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**Watershed Plan
Indigenous Engagement
2021/2022**

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Please be advised that this is a living document and is constantly being updated to reflect changes in policy or procedures both from the Indigenous and Western Knowledge Views.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Cambium Indigenous Professional Services (CIPS) has been retained by the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) to assist with Indigenous Engagement services for their Watershed Plan.

There are many words that describe the watershed planning process: integrated water resource management, watershed management, water resources planning, to name a few. However, the common element of all these terms is that they are 'integrated', meaning that they bring together all of those people and groups that could be impacted by (and so should be involved in creating) the watershed plan – federal, provincial, territorial, municipal and Indigenous governments, as well as industry, local organizations and non-governmental organizations. In the best planning processes, these people and groups work together to identify and address the priorities and needs of all inhabitants of the watershed. The result of integrated watershed planning is a management plan that can protect the health of all aspects of the watershed (e.g. human activities, natural systems, habitat needs) for future generations.

1.1 GUIDING OBJECTIVES OF AN INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT PLAN (IEP)

The overarching objectives of an IEP are:

- A. To Identify First Nation, Métis or Inuit interested Communities, parties and rights holders;
- B. To learn the cultural significance and importance of the lands and structures to the surrounding Indigenous groups through a variety of traditional and contemporary information exchange opportunities;
- C. To make known to identified Indigenous Peoples the approach and objectives for the proposed project; and,
- D. To obtain comments and reviews from identified Indigenous Peoples to allow the engagement team to assess other potential impacts of particular importance to them.

1.2 DEFINITIONS

For the purpose of this Indigenous Engagement Plan:

“Indigenous” describes those Indigenous peoples of Canada as defined in the Constitution Act, 1982, subsection

35(2) including the Indian, Inuit and Métis peoples of Canada;

“Indigenous or Indigenous Community” means First Nation, Métis and Inuit community

“IEP” means Indigenous Engagement Plan

“**Project**” and/or “**Initiative**” means the proposed Works.

2.0 BACKGROUND ON PROPOSED WORKS AND PROPONENT

2.1 WHAT IS WATERSHED PLAN ENGAGEMENT LOOK LIKE?

Indigenous Peoples have a unique, complex relationship with water that extends beyond using water for their personal or community needs or as the life-support system for the foods they harvest and consume. Indigenous relationships with water include cultural, spiritual, economic, stewardship, governance and rights-based aspects. Many Indigenous Peoples indicate that water also has responsibilities given by the Creator to provide for people and nature. Ensuring that these relationships can continue is critical to our future.

How we use water must change in many ways, from the personal choices we make each day to the decisions of our governments. One of the most exciting changes in recent years is the creation of regional watershed planning processes taking place across the country, involving governments, local citizens, industry and others. Often, these processes are attempting to find positive ways to meet the long-term needs of people and nature. Indigenous Peoples involvement in these regional planning processes is changing. This new engagement process results in decisions (such as plans, frameworks, or approaches) that meaningfully incorporates Indigenous perspectives.

2.2 WHO IS THE PROJECT TEAM:

2.2.1 CAMBIUM INDIGENOUS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Cambium Indigenous Professional Services is an Indigenous owned and operated, **Procurement Strategy for Aboriginal Business (PSAB) Certified**, company whose team is uniquely all Indigenous. Formed in 2014, we have recruited experienced staff with expertise in all aspects of management and operations. We are solutions-based, offering integrated professional services designed to provide governments, municipalities, corporations and individuals with innovative, sustainable answers to everyday issues. CIPS works on projects that primarily affect Indigenous Communities however many of our services don't apply to geographic boundaries and client heritage. Our Indigenous engagement related services are suited for federal, provincial and regional governments as well as those organizations needing to connect with an Indigenous audience in a 'good way'.

Our philosophy is such that every client and every project deserve an effective, sustainable and affordable solution that fits. Many firms offer 'cookie-cutter' solutions, however, the services offered by CIPS result in unique solutions that were provided by professionals with a broad range of expertise.

