

BACKGROUND PAPER:
ENGAGEMENT TO DATE

Summary of Engagement to Date

The First Nations Infrastructure Institution Development Board (FNII DB) and Technical Working Group (TWG) conducted an extensive outreach and engagement process during Phase II of FNII's development to discuss the FNII business case, proposed purposes and how FNII would work with existing national and regional First Nation institutions. The table below summarizes these activities.

Date	Place	With whom
Oct 24	Ottawa	Review key messages with Christopher Duschenes, INAC
Oct 25	Ottawa	Discuss FNII approach with Michelle Kovacevic, Finance Canada and her team.
Oct 25	Ottawa	Meeting with Parliamentary Secretary Don Rusnak to discuss approach to First Nation Infrastructure.
Oct 25	Ottawa	Meeting with Senator Patterson to discuss how FNII addresses challenges with First Nation infrastructure.
Oct 30	Montreal	Meet with Marc-Andre Prefontaine & Niko Fleming (Finance Canada) and Ernie Daniels and Harold Calla.
Oct 31	Montreal	Manny Jules, Ernie Daniels and Harold Calla make presentation to AFN National Housing & Infrastructure Conference including FNII business case and purposes.
Nov 1	Ottawa	Meet Minister Philpott and John Brodhead to discuss FNII.
Nov 2	Victoria	Discuss FNII approach with CEO and COO of First Nations Health Authority (some infrastructure money flows through Health).
Nov 5	Toronto	Meet with Glenn Campbell from Canada Infrastructure Bank.
Nov 6	Toronto	Presentation at P3 Conference with Chief Corrina Leween of the First Nation Major Projects Coalition.
Nov 6	Toronto	Meet with Bert Clark (formerly of Infrastructure Ontario).
Nov 8	Ottawa	Meet with Minister Philpott, John Brodhead.
Nov 29-30	Vancouver	Meet with Regional Housing & Infrastructure Initiative Chief Dan George (Member of AFN Chiefs' Committee on Housing and Infrastructure) Garry Merkel (Executive Director, BC First Nation Housing & Infrastructure Council)
Dec 1	Vancouver	FNHA Community Capital Workshop

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Dec 4	Ottawa	Stefan Matiation, Justice
Dec 12	Vancouver	FNFA, FMB and FNFC meet to discuss monetization and securitization of fiscal transfers from Canada.
Jan 16	Vancouver	Round Table Discussion with Canadian Council for Public Private Partnerships, First Nations Finance Authority, First Nation Major Projects Coalition (FNMPC), BC First Nation Housing and Infrastructure Council (HIC), First Nations Health Authority and First Nations Infrastructure Institution (see attachment for full list of meeting participants).
Jan 19	Vancouver	FNII presentation to FMA institutions and commitment to participate in National Meeting of fiscal and land managing First Nations on May 16-17, 2018.
Jan 22	Vancouver	FNII Technical Team - addition of John Scherebnyj and Tim Philpotts to join Fiscal Realities and Temixw Planning
Jan 23	Vancouver	FNII Development Board meeting at YVR.
Jan 24	Cranbrook	Presentation to NAEDB - resolution of support for FNII passed.
Jan 25	Halifax	FNII presented to Atlantic First Nations at a workshop.
Jan 26	Prince George	FNII presentation to FNMPC - resolution of support for 40 participating First Nations tabled and will be considered at end of March.
Feb 2	Teleconference	Discuss role of national and regional institutions with BC FN HIC
Feb 5	Ottawa	Meeting with Christopher Duschenes from DISC
Feb 5	Teleconference	Discussing the Infrastructure Ontario Model with Ehren Cory, CEO, Infrastructure Ontario
Feb 6	Ottawa	Meeting with Niko Fleming, Marc-Andre Prefontaine and Michael Manocha from Finance Canada
Feb 6	Ottawa	Meeting with Whitney Morrison from Minister Wilson-Raybould's office
Feb 6	Ottawa	Meeting with John Brodhead, DISC
Feb 7	Kamloops	FNII Technical Team Meeting
Feb 9	Teleconference	Discuss role of national and regional initiatives with BC FN HIC - consider how protocol agreement would work.

Date	Place	With whom
Feb 13	Vancouver	FNII progress report provided to First Nations Tax Commission
Feb 22	Montreal	FNII included in the FNTC presentation at the McGill Institute for the Study of Canada 2018 Annual Conference
Feb 22	Vancouver	FNII Technical Team reviews material for focus group.
Feb 27	Toronto	FNII Focus Group Discussion including First Nation representatives from Alberta Technical Services Group, Atlantic Canada, Ontario, and British Columbia. In addition there were industry professionals from Infrastructure Ontario and SNC Lavalin.
Mar 7	Ottawa	FNII Development Board reviews feedback to date.
Mar 8	Joint Working Group	FNII Development Board, Technical Team and representatives from Government of Canada discuss input to date.
Mar 16	Teleconference	Discuss a potential protocol with FNII and BC FN HIC
Mar 20	Ottawa	Discuss FNII with Finance – Niko Fleming and Marc-Andre Prefontaine

The result has been the further development of the FNII business case, principles to provide a foundation for FNII purposes and activities, the continued refinement of FNII innovations to support improved infrastructure, description of purposes and illustrative scenarios to describe how FNII could support First Nation infrastructure development.