

Rook I Project

Environmental Impact Statement

TSD I: Indigenous Engagement Report



INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT REPORT TECHNICAL SUPPORT DOCUMENT FOR THE ROOK I PROJECT

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Abbreviations and Units of Measure

Abbreviation	Definition
ACFN	Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation
BLDFN	Black Lake Denesųliné First Nation
BNDN	Birch Narrows Dene Nation
BRDN	Buffalo River Dene Nation
CEAA	<i>Canadian Environmental Assessment Act</i>
CNSC	Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
CRDN	Clearwater River Dene Nation
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
ENV	Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment
ERFN	English River First Nation
FLDFN	Fond du Lac Denesųliné First Nation
Hwy	Highway
IKTLU	Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use
JWG	Joint Working Group
MN-S	Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
NexGen	NexGen Energy Ltd.
NR2	Northern Region 2
Project	Rook I Project
UGTMF	underground tailings management facility
VC	valued component
WSP	WSP Canada Inc.
YNLR	Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

Unit	Definition
%	percent
km	kilometre
kt	kilotonne
Mlb	million pound

Executive Summary

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Along with the Project Description, NexGen submitted a document to the CNSC and Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment (ENV) titled *Rook I Project: Indigenous Engagement Report* (NexGen 2019b), which outlined NexGen's overall approach to Indigenous (First Nations and Métis) engagement as it relates to the Project. Following this initial submission of an Indigenous Engagement Report, NexGen included an updated Indigenous Engagement Report as Technical Support Document I of the Draft EIS submitted to the CNSC and ENV in May 2022 (NexGen 2022). Since that time, NexGen has continued to undertake Indigenous engagement activities, with a focus on providing information and gathering feedback to inform the EA, Project design, and licensing programs. The purpose of this document is to provide the CNSC with a report on the status of Indigenous engagement undertaken since Project initiation in 2013 through to 29 February 2024. This includes summarizing feedback received and other relevant information pertaining to engagement with the identified First Nations and Métis Groups (collectively referred to as Indigenous Groups) for the Project. The engagement activities outlined within this document are intended to satisfy both provincial and federal requirements for NexGen-led Indigenous engagement related to both the EA and licensing processes for the Project.

Since exploration on the Project commenced in 2013, NexGen has engaged regularly and established relationships with local Indigenous Groups. NexGen respects the unique relationship Indigenous Peoples have with the environment and the rights of Indigenous Peoples with respect to the land and recognizes the importance of full and open dialogue with interested or potentially affected Indigenous Groups regarding the development, operation, and closure of the Project. NexGen's objectives when undertaking engagement with Indigenous Groups can be summarized as follows:

- Build sustainable relationships based on mutual trust and respect.

- Communicate clearly with Indigenous communities using appropriate language and agreed upon formats.
- Provide Indigenous communities with timely and accurate information on the Project including information about potential environmental effects for all phases of the Project.
- Understand how the proposed development of the Project may potentially affect Indigenous Peoples' Aboriginal and Treaty Rights.
- Provide collaborative opportunities to improve the Project through minimizing adverse effects and maximizing benefits.

NexGen's approach to engagement is not intended to replace the Crown's duty to consult and accommodate with respect to the Project, though it is recognized that engagement conducted by NexGen may be used to inform the Crown's consultation process, including the assessment of impacts to Aboriginal and Treaty Rights. The overall engagement process remains focused on enabling dialogue with Indigenous Groups that could potentially be affected by the proposed Project.

Table ES-1 outlines the Indigenous Groups that NexGen is engaging with in relation to the Project.

Table ES-1: Indigenous Groups Identified for Engagement

Indigenous Group	Comments
Primary Indigenous Groups	
Clearwater River Dene Nation	n/a
Métis Nation – Northern Region 2 Includes: Métis Local #39 (La Loche), Métis Local #156 (Bear Creek), Métis Local #62 (Buffalo Narrows), Métis Local #162 (Black Point), Métis Local #40 (Turnor Lake), Métis Local #70 (St. George's Hill), Métis Local #65 (Michel Village)	All seven Métis locals within Métis Nation – Northern Region 2 have directed that engagement is to be undertaken through the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan.
Birch Narrows Dene Nation	n/a
Buffalo River Dene Nation	n/a
Other Indigenous Groups	
English River First Nation	n/a
Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation	n/a
Fond du Lac Denesūliné First Nation	The Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources is the sole point of contact for the Black Lake Denesūliné First Nation and the Fond du Lac Denesūliné First Nation for engagement related to the Project.
Black Lake Denesūliné First Nation	

n/a = not applicable.

Engagement activities undertaken to date, as well as planned engagement activities, reflect the value NexGen places on meaningful engagement with Indigenous Groups who could be potentially adversely affected by or benefit from the proposed Project, and takes into consideration guidance provided by both provincial and federal governments. Engagement mechanisms include notification letters, meetings with leadership, establishing Joint Working Groups (JWGs) and Environmental Committees for detailed discussions, and providing funding for Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use (IKTLU) Studies. NexGen is committed to listening to Indigenous Groups and responding to questions and concerns appropriately. It is acknowledged that engagement is a dynamic process, and NexGen intends to maintain flexibility so that engagement remains meaningful. The engagement

process was designed, in part, to support the inclusion of Indigenous and Local Knowledge, Traditional Land Use, and other items of value for potentially affected Indigenous Groups into the EA, Project design, and licensing programs, as well as to facilitate opportunity to participate in the identification, development, and review of mitigation measures. NexGen values meaningful engagement and collaboration with Indigenous communities and is committed to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.

Feedback received during engagement activities, including issues and concerns raised, has been documented and attributed to the appropriate Indigenous Group. Engagement records and issues and concerns, including where and how issues and concerns have been addressed in the EIS, have been documented within appendices to this Indigenous Engagement Report. Engagement is active and ongoing and reflects the current stage of Project development.

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1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this document is to provide the CNSC with a report on Indigenous engagement activities undertaken to date for the Project by NexGen. While this document is intended to satisfy requirements outlined in REGDOC-3.2.2, Indigenous Engagement (CNSC 2022), the engagement activities outlined within this document and the EIS (Section 2, Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement) are also intended to satisfy both provincial and federal requirements for NexGen-led Indigenous engagement related to both the EA and licensing processes for the Project.

This document includes a summary of Indigenous engagement activities conducted by NexGen in relation to the Project to support the inclusion of Indigenous and Local Knowledge into the EA, Project design, and licensing programs. This report covers the time period from initial Project engagement in 2013 through to 29 February 2024.

1.2 Regulatory Considerations

On 20 February 2020, the CNSC (Commission¹) issued a Record of Decision (DEC 19-H112) on the scope of the EA for the proposed Project (CNSC 2020a). Relevant within this document, the Commission stated that pursuant to Section 19 of CEAA 2012, "the scope of the factors for the Environmental Assessment of the Rook I Project proposed by NexGen Energy Ltd. is to include the factors mandated in paragraphs 19(1)(a) to (h) of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012*, with no additional factors" and "the Commission accepts CNSC staff's

¹ The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission is referred to as the "CNSC" when referring to the organization and its staff in general, and as the "Commission" when referring to the tribunal component.

submission that, in accordance with Subsection 19(3) of CEAA 2012, Indigenous traditional knowledge and community knowledge shall inform the EA for the Rook I Project.”

The Crown has a duty to consult and, where appropriate, accommodate Indigenous peoples prior to making decisions that may adversely impact established or claimed Aboriginal or Treaty Rights protected by Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*.

With regards to the Project, the Crown’s duty to consult and accommodate is required to be satisfied by: (1) the CNSC in making decisions under CEAA 2012; and (2) the Government of Saskatchewan in making decisions under *The Environmental Assessment Act*. The CNSC and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment (ENV) are conducting a cooperative provincial-federal EA in accordance with the *Canada-Saskatchewan Agreement on Environmental Assessment Cooperation* (Canada-Sask Agreement 2005). Additional federal and provincial licences, approvals, and permits are also required for various aspects and phases of the proposed Project. NexGen is following an integrated EA and CNSC licensing process as described in the *Rook I Project: Initial Licence Application to Prepare Site and Construct* (NexGen 2019c).

Section 1 of the CNSC’s REGDOC-3.2.2, Indigenous Engagement, Version 1.2 (REGDOC-3.2.2) states:

While the CNSC cannot delegate its obligation, it can delegate procedural aspects of the consultation process to licensees. In many cases, licensees are best positioned to collect information and propose any appropriate additional measures. The information collected and measures proposed by licensees to avoid, mitigate or offset adverse impacts may be used by the CNSC in meeting its consultation objectives.

The provincial requirements are similar to the CNSC regulatory requirements and state that proponents are expected to collaborate with government in providing project information to potentially affected Indigenous Groups.

NexGen’s approach to the EA, including the submission of this Indigenous Engagement Report, is not intended to replace the Crown’s duty to consult and accommodate with respect to the Project, though it is recognized that information from the EA and the Indigenous Engagement Report may be used to inform the Crown’s consultation process.

This document is intended to specifically satisfy CNSC requirements outlined in REGDOC-3.2.2, including certain procedural aspects of consultation that have been delegated to NexGen; however, it has also taken into consideration other relevant regulatory guidance including:

- *Considering Aboriginal Traditional Knowledge in Environmental Assessments Conducted Under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012* (CEA Agency 2015).
- *Generic Guidelines for the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement – Pursuant to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012, Version 2* (CNSC 2021a).
- E-DOC #6470679: *Guidance on Indigenous Engagement for Proposed Projects Undergoing Environmental Assessments under CEAA 2012* (CNSC 2021b).
- E-DOC #6474990 Version 2: *CNSC Guidance Key Documents Expected of Proponent by CNSC to Fulfill Indigenous Engagement Requirements for Designated CEAA 2012 Projects in the Key Regulatory Guidance Section* (CNSC n.d.).

- E-DOC #6515310 Version 1: *Additional Information on the Role of Indigenous Groups Who Will be Participating in the Technical Review and Preparation of the CNSC EA Report Under CEAA 2012* (CNSC 2020b).
- *First Nation and Métis Consultation Policy Framework* (Government of Saskatchewan 2010).
- *Proponents Guide – Consultation with First Nations and Métis in Saskatchewan Environmental Impact Assessment* (Government of Saskatchewan 2014).
- *Proponent Handbook – Voluntary Engagement with First Nations and Métis Communities to Inform Government’s Duty to Consult Process* (Government of Saskatchewan 2013).

1.3 Project Overview

The proposed Project would be a uranium mining and milling operation located in the southwestern Athabasca Basin in northern Saskatchewan at latitude 57.668291 N and longitude 109.250704 W. The Project is 100% owned and managed by NexGen, a Canadian company listed on the Toronto and New York stock exchanges and Australian Securities Exchange. The mineral resource basis for the Project is the Arrow deposit, a land-based, basement-hosted, high-grade uranium deposit. The Arrow deposit has Measured Mineral Resources of 209.6 million pounds (Mlb) of uranium concentrate contained in 2,183 kilotonnes (kt) grading 4.35% uranium concentrate, Indicated Mineral Resources of 47.1Mlb of uranium concentrate contained in 1,572 kt grading 1.36% uranium concentrate, and Inferred Mineral Resources of 80.7 Mlb of uranium concentrate contained in 4,399 kt grading 0.83% uranium concentrate.

The proposed Project would include an underground mine and surface facilities to support the extraction of uranium ore and the production of uranium concentrate.

Mine development proposes to use conventional mining methods conducted within the crystalline basement rock that hosts the Arrow deposit. Surface infrastructure required to support underground mining would primarily be located on the mine terrace, which would be a graded pad area surrounding the production shaft, exhaust shaft, and the areas in between. The proposed process plant designed to process the ore on site would be located on surface directly above the underground mine. The milling process would utilize acid leaching, solvent extraction, uranium precipitation, and calcining to produce a marketable uranium concentrate product. The process plant would process a maximum of 1,300 t of uranium ore per day with an annual production capacity of up to 30 M lb per year of uranium concentrate. Tailings from the processed ore would be returned below ground as a cemented backfill material, with permanent storage in either previously mined areas or the dedicated underground tailings management facility (UGTMF).

