



Chapter 5 – Project Consultations

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5. PROJECT CONSULTATIONS FOR THE MINAGO PROJECT AND THE PROPOSED TWRMF

The following section summarizes government, First Nations, Métis and public consultation and community engagement activities undertaken between 2007 and 2012. Consultations and community engagement were conducted for the Minago Project in its entirety.

5.1 Introduction

During the past five years (2007-2012), consultation and community engagements have occurred with government agencies, the public, First Nations and Métis on various aspects of the Minago Project. During this period, Victory Nickel has been involved with consultation and community engagement activities.

Consultation and community engagement have occurred with government regulators, First Nations, Métis and the general public. Issues raised by each of these groups during this process have been documented and are summarized in the 2010 EIS document, Section 7.14 (Socio-Economic Conditions) (Victory Nickel Inc., 2010). Victory Nickel participated in community engagement in Norway House (Norway House Cree Nation (NHCN) and Norway House Community (NHC), Grand Rapids (Grand Rapids First Nation (GRFN) and Grand Rapids Community (GRC), Cross Lake (Cross Lake Band of Indians (CLBI)) and Cross Lake Community (CLC), Moose Lake First Nation (MLFN) and Moose Lake Community (MLC), Snow Lake (public), and The Pas (Métis).

There are no permanent residences near the Minago Project site. The major sectors of activity in the area are forestry, mineral exploration, hunting, fishing and trapping.

The proposed TWRMF is located in the Cross Lake Resource Management Area. The entire Minago project is located in the NHCN Resource Management Area and the Cross Lake Band of Indians Resource Management Area.

5.2 Regulatory Agency Consultation and Engagement

As part of the exploration and development process for the Minago Project, meetings between Victory Nickel Inc. (VNI) and provincial and federal regulatory agencies focused on environmental protection and wildlife, waste management, vegetation, fisheries, benthos, air and water quality, and permitting and regulatory requirements. Consultation and engagement first began in 2007 by introducing the Minago Project Scoping Study and Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS). As the DFS evolved further, information was presented to the regulatory agencies. The regulatory agencies consulted include Science, Technology, Energy and Mines (STEM); Manitoba Conservation;

Manitoba Water Stewardship; Environment Canada; and Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency. With regards to the proposed TWRMF, two meetings were held in Winnipeg (February 16, 2012 and April 25, 2013) to present the new facility. The comments made pertaining to the proposed TWRMF were incorporated in the planning and design of the TWRMF. Some of the issues raised by the regulatory agencies pertaining to the current TWRMF also apply to the proposed TWRMF; therefore, VNI's response still applies to the proposed TWRMF.

5.2.1 Technical Advisory Committee and Government Meetings

VNI had technical sessions with the provincial and federal government representatives, including the Provincial/Federal Technical Committee and consultants. The meetings were held in Winnipeg between 2007 and 2010 as given in Table 5.2-1. The meetings focused on DFS (Definitive Feasibility Study) components, Environmental Baseline Studies (vegetation, soil, fisheries, sediments, wildlife and water quality assessments, hydrology and hydrogeology), socio-economic assessment, geochemical characterization, geotechnical aspects, mining, nickel milling and ore processing, water management, pit dewatering, frac sand mining and processing, tailings

Table 5.2-1 Meetings with Regulatory Agencies

DATE	CONTACT(S)	KEY CONTACT(S)	LOCATION	ISSUE/PURPOSE	RESULTS
15-Feb-07	MB Conservation	Tracey Braun	123 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB	Preliminary Meeting to Introduce the Minago Project to Manitoba Conservation Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch.	Follow-up meeting on April 16, 2007.
16-Apr-07	MB Conservation	Tracey Braun	123 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB	Update the Manitoba Conservation Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch on the Project-environmental baseline studies, consultations, schedule, consultants engaged, trade-off studies and proposed meeting with some members of the technical review.	Potential Meeting to present the project to a wider audience of regulators and technical reviewers.
18-Apr-07	ADM Ministry of Mines	John Fox	360-1395 Elice Avenue	Preliminary Meeting to introduce the Minago project to Industry, Economic Development and Mines, Mineral Resource Division.	Permitting Requirements
08-Aug-07	MB Conservation	Tracey Braun	123 Main Street, Winnipeg, MB	Update the Manitoba Conservation Environmental Assessment and Licensing Branch on the Project- project development, environmental baseline studies, consultations, schedule.	Future updates to the MB Conservation by VNI.
22-Feb-08	Science, Technology, Energy and Mines (STEM) – Prov. of Manitoba	John Fox	STEM Office, Winnipeg, MB	Present the Minago Project, quarry lease, access road permit applications.	Future discussions and updates will be required.
20-Mar-08	Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA)	Peter Boothroyd	CEAA Board Room	Meeting to introduce the Minago Project.	Future discussions and updates will be required.
26-Aug-08	MB Conservation/ TAC	Tracey Braun/ John Fox	Hampton Inn, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update: Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment, workforce levels, water quality.	MB Governmental Agencies and Feds were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
04-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL, STEM	Chiefs Ovide Mercredi, Jim Tobacco, Alex Robinson	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update (Feasibility Study Update, Mining, Milling, Scheduling, Environmental Baseline Studies, community Engagement, Early Works, Social Economic Assessment, employment Opportunities).	Attendees were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
16-Dec-08	Todd Schwatz, Reginald Ejeckam, Peter Boothroyd	Peter Boothroyd	CEAA/EC Board Room	Minago Water Management Plan Review.	Update/Discussions on Water Management Plan.
17-Mar-09	CEAA/ EC	Peter Boothroyd/ Reginald Ejeckam	CEAA/EC Board Room	Project Update.	Project Update/First Nations Issues.

