



WEBEQUIE SUPPLY ROAD PROJECT

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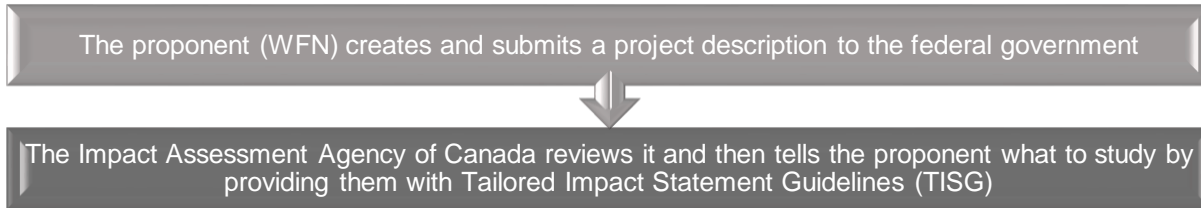
Greetings!

The Webequie Supply Road (WSR) Project Team hopes that your community has been staying warm and healthy during these cold winter days.

Since the Terms of Reference (ToR) was approved, we have been keeping busy by continuing to work on the Environmental Assessment / Impact Assessment (EA/IA) phase of the Project. This phase will result in a single report that will address the requirements of both the federal IA and provincial EA.

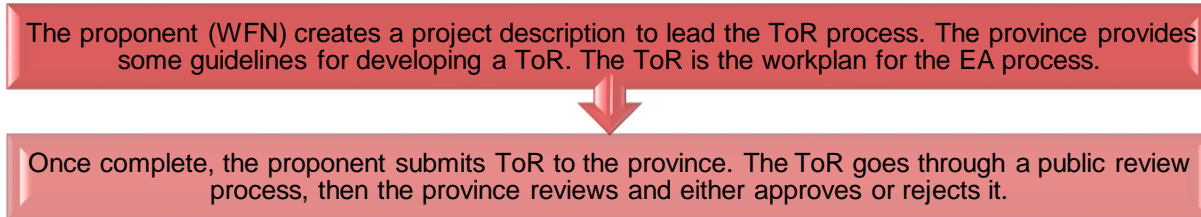
A reminder about the difference between the EA and IA...

FEDERAL IA

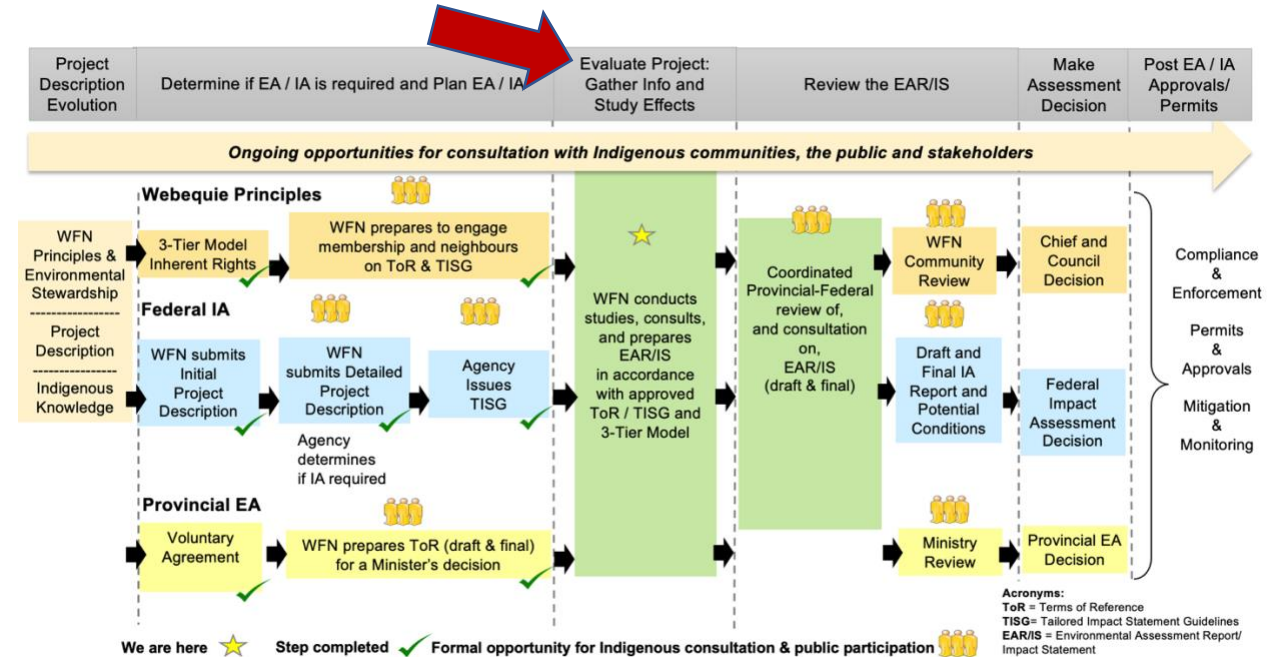


vs.

