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# SPRING 2019 NEWSLETTER

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# IAMC

Indigenous Advisory &  
Monitoring Committee | Line 3

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**Greetings!  
Aaniin!**

**Tansi!  
Aba**

**Oki!  
Washded!**

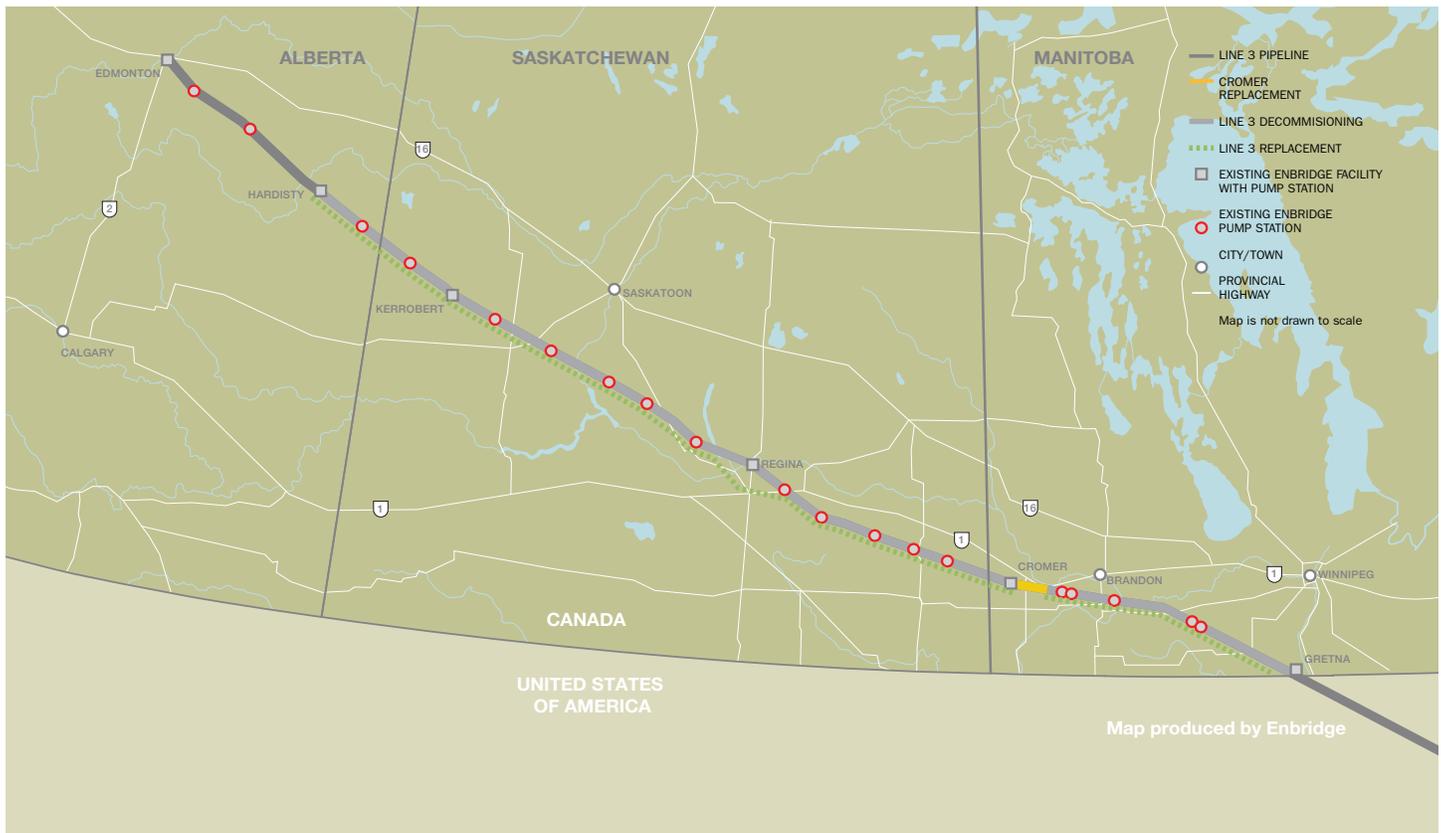
**Danit'ada!  
Hau!**

**Tawnshi!  
Iyuskin!**

**Boozhoo!  
Bienvenue!**

The Line 3 Indigenous Advisory and Monitoring Committee (IAMC) brings together different perspectives and provides a forum to share knowledge and create mutual understandings. The programs and policies of the IAMC are designed to build capacity within all potentially impacted Indigenous Nations to effectively and meaningfully participate in the monitoring and oversight of the Line 3 Replacement Program (L3RP).