Table 5.2-2 Meetings with Regulatory Agencies (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT(S)	KEY CONTACT(S)	LOCATION	ISSUE/PURPOSE	RESULTS
24-Mar-10	MB/ TAC/ CEEA	Tracey Braun/John Fox	Hilton Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update, Baseline Studies/ Effects Analysis.	Discussion with respect to Project Effects.
16-Feb-12	MB Conservation/EMI	Chris Beaumont-Smith	Ramada, Winnipeg, MB	Proposed TWRMF	PowerPoint presentations
25-April-13	MB Conservation/EMI	Chris Beaumont-Smith	Energy and Mines and Innovation Board Room	Proposed TWRMF	Discussion on EAL 2981 amendments to include the proposed TWRMF
17-October-13	Greenwood	Siobhan Burland Ross	Board Room		TWRMF
05-Dec-13	MB Conservation	Siobhan Burland Ross	MB Conservation	Proposed TWRMF	Discussion on the proposed

management, waste rock dumps, design basis and criteria, site reclamation, Métis and First Nations consultations and engagement, and permitting.

The issues and comments raised during these meetings were incorporated in the planning and design of the Minago Project and are summarized in Table 5.2-2. Supplemental materials for the Technical Advisory Committee and government meetings are given in the 2010 EAP/EIS the Appendix 5.4.

Some of the issues raised by TAC pertaining to the current TWRMF also apply to the proposed TWRMF; therefore, VNI's response still applies to the proposed TWRMF.

5.2.2 2005 Wildlife Consultation Efforts

The baseline wildlife assessment involved an informal consultation process to gather knowledge from individuals who are most familiar with the wildlife attributes of the project study area. Consultation specifically included discussions on the selection of Valued Ecosystem and Cultural Components (VECCs), the impact assessment approach and baseline habitat assessment methods at the VECC level, issues and management concerns surrounding the project and selected VECCs, and available baseline knowledge and knowledge gaps for the selected VECCs in the study area. The wildlife consultations were held with local conservation officers, first nations, trappers (2010 EAP/EIS, Table 5.3-1), and fishers.

5.3 First Nations Consultation and Engagement

The Minago Project area falls within the Treaty 5 traditional territory and specifically the Norway House Resource Management Area. In 2007, in-depth community meetings were initiated to introduce the project. In 2008, additional community engagement meetings were initiated to discuss preliminary findings of the Environmental Baseline Studies (EBS) and some of the design basis and criteria for the Frac Sand Plant, water management systems, pit dewatering systems, mine, mill, tailings storage facility, waste rock dumps, and overall site infrastructure. In 2009, Victory Nickel concentrated on negotiating Social Economic Participation Agreement with Cross Lake, Grand Rapids and Moose Lake First Nations.

Overall, there were more positive impacts issues raised than negative ones. The positive impacts are summarized in Section 7.14 and are detailed in Appendix 5.4 of the 2010 EAP/EIS document (Victory Nickel Inc., 2010). The concerns that the First Nations (NHCCN, CLBI, MLCN and GRCN) and Métis had were in regard to impacts to wildlife, water, social issues and traditional land use. Key concerns and Victory Nickel's responses are presented in Section 7.14 (Victory Nickel Inc., 2010 EAP/EIS) and summarized in Table 5.2-2.

Some of the issues raised by First Nations and Metis pertaining to the 2010 EAP/EIS TWRMF also apply to the proposed TWRMF; therefore, VNI's response still applies to the proposed TWRMF.

5.4 Community Involvement

Along with meetings with Norway House Cree Nation, Misipawistik Cree Nation (Grand Rapids), Mosakahiken Cree Nation (Moose Lake), Cross Lake Band of Bands and the Métis Federation of Manitoba, a series of public open houses were held to allow residents of Norway House, Cross Lake, Moose Lake, Grand Rapids, and Snow Lake to provide comment on the project's progress and proposed activities (2010 EAP/EIS).

Table 5.2-3 2007-2010 Consultation Issues and Responses

Issues Raised During Consultations and Community Engagement	Company Response
Wildlife issues: Elders and Band members were very concerned about wildlife.	Will initiate an animal sightings log as per Wildlife Management Protection Plan in Section 9 of this document and the 2010 EIS (Victory Nickel Inc., 2010).
Overuse of Transportation Corridors (TCs): People using it to come in and hunt moose.	The TCs will be gated and will be private and would not be used by any third party, except in emergency situations.
Concerns over the negative impacts on First Nations.	The impacts are covered under the environmental assessment.
Use of chemicals at the mine.	A limited number of chemicals will be used to process ore. Flotation reagents, explosives, fuels and lubricants are the primary chemicals.
Reclamation of the area: There should be a requirement for a reclamation bond from the provincial government.	It is VNI's policy to reclaim disturbed areas in a timely manner and requirements for bonding exists under the MB Minerals Act.
There are environmental concerns, which will require more information before the band could support the mine.	The impacts will be covered under the environmental impact assessment (EIA).
Fishing, trapping and logging activities may be affected negatively although Minago is located rather far from Grand Rapids.	The project is designed with appropriate control measures not to affect fishing activities. The measures are detailed in the environmental impact statement. Effect of the project on trapping will be localized and discussions with the RTL holder from Norway House have been initiated.
The open-pit operations will affect the eco-system: air, water, vegetation, animals, and humans.	All these aspects are taken into consideration when planning and designing the Minago Project. Details pertaining to these environmental attributes are covered in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
Economic benefits may be outweighed by resulting social problems such as crack and meth abuse.	It will be difficult for VNI to control the use of such substances in the communities. However, VNI will implement a Drug Abuse Policy for its employees, contractors, suppliers and sub contractors. It is important to note that there are existing government programs to deal with substance abuse and the communities of interest can tap into such services when needed.
Spillway from the mine into Minago River will affect trapping and fishing.	All flows to the Minago River will be controlled discharges that will be monitored. The discharge system design and related monitoring systems are given in the EIS.