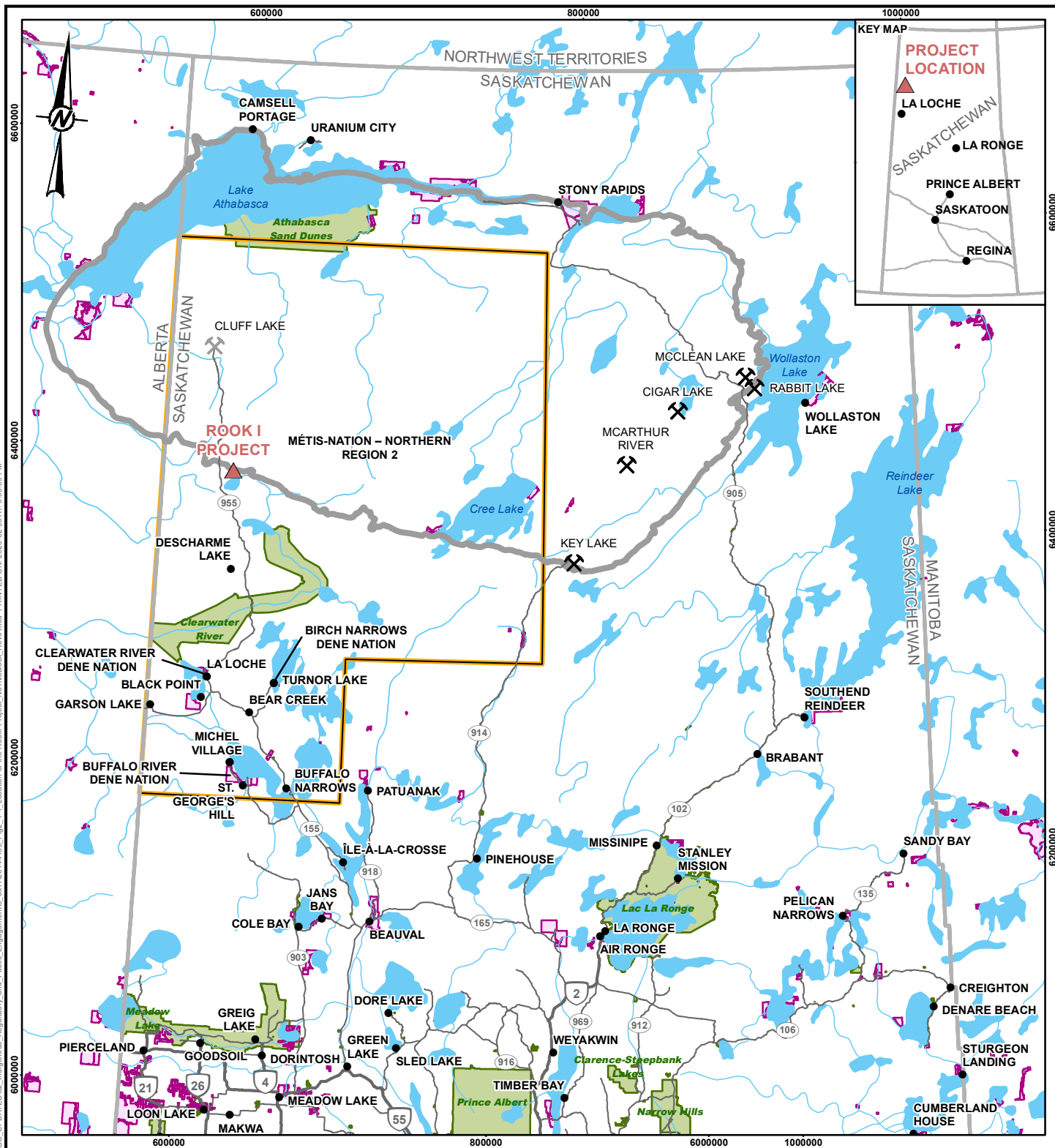
The Project would span a 43-year period from the beginning of Construction, through Operations, to the end of Decommissioning and Reclamation (i.e., Closure). Construction is expected to take place over approximately four years and include activities such as site preparation and infrastructure development. Operations is expected to last for 24 years and would include mining and processing and the associated tailings, waste, and water management. A 15-year Closure would follow, which would include an Active Closure Stage of 5 years, followed by a Transitional Monitoring Stage of 10 years.

The Project would include the following key facilities to support the extraction and processing of uranium from the Arrow deposit for transportation off site:

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- underground mine development;
 - process plant buildings, including uranium concentrate packaging facilities;
 - paste tailings distribution system;
 - UGTMF;
 - potentially acid generating waste rock storage area;
 - non-potentially acid generating waste rock storage area;
 - special waste rock² and ore storage stockpiles;
 - surface and underground water management infrastructure, including water management ponds, effluent treatment plant, and sewage treatment plant;
 - conventional waste management facilities and fuel storage facilities;
 - ancillary infrastructure, including maintenance shop, warehouse, administration building, and camp;
 - airstrip and associated infrastructure; and
 - access road to Project and site roads.

Project workers would be housed in on-site worker accommodation serviced by fly-in/fly-out access. Materials and equipment would be transported to and from site via Highway 155 and Highway 955. The site would primarily use liquified natural gas for power generation.

² Special waste rock is mine rock that is mineralized with insufficient grade to be considered ore (i.e., greater than 0.03% of triuranium octoxide [U_3O_8] and less than 0.26% U_3O_8). All special waste would be temporarily stored in the special waste rock stockpile.



- LEGEND**
- POPULATED PLACE
 - ⚡ URANIUM MINING FACILITY (ACTIVE)
 - ⚡ URANIUM MINING FACILITY (DECOMMISSIONED)
 - PRIMARY HIGHWAY
 - SECONDARY HIGHWAY
 - WATERCOURSE
 - ▭ ATHABASCA BASIN BOUNDARY
 - ▭ INDIAN RESERVE
 - ▭ PROVINCIAL PARKS
 - ▭ WATERBODY
 - ▲ PROJECT LOCATION
 - ▭ MÉTIS NATION-SASKATCHEWAN NORTHERN REGION 2

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2 COMMITMENT TO ENGAGEMENT

Since exploration at the Project commenced in 2013, NexGen has engaged regularly and established relationships with local Indigenous Groups, specifically those closest and most accessible to the proposed Project. This engagement, completed up to the submission of the revised EIS, has been conducted in a manner that has exceeded requirements and guidance for each stage of Project activity. Engagement has included both formal engagement with elected leadership and community representatives, as well as participation in community events and dialogue with community members through community information sessions and key person interviews. All NexGen engagement activities have been based on NexGen's values and governance, and include the following:

- **Respect:** Indigenous Groups' and stakeholders' differing opinions and perspectives are listened to, understood, acknowledged, considered, and to the extent possible, incorporated into the proposed Project.
- **Inclusivity:** Indigenous Groups and stakeholders, including vulnerable and distinct groups and community members, are provided with adequate opportunities to connect with the Project.
- **Meaningfulness:** Participants are provided with accurate, timely, and relevant information to enable informed discussions.
- **Informative:** Information is provided in a format that allows Indigenous Groups and stakeholders to build an understanding of the Project and EA process to enable meaningful engagement.
- **Responsive:** Issues and concerns raised are carefully considered and responded to in a timely and appropriate manner.
- **Transparent:** Engagement activities are open, honest, and fair.

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- Build sustainable relationships based on mutual trust and respect.
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- Understand how the proposed development of the Project may potentially affect Indigenous Peoples' Aboriginal and Treaty Rights.
- Provide collaborative opportunities to improve the Project while minimizing adverse effects and maximizing positive effects.

NexGen's approach to engagement has been focused on enabling dialogue with and seeking feedback from Indigenous Groups who could potentially be affected by the proposed Project.

3 IDENTIFICATION OF INDIGENOUS GROUPS FOR ENGAGEMENT

As NexGen has advanced development of the Project, review has been undertaken to identify those Indigenous communities who may be affected by or have an interest in the Project. Identification of potentially affected or interested Indigenous Groups and communities was informed through direct correspondence and discussion with Indigenous leaders, community members, and other organizations in the region; review of publicly available information; and guidance provided by provincial and federal agencies.

Prior to Project exploration commencing in 2013, NexGen engaged and established relationships with local Indigenous communities, particularly those closest to the Project: the Clearwater River Dene Nation (CRDN) and Métis Local #39 (La Loche). This included formal engagement with elected leadership and community representatives as well as informal involvement including participation in community events and initiatives. Over time, engagement activities expanded, with discussion and direct correspondence being conducted with Indigenous Groups and communities more broadly in the local priority area³.

The process by which the Indigenous Groups were identified for engagement aligns with REGDOC-3.2.2, Version 1.2, Indigenous Engagement. Indigenous Groups that were identified for potential engagement were mapped along the consultation activity spectrum as outlined in REGDOC-3.2.2, Version 1.2 (CNSC 2022, Table 1).

The identification of Indigenous Groups for engagement in relation to the Project is further described in Section 3.1, with additional details on how each factor was used to identify Indigenous Groups for engagement included in EIS Section 2, Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement.

3.1 Indigenous Communities Identified for Engagement

The process to determine engagement requirements for Indigenous Groups included consideration of key factors as outlined in REGDOC-3.2.2, Indigenous Engagement (CNSC 2022):

- historical and modern treaties;
- proximity of the Project to Indigenous communities;
- traditional territories;
- traditional and current land uses;
- settled or ongoing land claims and/or litigation;
- existing relationships between Indigenous communities and NexGen or the CNSC; and
- potential Project effects on health and safety, the environment, and any potential or established Indigenous or Treaty Rights and related interests of Indigenous Groups.

³ The local priority area consists of the local communities closest to the Project that would experience most of the Project effects and for which NexGen would prioritize local training, employment, and business opportunities for the Project. These communities are located along, or accessed via, Highways 155 and 955 north of the intersection of Highways 155 and 925.

Additional considerations to determine engagement requirements included the CNSC and ENV letters inviting Indigenous Groups to participate in the EA process for the Project. These letters initially suggested which Indigenous Groups should be considered for full engagement (i.e., invited to participate) based on likely Project effects and those who should be considered as other groups for engagement (i.e., informed).

Identification of potentially affected or interested Indigenous and local communities was further informed through direct correspondence and discussion with Indigenous leaders, community members, and other organizations in the region; review of publicly available information; and guidance provided by provincial and federal governments.

The primary Indigenous Groups identified for engagement are the:

- Clearwater River Dene Nation (CRDN);
- Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S) Northern Region 2 (NR2), including the provincial MN-S government working on behalf of the MN-S NR2 and locals;
- Birch Narrows Dene Nation (BNDN); and
- Buffalo River Dene Nation (BRDN).

The primary Indigenous Groups are located within the Project local priority area. These communities are NexGen’s primary focus for Project benefits and are those communities located along Highway 155, and in some instances, near the junction of Highway 155 and Highway 955, or have close ties to the Patterson Lake area.

Table 1 outlines the rationale behind the selection of each community and their respective levels of engagement.

Table 1: Primary Indigenous Groups Identified in Relation to Rook I Project Engagement

Indigenous Group	Location	Rationale
First Nations		
Clearwater River Dene Nation	Has three reserve parcels, with the primary populated reserve parcel located north of Lac La Loche, approximately 120 km from the Project, or 155 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Treaty 8 signatory. ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic. ▪ Participation in engagement related to the Cluff Lake operation.
Birch Narrows Dene Nation	Has three reserve parcels, with the only population on reserve (Turnor Lake 193B) adjacent to the northern hamlet of Turnor Lake, approximately 135 km from the Project, or 230 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic. ▪ Participation in engagement related to the Cluff Lake operation; previously included in engagement identified as Turnor Lake.
Buffalo River Dene Nation	Reserve (Peter Pond Lake 193) is located adjacent to the Village of Dillon, approximately 190 km from the Project, or 330 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic. ▪ Participation in engagement related to the Cluff Lake operation; previously included in engagement identified as Dillon.

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Métis Communities (MN-S NR2)^(a)		
Local #39 – La Loche	Located on Lac La Loche approximately 130 km from the Project, or 155 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local #40 – Turnor Lake	Located adjacent to the BNDN's main reserve parcel, approximately 135 km from the Project, or 230 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local #62 – Buffalo Narrows	Located on Highway 155, approximately 205 km from the Project, or 260 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local #65 – Michel Village	Located near Peter Pond Lake on Highway 925 approximately 190 km from the Project, or 340 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential current land uses in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local #70 – St. George's Hill	Located near Peter Pond Lake on Highway 925 approximately 190 km from the Project, or 330 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local #127 – Garson Lake ^(b)	Located on Highway 956 close to the Alberta border, approximately 160 km from the Project, or 220 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local #130 – Descharme Lake ^(b)	Located approximately 60 km from the Project, or 80 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local 156 – Bear Creek	Located on Highway 155 approximately 155 km from the Project, or 195 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.
Local 162 – Black Point	Located towards the south end of Lac La Loche, approximately 145 km from the Project, or 175 km by road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity to Project. ▪ Potential land use in proximity to the Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Increased Project-related traffic.

a) The MN-S NR2, including the provincial MN-S government working on behalf of the MN-S NR2 and MN-S Locals.

b) The MN-S Local 127 – Garson Lake and MN-S Local 130 – Descharme Lake have been identified by the Government of Saskatchewan for engagement in relation to the Project. Information provided to NexGen indicates that Local 127 and Local 130 are not currently active. Dialogue with the MN-S NR2 leadership has indicated that Local 127 and Local 130 are no longer established or recognized as MN-S Locals and the area will instead be represented by the MN-S NR2 council.

MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation.

All nine Métis locals within MN-S NR2 signed a Motion for Métis Local Delegation of Duty to Consult Responsibilities assigning the responsibilities from the Métis locals to the MN-S. Signatures on this document were dated 18 June 2019.

Following the same process used for the identification of primary Indigenous Groups, the other Indigenous Groups identified for information sharing are the:

- English River First Nation (ERFN);
- Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation (ACFN);
- Fond du Lac Denesūliné First Nation (FLDFN), as represented by the Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources (YNLR); and
- Black Lake Denesūliné First Nation (BLDFN), as represented by the YNLR.

Table 2 details the other Indigenous Groups involved in the engagement program and the rationale for inclusion at an inform level.

Table 2: Other Indigenous Groups Identified in Relation to the Rook I Project

Indigenous Group	Location	Rationale
English River First Nation	Population centre located on Highway 918 approximately 130 km from the Project to the closest reserve parcel, or 465 km by road from the Project.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proximity of reserve land to the Project but no access link or known residency/land use. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Participation in engagement related to the Cluff Lake operation.
Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation	Located in Alberta approximately 130 km from the Project to the reserve boundary, or 620 km by road, including portion on a winter road; approximately 1,350 km by all-season road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Treaty 8 signatory. ▪ Previous engagement with the CNSC on the Cluff Lake Project. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory but no access link or known residency/land use.
Black Lake Denesūliné First Nation ^(a)	Populated reserve located on Black Lake, approximately 260 km from the Project to the reserve boundary, or 1,230 km by road, a portion of which is a winter road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Treaty 8 signatory. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Previous engagement with the CNSC on uranium mining/milling projects in Saskatchewan.
The Fond du Lac Denesūliné First Nation ^(a)	Populated reserve located on Lake Athabasca approximately 180 km from the Project to the reserve boundary, or 1,335 km by road, a portion of which is a winter road.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Treaty 8 signatory. ▪ Potential overlap with traditional territory. ▪ Previous engagement with the CNSC on uranium mining/milling projects in Saskatchewan.

a) The FLDFN and the BLDFN, as represented by the YNLR.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; YNLR = Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources; BLDFN = Black Lake Denesūliné First Nation; FLDFN = Fond du Lac Denesūliné First Nation.

The factors identified above were considered in the context of the overall scope of the Project, the potential social and environmental interactions, issues raised, and potential social and environmental effects identified. This approach also considered potential health and safety related aspects; specifically, changes in traffic volumes along remote transportation routes and the movement of dangerous goods. These considerations were used to identify the appropriate level and method of engagement (EIS Section 2.5, Engagement Approach).

3.2 Additional Information from Identified Indigenous Groups

NexGen has obtained additional information related to key factors, as outlined in REGDOC-3.2.2, Indigenous Engagement (CSNC 2022), to consider when determining which Indigenous Groups to engage with and the appropriate level or scope of engagement activities. While the additional information from identified Indigenous Groups received to date has helped provide context, it has not materially changed the planned engagement activities in relation to the Project. Engagement activities would continue to be informed by additional information obtained throughout the engagement process. The additional information received in the reporting period is outlined below.

3.2.1 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan

The MN-S is the governing body that represents the political, socio-economic, cultural, and educational interests of the approximately 80,000 Métis citizens in Saskatchewan. This is administered through a representative system based on 12 regions and approximately 130 Métis locals. All three levels of the MN-S organization were identified for engagement in recognition of the Métis governance structure, the rights of Métis citizens stemming from Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*, and the key factor guidance provided in Section 4.1 of REGDOC-3.2.2, which indicates membership in a broader Indigenous collective should be considered.

All of the Métis locals in MN-S NR2 and the MN-S were identified for engagement in relation to the Project in the *Rook I Project: Indigenous Engagement Report* (NexGen 2019b). Early engagement with Métis citizens potentially impacted by the Project was done through both the MN-S NR2 and the Métis locals within NR2.

On 5 September 2019, NexGen was presented with two documents titled Motion for Métis Local Delegation of Duty to Consult Responsibilities and Motion for Authorized Delegate to Accept Delegation Responsibilities of Duty to Consult. These documents were standard Government of Saskatchewan forms that formalize the delegation of the responsibility for activities related to duty to consult (in this case from all seven Métis locals within NR2, to the MN-S), which were signed by all seven locals within MN-S NR2 and the president of the MN-S.

For additional clarity and assurance that NexGen was to engage with the MN-S rather than individual Métis locals, NexGen was provided with a heavily redacted document titled *Agreement of Principles for Engaging with NexGen*, dated 19 December 2019. This document was signed by all seven locals within MN-S NR2, as well as the Regional Director of MN-S NR2 and the President of the MN-S. This document clarifies that the locals have designated the MN-S to represent them in Project consultation and the satisfaction of the Crown's duty to consult. Each Métis local within MN-S NR2, and the MN-S NR2, will remain on the full list of Indigenous Groups identified for engagement in relation to the Project, as outlined in Table 1. However, engagement activities will be conducted through the MN-S, until otherwise formally directed.

It is important to note that there is an outstanding claim of Aboriginal title for parts of the Métis homeland in MN-S NR2, which includes the area of the Project. This claim, filed at Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench in 1994, has since been included in the Framework Agreement signed between the MN-S and Canada in July 2018, and is noted as a top priority for the MN-S to negotiate. Negotiations on this 1994 claim have begun with Canada, outside of the courts. An additional action was filed in 2019 in Federal Court that spans a portion of northwest Saskatchewan and northern Alberta, including the area encompassed by the 1994 claim. The MN-S is not a party to the 2019 claim and considers the claim to be contrary to the interests of the MN-S and its citizens.

3.2.2 Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

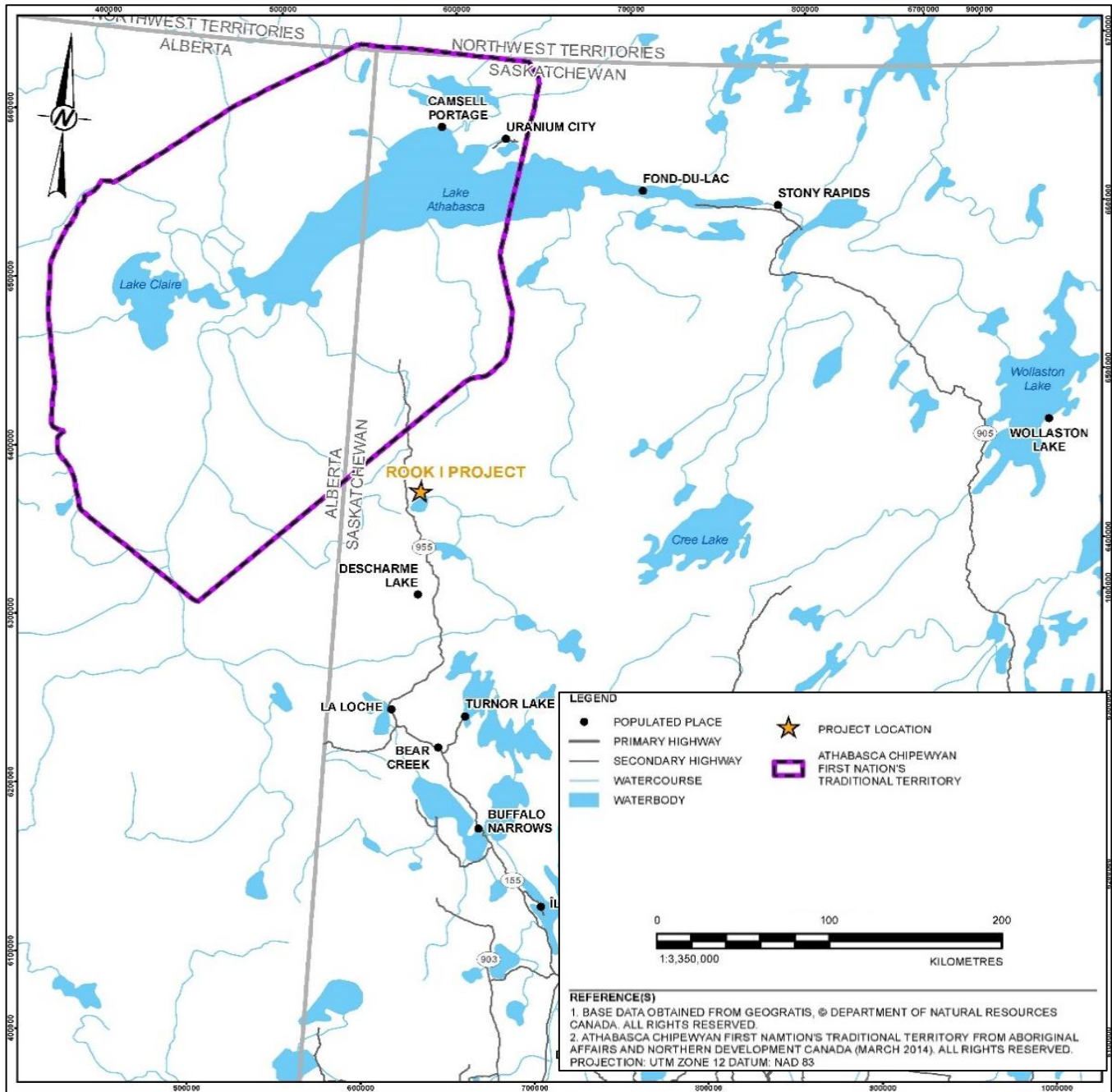
Using the process to determine engagement requirements for Indigenous Groups described in Section 3.1, Indigenous Communities Identified for Engagement, the ACFN was identified as an other Indigenous Group for engagement at the inform level. The original rationale for inclusion was based on consideration that the ACFN is signatory to Treaty 8, has potential overlap of traditional territory with the Project (but no access link or known residency/land use), and has been previously engaged with by the CNSC on the decommissioned Cluff Lake Mine. While engagement efforts with the ACFN to date are detailed in Section 4.1, Notification and Disclosure of Relevant Information, additional information is presented below to provide further context and to expand on how the relevant guidance factors were used to determine the appropriate level of engagement.

An outline of the ACFN's traditional territory is publicly available through Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs and shown in Figure 2, as well as in a document published by the ACFN titled *Nih boghodi: We are the stewards of our land, 26 April 2012* (ACFN 2012). Both sources show that the Project is located southeast of the boundary of the ACFN's homelands / traditional territory. In addition, the publication *Footprints on the Land, Tracing the Path of the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation* (ACFN 2003) also includes images of the ACFN land use areas that do not coincide with the Project footprint. Although the Project is located outside of the traditional territory of the ACFN, it is within an area defined by the ACFN's as their "Consultation Area". NexGen plans to continue engaging with ACFN as outlined in Section 4.1.

3.2.3 Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

On 18 March 2019, the YNLR office sent a letter to NexGen advising that the YNLR be the sole point of contact for the BLDFN, the FLDFN, the Hatchet Lake Denesųliné First Nation, Stony Rapids, Wollaston Lake, Camsell Portage, and Uranium City in relation to all new and ongoing mining, milling, exploration, forestry, road building, and other industrial and non-industrial developments and activities for which a federal or provincial licensing permit, regulatory process, EA, or other approval is required. The YNLR directed NexGen to communicate solely with the YNLR in all related matters and provided contact information.

Figure 2: Rook I Project Location in Relation to the Traditional Territory of the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation



4 SCOPE OF ENGAGEMENT

The scope of engagement activities undertaken to date, as well as planned future engagement activities, reflects the value NexGen places on meaningful engagement with Indigenous Groups who are potentially affected by the proposed Project. The engagement mechanisms used also take into consideration guidance provided by both provincial and federal governments. This section outlines the scope of engagement for the identified Indigenous Groups in relation to the Project, including details on the different engagement mechanisms employed.

NexGen’s engagement process remains focused on enabling dialogue with Indigenous Groups who could potentially be affected by the Project. While this section outlines specific engagement mechanisms, it is acknowledged that engagement is a dynamic process, and NexGen will continue to maintain flexibility in its approach to promote meaningful engagement. NexGen is committed to listening to and collaborating with Indigenous Groups and responding appropriately.

In addition to conducting research to identify Indigenous Groups with potential or established Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights that may be adversely affected by the Project, Section 4.1 of REGDOC-3.2.2 states that the “licensee shall . . . determine the appropriate level or scope of engagement activities to be conducted with each identified group”. NexGen acknowledges that engagement activities can vary depending on the significance of potentially adverse effects on Indigenous and/or Treaty Rights, as well as on the relative strength of asserted Indigenous Rights. In consideration of the consultation activity spectrum outlined in REGDOC-3.2.2 (CNSC 2022, Table 1). Table 3 outlines the example activities for the scope of engagement with each identified Indigenous Group.

