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Acronyms and Abbreviations

Department Department of Infrastructure

GNWT Government of the Northwest Territories

ha hectares

INF Department of Infrastructure

km kilometre(s)
KP Kilometre Post

m metre(s)

MVLWB Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

N/A not applicable

NWT Northwest Territories

The Plan Engagement Plan for the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project

the Project Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project

UTM Universal Transverse Mercator

1. Affected Parties of the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project

The Affected Parties for the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project are outlined in Table 1-1.

Table 1-1: Affected Parties for the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project

Affected Parties	Name and Position	Email	Phone and Fax Numbers
Tthek'éhdélį First Nation	Senior Administrative	sao@jmrfn.com	Phone: 867-809-2000
	Officer Tom Matus		Fax: 867-809-2002
Łíídlįį Kų́ę́ First Nation	Chief Kele Antoine	cheif@liidiikue.com	Phone: 867-695-3131
			Fax: 867-695-2665
Nahanni Butte Dene Band	Community Officer:	manager@nahadehe.ca	Phone: 867-602-2900
	Soham Srimani - Management Committee		Fax: 867-602-2910
Dehcho First Nations	Grand Chief/ Ejtth'ahti	herb_norwegian@dehcho.org	Phone: 867-695-2355
	Ndehé Herb Norwegian		Fax: 867-695-2038
Fort Simpson Metis Local	President Daniel Peterson	Metisnation53@northwestel.net	Phone: 867-695-2431
52			Fax: 867-695-2040
Village of Fort Simpson	Senior Administrative	kcorrigan@fortsimpson.com	Phone: 867-695-2253
	Officer Kevin Corrigan		Fax: 867-695-2005
Mackenzie Valley Land and	Jen Patten, Regulatory	jpotten@mvlwb.com	Phone: 867-766-7468
Water Board	Coordinator		Fax: 867-873-6610
Government of the	Regional Land and Water	Laurie_Nadia@gov.nt.ca	Phone: 867-695-2626
Northwest Territories	Superintendent - Dehcho Laurie Nadia		Cell: 867-695-2381
Department of Land and Water	Laurie Naula		

2. Engagement Log of the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project

The current log of engagement for the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project is included in Table 2-1.