Table 5.2-2 2007-2010 Consultation Issues and Responses (cont'd)

Issues Raised During Consultations and Community Engagement	Company Response
Currently, drug and alcohol abuse is very serious in the community and the mine may increase the problem.	It will be difficult for VNI to control the use of such substances in the communities. However, VNI will implement a Drug Abuse Policy for its employees, contractors, suppliers and sub contractors. It is important to note that there are existing government programs to deal with substance abuse and the communities of interest can tap into such services.
People have not forgotten the mistreatment by other companies, which did not keep their promises.	VNI will not follow the paths of other companies. VNI should be judged by its own actions and not actions by others. For example, VNI initiated contacts with the First Nations about the Minago Project and will continue to communicate as the project evolves.
The mine will contaminate herbs that the locals use for medicine and food.	On the basis of the vegetation studies, there are no herbs documented that locals use for medicine and food. The results from archeological study showed that the project area has no archaeological attributes.
Sudden influx of money in the community may cause crime to go up.	VNI will have no control on this matter. However, the company will encourage employees to undertake financial management courses. It is also important to mention that there are government programs available that the communities of interest can use to deal with financial problems if they occur.
Families may be uprooted by relocating to the campsite.	First Nations who choose to stay in their communities will have a choice to commute to work. VNI will provide reasonable transportation to and from the Minago Project. The employees also can car pool.
Project may affect the trappers and fishers.	The project will not affect fishers. Impacts on trapping will be localized and VNI has initiated discussions with the affected individual trappers.
Potential Environmental degradation of the Lake Winnipeg and Limestone Bay.	There will be no uncontrolled discharges to Lake Winnipeg and Limestone Bay. All discharges to Oakley Creek will meet regulatory requirements.
Animals and other wildlife will be affected.	There will be no significant impacts on animals and wildlife. Details pertaining to these attributes are covered in the EIA.
Project will interfere with the water table and pollute the air (toxins) and the water.	The water table in Minago's vicinity will not be affected. This has been confirmed from pumping tests undertaken by Golder Associates. Furthermore, VNI will initiate monitoring programs during operations. The details pertaining to groundwater aspects are covered in the EIA.
Economic development comes with its social problems such as drug abuse and alcoholism.	It will be difficult for VNI to control the use of such substances in the communities. However, VNI will implement a Drug Abuse Policy for its employees, contractors, suppliers and subcontractors. It is important to note that there are existing government programs to deal with substance abuse and the communities of interest can tap into such services.

Source: Wardrop, 2009b

Table 5.3-1 First Nations Consultation / Community Engagement Meetings with Trappers

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
26-Feb-08	Alfred Anderson and Jesse Anderson	Alfred Anderson	Site Visit - Minago Property and Northbrook Hotel, Grand Rapids – Owner of Trapline #7	Site visit and discussed aspects related to their trapline. Mr. A. Anderson would like VNI to move his cabin or built him another one somewhere else within his trapline and he would like to be compensated for the loss of use and income from trapping.	To get back to Mr. Anderson with respect to potential project impacts and related mitigation. Where impacts cannot be mitigated, Mr. Anderson proposed to be compensated.
13-Jan-10	Alfred Anderson and Jesse Anderson	Alfred Anderson (with Laird Tomalty)	Greenwood Hotel, Winnipeg	Project Update/ Discussions regarding the Anderson's expectations.	The Anderson's get back to VNI with regards to their expectations.

The details pertaining to meeting dates and locations are given in Tables 5.3-1 and 5.4-1 through 5.4-6. The issues raised during the meetings concerned employment and business opportunities, including the issues summarized in Table 5.2-2. Meetings with the members of the Métis Federation of Manitoba (MMF) were held in Grand Rapids on May 08, 2007, in Norway House on May 23, 2007, and in The Pas on October 08, 2008. Victory Nickel also participated in the 2008 MMF Annual General Meeting that was held in Brandon, Manitoba. Supplemental materials for the community engagement programs are given in the 2010 EIS document Appendix 5.4 (Victory Nickel Inc., 2010).

5.5 Public Consultation

There is some overlap between the Communities of Interest (COI) and the public as the majority of the local communities, notably Grand Rapids, Norway House, Moose Lake, and Cross Lake, are represented by members of the Cree Nations. In addition to respective community band councils, each community has its own local government. People from the local communities also attended scheduled meetings in Norway House, Cross Lake, Moose Lake, and Grand Rapids.