Project Management

Kerry-Ann is a proud member of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation and joined the Cambium

Indigenous Professional Services Team in 2017 as the Environmental Partnership Co-ordinator. Kerry Ann was honored to serve her community as Councillor and has over 17 years' experience working within her Community. She has worked on by-law development, waste management, housing and environmental project co-ordination and management. For eight years she was responsible for researching and developing funding proposals which helped build and sustain her First Nations Environment Department including the development of the Community sub watershed plan. She has had great success in initiating and building relationships with various environmental organizations, developing partnerships to co-ordinate and carry out various environmental activities as well as promoting education and community involvement in Environmental Health within her Community and others. Kerry Ann's wide range of career experiences give her a unique perspective that can be very valuable when assisting other communities wishing to find their balance of operations and environmental stewardship.

Technical Support

Kassie is a proud Anishnaabe Kwe from Alderville First Nation, with a passion for the protection of Shkagamik-Kwe (Mother Earth) and all of her relations. Kassie has experience with Ontario Species-at-Risk – permitting, handling, fieldwork and research. She has been the project lead on multiple and concurrent research projects. Kassie is able to work independently and on a team. At CIPS, Kassie's goal is to work with Indigenous and non-Indigenous people to engage in meaningful conservation efforts that protect Shkagamik-Kwe for future generations.

Technical Support

Courtney Charles is a proud member of the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation and is a newer member to the Cambium Indigenous Professional Services team, as Environment Partnership Assistant. Courtney is an Employee as she attends school for her Masters in Psychology at York University. She has a certificate in General Arts and Science- psychology stream from St. Lawrence College, and a Bachelors of Science Honours Degree from Trent University. She takes pride in her education, culture, and widening her horizon with Environmental work.

2.2.2 OUR CLIENT

Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) is a watershed management agency responsible for delivering services and programs to help protect and manage water and other natural resources at the local level. MVCA implements a variety of watershed management programs, providing essential conservation services through: water quality monitoring and assessment, land use plan review, source water protection programs, stewardship and shoreline rehabilitation initiatives, and conservation and education programs. MVCA also operates several water control structures on and works closely with federal and provincial government agencies and with local organizations within the watershed to mitigate flooding, and protect natural resources in the watershed.

The MVCA project team includes Sally McIntyre and Alyson Symon. Sally is the General Manager and is an environmental planner with over 30-years' experience working for municipalities, federal departments, private sector and not-for-profit organizations on drinking water, wastewater, surface water management, solid waste, and energy management initiatives. She has limited work experience with Indigenous communities in Ontario, Manitoba and Iqaluit.

Alyson has worked with Conservation Authorities for 30 years as an environmental planner. She studied geography at university where she developed a keen interest environmental conditions related to water. She has enjoyed working with environmental groups, government agencies and the academic community, on a variety of projects aimed at protecting lakes and rivers.

Both Sally and Alyson have expressed a commitment to honoring the intent of the Truth & Reconciliation Commissions Calls to Action and building respectful, reciprocal relationships with interested Indigenous Communities and/or groups in the watershed.

3.0 OBJECTIVES OF AN INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT PLAN (IEP)

The objectives of this IEP are to:

- A. Establish a workflow and communication protocol for all members of the project team
- B. Generate a key contact list of Indigenous Community members or organizations
- C. Generate and send a project notification to all identified Communities once the notification communication is approved by the client and project team
- D. Develop a protocol for follow up with individual Indigenous Communities/Organizations to initiate the dialog of engagement and confirm project notification;
- E. Obtain comments and reviews from identified Indigenous Communities/groups to allow the project team to assess other potential impacts of particular importance to the Indigenous Communities;
- F. Identify the best methods for further engagement activities with interested Communities; and
- G. Generate a record of engagement based on the findings.

It should be noted that items A-D have been carried out under a previous contract and a summary of interested Communities is attached as Appendix A. This proposal will focus on items E-G.

The Tasks that are proposed to be carried out under E-G will include the following and are described in more detail under section 6.0, in Table 3.