Table 2-1. Engagement Log of the Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 13, 2023	Líídlµ Kựế First Nation Executive Director / Land and Resources Dieter Cazon GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Łiídlų Kų́ę́ First Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Fort Simpson Métis Nation Local 52 • President Daniel Peterson GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to the Fort Simpson Métis Nation Local 52	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Dehcho First Nation	Notification letter to the Dehcho First Nations	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Northwest Territories Métis Nation Director Garry Bailey GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to the Northwest Territories Métis Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Kakisa Council Manager Ruby Simba GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to the Kakisa	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 13, 2023	Samba'a Ke First Nation Band Manager Ruby Jumbo GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to the Samba'a Ke First Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Wrigley Band manager Kyle Clillie GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Wrigley	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Acho Dene Koe First Nation Advisor/Operations Boyd Clark GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Acho Dene Koe First Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Enterprise	Notification letter to Enterprise	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Fort Resolution	Notification letter to Fort Resolution	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Deh Gah Got'ie First Nation Executive Director Greg Nyuli GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Deh Gah Got'ie First Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 13, 2023	Fort Providence Métis Council Executive Director Pearl Leishman GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Fort Providence Métis Council	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Fort Smith	Notification letter to Fort Smith	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Deninu K'ue First Nation • Senior Administrative Officer Carol Ann Chaplin GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Deninu K'ue First Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Akaitcho Territory Government Executive Director Annie Boucher GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Akaitcho Territory Government	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	 Hay River Senior Administrative Officer Glenn Smith GNWT INF Daniel Drimes 	Notification letter to Hay River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Kátł'odeeche GNWT INF Chief Executive Officer Alex Gresl GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to Kátťodeeche	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 13, 2023	Fort Liard	Notification letter to Fort Liard	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Fort Providence	Notification letter to Fort Providence	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Nahanni Butte Dene Band GNWT INF • Soham Srimani GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to the Nahanni Butte Dene Band	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)
February 13, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer Tom Matus GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Notification letter to the Tthek'éhdélį First Nation	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification Letter (Appendix A)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 13, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Response to Notification letter to the Tthek'éhdélį First Nation	 Confirmed that Tom Matus was the current Senior Administrative Officer. Pleased that the Jean Marie River Bridge Project was progressing. 	None	None	None	Yes (email)
February 17, 2023	Fort Simpson Senior Administrative Officer • Kevin Corrigan GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson on March 29 th , 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)
February 17, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Jean Marie River on March 28 th , 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)
February 13, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Response to Notification letter to the Tthek'éhdélį First Nation	 Confirmed that Tom Matus was the current Senior Administrative Officer. Pleased that the Jean Marie River Bridge Project was progressing. 	None	None	None	Yes (email)
February 17, 2023	Fort Simpson Senior Administrative Officer • Kevin Corrigan GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson on March 29 th , 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)
February 17, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Jean Marie River on March 28 th , 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)
February 20, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Jean Marie River on March 28 th , 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 21, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Jean Marie River on March 28th, 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)
February 24, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer • Tom Matus GNWT INF • Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Jean Marie River on March 28th, 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)
February 27, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer Tom Matus GNWT INF Daniel Drimes	Phone call to confirm community information session at Fort Simpson	Phone call to confirm community information session at Jean Marie River on March 28th, 2023	None	None	None	Yes (email summary)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
March 28, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Chief Nolene Hardisty Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer Tom Matus Tthek'éhdélį First Nation members Rufus Sanguez Marilyn Hardisty (elder) Richard Sanguez Angus Anguez (elder) Gladys Norwegian (elder, former Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Chief and former Grand Chief of the Dehcho First Nation) Howard Gargan Arial Sanguez Zaida Sanguez Carla Norwegian Check Point Bed and Breakfast: Lynn McKay Wayne McKay GNWT INF Daniel Drimes Jebina Shrestha Kelly Joy Jacobs (Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project) Azita Azarmejad Dragonworks(Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project) Joe Dragon Stantec (Redknife River culvert replacement) David MacLaggan Scott Wilson	Community information session at Tthek'éhdélį First Nation at Jean Marie River.	At the community information session on March 28th, 2023 at Jean Marie River, members of Tthek'éhdélį First Nation asked about: • construction schedule. • safety of the current bridge. • how high was the Jean Marie River in the past and adaptation to climate change. • identified concerns on wildlife nests (two raven nests) and environmental monitoring. • Tthek'éhdélį First Nation members asked about the handing of old bridge elements, including cement foundations and steel girders. • Tthek'éhdélį First Nation members expressed concerns about disturbances to the river bed. • Tthek'éhdélį First Nation members asked about the presence of permafrost. • Tthek'éhdélį First Nation and Check Point Bed and Breakfast expressed concerns about diminished water quality and its potential impact on the water supply for the nearby Bed and Breakfast. • Check Point Bed and Breakfast insisted on maintaining access to the boat launch. • Tthek'éhdélį First Nation and Check Point Bed and Breakfast asked about the lifespan of the bridge.	Attendees recommended: Maintaining access to the boat launch on the east side of the bridge. Placing the temporary bridge west of the current bridge. Avoiding impacts to the Jean Marie River and using the single span bridge option. Water quality monitoring. Tthek'éhdélį First Nation environmental monitor. A waste management program for old bridge elements.	 Project responses are as follows: Jacobs confirmed the construction schedule. GNWT INF confirmed the current bridge is safe. Jacobs confirmed that Project design includes improved access to the boat launch. A hydrogeological assessment of the river was conducted September 27 to 29, 2023 to confirm flood history including 1 in 100 year flood level of the river and adaptation to climate change. Jacobs is pursuing a single span option that limits impacts to the Jean Marie River. Tthek'éhdélį First Nation environmental monitor will be determined by GNWT Jacobs confirmed that project involves water quality monitoring and that The contractor is required to monitor the turbidity of water as affected by construction activities. Jacobs confirmed that based on geotechnical work on March 17 to March 19 2023, no permafrost is present at the site Identification and management of bird nests prior to construction will be the responsibility of GNWT. One year ahead of construction, after breeding season, nets will be installed to prevent any further nesting. A waste handing program will be designed in partnership with the construction contractor. Jacobs confirmed the bridges are designed with a 75 year lifespan. 	Have your Say Website (Appendix B) Backgrounder (Appendix C) PowerPoint Presentation (Appendix D) Community Information Sessions Notice (Appendix E)	Yes