VNI initiated community consultations in 2007 when undertaking its Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) and continued these consultations and community engagements through October, 2008. Initially, the purpose of the consultation was to provide information on the results of the Scoping Study and the type and amount of work planned for the DFS. The consultation process evolved in response to participants' suggestions, and as people became aware of the project, they were able to contribute information to VNI. Between 2006 and 2008, VNI met on many occasions with individuals, groups and communities to share information. In addition to meeting with local people, VNI also encouraged and provided opportunities for locals to participate in the project through employment opportunities. Employing and involving locals in VNI's business helped VNI understand local concerns and values. Some of the issues raised by the public and northern communities pertaining to the 2010 EAP/EIS TWRMF also apply to the proposed TWRMF; therefore, VNI's response still applies to the proposed TWRMF.

Details of all public consultations are summarized in Tables 5.4-1 through 5.4-6. Supplemental materials to the consultations are given in the 2010 EAP/EIS document, Appendix 5.4 (Victory Nickel Inc., 2010).

5.6 Future Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings

As the project progresses, Victory Nickel will hold additional consultation and community engagement meetings with the First Nations, Métis, government, the public and other stakeholders to present and discuss project related information.

Table 5.4-1 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Cross Lake

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
12-Feb-07	Cross Lake – Chief and Council	Councilor Jon Angus	Norway House Band Office	Preliminary meeting to introduce the Minago Project to Cross Lake First Nation (CLFN) – Chief and Council.	CLFN Contact Person: Councilor John A. Thomas and Understanding of the Minago Project by CLFN.
14-May-07	Cross Lake	Councilor Jon Angus	Cross Lake Community Centre	Open House to introduce the Minago Project to the Cross Lake Residents (CLFN, Metis and Public).	Meeting was attended by more than 40 Cross Lake Band Members and Cross Lake Community and their Leaders.
08-Aug-07	Grand Rapids, Moose Lake and Cross Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Polaris Board Room, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) and Training Issues.	Update the three communities on project status, potential meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier, Victory Nickel to develop an MOU.
11-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Legislative Building, Winnipeg, MB	Discuss training needs for the Minago Project, training requirements for First Nations, funding source for training.	First nations to work with VNI to determine training needs. Identified key government officers to work with GR /NHCN/ML/CL First Nations with respect to training needs.
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) and Training Issues and preparation to meet with the Deputy Premier with respect to training needs.	Update the three communities on project status, developed a joint agenda for the meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier (1:00 PM at the Legislature).
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Reconvened after the meeting with the Deputy Premier to form a Task Force representing all four First Nations, to look into aspects related to training for these Nations.	NHCN Chief and Council walked out of the meeting asking for exclusivity of the project. The other three Nations continued with the meeting and came up with a partial list of Task Force Members.
16-Oct-07	GR/ML/CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Mystery Lake Inn Thompson, MB	Update the three First Nations about the project and then review draft MOU.	Draft MOU reviewed and comments received from the Nations. The comments were used to revise the MOU. A revised draft MOU was sent to the Nations thereafter.
14-Nov-07	GR/ML/CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Penthouse, Place Louis Riel, Winnipeg, MB	To obtain feedback from GR, ML, CL with respect to the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) issued to GR, ML, CL on October 16, 2007.	Reviewed the draft of MOU. Set up the MOU signing date: December, 7 th , 2007.
06-Dec-07	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	The Pas, MB	Met with the Nations to review the revised MOU in order to finalize it for signing.	Finalized the MOU ready for signing.

Table 5.4-1 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Cross Lake (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
07-Dec-07	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	The Pas, MB	Met with the Nations to sign an MOU.	Signed an MOU with Cross Lake, Moose Lake and Grand Rapids first Nations.
19-Mar-08	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Project Update meeting and preliminary discussions with respect to IBA preparation for a meeting with the Mines Minister.	Updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed IBA issues and the going forward.
04-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL, STEM	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update (Feasibility Study Update, Mining, Milling, Scheduling, Environmental Baseline Studies, Community Engagement, Early Works, Social Economic Assessment, Employment Opportunities).	Attendees were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
18-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	GR, ML, CL Chief and Council (is it the same as contact)	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment, workforce levels, water quality.	GR, ML, and CL communities were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
16-Apr-09	STEM, Conservation, ADM-STEM, GR, ML, CL	Ovide Mercredi	Radisson Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Meeting of the government representatives and First Nations to discuss the Minago project. Initiating IBA discussions with VNI and permitting of the quarry lease.	VNI and the first Nations will get together to carry out initial discussions with respect to IBA and road construction benefits to the First Nations. To that effect, a meeting with COI (GR/ML/CL) was planned on May 14, 2009.
14-May-09	GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	The attendees were updated about the Minago Project. Kick-off discussions with respect to social-economic matters.	CL, GR and ML agreed to commence discussions regarding to the social-economic matters.
28-29-May-09	GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	MMF Hall, The Pas	Contractors Forum - Minago Project update and social economic agreement formulation.	Draft social economic agreement formulation.