Task 1: Engagement Database Creation

Task 2: Complete new project information package

Task 3: Call each identified Indigenous Community/group

Task 4: Send new packages via email

Task 5: Follow-up calls

Task 6: Facilitate 1st and 2nd engagement (virtual) session

Task 7: Draft IEP Summary Report Submitted to MVCA for review and Comment

Task 8: Final IEP Summary Report Submitted to MVCA

3.1 PURPOSE OF ENGAGEMENT

Engagement with First Nations and Indigenous Peoples/groups early in the planning and design phases of a proposed project can benefit all concerned. There have been instances where failure to participate in a process of early engagement with First Nations and Indigenous People has led to avoidable project delays and increased costs to proponents.

Although only the Crown is legally obligated to consult with First Nations and Indigenous People concerning the possible effects of Crown actions with respect to proposed projects on established or potential Indigenous rights, early engagement with Indigenous Communities/groups by the proponent can yield a number of positive results.

Those benefits include:

- A. Enhancing relationships,
- B. Promoting trust,
- C. Improving the understanding by Indigenous groups of the proposed project and its objectives, and
- D. Assisting the proponent to understand the interests and concerns of those living in the affected area.

With this understanding and information, the MVCA can begin to discuss practical strategies for maximizing the project's potential positive impacts, while eliminating or mitigating, its possible negative consequences.

It is understood that due to the Global Pandemic, much of the engagement work has yet to be carried out and the MVCA Watershed Plan has not only been developed but also passed by the MVCA Board. This has occurred without the input from the Indigenous Communities and Peoples. It is also understood that the Watershed Plan is a living document and MVCA is committed to engaging with the Indigenous Communities and Peoples to gain input that will be incorporated into the plan in a meaningful way and not just as a check box.

3.2 CONSULTATION VS. ENGAGEMENT

Consultation refers to the legal obligations of the Crown (Government) when Indigenous interests (rights and title) may be adversely affected by a Crown decision, a "have to" mentality. Consultation consists of

information sharing between government and affected First Nations and/or Indigenous Peoples and seeks to resolve potential adverse impacts to Indigenous interests.

Engagement is different from consultation. Engagement aims to build and enhance relationships with First Nations and Indigenous Peoples/Groups by exchanging information in the absence of legal consultation obligations. A “want to” mentality. The purpose of engagement is to build trust and create meaningful respectful, reciprocal relationships. To have the knowledge of neighboring Communities and of Indigenous matters. This includes information sharing regarding regulations, policy, legislation and procedures and often is initiated in pursue of accurate historical information for meaningful inclusion in projects and initiatives.

3.3 EARLY ENGAGEMENT

Early interaction through information sessions, written correspondence, and/or meetings with the First Nation leaders and Indigenous Peoples/groups set the stage for developing relationships that may extend well beyond the planning and design phases of a project. Although the original intent of this initiative was to actively engage at the early stages and information packages were sent out, circumstances prohibited engagement opportunities and this will be relayed to the identified Indigenous Communities/groups.

First Nations and Indigenous Peoples/groups may request that a formal agreement or protocol be developed with a proponent, as a means to incorporate traditional knowledge and optimize the benefits of the prospective project. Although engagement agreements or protocols may require additional time and resources, they can demonstrate significant value by ensuring that all parties understand the proposed engagement process on a basis of good faith.

3.4 INTEGRATING WITH OTHER DOCUMENTS

Outcomes from the engagement process will be incorporated into various documents created by the project team. Indigenous knowledge and input are critical at creating a holistic well-balanced project with achievable targets and results.