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
March 29, 2023	Liídl Li	Community information session at Fort Simpson	At the community information session on March 29th, 2023 - Łiídl Antoine and Scott Gordon (Chief Operating Officer, Nogha Enterprise Ltd) asked about: The construction schedule. Indigenous business procurement. Wanted further clarification on project engagement processes. Weight-rating of the temporary bridge. Preferred a single-span option to limit in-stream disturbances. Expressed that the old highway camp is their preferred laydown area.	Attendees recommended: Single-span option. Preferred the old highway camp as the laydown area. Temporary bridge be able to accommodate wide loads during construction Keep as much financial benefits including contracts in the region as possible. Building breadth and depth of £iídlu Kué First Nation companies is important as this project will provide a lasting impact and provide for the children of Łiídlu Kué First Nation.	 Project responses are as follows. The Project is pursuing a single span option. Laydown areas remain to be determined (to be selected In partnership with the construction contractor). The old highway camp remains an option. Temporary bridge is designed to support access to Highway 1 and Highway 7 Contractor bid process to include weighting for Indigenous involvement 	Have your Say Website (Appendix B) Backgrounder (Appendix C) PowerPoint Presentation (Appendix D) Community Information Sessions Notice (Appendix E)	Yes
December 15, 2023	Fort Simpson Senior Administrative Officer · Kevin Corrigan GNWT INF · Alexis Campbell · Alina Goldenberg Jacobs · Steve Kasstan · Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Fort Simpson about a water licence application to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB) for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
December 15, 2023	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Chief Melanie Norwegian Menacho Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer Tom Matus GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Tthets'éhk'édélĮ First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Presubmission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
December 15, 2023	Nahanni Butte Dene Band – Band Manager • Soham Srimani Nahanni Butte Dene Band Chief • Steve Vital GNWT INF • Alexis Campbell • Alina Goldenberg Jacobs • Steve Kasstan • Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Nahanni Butte Dene Band about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
December 15, 2023	Wrigley Band manager Kyle Clillie GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Wrigley about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
December 18, 2023	Samba'a Ke First Nation Band Manager Ruby Jumbo GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Samba'a Ke First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
December 18, 2023	Acho Dene Koe First Nation Advisor/Operations Boyd Clark GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Acho Dene Koe First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
December 18, 2023	Fort Liard Senior Administrative Officer John McKee GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Fort Liard about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

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December 18, 2023	Deh Cho First Nations –Executive Director • Alison de Pelham Deh Cho First Nations – Reception GNWT INF • Alexis Campbell • Alina Goldenberg Jacobs • Steve Kasstan • Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Deh Cho First Nations about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
December 18, 2023	Pehdzéh Kí First Nation Band Manager GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Pehdzéh Kí First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
December 18, 2023	Métis Association Local 52 – Fort Simpson GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Pre-submission engagement letter to Métis Association Local 52 – Fort Simpson about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

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February 6, 2024	Fort Simpson Senior Administrative Officer · Kevin Corrigan GNWT INF · Alexis Campbell · Alina Goldenberg Jacobs · Steve Kasstan · Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Fort Simpson about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Chief Melanie Norwegian Menacho Tthek'éhdélį First Nation Senior Administrative Officer Tom Matus GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Tthets'éhk'édélĮ First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

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February 6, 2024	Nahanni Butte Dene Band – Band Manager	Follow-up on pre- submission engagement letter to Nahanni Butte Dene Band about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Presubmission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Wrigley Band manager Kyle Clillie GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on pre- submission engagement letter to Wrigley about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Presubmission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Samba'a Ke First Nation Band Manager Ruby Jumbo GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Samba'a Ke First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 6, 2024	Acho Dene Koe First Nation Advisor/Operations Boyd Clark GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on pre- submission engagement letter to Acho Dene Koe First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Fort Liard Senior Administrative Officer John McKee GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Fort Liard about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Deh Cho First Nations –Executive Director	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Deh Cho First Nations about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

Date	Attendees	Engagement Type	Issue(s) raise d by Affected Party	Recommendation from Affected Party	Proponent Response to issue; including if issue resulted	Information materials provided to Affected Party	Written Correspondence and Notes
February 6, 2024	Pehdzéh Kí First Nation Band Manager GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on pre- submission engagement letter to Pehdzéh Kí First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Métis Association Local 52 – Fort Simpson GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Métis Association Local 52 – Fort Simpson about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)
February 6, 2024	Líídl Kuế First Nation Executive Director / Land and Resources Dieter Cazon GNWT INF Alexis Campbell Alina Goldenberg Jacobs Steve Kasstan Azita Azarnejad	Follow-up on presubmission engagement letter to Łiídlų Kųę́ First Nation about a water licence application to the MVLWB for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River	None	None	None	Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Pre- submission engagement letter (Appendix F)	Yes (email)

Appendix A
 Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Notification
 Letter



Government of Gouvernement des Northwest Territories Territoires du Nord-Ouest

Via Email

DISTRIBUTION LIST:

Re: Jean Marie River Bridge Replacement Project – Notice of Awarding of Contract for Engineering Services

The Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Infrastructure (GNWT-INF) would like to advise you that the contract for engineering services to replace the Jean Marie River Bridge has been finalized. This bridge was built in 1969 and is located on Mackenzie Highway # 1- km 411.2, approximately 65 km south of Fort Simpson.