Table 5.4-1 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Cross Lake (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
28 June 09	GR, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Kikiwak Inn, The Pas, MB	Discussed the social-economic agreement (purpose, terms, confidentiality, business opportunities, employment, training and education development, environment, resource conservation, accountability, communication, management of agreement, dispute resolution, mine closure).	GR and CL were informed about sections of the social-economic agreement and discussed details of it.
29-Jun-09	GR, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Kikiwak Inn, The Pas, MB	Discussed the social-economic agreement (purpose, terms, confidentiality, business opportunities, employment, training and education development, environment, resource conservation, accountability, communication, management of agreement, dispute resolution, and mine closure).	GR and CL were informed about sections of the social-economic agreement and discussed details of it.
05-Aug-09	GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Grand Rapids Band Hall, MB	Review of the draft IBA Agreement. Discussed the need of a comprehensive training program for the Nations and the funding for such initiative.	VNI updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed IBA issues. VNI will get back to the Nations with regards to the training program, funding and the need for coordinators for all the communities.
18-Nov-09	MB Government, GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Discussed with the COI: employment training and business opportunities coordinator; shop steward; implementation committee composition; employment quotas; socio-economic development and remedial fund; money matters; ratification clause; indemnity clause.	VNI updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed specific issues of the social-economic agreement program.

Table 5.4-2 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Moose Lake

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
02-May-07	Moose Lake – Chief and Council and Band Members	Chief Philip Buck	Moose Lake Band Office	Preliminary Meeting to introduce the Minago Project to Moose Lake First Nation (MLFN) – Chief, Council and Members.	Meeting was attended by more than 30 Band Members and Moose Lake Community. Formed a provisional community liaison committee to collect community concerns.
17-May-07	Moose Lake	Chief Philip Buck	Moose Lake Community Centre	Open House to introduce the Minago Project to the Moose Lake Residents (MLFN, Metis and Public).	Meeting was attended by more than 70 Cross Lake Band Members and Cross Lake Community members and their leaders.
08-Aug-07	Grand Rapids, Moose Lake and Cross Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Polaris Board Room, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) and Training Issues.	Update the three communities on project status, potential meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier, Victory Nickel to develop a MOU.
11-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Legislative Building, Winnipeg, MB	Discuss training needs for the Minago Project, training requirements for First Nations, funding source for training.	First Nations to work with VNI to determine training needs. Identified key government officers to work with GR /NHCN/ML/CL First Nations with respect to training needs.
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) and Training Issues and preparation to meet with the Deputy Premier with respect to training needs.	Update the three communities on project status, developed a joint agenda for the meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier (1:00 PM at the Legislature).
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Reconvened after the meeting with the Deputy Premier to form a Task Force representing all four First Nations, to look into aspects related to training for these Nations.	NHCN Chief and Council walked out of the meeting asking for exclusivity of the project. The other three Nations continued with the meeting and came up with a partial list of Task Force Members.
16-Oct-07	GR/ML/CL Chiefs and council	Ovide Mercredi	Mystery Lake Inn Thompson, MB	Update the three First Nations about the project and then review draft MOU.	Draft MOU reviewed and comments received from the Nations. The comments were used to revise the MOU. A revised draft MOU was sent to the Nations thereafter.

Table 5.4-2 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Moose Lake (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
14-Nov-07	GR/ML/CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Penthouse, Place Louis Riel, Winnipeg, MB	To obtain feedback from GR, ML, CL with respect to the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) issued to GR, ML, CL on October 16, 2007.	Reviewed the draft of MOU. Set up the MOU signing date: December, 7 th , 2007.
06-Dec-07	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	The Pas, MB	Met with the Nations to review the revised MOU in order to finalize it for signing.	Finalized the MOU ready for signing.
07-Dec-07	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	The Pas, MB	Met with the Nations to sign an MOU.	Signed an MOU with Cross Lake, Moose Lake and Grand Rapids first Nations.
19-Mar-08	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Project Update meeting and preliminary discussions with respect to IBA preparation for a meeting with the Mines Minister.	Updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed IBA issues and the going forward.
04-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL, STEM	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Minago Project Update (Feasibility Study Update, Mining, Milling, Scheduling, Environmental Baseline Studies, Community Engagement, Early Works, Social Economic Assessment, Employment Opportunities).	Attendees were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
18-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL Chief and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment, workforce levels, water quality.	GR, ML, and CL communities were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
07-Oct-08	Moose Lake Chief Jim Tobacco	Chief Jim Tobacco	Moose Lake Community Hall	Public Open House Meeting to provide a Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment.	The Moose Lake community was informed about the Minago project components and issues.

Table 5.4-2 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Moose Lake (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
16-Apr-09	STEM, Conservation, ADM-STEM, GR, ML, CL	John Fox	Radisson Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Meeting of the government representatives and First Nations to discuss the Minago project. Initiating IBA discussions with VNI and permitting of the quarry lease.	VNI and the first Nations will get together to carry initial discussions with respect to IBA and road construction benefits to the First Nations. To that effect, a meeting with COI (GR/ML/CL) was planned on May 14, 2009.
14-May-09	GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	The attendees were updated about the Minago Project. Kick-off discussions with respect to social-economic matters.	CL, GR and ML agreed to commence discussions regarding to the social-economic matters.
05-Aug-09	GR, ML, CL Chief and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Grand Rapids Band Hall, MB	Review of the draft IBA Agreement. Discussed the need of a comprehensive training program for the Nations and the funding for such initiative.	VNI updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed IBA issues. VNI will get back to the nations with regards to the training program, funding and the need for coordinators for all the communities.
29-Oct-09	GR,ML Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn, Winnipeg, MB	Update the two Nations about the Minago Project. Cross Lake could not attend. Discussed campsite location, an access road to the site.	The Nations were informed about the Project. VNI will address the First Nations concerns with regards to the issues raised during the meeting.
18-Nov-09	MB Government, GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Discussed the COI; employment training and business opportunities coordinator; shop steward; implementation committee composition; employment quotas; socio-economic development and remedial fund; money matters; ratification clause; indemnity clause.	VNI updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed specific issues of the social-economic agreement program.

