

### **Enclosure 3: Overview of Eligible Activities and Expenses**

Participant funding from the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada that is currently available for the Northern Road Link Project is intended to assist potentially impacted Indigenous communities with eligible costs associated with participation in the planning phase of a potential impact assessment.

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 of the federal impact assessment process;
- Hold internal community meetings to provide information to the Agency or to prepare for the planning phase;
- Participate in meetings with Agency staff prior to and during the planning phase of the impact assessment process;
- Review documents provided by 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 and/or the Summary of the Initial Project Description, including preliminary views on whether any valued components or issues related to those valued components, are missing from the proponent's overview of potential effects or potential impacts on the exercise of rights.
- 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 process;
  - preferences and expectations of both Agency consultation activities and proponent engagement activities in relation to the Project;
  - requests, if interested, for a collaborative approach to an assessment of any potential impacts on a community's 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 kilometres/flights, meals, incidentals and accommodation); and honoraria and ceremonial costs (including costs associated with providing Indigenous knowledge relevant to the engagement activity).

If your community accepts any grant, then as the Proponent of the Project, community leadership is expected to avoid any perceived conflicts of interest in its conduct, or the conduct of its service providers, in relation to the use of the participant funding.

Please contact *NorthernRoad-RouteDuNord@iaac-aeic.gc.ca* with any questions and to confirm your interest in this grant funding opportunity. The Agency's Funding Programs will follow-up with you about the funding.