



# **Medium-Term Actions to Support Water and Wastewater in First Nations**

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# Objective

- To discuss water and wastewater infrastructure and discuss medium-term actions (out to 2021) to improve water and wastewater infrastructure in First Nations

## Workshop Format: A Knowledge Café

- This style of workshop is a knowledge sharing process comprised of rounds of conversation dedicated to a topic at each table
- After each round, participants will rotate to another table for the next discussion topic
- At the end of the workshop all participants will come together to discuss each topic and the input from each table

# Medium-Term Actions

## SUMMARY

- Water and Wastewater Operators
  - Recruitment
  - Retention
  - Training
- Circuit Rider Trainers
- Promotion and recognition of the importance of water operations
- Technical Support Services: Hub Model

# Discussion Questions

**Question #1 - What are the key components and best practices of well-managed water and wastewater systems? What tools, systems, and approaches do you find most useful? What can be the Federal Government's role in supporting water system management?**

**Question #2 - What are the challenges in recruiting and retaining water operators on reserve? What strategies can be used to recruit and retain qualified operators? How can we encourage populations like women and youth to enter the field?**

**Question #3 – What is your vision for water and wastewater in your First Nation for the medium term (between now and 2021)? What is your vision for water and wastewater in the longer-term (post 2021)? How do you see the role of ISC in your vision?**

**Question #4 – How do you feel about the work we (First Nations, First Nation Partners, and ISC) are doing? What have been some right actions? What changes are needed? How can we continue to work together to best support First Nations?**

# Next Steps

# Question?

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