Table 5.4-3 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Grand Rapids

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES / PURPOSE	RESULTS
13-Feb-07	Grand Rapids First Nation (GRFN) – Chief and Council	Chief Ovide Mercredi	Pelican Nest Restaurant, Grand Rapids	Preliminary Meeting to introduce the Minago Project to Grand Rapids First Nations (GRFN) – Chief and Council.	Open House Person: Heidi Cook and Project Understanding.
03-Apr-07	Grand Rapids First nation (GRFN) – Assistant to the Chief: Ernie Turner	Ernie Turner	Pelican Nest Restaurant, Grand Rapids	Potential dates for Open House in Grand Rapids (Public).	Open House set for May 08, 2007 at the Band Office in Grand Rapids.
04-Apr-07	GRFN: Heidi Cook	Heidi Cook	Grand Rapids Band Office	Potential dates for Open House in Grand Rapids and who, what, when and logistical issues.	Open House (OH) date set, local coordinator appointed by GRFN, OH budget developed and Budget Approved by VNI.
08-May-07	Grand Rapids First Nation and Grand Rapids Community	Kevin Beardy	Grand Rapids Band Community Hall	Open House to introduce the Minago Project to the Grand Rapids Residents (GRFN, Metis and Public).	Meeting was attended by more than 50 Grand Rapids Band Members and Grand Rapids Community and their lead.
08-Aug-07	Grand Rapids, Moose Lake and Cross Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Polaris Board Room, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) and Training Issues.	Update the three communities on project status, potential meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier, Victory Nickel to develop a MOU.
11-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Legislative Building, Winnipeg, MB	Discuss training needs for the Minago Project, training requirements for First Nations, funding source for training.	First nations to work with VNI to determine training needs. Identified key government officers to work with GR /NHCN/ML/CL First Nations with respect to training needs.

Table 5.4-3 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Grand Rapids (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES / PURPOSE	RESULTS
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS) and Training Issues and preparation to meet with the Deputy Premier with respect to training needs.	Update the three communities on project status, developed a joint agenda for the meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier (1:00 PM at the Legislature).
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Reconvened after the meeting with the Deputy Premier to form a Task Force representing all four First Nations, to look into aspects related to training for these Nations.	NHCN Chief and Council walked out of the meeting asking for exclusivity of the project. The other three Nations continued with the meeting and came up with a partial list of Task Force Members.
16-Oct-07	GR/ML/CL Chiefs and council	Ovide Mercredi	Mystery Lake Inn Thompson, MB	Update the three First Nations about the project and then review draft MOU.	Draft MOU reviewed and comments received from the Nations. The comments were used to revise the MOU. A revised draft MOU was sent to the Nations thereafter.
14-Nov-07	GR/ML/CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Penthouse, Place Louis Riel, Winnipeg, MB	To obtain feedback from GR, ML, CL with respect to the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) issued to GR, ML, CL on October 16, 2007.	Reviewed the draft of MOU. Set up the MOU signing date: December, 7 th , 2007.
06-Dec-07	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	The Pas, MB	Met with the Nations to review the revised MOU in order to finalize it for signing.	Finalized the MOU ready for signing.
07-Dec-07	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	The Pas, MB	Met with the Nations to sign an MOU.	Signed an MOU with Cross Lake, Moose Lake and Grand Rapids first Nations.
19-Mar-08	ML/GR/CL Chiefs and Councils and Elders	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Project Update meeting and preliminary discussions with respect to IBA preparation for a meeting with the Mines Minister.	Updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed IBA issues and the going forward.

Table 5.4-3 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Grand Rapids (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES / PURPOSE	RESULTS
04-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL, STEM	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update (Feasibility Study Update, Mining, Milling, Scheduling, Environmental Baseline Studies, Community Engagement, Early Works, Social Economic Assessment, Employment Opportunities).	Attendees were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
18-Sep-08	GR, ML, CL Chief and Council	GR, ML, CL Chief and Council	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment, workforce levels, water quality.	GR, ML, and CL communities were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
09-Oct-08	Grand Rapids	Ovide Mercredi	Grand Rapids Band Hall, MB	Public Open House Meeting to provide a Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos), wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment.	The Grand rapids community was informed about the Minago Project.
16-Apr-09	STEM, Conservation, ADM-STEM, GR, ML, CL	John Fox	Radisson Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Meeting with the government representatives and First Nations to discuss the Minago project. Initiate IBA discussions with VNI and permitting of the quarry lease.	VNI and the first Nations will get together to carry out initial discussions with respect to IBA and road construction benefits to the First Nations. To that effect, a meeting with COI (GR/ML/CL) was planned on May 14, 2009.
14-May-09	GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	The attendees were updated about the Minago Project. Kick-off discussions with respect to social-economic matters.	CL, GR and ML agreed to commence discussions regarding to the social-economic matters.
04-Jun-09	Grand Rapids	Ovide Mercredi	Grand Rapids Band Hall, MB	Access road consultation and Project Update.	VNI/STEM consultation meeting- access road Minago.