The IAMC is an additional forum for engagement between the NEB and impacted Indigenous Nations to address common priorities. The IAMC is not a forum to advance specific interests of individual Nations and **does not replace or diminish any right of individual Indigenous Nations to be consulted and accommodated by the Government with respect to the L3RP.**



## 2017-19 Line 3 IAMC Annual Report

The Line 3 IAMC has produced its first Annual Report, outlining the amazing work that has been done since the inception of this Committee. To find out more about what the IAMC is all about, our programs, successes, lessons learned, and next steps, check out the Line 3 IAMC Annual Report which can be found at [www.iamc-line3.com](http://www.iamc-line3.com).

# Meet the Members of the IAMC

## Alberta Indigenous Members



Kyra Northwest  
Samson Cree Nation  
Subcommittee Chair;  
Indigenous Monitoring



Mike Oka  
Blood (Kainai) Tribe  
Alternate IAMC Indigenous  
Co-Chair



Kirk Poitras  
Metis Nation of Alberta



Norine Saddleback  
Mascwacis Tribal Council  
Subcommittee Chair;  
Indigenous Knowledge

## Saskatchewan Indigenous Members



Richard Aisaican  
Cowessess First Nation  
Subcommittee Chair;  
Engagement and Capacity



Joe Daniels  
George Gordon First Nation  
IAMC Indigenous Co-Chair



Wendy Gervais  
Metis Nation  
Saskatchewan



Bill Kennedy  
Metis Nation  
Saskatchewan



Gary Laplante  
Moosomin First Nation  
Subcommittee Chair;  
Advice to Government



Neil Sasakamoose  
Battlefords Agency Tribal  
Chiefs



Roberta Soo-Oyewaste  
Pasqua First Nation



Shannon Thomson  
File Hills Qu'Appelle  
Tribal Council

# Meet the Members of the IAMC

## Manitoba Indigenous Members



Marci Riel  
Manitoba Metis  
Federation



Craig Soldier  
Swan Lake First Nation



Mike Sutherland  
Peguis First Nation  
Subcommittee Chair;  
Filings Review



Preston Swan  
Lake Manitoba First Nation

## Government of Canada and National Energy Board Committee Members



Coral deShield Natural  
Resources Canada IAMC  
Government Co-Chair



Robert Steedman  
National Energy Board



# Meet the Members of the IAMC

## Member Selection 2017

During the co-development process for the IAMC, Indigenous representatives from each of the three prairie provinces formed Working Groups, which convened to determine a process for the selection of regional members.

The Working Groups were open to participation from all potentially impacted Indigenous Nations, and membership was expanded over the 10-month co-development process as more communities became interested in being involved. Based on the L3RP route and its proximity to Indigenous Nations in each province, seats on the IAMC were assigned to First Nations and Metis in each province on the following basis:



## Member Selection 2019-2020

As per the IAMC's Terms of Reference, the current Members are serving initial terms of 2 years. This summer, potentially impacted Nations on Annex A of the [Terms of Reference](#) will be invited to select the membership for the next term of the IAMC: October 2019 – onwards.

Stay tuned for more information on the member selection process.

## Government Co-Chair

The IAMC would like to thank the outgoing Line 3 IAMC Government Co-chair, Naina Sloan for her valuable guidance and leadership throughout the co-development process and the IAMC's first year and a half of operations. Naina will continue in her role as Senior Executive Director of Natural Resources Canada's Indigenous Partnerships Office West (IPO-W) and will continue to provide oversight to support the IAMC.

The IAMC is pleased to welcome its incoming Government Co-chair, Coral deShield. Coral brings more than 20 years of experience in the field of environmental management. This includes her recent experience with Environment and Climate Change Canada where she led the review of environmental assessments, permitting procedures, negotiations within the BC Treaty process, and consultation processes related to wildlife protection. Coral also has experience with stewardship programs, having worked with the Fraser Salmon and Watersheds Program as well as with Canadian Wildlife Service's Habitat Stewardship Program for Species at Risk, and the Aboriginal Funds for Species at Risk.

# Line 3 Replacement Program Update

The IAMC's mandate is to support effective and meaningful participation in the monitoring and oversight of the L3RP. The IAMC was active during the last year of project-related construction and is now positioning itself to monitor the next phases of the project; reclamation, decommissioning, and operations.

