



**First Nations
Infrastructure Institute**
Institut des infrastructures
des Premières Nations

BUILDING BETTER FIRST NATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE – TOGETHER

RESOURCES TO HELP YOU GET STARTED

The First Nations Infrastructure Institute (FNII) offers a number of support services based on national and international best practices. Interested Nations and Indigenous organizations may use any or all of the institute's tools, skills, and processes to efficiently and effectively plan, develop, procure, implement, operate, maintain, and manage their infrastructure projects.

INTRODUCING FNII

[Introduction to FNII](#) (PDF document)

Describes the institute's mission, approach and processes.

[Briefing Note](#) (PDF document)

Outlines the plans to establish the First Nations Infrastructure Institute as a fourth institution under the *First Nations Fiscal Management Act*. Describes proposed functions for the Institute and tools and services planned to support infrastructure development.

[Frequently Asked Questions](#)

Answers common questions about the institute, such as whether it is offering services now – before being formally established through legislation (short answer: yes!); what benefits it offers, etc.

[18 Lessons Learned through FNII's development phase](#) (Word document)

Describes key learnings from the institute's engagements (from 2017 through 2021) with hundreds of leaders and staff members responsible for First Nations infrastructure development to identify First Nations' infrastructure needs.

BOOK A WORKSHOP

In person or via Zoom
– to learn how the First
Nations Infrastructure
Institute can support
your Nation or
organization.

Email info@fnii.ca

In the meantime, here is a list of the resources available through the institute that can help you get started. More resources will be developed as FNII evolves.

Find these resources on our [website](#).

**GET STARTED
WITH THESE
TOOLS AND
TEMPLATES
AVAILABLE
ON OUR
WEBSITE**

Business Case Template (Word document)

Outlines the elements needed to create a strategic, economic/technical, commercial, financial, and management case for an infrastructure project.

Project Charter Drafting Tool (Word document)

Outlines the elements needed to create a project charter – a short document that describes a project in its entirety. Topics include objectives, key parties, governance, roles and responsibilities, ethical framework and communications.

An Introduction to Procurement Models (Word document)

Describes the advantages and disadvantages of different options for procurement – the process of securing support outside of an organization's staff members.

Cost Sharing Explainer Tool (Word document)

Describes an approach to a fair and equitable recovery of costs associated with an Indigenous infrastructure project. This includes identifying users (or beneficiaries) for both the construction and lifecycle costs of a project.

WEBINARS

In this webinar series, FNII Development Board members, technical team members, and other guests discussed a variety of infrastructure project types such as water treatment and multi-purpose buildings that serve member and/or economic development activities on Nations' lands. Topics include planning, development and maintenance.

Webinar 1 Is Your Project Shovel-Ready?

Webinar 2 How Can I Get My Project Shovel-Ready?

Webinar 3 Managing Risk Through Procurement

Webinar 4 Combining Social and Economic Values

Webinar 5 Getting Your Project Funded

[VIEW OUR SHOVEL-READY WEBINAR SERIES](#)

The First Nations Infrastructure Institute needs your support to become a permanent fourth institution under the *First Nations Financial Management Act*. This legislative approval will formally establish the institute, allowing us to take on a central role in supporting Indigenous economic development by transforming the approach to Indigenous infrastructure.

We offer a **[support letter template](#)** that can be completed on behalf of your First Nation or Indigenous organization. Return the letter to **info@fnii.ca**

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