



CNSC Participant Funding Program Decision

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' In-Situ Decommissioning of the Whiteshell Reactor #1 Project



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On June 3, 2016, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announced it was offering up to \$100,000 under its Participant Funding Program (PFP) to assist members of the public, Indigenous groups, and other stakeholders participate in the environmental assessment (EA), licence application review and Commission hearing processes for the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' (CNL) In-Situ Decommissioning of the Whiteshell Reactor #1 (WR-1) Project. The deadline for submitting participant funding applications to the CNSC was September 30, 2016.

Background

Participant funding was made available by the CNSC to:

- provide new, distinctive and valuable information to the CNSC through informed and topic-specific interventions
- assist interested parties in preparing for and participating in the EA, licence application review and Commission hearing processes for the matter at hand

A funding review committee (FRC), independent of the CNSC, was established to review the funding applications received by the CNSC's PFP administrator, and to make recommendations to the CNSC on the allocation of up to \$100,000 for eligible applicants.

The FRC members were:

- Mr. Guy Riverin, environmental assessment expert and retired federal public servant
- Mr. Paul Scott, retired Regional Director of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's Vancouver office
- Mr. Bruce Young, retired Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency Director

The CNSC received the six PFP applications requesting a total of \$373,634, and these were reviewed by the FRC.

Eligibility and funding criteria

For more information on participant funding and how it works, including details on eligibility and funding criteria, please read the [*Participant Funding Program Guide*](#).

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The CNSC carefully considered the FRC's recommendations on the allocation of participant funding for the In-Situ Decommissioning of the WR-1 Project and approved the reimbursement of up to \$158,149.50 to the following recipients:

Applicant	Maximum amount of available funding
1. Wabaseemoong Independent Nations	\$31,372.50
2. Sagkeeng First Nation	\$24,350
3. Manitoba Métis Federation Inc.	\$28,825
4. Northwatch	\$19,817
5. Canadian Environmental Law Association	\$14,285
6. Black River First Nation	\$39,500
Total	\$158,149.50

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