

Feedback Form

Energy Webinar for Indigenous Communities Feedback Form – January 17, 2024

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Following the Energy Webinar for Communities held on January 17, 2024, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback. A copy of the presentations as well as recordings of the sessions can be accessed from the [engagement web page](#).

Please submit feedback to indigenousrelations@ieso.ca by February 7, 2024.

Transmitter Selection Framework

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How best can the IESO keep you informed of the TSF development work, and solicit your input on matters relevant to your community's interests?	Further engagement webinars
Are you interested in participating in the focused engagement sessions and/or 1:1 meetings with the IESO to share your community's feedback and perspectives?	Yes
For future transmission projects, how should the IESO think about valuing Indigenous participation? Which Indigenous participation models (e.g., equity partnership, training and employment, capacity funding, etc.) have you seen or experienced as effective for other projects, and why?	Equity partnerships are required and fundamental. The IESO should create policy that reflects the imperative for equity partnerships
What do you believe has worked well and what hasn't worked well regarding your experience working with transmitters and/or partnering on electricity projects in Ontario?	First Nation "points" in RFPs are helpful. However, municipalities as tertiary levels of government have veto power over projects that often have 50% First Nation rights-holder equity. The IESO needs to value First Nation rights-holders equity participation to advance necessary electricity projects vs. providing municipal governments the right to veto First Nation driven projects – which is simply wrong.

Long-Term 2 Request for Proposals

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What factors should the IESO consider to make it easier for Indigenous communities to be involved?	As above - First Nation "points" in RFPs are helpful. However, municipalities as tertiary levels of government have veto power over projects that often have 50% First Nation rights-holder equity. The IESO needs to value First Nation rights-holders equity participation to advance

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	necessary electricity projects vs. providing municipal governments the right to veto First Nation driven projects – which is simply wrong.
What else should be considered as part of the rated criteria with regards to increasing and bolstering Indigenous participation?	Delete the requirement for municipal consent where projects have 50% First Nation partnerships.
How can the IESO better support Indigenous communities to make decisions about proposed projects?	As above - Delete the requirement for municipal consent where projects have 50% First Nation partnerships. First Nations can invest significant time and money in developing projects with qualified partners over months and years, only to see those projects killed with a single short-term thinking municipal council resolution (or lack of a resolution).

General Comments/Feedback

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