MVCA would like CIPS to review and develop discussion papers and/or incorporate the Indigenous perspective on the following list of documents for distribution to the interested Indigenous Communities/Peoples (Appendix A):

- A. Watershed Characterization (presented in four Backgrounder Reports):
 - Backgrounder One: The Physical Environment
 - Backgrounder Two: People & Property
 - Backgrounder Three: Natural Systems (WIP)
 - Backgrounder Four: Capital Assets (completed in January)
- B. Discussion Paper Series
 - Introduction
 - Goals & Objectives
 - Agriculture

- Forestry
- Growth & Development
- Municipal Infrastructure
- Natural Systems
- Tourism
- Water Management
- Waterfront Properties
- Actions (draft)

C. Draft and Final Watershed Plan

Note that it will be at the discretion of the CIPS Team as to whether or not new discussion papers need to be developed or whether the existing discussion papers just need specifics included. In addition to this process, the CIPS Team will develop a new Introduction summary document that will include a brief overview of the Indigenous perspective incorporated into the discussion papers as well as highlight areas that the CIPS Team has deemed to be important. This will hopefully lessen the burden of review by Communities as well as serve as an explain in regards to the process thus far and the reasons behind the plan finalization without the inclusion of the Indigenous voices.

4.0 INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY AND RIGHTS IDENTIFICATION

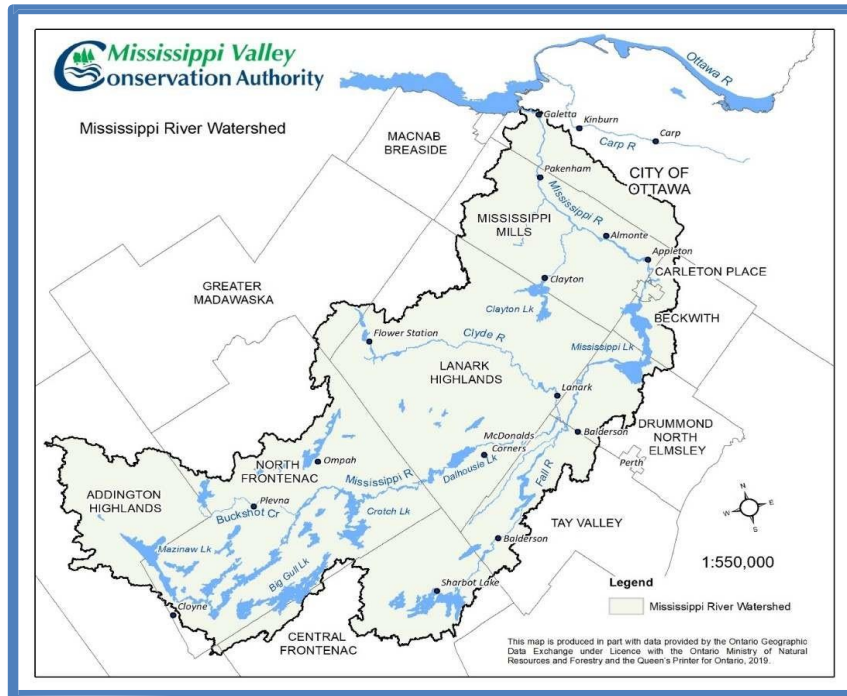
Strategies for Engaging with First Nation Communities and Indigenous Peoples are as varied as the histories, cultures, traditions and worldviews of the over 600 First Nation Communities in Canada themselves. There is not a "one size fits all" template because each Community requires different consultation processes, some Communities will have their own policies or templates for engagement. Our process follows a guiding principle:

"If it touches the traditional territory, then those Indigenous Peoples require notification"

4.1 PROJECT LOCATION

The Mississippi Valley watershed is located in south-eastern Ontario between Cloyne (Bon Echo) on the west and Ottawa on the north east. It encompasses an area of 4450 km², with more than 250 lakes, numerous wetlands, large expanses of forested lands with small tracks of agricultural and urban area. The Mississippi River itself has its headwaters north of Mazinaw Lake, near Bon Echo Provincial Park, and empties into the Ottawa River, near Fitzroy Harbour.

4.1.1 FIGURE 1: THE OVERALL PROJECT AREA



5.0 ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

It is important to remember to keep the flow of information limited to the Engagement team. Over complication of sharing wrong or not finalized information does not build a clear transparent engagement process. Often resulting in a frustrated project team, a confused Community/group and a greater cost to our clients. The following table is a breakdown that the Engagement team will be presenting to the overall Project team of the flow and distribution of information.