## Construction Update

- Enbridge has completed installation of the pipeline along the 1,070 km Canadian right-of-way.
- The installation of 55 new, remotely operated valves is essentially complete.
- Facilities work is nearing completion (18 new pump stations and associated infrastructure, as well as three new oil storage tanks at the Hardisty Terminal with capacity of approximately 150,000 cubic metres).

*IAMC Indigenous Monitors participated in NEB inspections. This helped the Inspection Officers better understand Indigenous perspectives and helped improve implementation of environmental mitigations.*

## Operations and Maintenance

- The anticipated in-service date of the Canadian component of the L3RP is the latter half of 2019
- **Conditions 21/29:** From October 2018 through March 2019, Enbridge engaged 134 Indigenous communities to seek input into the development of a plan for on-going consultation/engagement with those communities during the operational phase of the L3RP. Input from focus group sessions (in Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba) as well as one-on-one meetings was incorporated into Enbridge's draft plan which was filed with the National Energy Board on March 29, 2019. The plan can be found using the following link: <https://apps.neb-one.gc.ca/REGDOCS/Item/View/3767124>.

## Reclamation

- Reclamation is complete in three of the nine construction spreads (approximately 500 kms), with reclamation of the remaining six construction spreads (approximately 600 kms) scheduled to begin in May and wrap up in September, 2019.
- Reclamation activities will continue to be monitored via the IAMC Indigenous Monitoring and Filings Review Programs.

*The IAMC will continue its monitoring and oversight role. In June 2019, the IAMC will be further briefed on emergency notification by Enbridge. The Committee is formulating advice to government and the NEB on this issue.*

## Pipeline Decommissioning

- Enbridge has indicated it will be scheduling one-on-one and regional focus group sessions with Indigenous Nations in the coming months to discuss and seek input into the decommissioning process. More information regarding decommissioning activities can be found [here](#). As per the L3RP's regulatory approval, commissioning activities must commence no later than December, 2021.
- The IAMC is currently developing technical training workshops for 2019 that will build capacity within Indigenous Nations to independently access and monitor Enbridge's filings and monitoring reports related to reclamation and decommissioning activities.
- For more information on the L3RP, please visit the following Enbridge and NEB websites:
  - [www.enbridge.com/projects-and-infrastructure/projects/line-3-replacement-program-canada](http://www.enbridge.com/projects-and-infrastructure/projects/line-3-replacement-program-canada)
  - [www.neb-one.gc.ca/pplctnflng/mjrpp/ln3rplcmnt/index-eng.html](http://www.neb-one.gc.ca/pplctnflng/mjrpp/ln3rplcmnt/index-eng.html)

# Regional Information Sharing Sessions

The IAMC hosted four regional information sharing sessions with leadership, Elders, and technicians in attendance. The sessions were held in Fort Qu'Appelle (November 22-23, 2018), Winnipeg (January 17-18, 2019), Tsuut'ina First Nation (February 27-28, 2019), and Saskatoon (February 28- March 1, 2019). The focus of the sessions was to provide information on the programs and activities of the IAMC and to seek feedback from participants.