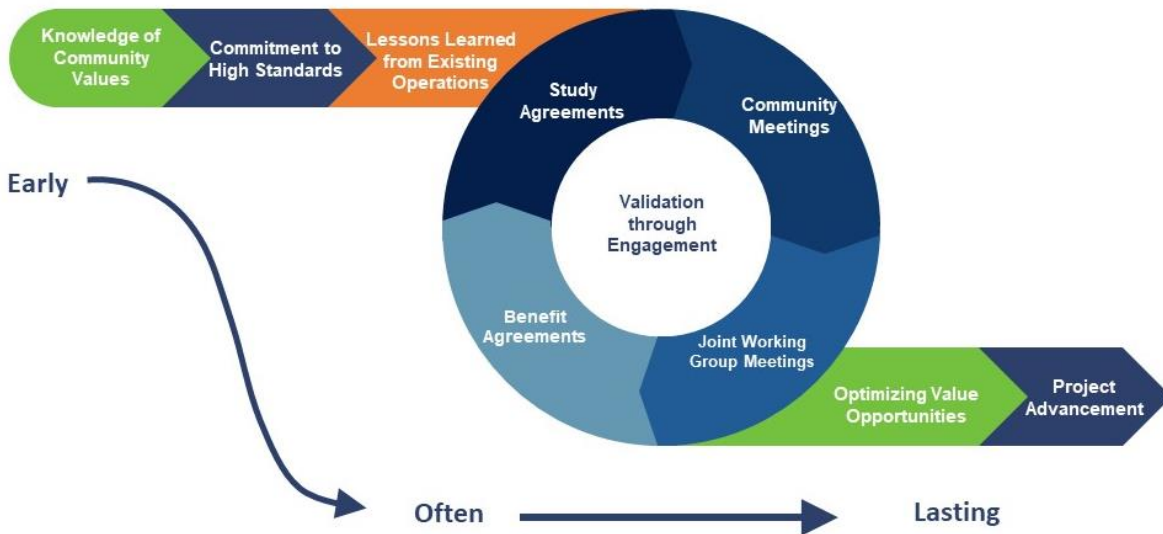
Table 3: Scope of Engagement Activities

	Indigenous Group	Example Activities for Identified Scope of Engagement
Primary Indigenous Groups	CRDN	Exchange of information, correspondence, meetings, site visits, research and studies, opportunity to make submissions to the CNSC, determination of accommodation, development of collaboration opportunities.
	MN-S	
	BNDN	
	BRDN	
Other Indigenous Groups	ERFN	Provision of adequate notice, disclosure of relevant information, discussion of issues and concerns raised in response to notice, opportunity to make submissions to the CNSC.
	ACFN	
	YNLR	

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; ERFN = English River First Nation; ACFN = Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation; YNLR = Ya’thi Néné Lands and Resources.

The foundation for the Indigenous engagement program is built on knowledge of community values, a commitment to high standards, and an understanding of lessons learned from other existing uranium operations in northern Saskatchewan. A variety of engagement methods and activities have been and will continue to be implemented to monitor and validate NexGen’s approach to Project development, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups. Early engagement activities commenced prior to initial exploration in 2013, and engagement with all primary Indigenous Groups was initiated by early 2017; Project engagement has been and will continue to be early, often, and lasting. This engagement life cycle is illustrated in Figure 3.

Figure 3: Engagement Life Cycle



4.1 Notification and Disclosure of Relevant Information

Upon initiation of the EA and licensing processes in May 2019, NexGen provided notification by mail to all Indigenous Groups identified in Section 3. The notification packages included preliminary information on the nature and scope of activities proposed for the Project as well as links to the full Project Description. Executive summaries of the Project Description were provided in Dene and/or Cree, as appropriate, for each Indigenous Group. Copies of the notification letters mailed to each identified Indigenous Group are available in Appendix A, Notification Letters for the Commencement of the Environmental Assessment.

In addition to all other forms of engagement, NexGen will continue to provide formal, written notification by mail at key Project milestones to disclose relevant information. The current key Project milestone is the submission of responses to follow-up Federal-Indigenous Review Team information requests and advice to proponent comments and the accompanying revised EIS to the CNSC. This notification will be provided to the groups outlined in Section 3. Summaries of relevant Project information will be translated and provided in audio format for sharing with Indigenous Groups as relevant, and use of these additional communication methods will be based on discussions with Indigenous Groups.

4.2 Engagement with Primary Indigenous Groups

4.2.1 Study Agreements

NexGen has entered into a Study Agreement with each of the primary Indigenous Groups (i.e., the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN) for, among other things, the establishment of a formal engagement process and the sharing of Indigenous Knowledge (EIS Section 3.5, Indigenous and Local Knowledge Sources). Study Agreements are agreements signed by NexGen and each primary Indigenous Group that outline both the engagement approach

and resources and funds to be provided by NexGen to support Indigenous Group participation in the Project EA process. These agreements were signed in September and October of 2019.

While the content of each Study Agreement is confidential, the focus of the Study Agreements with each primary Indigenous Group is as follows:

- Develop a Joint Working Group (JWG) structure for each Indigenous Group to support the inclusion of Indigenous Knowledge into the EA process and to facilitate regular, ongoing engagement.
- Assist in the identification of valued components (VCs) for the EA.
- Explore special interest topics for each Indigenous Group.
- Support Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use (IKTLU) Studies⁴ in various forms particular to each Indigenous Group.
- Establish a Community Coordinator position in each Indigenous Group to act as the primary contact between NexGen and the Indigenous Group.

Each Study Agreement formalized an engagement process between NexGen and individual Indigenous Groups to, among other things, identify and characterize potential effects on Indigenous (i.e., First Nation and Métis) rights and socio-economic interests resulting from the Project, and to collaboratively identify potential avoidance, mitigation, and accommodation measures related to all identified effects on those rights. The Study Agreements also acknowledged that, notwithstanding the activities contemplated under the Study Agreement, the responsibility for fulfilling the duty of consult remains with the Crown (Section 1.2, Regulatory Considerations).

In addition to the above, each of the Study Agreements:

- commits NexGen to providing capacity funding for the JWG engagement, the retention of technical support by the Indigenous Group, and the completion of a self-directed IKTLU Study (EIS Section 3.5.2, Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use Studies); and
- commits NexGen and each individual Indigenous Group to negotiate in good faith to formalize a Benefit Agreement, and for NexGen to provide funding to assist in negotiating such an agreement.

Through the Study Agreements, the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN formally shared Indigenous Knowledge to inform the EA for the Project.

4.2.1.1 Joint Planning Work

NexGen has engaged with the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN to establish a framework unique to each group that facilitates the exchange of information to allow for a robust EA of the Project and to inform the Crown as it undertakes its duty to consult. These frameworks have been formalized in the Study Agreements, which, while unique to each of the four primary Indigenous Groups, enable the formal engagement with each Indigenous Group respectively to identify potential effects on Aboriginal and/or Treaty Rights and related socio-economic interests, as well as potential mitigation and accommodation measures to avoid or mitigate those effects to the extent possible.

⁴ Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use Studies include all land use studies developed by the potentially affected Indigenous Groups for the Project, including Traditional Land Use and Occupancy studies, Traditional Knowledge and Use studies, Indigenous Rights and Knowledge studies (henceforth referred to collectively as IKTLU Studies).

The Study Agreements extend through the EA and provide capacity funding to each of the four Indigenous Groups for the positions and activities described below.

Community Coordinator

To respect schedules and existing workloads of employees and leadership of the primary Indigenous Groups, funding has been provided for the community to select and employ a dedicated Community Coordinator to fulfill commitments outlined in the Study Agreement. This person acts as the primary contact representing the Indigenous Group when undertaking activities outlined in the Study Agreement, including coordinating JWG meetings and providing updates on the status of the IKTLU Studies. Each Community Coordinator works with a dedicated, single point of contact at NexGen.

Joint Working Group

A JWG was established with each of the four Indigenous Groups with communities residing in the local priority area to provide an effective method for NexGen to work directly with representatives of each Indigenous Group to, among other things, support the gathering and incorporation of Indigenous Knowledge throughout the EA process. This process includes protocols on consent, ownership, access, and control and possession of Indigenous Knowledge, as well as collaborating towards the identification of VCs for the EA, discussion of potential effects of the Project, and identification of potential mitigation measures to reduce or offset Project effects.

The JWGs have been endorsed by the leadership of each Indigenous Group and include representation from both NexGen and the Indigenous Group. Representatives of the Indigenous Group are appointed by elected leadership, with no influence by NexGen, and are deemed by the elected leadership to broadly encompass the diversity of the Indigenous Group, taking into consideration all genders, Elders, youth, land and resource users with familiarity with the area of the Project, and community leadership and/or administration. The core group of JWG participants generally meets on a regular basis, and the JWG is able to invite technical experts or consultants to participate. In addition to the funding provided for the Indigenous Group to engage technical experts, NexGen provides compensation for each community representative on the JWG for their time and travel expenses that are incurred to participate in the JWG. The JWG meetings have occurred in multiple locations, including the Project site, in the home community of the Indigenous Group, or at NexGen's Saskatoon office.

Topics discussed during each JWG meeting are set jointly, based on interest from the Indigenous Group and availability of information. Each meeting is an opportunity for both NexGen and the Indigenous Group to present material or include topics for future JWG meeting agendas. Topics that have been discussed during the JWG meetings to date are outlined for each JWG in Section 5.1, Clearwater River Dene Nation, through Section 5.4, Buffalo River Dene Nation.

The establishment and actions of the JWGs does not preclude NexGen from continuing community-wide engagement events and activities with the broader public, nor do they preclude the Indigenous Group from participating independently in any regulatory process, such as a public hearing or regulatory review.

The JWG meetings provide a dynamic forum for JWG participants to pose questions, impart local knowledge and information, provide comment, and debate issues deemed important by its members or the communities they represent. Copies of presentation materials are provided to each JWG member for them to share, as they deem appropriate, with members of the community. Detailed meeting minutes are prepared from each JWG meeting and copies are provided to each JWG member. The minutes are expected to be reviewed by all JWG members, with each member having an opportunity to clarify any item in the minutes that may have been mis-recorded and/or

redact information that they deem to be sensitive and do not want to become part of the public record. At the outset, JWG members were informed that the meetings would be recorded and included in the EIS, which would become part of the public record.

Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use Study: Within the Study Agreement with each primary Indigenous Group, funding has been provided for the completion of a community-led IKTLU Study in relation to the Project for inclusion in the EA. The purpose of the IKTLU Study is to understand how the Project may interact with the Indigenous Group's traditional use of the area surrounding the Project for all phases as well as provide valuable Indigenous Knowledge that has helped shape the approach to and execution of the EA. Each Indigenous Group selected the IKTLU consultant of their choice and approached the study in a way they deemed appropriate for their community. The IKTLU Studies completed by each primary Indigenous Group have been submitted to NexGen for incorporation into the EA.

Household harvest survey: Specific to the CRDN, the Study Agreement provides funding for the completion of a community-led household harvest survey to identify and quantify the use of valued cultural resources in the vicinity of the Project. Information on harvesting was included in the CRDN IKTLU Study, and a report specific to the harvest study was provided by the CRDN in February 2022.

Traditional Foods study: Specific to the MN-S, the Study Agreement provides funding for the completion of a community-led Traditional Foods Study to support the inclusion of community-specific information in the EA. This study was completed by the MN-S in conjunction with the MN-S IKTLU Study.

Obtaining independent technical and legal advice: Through the Study Agreement with each primary Indigenous Group, NexGen has provided funding for each Indigenous Group to obtain independent technical and legal advice, as required, to help the community understand the Project and prepare required reports during the EA process. This is coordinated through the Community Coordinator.

Benefit Agreements: As part of the Study Agreement commitment for NexGen and each individual primary Indigenous Group to negotiate in good faith to formalize a Benefit Agreement, NexGen has negotiated and signed individual Benefit Agreements with the identified primary Indigenous Groups (i.e., the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN). The Benefit Agreements have been developed and negotiated to define the environmental, cultural, economic, training, employment, and business opportunities as well as other benefits to be provided to the Indigenous Groups by NexGen. The Benefit Agreements also confirm the consent and support of those Indigenous Groups for the Project. It is important to note that the Benefit Agreements do not in any way abrogate, extinguish, or constitute the abandonment of any existing Aboriginal, inherent, or Treaty Rights recognized and affirmed pursuant to Section 35 of the *Constitution Act, 1982*. Rather, the Benefit Agreements are entered into in recognition of such rights of the primary Indigenous Groups. Additional information on Benefit Agreements and their context within the Crown's duty to consult is included in EIS Section 1.3.2, Assessment of Impacts on Indigenous Rights.

