

Feedback Form

Transmitter Selection Framework (TSF): Focused Engagement Session #3 – April 24, 2024

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Following the April 24, 2024 engagement webinar, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback from Indigenous communities and stakeholders on the items discussed during the webinar. The webinar presentation and recording can be accessed from the [engagement web page](#).

Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by **May 10, 2024.** If you wish to provide confidential feedback, please submit as a separate document, marked "Confidential". Otherwise, to promote transparency, feedback that is not marked "Confidential" will be posted on the engagement webpage.

Topic	Feedback
<p>During the session, the IESO shared a number of proposed guiding principles to help inform Indigenous participation design features under the TSF – Do you have any feedback on the proposed principles (slides 24-25), or responses to the discussion questions posed (slides 26-29)?</p>	<p>I think that the IESO needs to be more transparent with communications, such as letting the people know where these intended transmission lines are going, finding it hard to believe that there is not at least an idea of where the lines, and who they are affecting will be, also provide options for the communities who are directly affected and those that might have other opportunities to partner with other communities or businesses, these communities should be made aware of why the lines are being extended, not just for the reason that demand will go up by 2050, how did you come up with those numbers? Is it just to gain access to the mining in the Ring of Fire region? Maybe the communities don't want more resources taken especially if there is no benefit to them</p>
<p>What is the preferred level of prescriptiveness of Indigenous participation design features under the TSF (eg. develop for each procurement under the TSF, or develop overarching policy for all procurements under the TSF)?</p>	<p>The prescriptiveness of the future RFP should hold a high level of Indigenous participation, these are the people that will be affected the most by the large changes coming to transmission extension</p>

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<p>How should the IESO think about timing associated with Indigenous partnerships within a competitive transmission procurement (e.g. Partnerships formed before a bid is submitted, post-bid, or post-energization)?</p>	<p>I believe an agreement to be in place, pending proposal approval, Indigenous communities are required quite often to have all of their agreements and studies done before they know if funding is approved or not. Due to past experiences it is important to get guarantees of such agreements in writing before proposal approval, for the benefit of these communities</p>

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<p>What are the barriers to Indigenous communities assessing and understanding participation options for future transmission projects (and how might the IESO help address those barriers)?</p> <p>Are there any other challenges communities have experienced with respect to participating in new electricity projects, or other infrastructure?</p>	<p>I think communication is the biggest thing, these talks can have very specific and hard to understand jargon, I feel some questions and comments aren't necessarily on topic, which is probably due to lack of understanding. Time constraints are also an issue, I feel that these presentations need an open ending until everyone who has put in their thoughts has done so, many times one person can spark a conversation, and as these are recorded its not imperative that everyone be on the call, you can leave and come back, or listen later in order to get the full picture of the situation. With time constraints some people may feel their questions are inadequate- doesn't want to waste peoples time, or to voice their opinions because time is running out etc.</p>

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<p>Are communities supportive of an Indigenous Advisory Committee?</p>	<p>Yes I believe they would be</p>

General Comments/Feedback

Click or tap here to enter text. I would like to see more transparency with the extra 1 on 1 interviews, if the community/representative involved with the interview is willing to consent to it being shared, but sharing their thoughts and concerns with everyone, could help to spark more conversation in regards to topic, also help to gain a little more trust in the IESO

Options and suggestions as to how the communities could be more involved in partnerships and agreements for these upcoming proposals, perhaps success stories of other partnerships in the past with Indigenous communities.