

Resource Development Newsletter

Kingsclear First Nation

Community Engagement Committee (CEC) Call for Participation

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The purpose of the Community Engagement Committee is to create, implement and inform Kingsclear members on any resource development as they impact our Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. The committee will do this by hosting open houses, information sessions, community meetings, questionnaires, visiting house to house, and identify what the community wants when

receiving project information. The members are comprised of active land users, youth, elder, and concerned member's. The CEC is currently looking for Kingsclear participation in the committee. This will be to voice your concerns, provide feedback, understand projects and ask questions. CEC members are provided with honorariums for

every event and meeting.

If any members are interested in participating in the CEC, please you're a brief summary as to why you want to be a part of the committee, your name, number and email address (if applicable) to Sydney Paul at sydneypaul@kingsclear.ca or drop off at the bandhall addressed to Sydney Paul.

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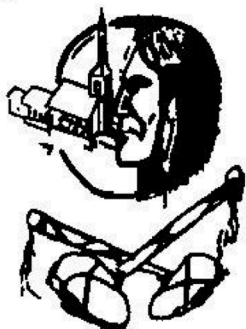
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NB Power Mactaquac Project Update

New Brunswick Power Corporation made their decision on the future of the Mactaquac Dam project.

Option 4: Life Achievement- to extend the life of the current structure. There is two ways of completing the life achievement. Option 4a) install new upstream equipment, remove and replace generator and turbine, remove embedded parts and surrounding concrete, remove and replace powerhouse building, move transformer, remove and replace powerhouse service bay and administration building. Option 4b)

remove turbine and generator and repair or replace components as required, modify turbine to correct known deficiency with blade pump and modify and repair powerhouse superstructure.



NB Power will need to get an

approval from the Energy Utilities Board (EUB) to move ahead with the project. Then that's where NB Power will releasing a tendering process to understand the work that is needed to complete option 4. The Maliseet are in the second phase of Consultation with NB Power. That is where NB Power will be in the process of obtaining all regulatory approvals associated with the preferred option.

As more information becomes available, I will share it on www.kingsclear.ca or by newsletter

Proposed Sisson Mine Update

Sisson Partnership is proposing to construct and operate an open pit tungsten and molybdenum mine near Napadogen, NB. The open pit will be approx. 145 ha and up to 370m deep, mineral processing facilities, a water treatment plant, water management ponds, a tailings storage facility (approx. 750 ha), new transmission line and misc. buildings such as offices and warehouses. The project area would cover approx. 1200ha. The proposed mine would operate for up to 30 years and would be followed by decades of reclamation and a closure process.

On January 31, 2017, the six Maliseet Chiefs signed the Sisson Accommodations Agreement. Below is what's in the Accommodation Agreement:

Up front payment to Maliseet:

- Province will pay \$3 million to the Maliseet Nation (to be shared between the communities) once the federal government approves the Sisson Mine.

Revenue-sharing on Sisson Mine:

- Maliseet Nation will receive 35% of the first \$2 million of Sisson mining tax revenues received by the Crown

per year; and

- 3.5% of any additional Sisson revenues received by the Crown beyond the first \$2 million *per year*.

Training and employment:

- Proponent must develop an Aboriginal employment and business plan to maximize opportunities for Maliseet employees and businesses in the Sisson Project. Maliseet will have input into this plan to ensure it includes strong commitments.
- The Province will monitor to ensure the proponent complies with the Plan.
- Sisson job fairs in all interested communities.
- The Province will support Maliseet members' training and education for Project-related employment (e.g. mining, environmental monitoring).

New Crown Land:

- Province will buy private forestry lands equal in size to the Sisson Mine lease area to make them Crown lands.
- Province and Maliseet reps will work together to identify lands that offer the Maliseet valuable harvesting opportunities.

Compensation in case of accident or malfunction:

- Province will ensure compensation to the Maliseet if ever the Sisson Project produces an accident or malfunction that materially interferes with Maliseet rights.

Strategic Rights Plan:

- Province will fund a roughly \$600,000, 1.5 year Maliseet Strategic Rights Plan to:
 - a) comprehensively assess the state of Maliseet harvesting rights and Maliseet long term needs for lands and resources to support meaningful harvesting rights, and
 - b) develop proposals for new land and resource protection measure in the Province to protect and/or restore Maliseet harvesting rights.
- This Study will be based on interviews by Maliseet community researchers with Maliseet harvesters. It will document the challenges that Maliseet face from cumulative impacts in the Territory, which is overdue and essential to better protecting rights.

Joint Planning Table:

Under the Joint Table Agreement, Maliseet and Province representatives will work together to identify land and resource measures to protect and restore Maliseet