## 4 Regional Information Sessions



**1 Alberta**

**2 Saskatchewan**

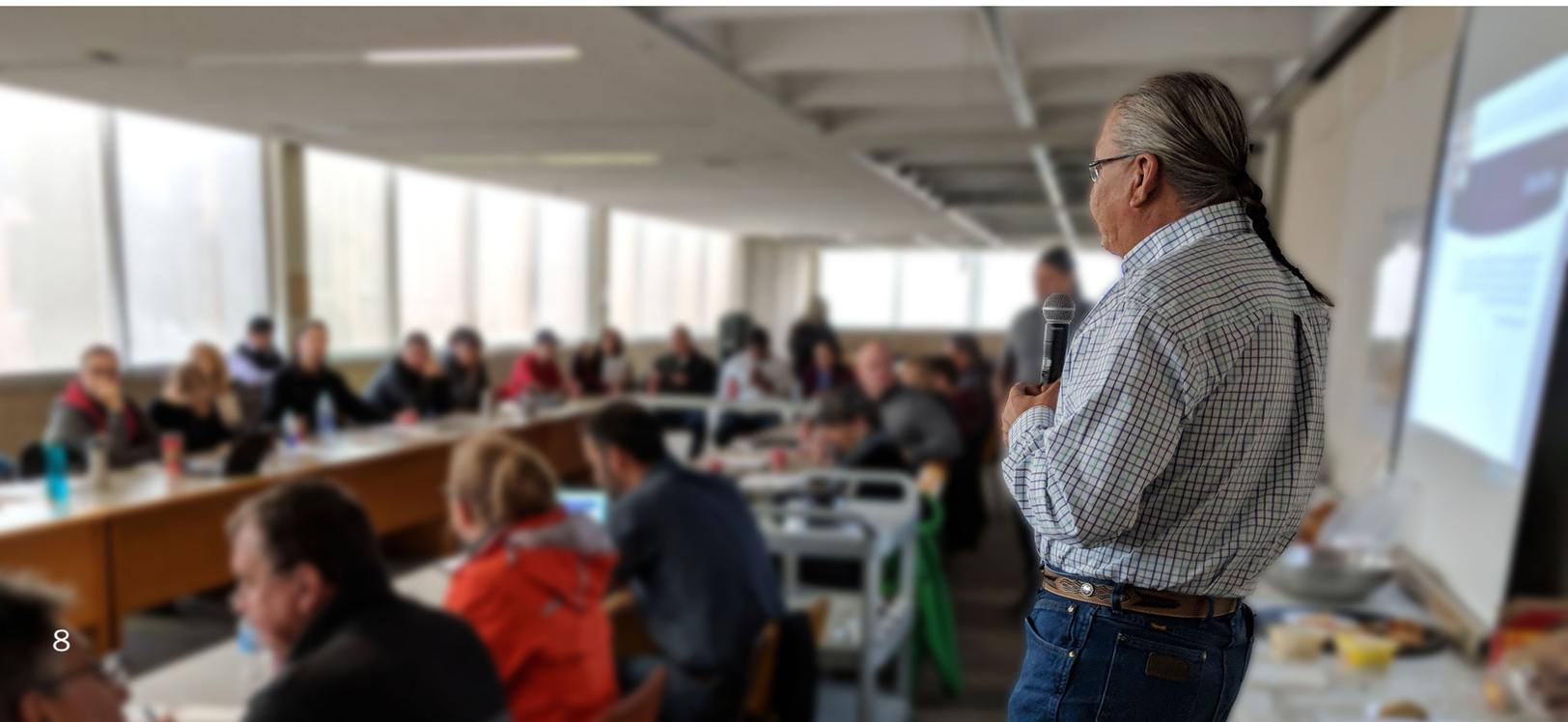
**1 Manitoba**

Each session was designed collaboratively with input and advice from regional IAMC members. As a result, discussions between presenters and participants were unique and the IAMC received distinct input from each region and gained a better understanding of issues and concerns across all three provinces.

Senior leadership from the NEB, including CEO Peter Watson, participated in each session and presented on the role of the regulator during the L3RP's lifecycle. NEB leadership attested to the substantial impact that participation in the IAMC has had on the regulator. IAMC Indigenous Monitors also participated in several of the sessions and shared their experiences regarding joint inspection activities with session participants. Each session was also informed about the Economic Pathways Partnership and opportunities for Nations to work with Natural Resources Canada's IPO-W to advance economic development priorities.

In addition to sharing information about its work, the IAMC leveraged its relationships within government to offer a full-day session of information sharing on proposed regulatory and environmental review legislation as contained in Bills C-68/69 and updates on upcoming opportunities for Indigenous input into the Bills' implementation.

The regional information sharing sessions were well attended and participants offered valuable advice and suggestions which have been incorporated into the IAMC's strategic planning and programming for 2019-20. The IAMC is currently designing its next round of information sharing sessions anticipated to take place in fall 2019.



## Line 3 IAMC 2019-20 Strategic Planning Outcomes

In mid-February, 2019, the IAMC initiated a process to propose and refine work plans and associated budgets for its 2019-20 programming priorities. These were then finalized and approved in April, 2019.

The IAMC's priorities build on its first 18-months of program development:

- continuing the Indigenous Monitoring Program for the 2019 inspection season, including providing further joint training on Indigenous Knowledge;
- continuing an ongoing review of Enbridge's condition compliance filings;
- developing a capacity building program that builds on the IAMC's learnings to provide technical training to potentially impacted Nations;
- developing and submitting advice to government and the regulator;
- hosting information-sharing sessions and participating in other engagement activities to share information about the IAMC and to include additional capacity building activities for planned training; and
- ensuring that concepts, protocols, and practices regarding Indigenous Knowledge are deeply embedded in all programs and activities.

The [Line 3 IAMC Annual Report](#) provides more information on the work of the subcommittees and Committee plans for moving forward.