The contract for engineering services was awarded to Jacobs in a publicly advertised GNWT process. Jacobs is an international technical professional services firm that provides engineering, technical, professional and construction services, as well as scientific and specialty consulting for a broad range of clients globally, including companies, organizations, and government agencies.

The replacement of the bridge is required for the continued health and safety of the public users of the highway and surrounding environment. INF is pleased to have the Jacobs team address this critical piece of infrastructure in the Dehcho Region.

The next phase in this process is for Jacobs and their contractors to conduct a geotechnical inspection in late February to early March 2023. As well, we are hoping to schedule community engagement sessions in Jean Marie River and Fort Simpson in late March to ensure the communities are fully aware of the project, to present proposed timelines, and to collect important feedback on the project from the affected communities.

As a part of this process we will be applying for a Type B Water Licence and seeking an amendment to the highway land use permit to complete this work. Formal engagement letters seeking approval for both the water license and land use permit will be sent at a later date in separate communications as the project progresses.

Should you have any questions or comments on please contact Alexis Campbell by email at Alexis Campbell@gov.nt.ca or by phone at 867-767-9083 ext. 31055.



Government of Gouvernement des
Northwest Territories Territoires du Nord-Ouest

Sincerely,

Alexis Campbell
Environmental Analyst
Design and Technical Services
Department of Infrastructure

Appendix B Have Your Say – Government of Northwest Territories Website for the Jean Marie River Replacement Project



Government of Northwest Territories

- All Public Engagements
- Sign in

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Overview

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) invited residents to provide feedback on the replacement of the Jean Marie River bridge, located on Highway 1 at approximately 65 km south of Fort Simpson. The bridge is approaching the end of its cycle life; replacement is required to ensure the safety of road users.



Have Your Say

The GNWT invited residents to attend engagement sessions to provide feedback on design options, proposed timelines and regulatory requirements.

Two engagement sessions took place:

- Jean Marie River, NT March 28, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. Community gym
- Fort Simpson, NT March 29, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. Łíídlįį Kų́ę Council Chambers

During the engagement sessions, the GNWT will discussed both this project and the removal of existing culverts and new bridge construction at the Redknife River crossing.

Submit written feedback by email

Written feedback were accepted until April 30, 2023 by emailing INF_Communications@gov.nt.ca.

Background

For more information on the project, please refer to this backgrounder.

Next Steps

Feedback collected at the sessions and by email will inform design choices and upcoming applications to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board and Fisheries and Oceans Canada.

Further public engagement will take place before applications are submitted.

Status



Open

This engagement is open from March 23, 2023 to April 30, 2023.



Under Review



Completed

Related Links



Backgrounder

Moderation Policy

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Technical Support

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Appendix C Jean Marie River Replacement Project Backgrounder



Backgrounder Replacement of the Jean Marie River bridge

Project overview

- The Jean Marie River bridge was built in 1969.
- It is located on Highway 1 at kilometre 411.2, approximately 65 km south of Fort Simpson.
- The bridge is approaching the end of its life cycle; replacement is required to ensure the safety of road users.
- The existing bridge has been reduced to single-lane traffic with reduced speed posted to preserve the bridge.
- Project costs will be determined after the design is complete.
- The contract for engineering services to replace the Jean Marie River bridge has been awarded to Jacobs
- The bridge replacement is expected to be completed by fall 2025.

New bridge design

- Same location as the existing bridge.
- Slightly longer than the existing bridge to provide 100-year flood water opening.
- Standard Highway 1 clear roadway width of 10 m (32′-10″), which is wider than the existing bridge.
- New bridge deck will be built higher to accommodate 100-year flood water level.

New bridge span options

- Option 1: Single span steel girders with concrete deck
- Option 2: 3-span concrete girders side-by-side
- Option 3: 3-span steel girders with concrete deck

Regulatory requirements

- Application to a Type B Water Licence from the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board, regulated under the *Waters Act*.
- Possible amendment to current Land Use Permit from the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board
- Project review from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada, regulated under the *Fisheries Act* and the *Species at Risk Act*.