5.1 PROJECT TEAM COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

5.1.1 TABLE 2: MVCA TEAM COMMUNICATION STRATEGY

Communication Type	Purpose	Audience	Author	Vehicle	Frequency
Status Reports	To keep Indigenous Communities/groups informed of progress	Project Manager/ project team, and Indigenous Community contact(s)	MVCA and/or Project Manager	Email	Monthly (if possible) or as needed
Team Meetings	To ensure all team members are aware of progress, changes/issues and current priorities	Project Team Members (Kerry-Ann, Kassie, Courtney, Alyson and Sally)	Project Manager or Technical Team Members	Zoom or other digital platform	Bi-Weekly (if possible) or when needed

Communications to Indigenous Communities	To distribute meeting materials, collect feedback, alert Indigenous Communities to document changes, share information and answer questions between meetings.	Indigenous Communities and Project Team (Kerry-Ann, Kassie, Courtney, Alyson and Sally)	CIPS Team with review from MVCA CIPS is to create a document based on engagement	Email and/or digital platform	Email to be sent 1 st week of August to inform confirmed participants of when to expect new documents Follow-up email to be sent mid-September to arrange 1 st meeting Follow-up email to be sent after 1 st meeting to arrange second meeting
Shared Project Folder	Retains all current project documentation	All confirmed Indigenous Communities and Project Team	CIPS Project Team CIPS is responsible to ensure all Indigenous Communities' are updated with their best possible method of information sharing	Web based <Shared Folder Location> Location > Emails	Uploaded revisions no later than 48 hours of change
Community Meetings	1 st meeting to present information, answer any questions and collect any feedback 2 nd meeting to collect feedback on information presented, answer questions and develop next steps	Representative of Indigenous Community/group Project Team and Technical Experts	CIPS will Facilitate all meetings with support and participation from MVCA CIPS will create a document of "summary of Event and findings"	Zoom or other digital platform	As needed/required

5.2 COMMUNITY NOTIFICATIONS AND INTRODUCTIONS

Engagement is required with the Indigenous Communities/groups whose traditional territory coincides with the geographic area where the project will occur. Ultimately, it is the proponent that is best-positioned to inform Indigenous Communities of the details concerning the proposed project. The proponent can effectively describe the project, identify technical issues and consider how to adjust the proposal and the scope of work to address issues identified during engagement process.

The following procedural aspects of engagement have been considered for notifying the identified Indigenous Peoples about a project:

- A. provide detailed project information via email, to Indigenous Communities to ensure they are reasonably informed as to the nature of the proposed activities and are aware of any potential environmental impacts, including the short- and long-term plans for the area (Initial information packages)
- B. follow-up phone calls to ensure: (Completed as per previous work)
 - o Information has been received
 - o Confirm and or identify point person
 - o Answer questions Communities might have in regards to the information received
 - o Explain importance of project and Community participation
 - o Encourage participation
 - o Confirm whether or not Community wants to participate and if they do what that should look like

- C. arrange meeting, by mutual agreement, with Indigenous Communities/group elected officials, or authorized designate, to discuss information received and appropriate means of engagement that recognizing Community specific requirements
- D. engage with the Indigenous Communities/groups to identify and discuss specific issues, requirements, views as well as potential adverse impacts of the project on members ability to exercise their right to hunt, fish and trap for food and carry out traditional uses
- E. consider the views of the Indigenous Communities and, where necessary, work with the Communities to avoid or minimize adverse impacts on the Indigenous Community's ability to hunt, fish and trap for food and carry out traditional uses
- F. document the engagement efforts and include the following in the engagement report as identified in section 5.8 Indigenous Engagement Summary Report:
 - o attempts to contact and steps taken to consult with the Indigenous communities;
 - o Community concerns related to specific potential adverse impacts on Treaty and Aboriginal rights and traditional uses
 - o how the concerns identified were considered and, where appropriate, how they have been or will be addressed
 - o any outstanding issues the proponent was unable to address and reasons why;
 - o any agreements developed with the Communities if applicable and
 - o other relevant information related to Community discussions; and if requested, participate in follow-up engagements.

