PACIFIC LINK

FACT SHEET

Indigenous consultation

Pacific Link, a new pipeline from central Alberta to Canada's west coast, can create a stronger, more secure, more resilient country by delivering our abundant oil resources to growing markets in the Asia-Pacific region and beyond.



Indigenous consultation has played a vital role in advancing Pacific Link from the project outset.

Alberta's government engaged with Indigenous groups as part of its work to submit an initial proposal for this new oil pipeline. The Major Projects Office of the federal government continued engagement with Indigenous groups over the summer of 2026, ahead of the pipeline's listing as a Project of National Interest.

From October to December 2026, Trans Mountain will engage with more than 130 Indigenous groups along the proposed corridor. The outcomes of this engagement will inform planning, studies, assessments and regulatory work associated with the pipeline.

Trans Mountain is committed to an engagement process that is meaningful, transparent and informed by the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples.

During this phase, Trans Mountain will work with Indigenous communities on:

- Project design, routing and siting.
- Understanding the community's engagement protocols and how they can be incorporated into project engagement within the Building Canada Act regulatory process.
- Identifying how Traditional Use studies, environmental input and Indigenous Knowledge can inform planning.
- Reviewing preliminary application and environmental and socio-economic assessment materials.
- Holding discussions on equity, agreements and opportunities for participation.

Trans Mountain will provide capacity funding grants to support Indigenous community participation during this phase.

A PIPELINE TO PROSPERITY

Pacific Link will connect Canada to new trading partners, more jobs and increased revenue.

130+

Indigenous groups providing project input

10%

minimum Indigenous ownership interest in the pipeline

$20B

increase in annual GDP

140K

direct and indirect jobs

11 elements of Indigenous participation

Engagement will focus on developing a framework that supports early identification of opportunities for Indigenous participation across 11 elements.

Indigenous groups will have a choice about how they want to be involved and what form benefits will take, including:

1 **CAPACITY FUNDING:** Support the participation of potentially affected Indigenous groups in engagement activities.

2 **ROUTING PARTICIPATION:** Inform route selection, terminal siting, location and other site-specific planning decisions.

3 **ENVIRONMENT AND CULTURAL INPUT:** Inform project planning and measures to protect lands, waters, wildlife, plants and cultural heritage.

4 **REGULATORY PROCESSES:** Support rights-based participation and inclusive decision-making regarding Indigenous Rights, culturally significant sites, traditional land, and marine and resource use.

5 **CULTURAL SAFETY:** Understand community priorities, identify potential safety and social concerns and develop culturally appropriate approaches early in project planning.

6 **SPILL RESPONSE:** Use Indigenous Knowledge and community input to inform spill response planning, including measures to protect culturally important areas, identify response locations and establish clear communication protocols.

7 **INDIGENOUS MONITORING:** Support the incorporation of Indigenous Knowledge into project execution, allowing for oversight and refinement of mitigation effectiveness.

8 **CONTRACTING:** Understand local Indigenous business capacity to support contracting opportunities, allowing for Indigenous economic participation and capability-building over the life of the project.

9 **EMPLOYMENT:** Align employment opportunities with project and community priorities to remove barriers and strengthen participation over time.

10 **TRAINING PROGRAMS:** Build long-term community capacity through construction-related, transferable skill development and support participation in employment and contracting opportunities.

11 **PROJECT EXECUTION:** Support ongoing implementation of commitments, identification of opportunities for participation, issue resolution and consideration of feedback during all phases of construction.