Table 5.4-3 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Grand Rapids (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES / PURPOSE	RESULTS
28-Jun-09	GR, CL Chief and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Kikiwak Inn, The Pas, MB	Discussed the social-economic agreement (purpose, terms, confidentiality, business opportunities, employment, training and education development, environment, resource conservation, accountability, communication, management of agreement, dispute resolution, mine closure).	Reviewed the Socio-Economic Agreement document in order to identify gaps and areas of continued improvement.
29-Jun-09	GR, CL Chief and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Kikiwak Inn, The Pas, MB	Discussed the social-economic agreement (purpose, terms, confidentiality, business opportunities, employment, training and education development, environment, resource conservation, accountability, communication, management of agreement, dispute resolution, mine closure).	Reviewed the Socio-Economic Agreement document in order to identify gaps and areas of continued improvement.
29-Oct-09	GR, ML Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn, Winnipeg, MB	Update the two Nations about the Minago Project. Cross Lake could not attend. Discussed campsite location, an access road to the site.	The Nations were informed about the Project. VNI will address the First Nations concerns with regards to the issues raised during the meeting.
18-Nov-09	MB Government, GR, ML, CL Chiefs and Council	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg, MB	Discussed the COI, employment training and business opportunities coordinator, shop steward, implementation committee composition, employment quotas, socio-economic development and remedial fund, money matters, ratification clause, indemnity clause.	VNI updated the Nations about the Minago Project and discussed specific issues of the social-economic agreement program.

Table 5.4-4 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Norway House

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
23-Mar-07	Norway House Cree Nation (NHCN) – Chief and Council	Chief Marcel Balfour	780-125 Garry Street, Winnipeg	Preliminary Meeting to Introduce the Minago Project to the Norway House Cree Nation (GRFN) – Chief and Council.	NHCN Contact Person: Ms. Loretta Mowatt Project Understanding.
02-Apr-07	NHCN Environmental Agency: Loretta Mowatt and Ken Budd	Loretta Mowatt	Site Visit – Minago Property	Site Visit: Land and aerial tour of watersheds within and adjacent to the Minago Property (Minago River, William River, Oakley Creek and Limestone Bay) and potential dates for an Open House.	Understanding of the environmental components' setting by NHCN and Open House date set for May 23, 2007.
17-Apr-07	NHCN: Chief and Council	Loretta Mowatt	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Polaris Board Room, Winnipeg	Review of Project Status (Drilling Program, Feasibility Study, Schedules), Open House Presentation Material Review, EIS process, NHCN involvement with respect to environmental baseline work, budget for the Open House and Community meeting scheduled for May.	Firmed up Open House date – May 23, 2007. Developed budgetary elements; Coordinator for event was appointed (Ken Budd).
23-May-07	Norway House	Loretta Mowatt	Norway House Multiplex	Open House to introduce the Minago Project to the Norway House Residents (NHCN, Metis and Public).	Meeting was attended by more than 50 Norway House Cree Nation Band Members and Norway House Community members and their leaderships.
24-May-07	NHCN Resource Management Board	Wayne Anderson	NHCN Environmental Agency Board Room	Meeting with NHCN Resource Management Board to introduce the Minago Project (Drilling Program, Environmental Baseline Studies, Social Economic Assessment (SEA), Feasibility Study, Schedule, Water Management).	Attended by four board members. Got pertinent wildlife information pertaining to the project area from the local conservation officer (board member).
11-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Legislative Building, Winnipeg, MB	Discuss training needs for the Minago Project, training requirements for First Nations, funding source for training.	First nations to work with VNI to determine training needs. Identified key government officers to work with GR /NHCN/ML/CL First Nations with respect to training needs.

Table 5.4-4 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Norway House (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	Ovide Mercredi	Greenwood Inn Hotel, Winnipeg	Update on the Minago Project Feasibility, Environmental Baseline Study (EBS), Training Issues and preparation to meet with the Deputy Premier with respect to training needs.	Update the three communities on the project status. Developed a joint agenda for the meeting with the Manitoba Deputy Premier (1:00 PM at the Legislature).
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils and the Deputy Premier	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Legislature Building	Met with the Deputy Premier of Manitoba to explore training opportunities for the Nations in the event that the Minago Project becomes a reality. Deputy Premier advised the Nations to form a Task Force to work with her staff to look into potential barriers with respect to First Nations training needs.	Deputy Premier was very receptive to the project and asked the Nations to form a Task force to work with her staff in order to assess the Nations training needs.
12-Sep-07	Norway House, Grand Rapids, Cross Lake, Moose Lake Chiefs and Councils	NHCN, GRCN, MLCN and CLCN Chiefs	Legislature Building	Reconvened after the meeting with the deputy Premier to form a Task force representing all four First Nations, to look into aspects related to training for these Nations.	NHCN Chief and Council walked out of the meeting asking for exclusivity of the project. The other three Nations continued with the meeting and came up with a partial list of Task Force Members.
25-Sep-07	NHCN Chief and Council	Marcel Balfour	Norway House	Meeting to discuss draft MOU and overall project update.	Draft MOU reviewed and comments received from NHCN. The comments were used to revise the MOU. A revised draft MOU was sent to NHCN thereafter.
01-Nov-07	NHCN Chief and Council	Marcel Balfour	780-125 Gary Street, Winnipeg, MB	Discussed the socio-economic impacts of the Minago Project to the Norway House Cree Nation.	The Chief and Council of the NHCN concluded that the Minago project would bring many positive aspects to the life of the community. They advised the VNI on how to mitigate potential socio-economic problems and pointed out a few negative impacts of the project.