Note, tasks A and B have been completed and this agreement encompasses C-F. CIPS will organize and facilitate two meetings per identified interested Community/group, other meetings that are requested will be at the expense of the MVCA.

5.3 MAINTAINING PROJECT WEBPAGES (IF DESIRED BY CLIENT)

IEP and project specific information and supporting materials will be presented in conjunction with the MVCA website or social media. The content and information will be developed by MVCA with project specific information to specifically inform Indigenous Communities/groups of the Project. This website will contain the following:

- A. A Project description;
- B. How the Project is funded;
- C. How this Project may affect the local Indigenous population;
- D. Time, date and location of Indigenous specific Community information sessions;
- E. A Project email for interested Indigenous members of the public to issue comments and questions;
- F. An online survey to gather any cultural, historic or other feedback about the project and from which helps to form the agenda and content for the IEP information sessions;

5.4 NOTIFYING THE COMMUNITY - COMMUNITY MEMBER BULLETINS

CIPS will prepare a one page, 8.5" x 11" - Indigenous Community member bulletin (reviewed in advance by MVCA) and distributed in, at a minimum one of the following:

- A. Community or organizational newsletters;
- B. Posted on Community bulletin boards; and/or
- C. Posted to Stakeholder controlled social media or digital mailing lists.

These notices will be provided to Communities/groups and will include the following information:

- A. A Project description;
- B. Information on how the project is funded;
- C. Information on the IEP engagement process on the whole;
- D. Information on how this Project affects the Community;
- E. Time, date and location of public information session(s) if applicable;
- F. A link to the website; and
- G. A Project email that will field comments and questions for interested members of the public.

5.5 OUTCOMES OF INITIAL ENGAGEMENT

With understanding, acknowledgement and willingness to learn from First Nations and Knowledge Holders a trust is developed. Guidance, education and commitment will only enhance the relationship between the MVCA and First Nation Communities/groups and individuals. Offering educational pieces about Conservation Authorities roles and responsibilities may provide additional tools that a First Nation or Indigenous group could utilize in their own future work planning and projects and true partnerships can develop take place.

The overall outcome of this Indigenous Engagement is to build a foundation for MVCA and the Indigenous Communities/groups to communicate effectively, build relationships to utilize each other's knowledge and practices and to incorporate into planning for the benefit of ALL within the watershed.

5.7 NET OUTCOMES FROM OVERALL ENGAGEMENT

5.7.1 INDIGENOUS COMMUNITY ISSUE MANAGEMENT

Documentation and reporting of issues raised by Communities is a key component of the Indigenous Engagement process. Issues management clearly and accurately summarize the comments made by all interested persons to the project team for contemplation and incorporation into the watershed plan.

5.7.2 WORKING GROUP

A positive outcome from this engagement activity could be the formation of the MVCA Indigenous Working group.

MVCA has the obligation of the duty to consult with First Nations when contemplating any action or a decision that may infringe upon proven or asserted Indigenous or treaty rights. Any watershed management model that is implemented must recognize First Nations as partners in developing and implementing watershed management plans now and into the future.

This working group could advise MVCA on:

- A. Maintaining an on-going dialogue with First Nations to better understand and incorporate the Indigenous perspective on water; and
- B. Continuing a collaborative dialogue with First Nations regarding permits, projects, initiatives and other topics of mutual interest.

5.8 INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT SUMMARY REPORT

After the engagement process has been completed and the Indigenous Community/group information session(s) are complete, an engagement summary report will be completed to record the results of the engagement process. This report will contain the following:

- A. Methods of engagement;
- B. All recorded contact with interested Indigenous Communities/groups;
- C. All feedback and questions received through engagement and information sessions; and
- D. Recommendations for MVCA on how to improve the Project to suit the community’s needs based on the results of the engagement process.

A summary of the engagements will be included in the final submission along with all other documents.