Each Benefit Agreement provides for the formation of an Environmental Committee to oversee and monitor the environmental performance of the Project and to verify that the parties (i.e., NexGen and the Indigenous Group) are implementing the regulatory and environmental commitments made in respect of the Project. The Environmental Committees will review environmental performance reports in respect of the Project, provide feedback on environmental protection measures and monitoring programs, review and participate on environmental response measures and preventative and corrective actions, and oversee the independent Indigenous monitoring activities to be conducted by each of the Indigenous Groups (i.e., one full-time monitor per Indigenous Group). The Environmental Committees also participate in field visits; commission or complete audits, assessments, and reports;

and report to and communicate with their respective Indigenous Group on environmental performance matters through all phases of the Project. Each Environmental Committee is composed of four representatives (i.e., two from NexGen and two from the Indigenous Group party to the agreement), with candidates being selected based on seniority and qualifications including their experience and understanding of the mining sector. Decisions of the Environmental Committee are made using consensus-based decision making.

In addition to the Environmental Committees, each Benefit Agreement includes the establishment of an Implementation Committee that would be tasked with the responsibility of facilitating an effective ongoing working relationship and confirming that all commitments made within the Benefit Agreements are realized. The Implementation Committee provides a forum for regular communication and information exchange and for the early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. As such, the Implementation Committees may also be tasked with monitoring key community well-being indicators like health and social services, education and training programs, and local and regional planning to track overall community well-being. Each Implementation Committee is required to provide an annual written report on all activities identified within the Benefit Agreements. The Implementation Committee would also provide a community summary of each annual report for community distribution, and organize and host an annual community meeting to, among other things, provide a summary of the activities undertaken to address the commitments in the Benefit Agreements. This summary would include the environmental, cultural, economic, training, employment, and business development initiatives undertaken. Consideration of cumulative effects would be incorporated in the reporting if other projects proceed, as their policies and plans may affect Project outcomes such as employment numbers. Each implementation Committee is composed of four representatives (i.e., two from NexGen and two from the Indigenous Group party to the agreement).

As NexGen has concluded Benefit Agreements with the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, JWG activities previously performed with these Indigenous Groups have transitioned to being performed within mechanisms agreed upon within the Benefit Agreements (e.g., Environmental Committee, Implementation Committee).

4.2.2 Other Engagement with Primary Indigenous Groups

In addition to the notification and disclosure of relevant information and the joint planning work activities identified in Section 4.2.1.1, additional means of engagement with the primary Indigenous Groups include:

- **Update meetings with leadership:** Regular update meetings are planned with Indigenous leadership, when appropriate, depending on their involvement in the JWGs, Environmental Committees, or Implementation Committees.
- **Joint Working Group/Environmental Committee breakout sessions:** These sessions occur outside of the main JWG or Environmental Committee and serve to provide an opportunity for Indigenous Groups and NexGen to explore specific topics in more detail from what may have been presented during a JWG or Environmental Committee meeting.
- **Joint Working Group/Environmental Committee summaries:** Starting in March 2021, NexGen developed summary handouts to be used as tools to assist Indigenous Group Community Coordinators communicate the topics discussed at the meetings to Indigenous Group members and communities. The sharing of summary information was important considering the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, which limited NexGen's ability to conduct community events and in-person meetings for much of 2020 and 2021.

- **Benefit Agreements:** The Benefit Agreements include commitments to establish processes for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and each Indigenous Group. The specific methods of communication are determined through collaboration between NexGen and the Indigenous Group, including the processes established for and conducted by the Environmental Committees and Implementation Committees.

4.3 Engagement with Other Indigenous Groups

The ERFN, ACFN, and YNLR were identified for engagement activities that include provision of adequate notice, disclosure of relevant information, discussion of issues raised in response to notice, and opportunity to make submissions to the CNSC. Section 5.5, English River First Nation, to Section 5.7, Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources, outline the details of the engagement activities or mechanisms undertaken, or planned, for these three Indigenous Groups.

In addition, the YNLR, on behalf of the BLDFN and the FLDFN, identified an interest in sharing Indigenous Knowledge that may be pertinent to the EA through an IKTLU Study. As a result, a Study Funding Agreement was signed in 2020 between NexGen and the YNLR for funding an IKTLU Study. The completed YNLR IKTLU Study was submitted to NexGen for incorporation into the EA.

4.4 Other Engagement

In addition to direct engagement with identified Indigenous Groups, in connection with Indigenous engagement, NexGen has undertaken broader engagement efforts within local communities. While these events are not exclusive to Indigenous Groups, information acquired during these events provided important context for consideration and incorporation into the EA as approximately 96% of the local community population self-identifies as Indigenous. Examples of these engagement activities include:

- community information sessions;
- youth workshop;
- women's interviews;
- N-19 Trapper's workshops;
- community newsletters;
- site tours; and
- NexGen La Loche office engagement.

As reporting on these engagement activities is outside the scope of the Indigenous Engagement Report, additional details are not provided here. However, further information may be found in EIS Section 2 and EIS Section 3, Indigenous and Local Knowledge.

4.5 Engagement Challenges

Implementation of the Indigenous engagement program for the Project has faced challenges. These challenges were associated with the global COVID-19 pandemic, forest fires near the local communities and Project site, competing events and activities in communities, and other associated logistical challenges.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, in-person engagement events were largely not possible throughout most of 2020 and 2021. NexGen's primary focus during the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic was to support communities in their pandemic response.

Transitioning to online engagement events and meetings was required during much of this timeframe, which produced challenges in being able to successfully present technically complex information to communities while also understanding limitations with respect to internet connectivity, access to technology, and the ability of community members to participate effectively.

A flexible approach was key to delivering a successful engagement program. NexGen adapted its approach to accommodate scheduling conflicts or other events within communities. Adaptation included following social distancing and other public health requirements, respecting community calendars by working around events such as elections and hunting seasons, and being respectful of community bereavements. Further detail on how NexGen adapted to meet the challenges presented is described in EIS Section 2.

5 INDIGENOUS ENGAGEMENT CONDUCTED

NexGen has actively engaged with Indigenous Groups nearest to the Project since 2013. A summary of key engagement activities undertaken by NexGen between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024 is presented in Section 5.1 to Section 5.7 for each Indigenous Group engaged in relation to the Project. In addition, informal engagement and general relationship building activities, such as phone conversations and casual discussions over coffee and at community events, has been ongoing.

5.1 Clearwater River Dene Nation

Table 4 provides a summary of key engagement activities undertaken with the CRDN between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024.

Table 4: Summary of Key Engagement Activities with the Clearwater River Dene Nation

Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
8 May 2014	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen met with the CRDN Chief and Council to introduce NexGen and to discuss the proposed exploration program. NexGen also provided an overview of mineral exploration techniques. Additional discussion was focused on arranging a site tour for CRDN members, training and employment, environmental protection, and community engagement.
15 March 2016	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen provided an update on the winter 2016 drilling program to the CRDN. NexGen and the CRDN discussed local employment, contracting, and training opportunities, as well as the possibility of a site tour. The CRDN stated dissatisfaction with the consultation process during the permitting process for the access road, and that the expectation is that NexGen will hire locally.
5 April 2016	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen met with the CRDN to discuss how best to begin traditional knowledge work in the community. The CRDN representative advised NexGen that some previous work related to traditional knowledge and land use planning had been completed already and that NexGen should discuss the matter with the Chief.
1 September 2016	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed business opportunities for local companies.
21 September 2016	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The CRDN sent NexGen a letter regarding consultation expectations. The CRDN proposed a meeting with NexGen in the near future to discuss these matters in more detail and to attempt to come to a common understanding regarding expectations.
14 October 2016	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the CRDN for an introductory in-person meeting and a tour of a local business facilities. Topics of discussion included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ creation of a regional economic development group; ▪ CRDN band office; ▪ background on La Loche, the CRDN, and the LLML#39; ▪ engagement/consultation strategies; and ▪ history of a local business and future economic opportunities.
6 September 2017	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The MN-S NR2, NVLL, LLML#39, and the CRDN emailed NexGen an attached letter requesting an informal meeting to discuss upcoming issues in the uranium exploration industry and each organization's expectations and concerns. A meeting date of 12 October 2017 in Saskatoon was proposed.
12 October 2017	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2, LLML#39, CRDN, and NVLL to discuss the uranium exploration industry. Consultation and engagement were discussed, as well as economic opportunities and partnerships. The meeting identified the close ties between the NVLL, LLML#39, MN-S NR2, and CRDN and that they, collectively, want to ensure that La Loche and the CRDN are considered for economic opportunities that arise from NexGen's exploration and development activities.
10 May 2018	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed potential business opportunities for local Indigenous companies in the area and reviewed the current local business capacity and local regional service network employment at the Project.

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17 August 2018	Site visit/tour	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen met with the CRDN and provided a tour of the Project site for Chief, Council and select community members invited by Chief and Council. The tour included an overview presentation of the 2018 activities followed by a tour of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rook I site; ▪ core processing and storage facilities; ▪ surface drill locations at the Arrow deposit; ▪ cuttings management facility; and ▪ weather station. <p>This tour provided an opportunity for dialogue and an opportunity for the Chief and Council to increase their knowledge of activities at the Rook I site.</p>
4 October 2018	Letter, incoming	Leadership	<p>The CRDN sent NexGen a letter to express interest in the proposed development of the Project and requested additional information and to set up a meeting.</p>
13 November 2018	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent the CRDN a letter in response to the letter received from the CRDN on 4 October 18 to provide the requested information, including information about NexGen's mineral dispositions, details regarding NexGen's exploration and drilling locations and activities, additional Project information, and supporting maps. The letter also proposed a meeting date to provide CRDN leadership a formal introduction to the NexGen team and Rook I Project. The CRDN emailed NexGen a letter with an invitation to meet with the CRDN to begin consultation.</p>
13 December 2018	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen met with the CRDN to discuss the Project and discuss a process for ensuring meaningful engagement. NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of Rook I and Arrow deposit; ▪ preliminary economic assessment highlights and summary of Pre-feasibility Study results; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
22 January 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen and the CRDN held a meeting with discussions on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project Description workshop invitation and requested change of date from 12 February to 19 February and from La Loche to Saskatoon to accommodate the CRDN's Chief's schedule; ▪ discussion surrounding consultation framework to be shared in the next two to three weeks; and ▪ discussions surrounding previous meetings with Fission Uranium Corp. and the CNSC.
18 February 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	<p>The CRDN presented to NexGen regarding engagement and collaboration funding for the CRDN as the Project advances. A conceptual document on how to proceed was shared with NexGen to review.</p>
18 February 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	<p>Presentation of a detailed overview of the information included in the Project Description, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent a letter to the CRDN with a Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Rook I Project.</p>

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4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent an invitation letter to the CRDN regarding a meeting on 18 June 2019, to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete a IKTLU Study in the area of the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Food Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement. <p>NexGen informed the CRDN that a representative from both the NVLL and MN-S NR2 have also been invited to attend. NexGen acknowledged that NVLL is not a rights-bearing Indigenous community and that the CRDN and MN-S NR2 are two distinct and separate Indigenous Nations but that for transparency on information shared, all are being invited to meet collectively.</p>
12 June 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The CRDN replied to NexGen's letter dated 4 June 2019, regarding the meeting invitation for 18 June 2019.
18 June 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen met with the CRDN to introduce the Study Agreement, which included capacity funding for a JWG, an IKTLU Study, a community coordinator, and a dietary study.</p> <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
23 September 2019	Letter exchange	Leadership	The CRDN sent NexGen a letter to request an engagement update meeting in Vancouver on 8 November 2019, and for NexGen to provide funding for the meeting costs. NexGen responded to propose alternative dates as NexGen team members would be unable to attend on 8 November 2019, and to confirm that NexGen would cover the meeting costs. The CRDN suggested meeting on 13 November 2019 in Saskatoon, to which NexGen agreed.
16 October 2019	Study Agreement	Leadership	Signing of an agreement between the CRDN and NexGen to outline a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project. Includes funding for an IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator and establishing a JWG.
13 November 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen and the CRDN held a meeting to discuss the Study Agreement in detail (including the IKTLU Study), plans for the upcoming community forum, and a tour of the Rook I site.
27 November 2019	Video conference	Staff	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed the IKTLU Study and Household Food Survey progress as per the Study Agreement.
2 December 2019	Email, phone call	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN shapefiles that were requested during the meeting on 27 November 2019. Additional discussion occurred through email and phone calls and focused on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ confirming socio-economic interviews can be arranged in La Loche; ▪ the CRDN drafting an email confirming the change in the timeline for the outstanding deliverables and confirming that the submission on 14 January 2019 will suffice for the EIS; and ▪ tentatively planning the first JWG meeting on 14 January 2020, to be confirmed by Chief and Council (note: meeting was eventually set for 31 January 2020).
17 January 2020	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed plans to engage a CRDN representative to assist in the socio-economic interviews being conducted at the CRDN.
31 January 2020	In-person meeting	JWG	<p>Introductory meeting for the JWG including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introduction and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview and discussion of baseline studies; and ▪ overview and discussion of Indigenous Knowledge in the EA.