Appendix D Jean Marie River and Redknife River Bridges Community Information Sharing Sessions PowerPoint Presentation



Jean Marie River and Redknife River Bridges

Community Information Sharing Sessions

Jean Marie River March 28, 2023 12:00 – 14:30 Fort Simpson March 14, 2023 10:30 – 13:00

Government of Northwest Territories



Acknowledgement

Acknowledgement

We wish to acknowledge that the lands on which this project takes place are treaty lands and the home to many Indigenous Peoples, including the Dehcho First Nations and the Métis. We are grateful to be on this land.





Introductions

Why community engagement?

So that the affected parties can:

- Be made aware of project and regulatory permitting applications,
- Inform themselves about the project, and what GNWT-INF is proposing, and
- Provide input into the project, in advance of the applications submitted to the MVLWB and DFO.



Presentation Outline

- Project timelines (Jacobs, Stantec, and INF)
- Bridge options (Jacobs, Stantec, and INF)
- Regulatory Requirements (INF-Environmental Affairs)

Jean Marie River Bridge Background

- The existing bridge is located on Highway 1 at km 411.2, approximately 65 km south of Fort Simpson
- The bridge was built in 1969 (54 years ago)
- The bridge is approaching the end of its design life; replacement is required

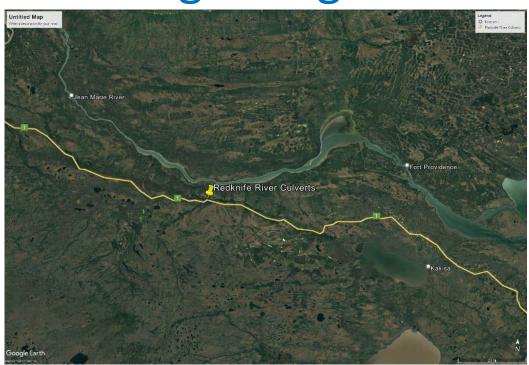


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Redknife River Crossing Background

- Highway 1 crosses the Redknife River 181 km southeast of Fort Simpson, and 30 km southeast of Sambaa Deh Territorial Park
- Currently, there are three culverts installed underneath Highway 1 at km 295.2. Built in 1971, they are beyond their design life
- The GNWT partnered with DeBeers to build a bridge at the Redknife River crossing which will restore fish passage





Project Designs

Jean Marie River Bridge



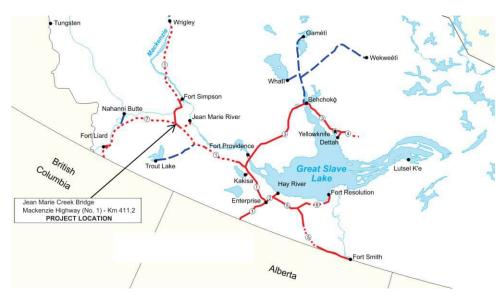
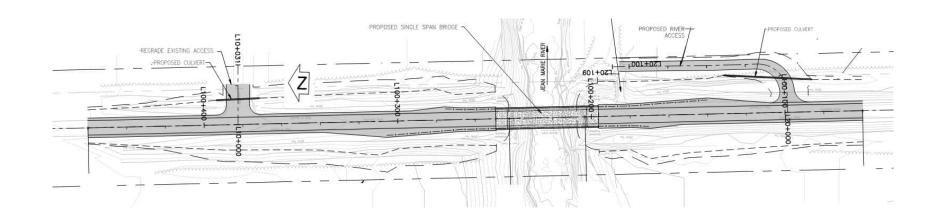
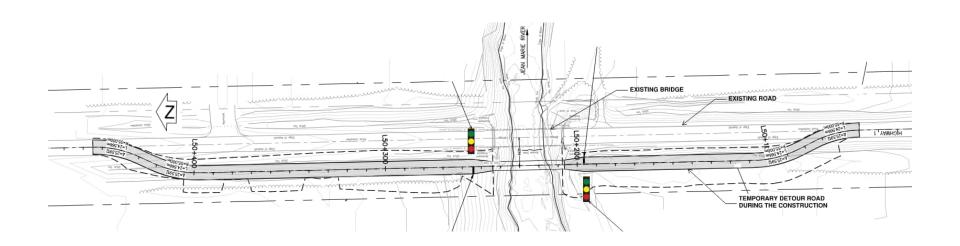