*During the February meeting, the IAMC was honoured with a welcome address from President David Chartrand of the Manitoba Metis Federation. During the April meeting, Tribal Chief Edmund Bellegarde of File Hills Qu'Appelle Tribal Council, Councillor Dez Standingready from Whitebear First Nation, and Danielle Gambler, Executive Assistant for Tribal Chief Isabel O'Soup of the Yorkton Tribal Council welcomed the IAMC to Treaty 4 territory.*

# Update on Bill C-69 as it relates to the National Energy Board

In February 2018, the Government of Canada introduced Bill C-69, which proposes to repeal and replace the NEB Act to establish the *Canadian Energy Regulator* (CER) under the proposed *Canadian Energy Regulator Act* (CER Act). Bill C-69 is subject to the parliamentary process and is currently being reviewed by the Senate.

The Senate Committee recently traveled across the country to hear from groups and individuals about the Bill.

- For information about the journey of Bill C-69 through the [parliamentary process](#).
- For information about the Government of Canada's plans for [Environmental and Regulatory Reviews](#) under the [Canadian Energy Regulator](#).

*As per its Terms of Reference, the IAMC does not diminish the right of individual Indigenous Nations to be consulted and accommodated in respect to the L3RP nor in respect to proposed federal legislation. In addition, the IAMC understands that it does not speak for individual Nations, nor will it provide input on proposed legislation on behalf of Rights Holders. The IAMC is, however, an additional forum for engagement between the NEB and Indigenous Nations. This section of the newsletter presents information that the IAMC feels may be useful to impacted Nations in determining their participation in processes associated with Bill C-69.*

## Opportunities to Provide Input

Below is a list of the current and upcoming opportunities for Indigenous input:

- Interim guidance for **early engagement** on CER project applications and factors to consider in project decisions, including impacts to Indigenous rights.
  - In spring 2019, the NEB expects to post draft interim guidance on its website for comment.
- Discussion papers on three priority NEB regulations:
  - Discussion papers on the power line damage prevention regulations and time management regulations is now available for comment until June 7, 2019. <https://www.rncanengagenrcan.ca/en/collections/new-canadian-energy-regulator-0>.
  - A discussion paper on designated officer regulations will be made available for comment in the coming weeks.
- Discussion paper on government-wide **Indigenous Knowledge policy framework**:
  - <https://www.canada.ca/en/services/environment/conservation/assessments/environmental-reviews/get-involved.html>
- The *Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency* (CEAA) is currently accepting feedback on two regulatory discussion papers on the proposed project list, information requirements, and time management regulatory proposal.
  - <https://www.impactassessmentregulations.ca/homepage-sandbox>
  - CEAA is accepting comments until May 31, 2019
- For updates on the work relating to Bill C-69 (and Bill C-68; to amend the Fisheries Act) the government is coordinating its efforts. There are recurring WebEx information sessions and an electronic newsletter that is also sent out periodically. To join the distribution for these updates, please send an email to: [ec.equipetravail-taskteam.ec@canada.ca](mailto:ec.equipetravail-taskteam.ec@canada.ca)

*The IAMC is not a consultative body and it has not provided input on proposed legislation. It focuses on advancing shared interests and provides information that may be of interest to Indigenous Nations.*

# Economic Pathways Partnership

When the federal government approved L3RP, it also announced the Economic Pathways Partnership pilot (EPP). EPP is a whole-of-government approach to make it easier for Indigenous groups to access existing federal programs and services that help them participate in opportunities related to the pipeline projects and advance their broader economic development interests. The EPP approach represents a change in the way departments work together, and relies on building and maintaining personal relationships with Indigenous communities, organizations, and businesses to provide more tailored service.

For information on how the EPP can benefit your community, please contact Sandia Wu at Natural Resources Canada by telephone at (604) 363-3864 or by email at [sandia.wu@canada.ca](mailto:sandia.wu@canada.ca)



## Contact Us

We value the feedback we receive from communities that are potentially impacted by the activities and events that take place as the L3RP continues to move forward into decommissioning, reclamation, and operations.

In addition to leadership, we encourage Lands and Resources Offices, Consultation Offices, Economic Development Offices, Technicians, and others interested in the work of the IAMC to contact us with feedback. The Line 3 IAMC organizes events, activities, and programs. If you are interested in receiving information on these events, if you would like to request a meeting in your community, or if you would like to observe a bi-monthly Committee Meeting, please contact us at [nrcan.line3committee-comitecanalisation3.nrcan@canada.ca](mailto:nrcan.line3committee-comitecanalisation3.nrcan@canada.ca) and we can add you to our mailing list and answer any questions you may have.

**Thanks! Haihai! Nitsíniyi'taki! Siyasgaas! Marsee! Meeqwetch!**  
**Miigwech! Isniyes! Philamayaye! Pidamayado! Merci!**



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