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19 February 2020	In-person meeting	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introduction and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ overview of Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ human health risk assessment; and ▪ consultation and CRDN Rights. <p>Note: as there were many new JWG members, much of the material presented at the first JWG was repeated. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
10 March 2020	In-person Meeting	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ baseline studies/existing environment; ▪ terrestrial: vegetation, wildlife, species at risk; ▪ aquatic: hydrology, water quality, fish and fish habitat; ▪ potential pathways and impact assessment methodology; and ▪ socio-economic research. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
20 April 2020	Video conference	Staff	NexGen and the CRDN met to discuss the status of the IKTLU Study, the next steps for Benefit Agreement negotiations, and the community perception of the socio-economic impacts anticipated from the Project.
3 November 2020	Video conference	Staff	NexGen and the CRDN met to discuss the next JWG meeting and to provide a status update on the EA, the IKTLU Study, and an opportunity to use a virtual engagement platform. The CRDN also confirmed that InterGroup can contact the CRDN to advance the socio-economic studies for the EA and that the CRDN is interested in conducting a tri-party meeting with NexGen and the CNSC once the IKTLU Study is complete.
23 December 2020	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN a letter to provide details related to 2021 JWG activities, including scheduling monthly virtual JWG meetings in 2021, providing a list of proposed topics for future JWG meetings, and engaging technical expertise. NexGen proposed a meeting the first week in January 2021 to begin planning the next JWG meeting.
6 March 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen sent a letter to the CRDN to provide an update with respect to submission of the Draft EIS, revisit provisions under the Study Agreement, outline a proposed approach for continuing JWG discussions, and inquire as to the status of the socio-economic study for the CRDN. NexGen attached the January and February 2021 JWG presentations given to other JWGs and welcomed the opportunity to present the topics at the CRDN's convenience.
12 March 2021	Letter, incoming	Leadership and staff	The CRDN replied to NexGen's letter from 6 March 2021. The CRDN stated that they agreed to advance work under the Study Agreement and provided comments in advance of the proposed meeting on 24 March 2021. The CRDN acknowledged NexGen's target submission date for filing the Draft EIS and noted that the CRDN is in discussions with the CNSC. The CRDN also provided updates on the IKTLU Study, the socio-economic study, and the JWG meetings. The CRDN confirmed that they are prepared to meet virtually for a JWG meeting on 24 March 2021.
18 March 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN a letter in response to the letter received from the CRDN on 12 March 2021. NexGen provided updates and responses regarding the EIS, Study Agreement provisions, the CRDN IKTLU Study, the socio-economic interviews, and the JWG meetings. NexGen reiterated that continued engagement with the CRDN remains a priority and outlined near-term next steps to support the EA process.

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24 March 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss baseline the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ terrestrial baseline studies; ▪ aquatic baseline studies; ▪ environmental interactions (pathways); ▪ cumulative effects; ▪ next steps for the EA process; and ▪ planned 2021 field program. <p>Meeting minutes were provided after the meeting.</p>
3 May 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and followed up on the discussion at the 24 March 2021 JWG meeting regarding NexGen's approach to caribou (<i>Raniger tarandus caribou</i>) mitigation and offsetting planning. NexGen stated that NexGen would like to provide further details and invite the CRDN to participate in NexGen's planned Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. NexGen provided a letter of invitation with appendices on the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and noted that should the CRDN representative be interested in meeting, to reach out directly to NexGen to do so, with the identified NexGen and CRDN representatives copied as per communication protocols.</p> <p>NexGen also provided the provincial caribou reports for the CRDN's review, as requested as an action item from the 24 March 2021 JWG meeting.</p>
4 May 2021	In-person meeting	JWG	<p>The CRDN and NexGen met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ status updates on outstanding items from the Study Agreement, which include the IKTLU Study, socio-economic studies, and technical capacity support; and ▪ status updates on actions related to the JWG.
7 May 2021	Email, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an update on the Rook I schedule and the milestone timelines.</p>
7 May 2021	Email, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed a CRDN representative and provided the key person interview guide to assist with conducting the socio-economic key person interviews on behalf of the CRDN. NexGen requested that in the interest of consistency, the CRDN answer the questions within the guide with CRDN community members.</p> <p>NexGen also requested an update on the Community Household Harvest Study. NexGen stated that a perception survey draft questionnaire would be compiled and that NexGen would seek inputs once developed.</p>
30 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen sent the CRDN an engagement update letter and attached appendices regarding engagement on the EA for the Project. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ March 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ April 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ hazard identification for the accidents and malfunctions assessment; ▪ regional highway maps of Hwy 155 and Hwy 955; ▪ May 2021 JWG presentation; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary. <p>NexGen stated that the intent of the letter is to ensure that information presented to some JWG is made available to all JWGs and to ensure any pending requests and information that have come from the meetings and discussions are tracked and followed up upon.</p>

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2 July 2021	Email, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. NexGen informed the CRDN that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program and that NexGen will be providing a summary of when information about the program was presented to and discussed with the CRDN.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
29 July 2021	Letter, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted attachment of the July 2021 update letter for review to summarize the JWG engagement activities in June and July 2021, present an outline for upcoming JWG activities, and to provide additional information regarding engagement on the EA for the Project. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore for the July 2021 JWG meeting; ▪ June 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ June 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ April 2021 JWG summary.
31 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised of an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during July to mid-August 2021 and to share what was planned for EA engagement in September 2021. An attached appendix included a list of themes being considered for the community information sessions.</p>
9 September 2021	Email, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted discussion items from a call on 9 September 2021, to discuss the IKTLU Study, Harvest Food Study, and JWG. NexGen outlined several items related to the Study Agreement funding and the JWG process. NexGen re-extended an invitation to the CRDN to meet in Saskatoon for the CRDN to present to NexGen staff on various potential areas such as the CRDN IKTLU Study, culture, and customs.</p> <p>NexGen also extended an invitation to a site tour to Chief and Council and outlined details related to the Caribou Linear Reclamation Program and a request for the CRDN to assist with providing a CRDN member to participate in the program.</p> <p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the quick response regarding the Harvest Food Study Report and the socio-economics interviews.</p>
27 September 2021	Letter, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.</p> <p>The CRDN responded on 29 September 2021 by email and outlined the CRDN's position with respect to participation in the CRDN / NexGen engagement process and stated the CRDN would be reaching out to discuss other Project matters soon.</p>
3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the Project Draft EIS to the CNSC and ENV.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the Draft EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.</p>

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5 November 2021	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter and corresponding appendices summarizing engagement activities from August to October 2021 and to share a summary of the proposed activities for November 2021: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July/August 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ July/August 2021 JWG summary; ▪ March 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary (re-issued).
5 November 2021	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The CRDN emailed NexGen a letter and provided the final IKTLU Study report.
19 November 2021	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen hosted a meeting with leadership from local communities (i.e., the CRDN, MN-S, NR2, and La Loche) to discuss the Project training plan being advanced with training service providers (i.e., Northlands College, the Gabriel Dumont Institute, the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies, and the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification). Discussion was held around the challenges faced by local community members in pursuing post-secondary education or training (i.e., lack of resources in community, lack of access to computers/internet, lack of knowledge of potential careers, childcare and financial barriers for adult workers, and lack of delivery of training in communities).
6 December 2021	Phone call	Staff	NexGen had a call with the CRDN to discuss the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ proposed meeting time for a JWG meeting; ▪ IKTLU Study, in which NexGen noted the open invitation for the CRDN to present the IKTLU as per the CRDN's request; and ▪ Benefit Agreement negotiations and progress.
17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and informed that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the draft EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022. NexGen advised that the workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of air, land, water, and people to be presented in several workshops.
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised of the engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and summarizing proposed activities for January 2022 as well as a copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021.
18 January 2022	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen met with the CRDN to discuss topics and deliverables related to the Project EA, and to plan the next series of JWG meetings for Q1 2022.
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested clarification on the use of quotes from the CRDN IKTLU Study in the Draft EIS. NexGen provided examples and advised that NexGen could follow up with a call to the CRDN on 31 January 2022 to confirm.
3 February 2022	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and inquired how the CRDN would like the IKTLU Study presented to the regulatory authorities as part of NexGen's draft EIS submission. NexGen noted that it had been mentioned at the meeting on 18 January 2022, and that the CRDN may have already discussed the matter with the CNSC. NexGen also provided the options outlined in the Study Agreement for how the CRDN may decide to present and submit the IKTLU Study with the draft EIS submission.
5 February 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and staff	The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested that the wording of quotes from the CRDN IKTLU was kept as written in NexGen's draft EIS. On 9 February 2022, NexGen emailed the CRDN and confirmed that NexGen would not modify the text of the quotes and would use the original wording from the CRDN IKTLU Study in the EIS.

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10 February 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested a meeting to connect regarding the planned EA Results workshops. NexGen noted that some of the scheduled workshops had been cancelled due to potential COVID-19 exposure. NexGen suggested meeting to discuss content, format, and timing for the workshops with the CRDN and asked that the CRDN provide availability for a one-hour meeting during the week of 21 February 2022.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlining the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.
1 April 2022	Video conference	JWG	NexGen and the CRDN met to discuss planning for upcoming JWG meetings with respect to an EA results meeting, baseline data collection and monitoring programs for the Project, and the community foods study.
17 April 2022	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the CRDN met for an Implementation Committee and business development meeting.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
23 June 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership, staff, and members	NexGen held a community information session at the CRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the Draft EIS submitted to the provincial and federal regulators; and ▪ provide information about the Draft EIS regulatory review process and how members of the local priority area can be involved in the review.
13 July 2022	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the CRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting and engagement update meeting.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and informed that the CNSC had completed the conformity review of NexGen's Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period that provides Indigenous Groups and Communities, members of the public, and government department and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC requested that all written comments must be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the CRDN leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
19 July 2022	Video conference	Staff	NexGen, the CNSC Federal-Indigenous Review Team, and the ENV met for a technical workshop to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ provide an overview of NexGen, the Project, and the EA process and next steps; and ▪ provide an overview of the Project EIS structure and content to the federal and provincial review team.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.

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10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised of the upcoming environmental monitoring work to be conducted at the Rook I site and to introduce new team members. NexGen informed the CRDN of the additional field work related to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial as well as the baseline gamma survey at the Rook I site that was planned to be completed during the summer and fall. NexGen indicated that Omnia Ecological Services would be at the Rook I site from 13 August 2022 to 27 August 2022 to complete a field program to conduct a natural regeneration assessment and noted that NexGen was interested in arranging a small tour while Omnia Ecological Services was on site to encourage discussion, knowledge sharing, and to answer questions. NexGen indicated that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field work and requested to be informed if there were CRDN members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen informed the CRDN of the baseline gamma radiation survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall. NexGen expressed interest in hiring four youth community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and to invite an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the CRDN to confirm if there were interested members by 19 August 2022.</p>
22 August 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for Project EA; ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and ▪ NexGen community program updates.
7 September 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed the Benefit Agreement committee membership, the meeting scheduled on 20 September 2022 to discuss the 2022 Rook I site programs submitted for provincial approval, the Environmental Committee meeting tentatively scheduled on 12 October 2022 and 13 October 2022, to discuss the EA results, and the proposed CRDN Chief and Council Site tour.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
19 October 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the CRDN Chief and Council and Environmental Committee and presented the results of the EA for the Project. The presentation focused on the Draft EIS and its four main themes of assessment and discussed the potential impacts to each, including atmosphere, water, land, and people.
22 December 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the December 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the education and training initiatives; ▪ an update on environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives; ▪ a Project status update; and ▪ a Christmas message.