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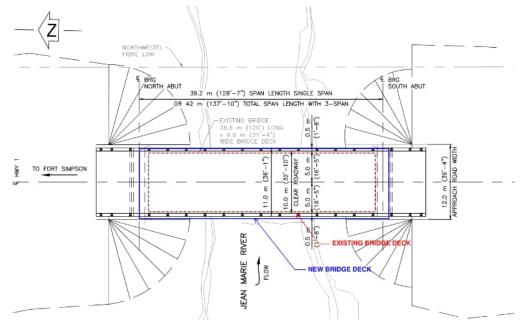
Roadway Plan



Temporary Detour Road Plan



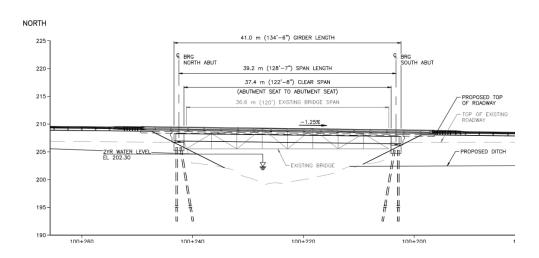
New Bridge Plan – at the same location as the existing



- New bridge is at the same location as the existing bridge
- New bridge is slightly longer than the existing bridge to provide 100-year flood water opening
- New bridge provide standard Highway 1 clear roadway width of 10 m (32' -10"), which is wider than the existing
- New bridge deck will be built higher to accommodate 100-year flood water level
- New bridge span options:
- Option 1: Single span steel girders with concrete deck
 - Option 2: 3-span concrete girders side-by-side
 - Option 3: 3-span steel girders with concrete deck

Single Span Bridge Option – Steel Girder Bridge

- ➤ Bottom of new bridge is at least 0.76 m (2′-6″) higher than the existing, 100-year flood event
- ➤ 41 m (134′) span length is proposed at this stage, existing bridge has span length of 36.6 m (120′)
- > Steel girders with concrete deck

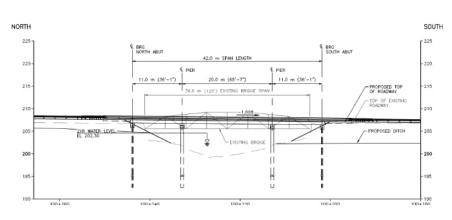




<u>Similar Bridge Photo</u> Photo credit: Jacobs

Three Span Bridge Option – Concrete or Steel Girder Bridge

- ➤ Bottom of new bridge is at least 0.76 m (2′-6″) higher than the existing for 100-year flood event
- 42 m (138') total span is length proposed at this stage



Elevation View of three span alternative



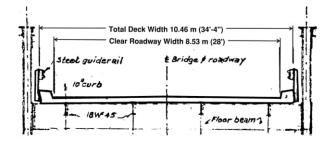
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(for JMRB, piers are built on the top of the banks)

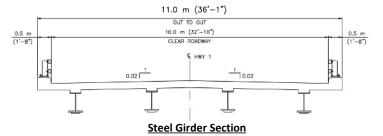
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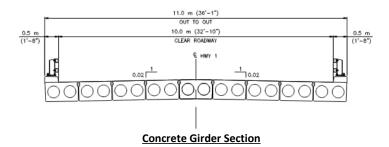
Bridge Cross sections

- Existing Bridge Deck Cross-Section
- ≥ 28' clear roadway width

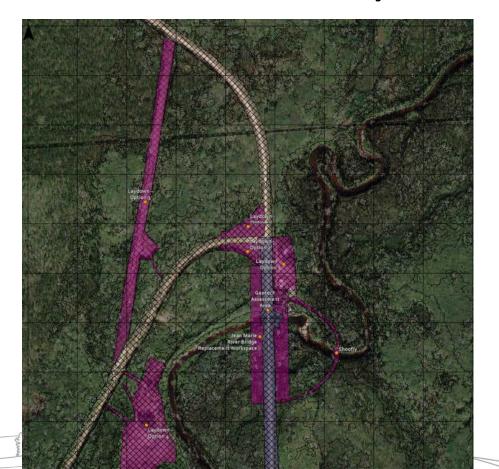


- New Bridge Deck Cross-Section
- Clear roadway width is 10 m (32'-10")
- Almost 5 feet wider than the existing





Possible Construction Laydown Areas



Project Schedule

Complete to date:

- Archeological Overview Assessment (AOA) submitted to the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre and approved
- Geotechnical drilling
- Alternative Design Report (draft)

Project Schedule - Continued

Next Steps:

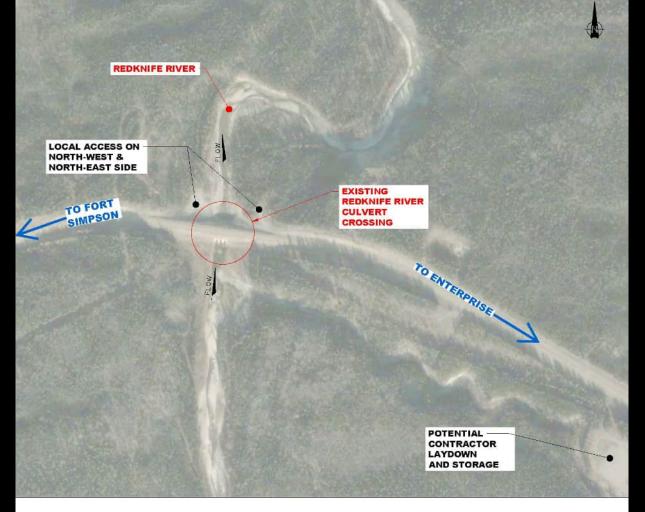
- Community engagement meeting (today)
- Permit applications
- Completion of Design (2023)
- Archeological Impact Assessment (AIA)
- Construction Tender (Early 2024)
- Construction (2024-25)
- Open Bridge to Traffic (Expected fall 2025)

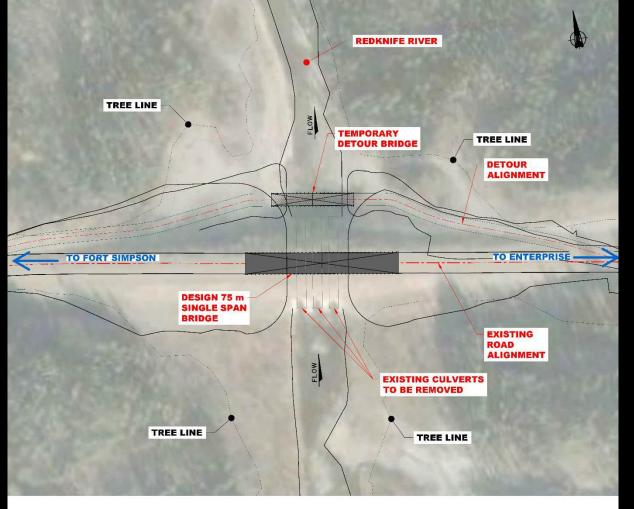
Redknife River Crossing Timelines

- 2023 Design
- Early 2024 Contract Award
- 2024-2025 Construction

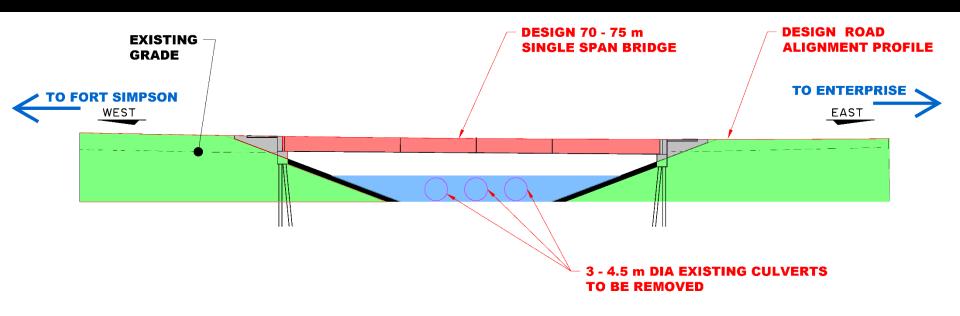
Bridge Open to Traffic (Expected fall 2025)











PROPOSED BRIDGE ELEVATION



Permits and Licences

Regulatory Requirements

1

Type B Water Licence from the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB), regulated under the Waters Act.

2

Possible amendment to Land Use Permit from the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB), regulated under the NWT Lands Act 3

Project Review from the Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO), regulated under the Fisheries Act and the Species at Risk Act.

