

Enclosure #3 - Overview of Eligible Activities and Expenses

The Impact Assessment Agency of Canada's participant funding is intended to assist your community with eligible costs associated with participation in the Planning Phase of a potential impact assessment for the Upper Beaver Project.

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

- Hold internal community meetings and prepare for comment periods held by the Agency;
- Participate in meetings with the Agency;
- Provide comments on the Initial Project Description, including:
 - preferences and expectations of both Agency consultation activities and proponent engagement activities in relation to the Project; and
 - views on whether any valued components or issues related to those valued components,¹ are missing from the proponent's overview of potential effects² or potential impacts on the exercise of rights³ characterized in the Initial Project Description.
- 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 activities and proponent engagement activities during the federal impact 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); travel expenses (including travel kilometers/flights, meals, incidentals and accommodation); and Honoraria and ceremonial costs (including costs associated with providing Indigenous knowledge relevant to the engagement activity).

¹ 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.

² 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.

³ 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 and 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 peoples of Canada. (3) For greater certainty, in subsection (1) "treaty rights" includes rights that now exist by way of land claims 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.

For more information, please see the Agency's Participant Funding Program – National Program Guidelines at https://www.canada.ca/en/impact-assessment-agency/services/policy-guidance/participant-funding-program-national-program-guidelines.html#_Toc018

If your community would like to use this funding for an activity or expense not listed above, please contact iaac.FP-PAF.aeic@canada.ca **prior** to incurring costs for this activity.

By accepting this funding, your community enters into a funding agreement with the Agency. Under this funding agreement, the funding provided to you must be used for the eligible activities listed above or such additional activities determined to be appropriate in consultation with the Agency.

The name of your community, the funding amount provided, and the general nature of the activities supported may be made publicly available by the Agency.