The North Slave Metis Alliance requested to be sent final copies of the Waste Management and Spill Contingency Plans as well as have final drilling locations shared.

### 3.0 Engagement Plan

On-going engagement will be undertaken according to Table 1.

Table 1: Engagement Plan

<b>Trigger for engagement</b>	<b>What is the purpose for engaging</b>	<b>Who will be engaged?</b>	<b>How will engagement be facilitated?</b>
<b>Prior to application of land use permit to undertake drilling of monitoring wells</b>	Introducing the project, sharing area of drilling, and to address early feedback and/or concerns.	<i>Selected Organizations:</i> Community Government of Whati The Tłı̄chǝ Government The North Slave Metis Alliance Wek'èezhì Renewable Resource Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre Regional Superintendent of the North Slave Region ECCC, Wildlife Biologist	Email and video conference call if requested.
<b>During the public engagement period for the Land Use Permit application</b>	Resolve any concerns that arise following detailed review of the application and incorporate suggestions into the project.	The general public along with the selected organizations listed above.	Email and video conference call if requested.
	Gain Whati community input on priority drilling locations	Community members of Whati	Half-day in person workshop meeting at the community culture centre
<b>After the issuance of the Land Use Permit, before proceeding with drilling</b>	Present final details of the project including the drilling locations, schedule, equipment being used.	Selected organizations and	Written notification and presentation to Council for approval
<b>Changes to project scope</b>	Explain any potential changes to the project (e.g., drilling schedule), why these changes are being proposed, and how these changes may alter the engaged party.	Selected organizations if applicable	Written notice through email with further discussion by phone, virtual or in person meetings if needed.
<b>Yearly project updates and sampling results</b>	Provide an update of research findings and sample results on a yearly basis.	Whati Community Government and community members	In person presentations in Whati if possible and/or teleconference
<b>End of the project</b>	Inform engaged parties that the project has finished and provide final results.	Selected organizations Whati Community Government	Results provided on ECC In person presentations in Whati if possible and/or teleconference