Table 5.4-4 First Nations Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Norway House (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
26-Nov-07	NHCN Chief and Council	Marcel Balfour	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Polaris Board Room, Winnipeg	Updated NHCN about the project together with the planned programs for 2008 including drilling, geotechnical. Hydrogeological and EBS. The draft MOU was not reviewed at the meeting due to time constraints. NHCN asked for EBS proposals, which were later sent.	Updated NHCN about the project together with the planned programs for 2008 including drilling, geotechnical. Hydrogeological and EBS. The draft MOU was not reviewed at the meeting due to time constraints. NHCN asked for EBS proposals, which were later sent.
19-Feb-08	NHCN Chief, Legal Counsel and 2 Councilors	Marcel Balfour	Norway House Cree Nation Board Room	NHCN absconded the revised MOU and developed the Negotiation Agreement (NA). Teleconference meeting to review the "Negotiation Agreement".	Discussion broke up because of some key issues related to veto, without prejudice clause, and confidentiality clause, etc.
21-Feb-08	NHCN Chief and Council, Mines Branch, Legal Counsels	Marcel Balfour	Norway House Cree Nation Board Room	Meeting to update NHCN, government about the Minago Project.	Updated the parties about the status of the Minago Project together with the 2008 programs. NHCN plans to visit the site sometime in March or April, 2008.
16-Sep-08	NHCN Chief Marcel Balfour	Chief Marcel Balfour	Norway House Band Hall	Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment, workforce levels, water quality.	Meeting was attended by Band members, Chief and Council, Mining Watch Canada, Kl 6 Councilor, Mining Association of MB, NHCN youths, STEM (Science, Technology, Energy and Mines) and Victory Nickel. All key aspects of the project components were presented.
17-Oct-08	Norway House	David M. Mchaina	Minago Site	Conducted a Minago Site Tour for Norway House representatives.	The Norway House representatives became familiar with the planned Minago Project
30-Oct-08	NHCN Norway House Community Council	NH Mayor	Community Hall	Public Open House Meeting to provide a Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), social economic assessment.	The Norway House Community was informed about the Minago Project.

Table 5.4-5 Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Manitoba Métis Federation

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
18-Apr-07	MMF	Dan Benoit	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Winnipeg	Project Update as of April 18, 2007.	Informed Dan Benoit on behalf of MMF on the Project status.
08-May-07	Grand Rapids – MMF	Albert Campbell	GR Church	Meeting with the Metis community of Grand Rapids.	Special meeting with the MMF members and following an Open House meeting that took place at the Grand Rapids Cree Nation Community Hall.
18-May-07	MMF – Three Reps. from Manitoba Metis Federation	Dan Benoit	Place Louis Riel Hotel, Polaris Board Room, Winnipeg	Preliminary meeting to introduce the Minago Project to Manitoba Metis Federation (MMF) representatives.	Established contacts for going forward and understanding of the Minago Project.
23-May-07	Norway House Community Office – Meeting with MMF	Mayor	Norway House Community Office	Meeting with Metis community of Norway House. More than 15 people attended the meeting.	Norway House Metis Community Members and their leaders.
13-May-08	MMF – 2 Reps. from Manitoba Metis Federation	MMF Representative	In a restaurant in Winnipeg, MB	Met with two representatives from the MMF to present project update as of May 13, 2008.	VNI to arrange a meeting to meet with the MMF executive to discuss their issues (employment and contact opportunities) related to the Minago Project.
14-May-08	MMF – Minister of Mines (Shadow Minister)	Minister of Mines Portfolio	In a restaurant in Winnipeg, MB	Met with two representatives from the MMF to present project update as of May 14, 2008.	Manage to determine that MMF is COI.
12-14-Sept-08	Manitoba Metis Federation	Kim Stephen	Keystone Centre, Brandon, MB	Present the Minago Project to the Manitoba Metis community during the MMF Gathering in Brandon, MB (Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), socio-economic assessment.	Conference attendees were informed about the Minago Project components and issues.

Table 5.4-5 Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Manitoba Métis Federation (cont'd)

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
07-Oct-08	MMF – The Pas	Kim Stephen	MMF Cultural Centre – The Pas	Open House Meeting for Metis to present a Minago Project Update on Geology, Frac Sand, Nickel mining, Hydrogeological program, Baseline studies (fisheries, geochemistry, sediments, benthos, wildlife, vegetation, soils), socio-economic assessment.	The Pas Metis community was informed about the Minago Project components and issues.
04-Aug-09	MMF	Ed Charrier	MMF Offices	Review of the draft MOU.	Revised draft MOU for future discussions.

Table 5.4-6 Consultation and Community Engagement Meetings with Snow Lake

DATE	CONTACT	KEY CONTACT	LOCATION	ISSUES/PURPOSE	RESULTS
07-Jun-07	Snow Lake Community	Kimberly Stephen	Snow Lake Community Hall	Open House to introduce the Minago Project to the Snow Lake Residents (Metis and Public).	Snow Lake Contact Person is Ms. Kim Stephens. Meeting attended by more than 50 people.