Type B Water Licence







MACKENZIE VALLEY LAND
AND WATER BOARD

REQUIRED FOR DEPOSIT
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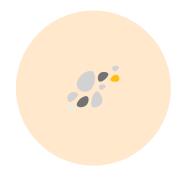
LIMITS DAILY USE OF WATER



Land Use Permit Amendment







MACKENZIE VALLEY LAND
AND WATER BOARD

REQUIRED FOR WORK
OUTSIDE THE RIGHT OF WAY

REQUIRED FOR QUARRYING
IF EXISTING QUARRIES CAN'T
MEET QUANTITIES



DFO Request for Review

Fisheries and Oceans Canada

Required to mitigate potential impacts to fish

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Appendix ECommunity Engagement Session Notice

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Government of Northwest Territories



Have your say on Jean Marie River/Redknife River projects

Public Service Announcement

Yellowknife — March 23, 2023

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) is inviting residents to provide feedback on two highway infrastructure projects: the replacement of the Jean Marie River bridge and the removal of existing culverts and new bridge construction at Redknife River.

The Jean Marie River Bridge – located on highway 1 approximately 65 km south of Fort Simpson – requires replacement as it is reaching the end of its life cycle.

The removal of existing culverts and new bridge construction at Redknife River – located on highway 1 approximately 181 kilometres southeast of Fort Simpson – will restore fish passage for migratory species. This initiative is the result of a unique and mutually beneficial partnership between the GNWT and Gahcho Kué Mine and is part of a larger initiative to improve stream and river highway crossings throughout the NWT's highway system.

Engagement sessions are taking place in the following communities:

• Jean Marie River

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 12 p.m. Community gym

Fort Simpson

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 10:30 a.m. Łíídly Kýé Council Chambers

A lunch will be provided at both sessions.

Relevant Links:

- Backgrounder replacement of Jean-Marie River Bridge
- Backgrounder replacement of culvert with Redknife River Bridge
- Have Your Say on the replacement of Jean-Marie River Bridge
- Have Your Say on the replacement of culvert with Redknife River Bridge

For media requests, please contact:

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Department of Infrastructure
Government of the Northwest Territories
NF Communications@gov.nt.ca

Appendix F Water License Application Pre-Submission Engagement: Jean Marie River Bridge, NWT Highway 1 KM 411.2

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Via Email

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Water Licence Application Pre-Submission Engagement: Jean Marie River Bridge, NWT Highway 1 Km 411.2

The Government of the Northwest Territories, Department of Infrastructure (INF) will be submitting a water licence application to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB) for a new water licence to replace the bridge at Jean Marie River on NWT Highway 1, Km 411.2

The existing Jean Marie River Bridge is a single-span, half-through (pony) truss bridge over the Jean Marie River at Kilometre Post (KP) 411.2 on Mackenzie Highway (No. 1), located south of the junction with Highway 7, approximately 65 kilometres (km) south of Fort Simpson, Northwest Territories (NWT) (Figures 1-1 and 1-2).

Evaluation of the existing bridge showed that the bridge does not have enough capacity for some of the required truck loads and after assessment of the options for strengthening versus replacement, the GNWT found that replacement of the bridge would be a more advantageous option. Jacobs was retained by GNWT in 2022 to provide engineering services for replacement of the existing bridge.

After preliminary engineering, three options were selected and presented in the community engagement meetings in March 2023 with First Nations leadership and community members (Jean Marie River, NT and Fort Simpson, NT). The three options included two options with three spans which had piers in the river and a single span option with no piers in the river. In both meetings, the communities asked for selection of the single span option which had less impact on the river. Based on this preference, the single span option was selected for detailed design. A temporary detour bridge is proposed to be constructed for traffic access during construction.

Some of the community concerns that were discussed in the meetings included flood mitigation, water quality during the construction, and maintaining access for boat launch and adjacent properties. The new bridge is designed to provide 1.2 m minimum freeboard above the 1 in 100-year flood elevation and will have graded access roads for boat launch and adjacent Check Point Bed and Breakfast. The contractor will be required to monitor the water quality during the construction.

The bridge footprint will be within the Highway 1 right-of-way. Construction activities are anticipated to occur from fall 2024 to fall 2026 for an approximately two-year period. The workspaces left behind after construction will be required to be acceptable to Indigenous Peoples for their future use, and support local fisheries, wildlife, and plants.



Government of Gouvernement des Northwest Territories Territoires du Nord-Ouest

Prior to submitting the application to the MVLWB, INF would like to engage with your organization. Any questions or concerns regarding the proposed application can be submitted by January 12, 2024 to Alexis Campbell by email at Alexis Campbell@gov.nt.ca or to Alina Goldenberg by email at Alina Goldenberg@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

Alexis Campbell Environmental Analyst Design and Technical Services Department of Infrastructure

Attachments – Figure 1-1 Project Location Figure 1-2 Crossing Detail

