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Shared Perspectives: First Nations Water, Post-2021

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“Initial Thoughts: Long-Term Strategy for Water and Wastewater for First Nations”

Background

- AFN informed on November 30, 2018 of requirement that ISC provide a “Long-Term Strategy” to address 2/5 of the holdback on Budget 2016 \$1.8 billion.
- Provided verbal briefing to CCoHI on December 3, 2018.
- Advised by CCoHI to engage in active ‘advocacy’ by AFN to get more info and resist the hard timeline due date to Minister of Finance in March 2020 and create space for First Nations inclusion in process.



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Update

- The Preliminary Table of Contents for a First Nations Long-term Water and Wastewater Strategy Post-2021 was compiled from five two-day working meetings held across Canada in October and November 2019.
- Approximately 100 leading First Nations experts, comprised of water technicians, Chiefs and Council members, water operators, and researchers participated.
- The Preliminary Table of Contents, contains 36 key topics for discussion that can inform the creation of a First Nations Long-Term Strategy.



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Preliminary Table of Contents Components

(*no order of priority*)

1. Establishing Baseline Information for Critical Infrastructure
2. Regional Considerations Including Asserted Provincial Jurisdiction
3. Addressing Predatory Processes and Entities
4. Do Not Replicate the 'Indian Affairs' Approach
5. Supporting Relationships between First Nations Water Operators and First Nations Leadership
6. Acknowledging and Ending 'Divide and Conquer' Strategies and Chronic Under-funding of First Nations



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7. Engaging Automation and Technological Evolution for Efficiency
8. Political Relationships/Alliances/Considerations
9. Acknowledging, Honouring and Maximizing the Utility of First Nations Operators Institutional Knowledge and Experience
10. Creating a Structural Implementation Mechanism for the Long-Term Strategy
11. Addressing Existing Problems
12. Remember the 'Forgotten'



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- 13. Water Security
- 14. Research and Innovation
- 15. Climate Change
- 16. Linking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure and Health and the Environment
- 17. Addressing Emerging Issues
- 18. Wastewater



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19.Linkages Between Water and Wastewater and Economic Development

20.Linkages Between Water and Wastewater and Food Security

21.Jurisdictional Awareness, Considerations and Jurisdictional Gaps

22.Oversight and Compliance

23.Funding and Resources

24.Support for Existing Initiatives



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- 25. Creation/Support for Current and New Key Initiatives
- 26. Emergency Preparedness and Training
- 27. Co-Management/Third-Party Management Issues
- 28. Creation of a National First Nations Water Operators Association
- 29. Training
- 30. Pilot Projects



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- 31. First Nations Organizations Involved in Water/Wastewater Service Provision
- 32. Removing Problematic Stereotypes and Misinformation
- 33. Governance
- 34. Source Water Protection
- 35. Monitoring
- 36. Succession Planning and Transitional Support



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