6.0 TASK AND ENGAGEMENT SCHEDULE

Table 3 provides an overview of the timeline for the engagement activities during the Project process. The dates for engagement activities are subject to change pending further project development, feedback from Communities/groups and other factors such as changes in dates by outside circumstances.

6.1.1 TABLE 3: Task and Engagement Schedule

ITEM	DATE	DETAILS
Engagement Database Creation	March 2022	System to track engagement and comments from Indigenous Communities/groups identified

Complete new project information package	March-April 2022	Develop new information letter and compile all necessary information to be sent to Indigenous Communities/groups identified
Call each identified Indigenous Community/group	March 2022	Call each of the interested Indigenous Communities/groups identified to bring attention to information forth coming and ensure proper emails
Send new packages via email	May 2022	Send out packages compiled to interested Communities/groups
Follow-up calls	May 2022	Follow-up calls to ensure package has been received, answer questions, verify contact person and schedule meeting if desired
Facilitate 1st and 2nd engagement (virtual) session	June 2022 – August 2022	Co-ordinate, organize and facilitate engagement meetings as requested
IEP Draft Summary Report Submitted to MVCA for review and Comment	October 2022	Deliver final draft report for review and comment to MVCA
IEP Draft Summary Report Submitted to MVCA	December 2022	Deliver final report with recommendations on next steps

Appendix A

Summary of Confirmed Community Participants

Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority
Indigenous Engagement Confirmed Participants
Summary

INTRODUCTION

BACKGROUND

MVCA contracted CIPS to assist with engaging the Indigenous Communities within the MVCA watershed in order to provide Indigenous perspectives into the development of the MVCA watershed plan. Research was conducted by a former CIPS Team Member who identified the First Nations Communities/groups that hold interest in some way to the area in which MVCA covers.

Being that early and meaningful engagement with all interested persons who may be affected by or have an interest in the project is an integral component of the process CIPS Team conducted outreach to all identified Communities to indicate their desire to participate in this initiative.

To facilitate meaningful engagement and relationship-building, the plan is based on a well-established set of engagement principles. Clear, explicit objectives have been defined to guide the implementation of the plan, and will also assist the Project team to communicate their engagement approach to all interested parties.

Our engagement approach follows guidance from the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2), an organization that has developed an approach to engagement based on best practice and that provides certification on this approach to practitioners.

PROCESS

Twenty-eight (28) First Nation Communities as identified in the previous work were followed up with through phone calls, and emails based on the contact list previously provided.

1. Rama
2. Council of the First Nation of Abitibiwinni (Pikogan)
3. Timiskaming First Nation
4. Algonquins of Pikakanagan First Nation
5. Mohawk Council of Akwasasne
6. Alderville First Nation
7. Algonquin Anishinabeg Nation Tribal Council Head Office
8. Antoine First Nation
9. Algonquins of Ontario Head Office
10. Mitchikanibikok First Nation
11. Beausoliel First Nation
12. Bonnechere Algonquin First Nation
13. Curve Lake First Nation
14. Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation
15. Greater Golden Lake
16. Hiawatha First Nation
17. Eagle Village First Nation
18. Madaouskarini Algonquin Nation
19. Kitcisakik
20. Kitigan Zibi Anishinabeg
21. Council of the Nation Anishinabe of Lac Simon

22. Wahgoshig First Nation

23. Long Point First Nation

24. Wolf Lake First Nation

25. Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation

26. Algonquins of Ontario

27. Wahgoshig First Nation

28. Shabot Obaadjiwan First Nation

SUMMARY AND RESULTS

SUMMARY

Twenty eight (28) First Nation Communities were identified to hold interest within the MVCA watershed. Attempts were made to reach all twenty-eight (28) Communities for this project. Out of the twenty-eight (28), eight (8) were reached for a discussion through phone calls, or emails and twenty (20) were not reached.

RESULTS

The table below categorizes the First Nation Communities that were identified, reached or unreachable. It also summarizes the Communities that have confirmed their interest as well as those who have declined being engaged in the project, including the person who was contacted and their information. The effort put forth in connecting with each First Nation Community is also identified. Previous work identified two (2) additional Communities that were not reachable as confirming interest in being engaged so have been included in the table below as interested participants.