PROVINCIAL EA



Overview of the Coordinated Provincial – Federal Assessment Process



We are currently in the phase of conducting studies to gather information and consulting with Indigenous communities, members of the public, and other stakeholders, to evaluate the Project and its potential effects.

What will be studied?

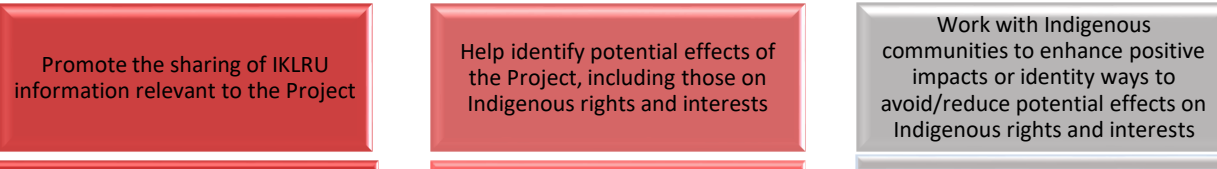
We will study *VALUED COMPONENTS* (VCs), which are the environmental, health, social, economic, or other elements or conditions of the natural and human environment that could potentially be affected by the Project. These are areas of concern and/or value to the public, Indigenous peoples, and other stakeholders.

INDICATORS will be used to help measure potential change of the VCs or criteria. Indicators represent the properties of the physical, biological and socio-economic environments.

★ Indigenous Knowledge / Indigenous Land and Resource Use Program

A critical component of the EA/IA is Indigenous Knowledge. The Project Team will gather input through Indigenous Knowledge as part of the Indigenous Knowledge / Indigenous Land and Resource Use (IKLRU) Program.

The purpose of the Program is to:



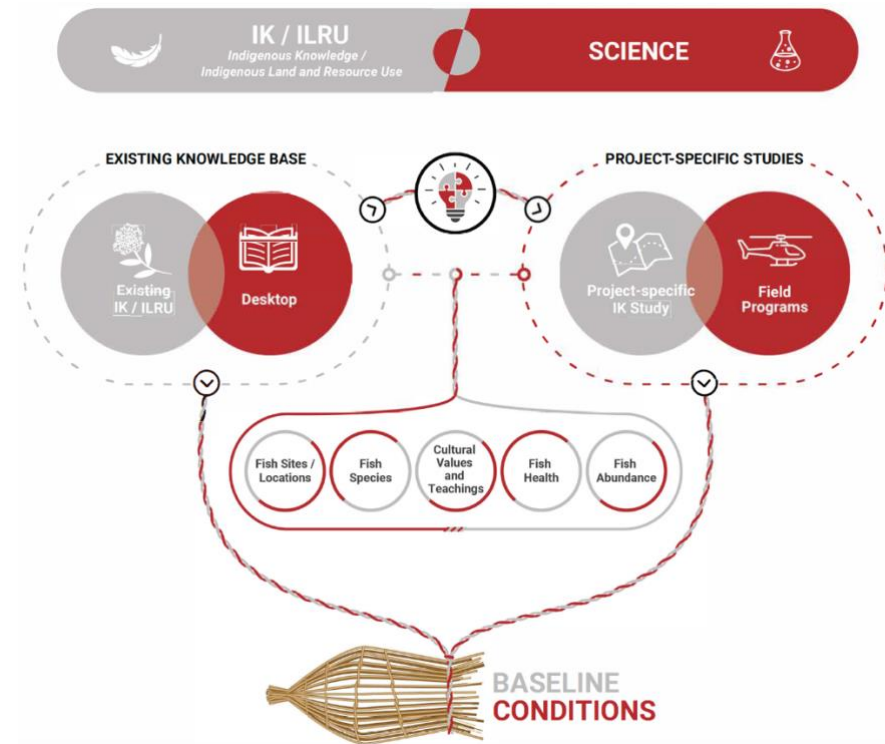
There will be two phases of the IKLRU Program:

- 1) Collect information that participating communities are willing to share related to their land and resource areas
- 2) Validate the information shared to ensure we have a firm understanding of it before weaving it into the EA/IA.

Communities can share as much or as little information as they wish, and in whatever form they prefer. Each participating community will be able to review the information used in the assessment report to ensure it has been represented in a respectful and accurate way.



The role of the IKLRU Program in the EA/IA



We continue to offer opportunities to comment and give input through email, comment box on the website, Wawatay radio call-in shows, and during our live streaming events.

Stay Tuned!

Stay tuned for our next Project update. For additional information on the project, please visit our project website at: www.supplyroad.ca or by contacting:

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