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22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities leading into 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the CRDN in 2023.
31 January 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the CRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen shared updates relating to the provincial and federal regulatory process for the Draft EIS, and NexGen and the CRDN discussed a collaborative process for discussing and resolving the CRDN's comments submitted on the Draft EIS as part of the federal review of the Draft EIS. Additionally, CanNorth attended the Environmental Committee meeting to present on the upcoming regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen was initiating in 2023.
20 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
21 April 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; regulatory process updates for the Project; and a summary of community engagement updates.
25 April 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; regulatory process updates for the Project; and a summary of community engagement updates.
8 June 2023	Email exchange	Member and Environmental Committee	A CRDN member emailed NexGen regarding the independent Indigenous Monitor position. NexGen noted the requirements and listed some of the potential tasks of the role. NexGen informed the CRDN member that NexGen's Engagement Lead would connect them with the CRDN contact for the Environmental Committee for additional information and requested for the CRDN member to submit their resume.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; education, training, and employment updates; and a summary of community updates and initiatives.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and digital copies of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed that they hope to see the CRDN at the upcoming community information sessions.
16 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership, staff, and members	NexGen held a community information session in CRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
18 June 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN, providing the updated CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team comment responses and Issues and Concerns validation tables as a follow up to action items from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 25 April 2023. NexGen also included summary tables outlining modifications made to each table based on the workshop. NexGen confirmed that the next step would be to generate letters prepared by the CRDN to the CNSC confirming the items reflected in the responses for the purpose of the federal EA process. NexGen thanked the Environmental Committee members for the collaborative and transparent approach working through the regulatory process for the Project. NexGen indicated the next Environmental Committee meeting to work through the CRDN public comments submitted as part of the federal EA process would be scheduled after the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and Issues and Concerns letters had been finalized.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the CRDN, MN-S NR2, BNDN, and BRDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the CRDN's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of a CRDN representative to participate in the meeting and invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities.
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen informed the CRDN they had been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen thanked the CRDN for sharing the results of previous interviews regarding the CRDN Traditional Foods use and for sharing the information with CanNorth to use in the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen stated they were interested in having the CRDN participate further by conducting supplementary interviews to collect more quantitative data as well as harvest location mapping and provided a revised timeline for the CRDN's involvement in the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen advised that CanNorth would use the new information gathered paired with the previous qualitative data provided by the CRDN to inform the 2024 sampling program once the community interviews were complete. NexGen informed the CRDN that CanNorth would produce a final report in the summer of 2024. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions regarding the timeline or if there were any concerns about the CRDN being able to participate further in the regional Traditional Foods Study and obtain approval to proceed by 30 November 2023.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen had submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the CRDN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS had been uploaded to the CRDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked the CRDN for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV emailed the CRDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the CRDN to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record the Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the Final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures and technical review findings, and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the CRDN and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised that they were copied on the ENV correspondence to the Chief of the CRDN regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the CRDN Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator. NexGen noted that all copied on the email have already received the correspondence and stated that NexGen was following up to remain consistent with the established Environmental and Implementation Committee communication processes.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen also informed the CRDN that NexGen has recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS as well as continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen thanked the CRDN for the collaborative effort on developing responses to the federal technical review comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to using a similar approach for the CRDN public comment submission as part of concluding the federal public review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 September 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen hosted the CRDN Chief and members of the CRDN Council at the Rook I site for a tour.
12 October 2023	Letter, incoming	Leadership and staff	The CRDN copied NexGen on an email to the CNSC providing a signed letter confirming community support for the Project.

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13 October 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and staff	The CNSC copied NexGen on an email to the CRDN acknowledging the letter confirming community support for the Project emailed on 12 October 2023. The CNSC indicated they were waiting on a resubmission from NexGen before undertaking the Federal-Indigenous Review Team technical review of NexGen's information request responses. The CNSC advised the letter from the CRDN would be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry for the Project along with the results of the technical review of information request responses.
19 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the community-based Traditional Foods Study for the Project and inquired if the CRDN would be participating further and completing supplementary interviews and mapping.
30 October 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group and the provincial and federal regulators for a workshop. Stantec presented the caribou offset options and gathered feedback to inform the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the CRDN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the CRDN.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ education, training, and employment updates; ▪ community engagement updates; ▪ a summary of the June 2023 community information sessions; and ▪ Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the Chief of the CRDN providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the CRDN for the support through the provincial EA process.
19 December 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The CRDN copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC and provided the acceptance response of the CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team to the October 2023 NexGen responses to information requests for the draft EIS for the Project.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the the IAAC, ECCC, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed several points from the CNSC letter regarding regulatory planning and activities and provided a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies. NexGen provided responses to each of the requests for information from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the CRDN Chief providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
11 January 2024	Email, incoming	Staff	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the MLTC Client Engagement and Job Fair scheduled on 30 January 2024 that would be hosted in the CRDN community and inquired if NexGen would be available to attend.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and proposed to schedule the next Environmental Committee meeting on 12 February 2024 to discuss regulatory updates, current and upcoming environmental initiatives and monitoring programs, and to flag key dates and opportunities for the year. NexGen inquired if the proposed date would work and stated the meeting could be held in-person or virtually. NexGen also proposed to schedule the quarterly Environmental Committee meetings for 2024 and listed potential dates for consideration.

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15 January 2024	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the proposed Environmental Committee meetings and suggested to not explore meeting dates beyond the proposed 12 February 2024 meeting. The CRDN stated the date would be discussed internally and a confirmation would be provided to NexGen. The CRDN indicated that a discussion regarding the CRDN's participation in the final approval process of the Project would be held with NexGen's Vice President, Community during the week of 22 January 2024.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked the CRDN for looking into the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting date. NexGen also invited the CRDN to provide alternative dates for consideration and acknowledged the CRDN's preference to hold off on scheduling any additional quarterly Environmental Committee meetings beyond February 2024.
24 January 2024	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the CRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
30 January 2024	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen attended the career fair in the CRDN community, hosted by the CRDN and the MLTC.
30 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting and inquired if the date would work for the CRDN Environmental Committee members or if an alternate date would be preferred.
30 January 2024	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting and indicated that there were some minor internal Environmental Committee process changes. The CRDN advised that a call would be made to NexGen's Vice President, Community to discuss.
31 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the CRDN and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting with the CRDN soon.
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting and followed up to confirm if the CRDN has connected with NexGen's Vice President, Community to discuss. NexGen inquired if the CRDN was interested in meeting on the proposed date or if a later date in February 2024 would work better.
14 February 2024	Email, incoming	Staff	The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested to discuss the results of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team review of NexGen's 31 October 2023 EIS submission for the proposed Rook I Project.
14 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the CRDN and stated that NexGen would call to discuss the results of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team review of NexGen's 31 October 2023 EIS submission for the proposed Rook I Project as requested.
14 February 2024	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	NexGen called the CRDN to discuss the Federal-Indigenous Review Team review of NexGen's EIS. NexGen confirmed with CRDN that the CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments were considered complete with no further action required from the CRDN.
28 February 2024	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen met with the Training Committee members and discussed the following key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ university requirements for secondary school math and science; ▪ progress of the Export database; ▪ training to employment needs; and ▪ update on the completed, current, and upcoming training programs.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of the Environment; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; IR = information request; JWG = Joint Working Group; LLM#39 = La Loche Métis Local #39; MLTC = Meadow Lake Tribal Council; NVLL = Northern Village of La Loche; VC = valued component.

While it is noted that there are fewer engagement events between NexGen and the CRDN than NexGen and other primary Indigenous Groups, attempts made by NexGen to engage have been equal for all primary Indigenous Groups. NexGen will continue to provide engagement opportunities, keep lines of communication open, and be ready to discuss the Project when requested.

In addition to these key engagement activities, a Benefit Agreement with the CRDN has been signed.

5.2 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan

The key engagement activities undertaken with the MN-S between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024 are summarized in Table 5, including engagement activities undertaken with both Métis locals and NR2 prior to the delegation of duty to consult responsibilities on 5 September 2019.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
19 May 2013	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen met with members of the LLML#39 and N-19 Trappers to introduce NexGen and to discuss any concerns. Some concerns were noted by the LLML#39 and N-19 Trappers such as the potential effects of drilling and restricted land use. Additional discussions were focused on employment and business opportunities, as well as ongoing community engagement.
16 March 2016	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen met with BNML#62 to provide an update on NexGen's 2016 winter drill program and the other upcoming programs scheduled for 2016, including the environmental and engagement plans. NexGen and the BNML#62 discussed the Project, including the geology of the Arrow deposit, the status and future of the Project, and the employment, contracting, and training opportunities.
5 April 2016	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen organized an information session to share information about the Project with the Chipewyan Prairie Industry Relations Corporation, the English River First Nation, Métis Local 130 Métis Nation Region 1 #214, Northern Settlement of Descharme Lake community council, and Saskatchewan Ministry of Government Relations. NexGen introduced the Project and provided a summary of the work to date as well as an overview of the planned work to be completed in 2016. Community members raised concerns about the engagement and consultation processes to date. Additional discussions were focused on the safety of uranium mining, local employment and contracting, and traditional land use.
27 February 2017	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen provided an updated presentation on exploration and Project development activities, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview and history of the Arrow Deposit; ▪ highlights of metallurgical work; ▪ conceptual Project design; ▪ update on studies planned to support a future EA; and ▪ proposed 2017 activities including baseline studies and engagement planning.
6 September 2017	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The MN-S NR2, NVLL, LLML#39, and CRDN emailed NexGen an attached letter requesting an informal meeting to discuss upcoming issues in the uranium exploration industry and each organization's expectations and concerns. A meeting date of 12 October 2017 in Saskatoon was proposed.
12 October 2017	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2, LLML#39, CRDN, and NVLL to discuss the uranium exploration industry. Consultation and engagement were discussed, as well as economic opportunities and partnerships. The meeting identified the close ties between the NVLL, LLML#39, MN-S NR2, and CRDN and that they, collectively, want to ensure that La Loche and the CRDN are considered for economic opportunities that arise from NexGen's exploration and development activities.
10 July 2018	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen provided a tour of the Rook I site for the LLML#39 President and Council. The following areas were visited:

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rook I exploration camp; ▪ core processing and storage facilities; ▪ surface drill locations at the Arrow deposit; ▪ cuttings management facility; and ▪ weather station. <p>This tour provided an opportunity for dialogue and an opportunity for the President and Council to increase their knowledge of activities at the Rook I site.</p>
5 October 2018	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities to the MN-S NR2 to begin dialogue on the Project. The topics included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of Rook I and Arrow deposit; ▪ preliminary economic assessment highlights and the current Pre-feasibility Study; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement.
21 February 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent the MN-S NR2 a letter with a meeting request to attend a workshop on the Project Description on 27 February 2019, in Saskatoon. The workshop was eventually moved to March 2019.</p>
25 March 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 to present an overview of the information included in the Project Description, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
8 April 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen met with the new President and Board Members of the BNML#62 and provided a general overview of the status of the Project.</p>
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent a letter to MN-S to provide Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.</p>
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent a letter to MN-S NR2 to provide Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.</p>
4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent an invitation letter to the MN-S NR2 to a meeting on 18 June 2019 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete a IKTLU Study in the area of the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement.
18 June 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 to introduce the Study Agreement, which includes capacity funding for a JWG, IKTLU Study, community coordinator, and dietary study.</p>
20 June 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	<p>NexGen and the MN-S NR2 discussed the letter that NexGen sent to the MN-S NR2 and MN-S NR2's concerns regarding the proposed studies. NexGen stated that NexGen would provide the funding for the proposed studies but that the MN-S NR2 would conduct and retain ownership of the studies.</p>
5 July 2019	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent the Study Agreement to the MN-S.</p>
26 July 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	<p>An open-floor meeting was held where the leadership of the MN-S, MN-S NR2, National President, and community members from the respective communities to meet and discuss updates within the Métis Nation. Métis legal</p>

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			counsel updated the community on NexGen’s Study Agreement and Benefit Agreement negotiations. NexGen attended the meeting and sponsored a traditional meal.
14 August 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with representatives for the MN-S to review administrative aspects the Study Agreement. The MN-S requested a map of the area in the vicinity of the Project that covers the wildlife study area for the baseline studies and the schedule for the Project as it refers to Construction, Operations, and Decommissioning and Reclamation (i.e., Closure).
16 August 2019	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent the MN-S NR2 a map of the EA Project area and a link to the Project Description and Project timeline.
5 September 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	A letter was received by NexGen: Motion for Métis Local Delegation of Duty to Consult Responsibilities and Motion for Authorized Delegate to Accept Delegation Responsibilities of Duty to Consult, transferring responsibility to the MN-S from the Métis Locals within NR2.
9 September 2019	Study Agreement	Leadership	NexGen and the MN-S met to sign and execute the Study Agreement. The Study Agreement outlined a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project. Includes funding for a IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and establishing a JWG.
8 October 2019	Update meetings with Leadership	Leadership	NexGen, the CNSC, MN-S, and MN-S NR2 met for a presentation. The presentation was facilitated by NexGen but was led by the CNSC to provide an overview of the CNSC’s EA review process.
29 October 2019	In-person meeting	JWG	NexGen met with MN-S for an introductory meeting for the JWG and discussed items including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA Overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; and ▪ human health risk assessment.
10 December 2019	In-person meeting	JWG	NexGen met with the MN-S for the second meeting of the JWG. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ review of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; ▪ human health risk assessment; ▪ water assessment and management; and ▪ air and water pathways.
21 January 2020	Site tour	JWG	The JWG met to provide a tour of the Project site, followed by a presentation and meeting to discuss the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mineral Surface Lease Agreements; ▪ underground tailings management; ▪ caribou mitigation and management; ▪ Traditional Land Use; and ▪ traffic studies.
26 February 2020	Traditional Land Use Study	Leadership	The MN-S confirmed that the IKTLU Study can be used by WSP and InterGroup to support the EIS as per the Study Agreement.
27 February 2020	In-person meeting	JWG	NexGen and the MN-S JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ socio-economic assessment (approach and methods); ▪ community well-being; ▪ employment and training opportunities; ▪ business opportunities;