Those at the top of the table and in **bold type** are confirmed, ***bold and italics*** are maybe and the rest were unreachable or declined engagement.

Community/Rep	Contact Information	Action(s) Taken	Result	Notes
Algonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation	Mrg.economicdevelopment@pikwakanagan.ca 613-625-2800	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	-Confirmed in previous work but not in follow-up Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
Algonquins of Ontario Head Office	Algonquins@tanakiwin.com 613-735-3759	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	-Confirmed in previous work but not in follow-up -Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.

Hiawatha First Nation	Chief Laurie Carr 123 Paudash St. Hiawatha, ON	Called, then emailed	-Confirmed in previous work but not in follow-up	
Alderville First Nation	Consultation@alderville.ca 905-352-2011	Called, then emailed	Wish to be involved/rece ive old and new information	Contacted back through email provided
Eagle Village First Nation	819-627-2455	Called	Wish to be involved/rece ive old and new information	mjawbone@kebaowek.ca
Kitigan-Zibi Anishnaabeg	819-449-5170	Called X2	Wish to be involved/rece ive old and new information	Christine Stevens, Christine.stevens@kca.gc.ca
Lac Simon	819-736-4501	Called x2 (admin), left message with Ronald – director of L&R	Wish to be involved/rece ive old and new information	Ronald Brazeau, ronald.brazeau@commerciallacsimon.ca
Long Point First Nation –	819-722-2441	Called x2	Wish to be involved/rece ived old and new information	steeve.mathias@lpfn- aki.ca
Algonquin Anishinabeg Nation Tribal Council Head Office	Georgesl@anishinabention.ca 819-449-1225	Called	Wish to be involved/rece ive old and new information	Spoke to Crystal Lee, told to email old and new information to the following email Georgesl@anishinabention.ca

Curve Lake First Nation	Juliek@curvelak.e.ca 705-657-8045	Called, then emailed	Maybe	Responded through email, asking for more information, still waiting on response to whether they want to engage
Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation	Brandon.stiles@georginasland.com 705-437-1337	Called, then emailed	No	Responded through email, and said no to wanting to be engaged.
Wahgoshig First Nation –	705-273-2055	sent email to lands and resources – phone message left.	Unreachable	
Greater Golden Lake	613-625-2800	Call X2, Voice Message X2	Unreachable	Work from home message at band office
Kijicho Manito Madaouskarini Alqonguin First Nation	613-332-0318	Called X2, message X2	Unreachable	
Kitcisakik	819-736-3001	Call x2, left message x1	Unreachable	Language barrier
Chief Randy Malcolm – Snimikobi	randymalcolm@hotmail.com , 1-613-647-3355	email sent, called and left a message	Unreachable	
Scugog Island First Nation	1-800-647-8454	left message at admin x2	Unreachable	Message at admin building that offices are closed

Shbaot Obaadjiwan –	613-335-5000, chiefdoreendavis@gmail.com	left message, email sent to chief	Unreachable	
Robert Craftchick – Whitney				(no information provided or found), part of AOO negotiation representative
Rama First Nation	Shardayj@ramafirstnation.ca , 705-325-3611	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
Council of the First Nation of Abitibiwinni (Pikogan)	Georgesl@anishinabeneration.ca 819-732-6591	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
TikmiskamingFirst Nation	Pw.director@stfn.ca 819-723-2335	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
Mohwk Council of Akwasasne	Info@akwasasne.ca 613-936-1548	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
Antoine First Nation	Unknown		Unreachable	Part of the Algonquins of Ontario and direct information unattainable
Mitchikanibikok First Nation	indigsol@riseup.net	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.

Beausoliel First Nation	Lands@chimnissing.ca 705-347-2051	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
Bonnechere Algonquin First Nation	613-433-9085	Left voicemail message x2, sent email	Unreachable	Band office closed, everyone working from home, voice message left, and email sent but no reply.
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