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ caribou mitigation and management; and ▪ IKTLU Study results. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were needed, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
17 December 2020	Video conference	JWG	<p>NexGen and the MN-S JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project updates; ▪ regulatory process updates; ▪ review of JWG meetings; ▪ key actions and commitments; and ▪ topics for future JWG meetings. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per provided comments, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
22 January 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and proposed a JWG meeting in February 2021. NexGen noted the attachment of a letter which suggested a plan for the 2021 JWG / engagement meetings. The letter addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a proposed JWG meeting schedule; ▪ a proposed list of topics for future JWG meetings; ▪ recording and co-chairing of JWG meetings; ▪ MN-S engagement of technical expertise; and ▪ a list of VCs for the Project.
6 March 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S a formal letter to reiterate their commitment to continuing meaningful engagement with the MN-S on behalf of the Locals within MN-S NR2. NexGen invited the MN-S to a meet for the MN-S to provide feedback to NexGen and to collectively determine the path forward for the JWG. NexGen also confirmed capacity funding available as per the Study Agreement.</p>
9 April 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached letter regarding engagement on the EA for the Project to provide an update on NexGen's schedule for the EIS, provisions of the Study Agreement, and the proposed approach for continuing JWG discussions. NexGen also provided near-term steps to continue to support the EA process. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ completed JWG presentations, supplementary materials, and meeting minutes; and ▪ planned Q1 2021 JWG presentations for the following topics: models and the EA, Project design and alternatives assessed, and land use (past, present and future).
5 May 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided the MN-S proposed JWG plan that was discussed during the 5 May 2021 JWG meeting. The proposed plan outlined a tentative JWG process and schedule, which specified meeting topics, participants, materials, and information to be provided in advance of meeting and the proposed timing for the JWG meetings to occur.</p>
5 May 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The MN-S and NexGen JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the MN-S expectations and desires for the JWG moving forward, reflecting the MN-S recent decision to change the membership of the JWG, and including suggested topics for future discussion, meeting frequency, and participants; ▪ timelines for the submission of the draft EIS and the Caribou Mitigation Trial Reclamation Program; and ▪ interim communication protocol for communication between the MN-S and NexGen.
7 May 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and acknowledged that based on the input received from the meeting on 5 May 2021, NexGen understood that providing a Project EIS schedule overview to the MN-S was a critically important task and provided a schedule table that provides context for many of the items contained within the draft MN-S/NexGen JWG Planning Table.</p>

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			NexGen provided a list of bullet points regarding topics that may not have specific sections in the EIS, may be distributed throughout the EIS, or have uncertain delivery times, and welcomed questions from the MN-S regarding the schedule milestones or items presented in the bullet points. NexGen added that if a break-out session to discuss any items in more detail would be beneficial that NexGen would be happy to discuss.
3 June 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and Two Worlds Consulting (consultant to the MN-S) and noted they had been reviewing the MN-S / NexGen JWG Plan document and would be finalizing a letter to the MN-S that would be sent before the end of that week.</p> <p>NexGen also inquired if the MN-S was still interested in setting up an introductory call with Omnia regarding the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and if any MN-S or MN-S NR2 Local members were interested in participating in the field program during the summer.</p>
4 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted attachment of a response letter to provide context regarding engagement completed to date and future agenda items, following NexGen’s review of the MN-S / NexGen JWG Plan document.
30 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	<p>NexGen sent the MN-S an engagement update letter and attached appendices regarding engagement on the EA for the Project. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ April 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ hazard identification for the accidents and malfunctions assessment; ▪ regional highway maps of Hwy 155 and Hwy 955; ▪ May 2021 JWG presentation; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary. <p>NexGen stated that the intent of the letter is to ensure that information shared with some JWG is made available to all JWGs and to ensure any pending requests and information that have come from the meetings and discussions are tracked and followed up on.</p>
7 July 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. NexGen informed the MN-S that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program and that NexGen will be providing a summary of when information about the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program was presented to and discussed with the MN-S.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
6 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities for the Project during June to mid-July and to provide an outline for upcoming activities. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore for the July 2021 JWG meeting; ▪ June 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ June 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ April 2021 JWG summary.
16 August 2021	Video conference	JWG	Representatives from the NexGen and MN-S JWG met for a JWG breakout meeting to discuss minor housekeeping items in advance of the 19 August 2021 JWG meeting.

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
19 August 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The MN-S and NexGen JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ processes and protocols for the JWG; ▪ housekeeping aspects of the JWG process; ▪ capacity funding; and ▪ round table comments. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per comments provided, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
23 September 2021 and 24 September 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>Representatives from the NexGen and MN-S JWG met for a JWG breakout meeting to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ review previous actions and discussion points from previous JWG meetings to create a centralized JWG meeting action tracker and discuss next steps; ▪ discuss the next formal JWG meeting and confirm the topics to be caribou and a Project description; ▪ identify VCs as a topic of importance to discuss further; ▪ discuss identifying and prioritizing the information from the EA and draft EIS for sharing with the MN-S; and ▪ discuss the existing mechanisms available under the Study Agreement for requests for technical support. <p>Copies of meeting materials were provided after the meeting. NexGen placed a copy of the break-out session spreadsheet on SharePoint for breakout group access.</p>
5 October 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed attachment of an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities for the Project for August and September 2021, and to provide insight into planned activities. The following appendix was included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July/August 2021 JWG presentation.
2 November 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The MN-S and NexGen JWG met to share:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the MN-S presentation on Métis history (Louis Riel); ▪ NexGen presentation on the Project; and ▪ NexGen presentation on caribou initiatives. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per comments provided, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an update on NexGen’s submission of the draft EIS to the CNSC and ENV.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the draft EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.</p>
10 November 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>Representatives from the NexGen and MN-S JWG met for a JWG breakout meeting to discuss the next steps for the technical breakout group. The technical breakout group recommended to meet in December 2021 and to have a formal JWG meeting in early 2022. The MN-S confirmed that a communication regarding capacity funding and support was being drafted to be sent to NexGen and that the MN-S would be discussing preferred meeting schedules with JWG members. NexGen noted they will be drafting a Terms of Reference for the technical breakout group and that they would be reviewing the JWG meeting outline document provided by the MN-S in May 2021 in advance of the next meeting to share an update on available presentation materials. NexGen confirmed that the Study Agreements included capacity funding as well as mechanisms to request additional capacity funding if so required.</p>
17 November 2021	Email, incoming	Leadership and JWG	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided the JWG technical working group, IKTLU, and caribou budget.</p>

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed receipt of the budget information that was provided.
19 November 2021	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen hosted a meeting with leadership from local communities (i.e., the CRDN, MN-S, NR2, and La Loche) to discuss the Project training plan being advanced with training service providers (i.e., Northlands College, the Gabriel Dumont Institute, the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies, and the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification). Discussion was held around the challenges faced by local community members in pursuing post-secondary education or training (e.g., lack of resources in community, lack of access to computers/internet, lack of knowledge of potential careers, childcare and financial barriers for adult workers, and lack of delivery of training in communities).
17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and informed that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the draft EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of Air, Land, Water, and People to be presented in several workshops.</p> <p>The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and advised they were looking forward to the environmental workshop meetings in January 2022.</p>
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and summarizing proposed activities for January 2022. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ November 2021 Project newsletter; ▪ July/August 2021 JWG summary; ▪ March 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary (re-issued).
12 January 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed receipt of the upcoming workshop information. The MN-S advised they would not be participating in-person due to rising COVID-19 numbers but would be interested in discussing the topics in a virtual format once the proposed budget had been finalized.
14 February 2022	Video conference	Leadership and JWG	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the proposed budget for engagement activities in 2022, including technical support funding and a community coordinator position, confirming that the requests outlined by the MN-S materially aligned with available funding from 2021 and 2022.
14 February 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for the meeting on 14 February 2022 to discuss the budget for engagement activities in 2022. NexGen summarized items discussed and actions. NexGen advised that NexGen would reach out to the MN-S to schedule the first two JWG meetings outlined in the budget plan.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlining the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.
15 March 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided an update that the MN-S was interested in progressing the JWG and proposed scheduling a technical meeting to determine how the next JWG meeting would proceed. The MN-S also requested an update on the status of the budget approvals in order to move forward with the digitization of the MN-S study and the JWG.
31 March 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen a letter in response to the engagement update letter sent by NexGen on 11 March 2022. The MN-S noted concerns regarding some of the content and timelines that were included in the

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			engagement update letter. In particular, the MN-S informed NexGen that the delays in NexGen's response to the approval of the remaining funding from the Study Agreement has presented challenges to the MN-S on both the digitization of the MN-S study as well as continuing JWG discussions. The MN-S noted that they hoped to hear back from NexGen shortly regarding the budget to continue to move the items forward in a respectful and meaningful way.
7 April 2022	Video conference	JWG	The NexGen and MN-S JWG technical group met to plan the next JWG meeting. Some members were new to the JWG technical group, so the existing members provided an overview of the role of the JWG technical group and discussed the logistics and format of the JWG meetings. The MN-S provided feedback to NexGen on ways to make the JWG materials more accessible and understandable. A discussion occurred around choosing dates for the next JWG meeting, and NexGen and the MN-S agreed to have another JWG technical group meeting before the end of the month.
11 April 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen the revised Métis Knowledge Study budget and noted that the MN-S would begin the digitization of the study once NexGen approves the budget.
20 April 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen to follow up on the Métis food study that was previously discussed. The MN-S indicated interest in starting the Traditional Foods Study that was noted in the Study Agreement and confirmed that the budget for the Traditional Foods Study was not included in the MN-S budget that was sent to NexGen.
20 April 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that the MN-S budget that was sent did not include the Traditional Foods Study. NexGen stated that they looked forward to receiving the MN-S budget to proceed through the approval process.
28 April 2022	Video conference	JWG	The NexGen and MN-S JWG technical group met to plan the next JWG meeting. The MN-S shared a Métis value share on Michif language, followed by a recap of the last JWG technical group meeting. A discussion about education and mentorship programs occurred, followed by NexGen noting that baseline monitoring programs should be discussed at a later date of convenience to the MN-S. NexGen shared an update on the Draft EIS submission timeline, followed by a discussion about the regulatory review process and when the Draft EIS would be available to the MN-S to review. The JWG technical group determined that the next JWG would occur on 18 May 2022 and that the meeting topics would be focused on the regulatory process for the Project, what the EA and Draft EIS are, and the review process for the Draft EIS, including having the MN-S present on their involvement in the Federal-Indigenous Review Team
29 April 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached letter in response to the MN-S letter sent on 31 March 2022. NexGen clarified that their understanding was that NexGen had generally approved the budget to support the engagement activities and technical work during the 14 February 2022 meeting and that discussions and meetings would advance. NexGen also stated that as per the email correspondence on 7 April 2022, that NexGen had confirmed that NexGen was comfortable receiving invoices related to the tasks in the proposed budget. NexGen formally confirmed the budget amounts for the engagement and technical capacity funding budget. NexGen also noted that the digitization of the Métis Knowledge Study had not been included in the original scope of work and that NexGen agreed it was a valuable exercise to support ongoing engagement with the MN-S; therefore, NexGen confirmed that the digitization budget was also formally approved.
9 May 2022	Video conference	JWG	The NexGen and MN-S JWG technical group met to continue planning the next JWG meeting and collaborate on the presentation materials.
12 May 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the imminent Draft EIS submission and requested for a copy of the Project EIS during the 30-day conformity period to help MN-S schedule consultant reviews on behalf of the MN-S. The MN-S

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			indicated that the CNSC has indicated to the MN-S that sharing the EIS during the 30-day conformity review period was NexGen's choice.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
17 May 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen advising that the CNSC slides regarding the Federal-Indigenous Review Team would not be used at the JWG meeting scheduled on 18 May 2022 as the MN-S was not in a position to speak on CNSC's behalf regarding the topic. The MN-S noted that a quick high-level overview of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and the MN-S involvement would be provided and indicated that a separate call with CNSC could be arranged if the MN-S NR2 had further questions.
17 May 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for their recent update and provided a copy of the presentation for the upcoming meeting scheduled for 18 May 2022. NexGen advised that the presentation had been revised based on the comments from the previous subgroup meeting and offered to bring printed copies. NexGen also noted that they would provide a recorder to use for the meeting minutes process.
18 May 2022	In-person meeting	JWG	The MN-S and NexGen JWG met to discuss the regulatory process for the Project. The following topics were discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the EA process undertaken by NexGen for the Project; ▪ an overview of the Draft EIS review process; ▪ the engagement pathways available for the JWG and community members to review the Draft EIS; and ▪ the MN-S participation on the Federal Indigenous Review Team with the CNSC.
25 May 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a summary of the Draft EIS Sections, Technical Support Documents, and Baseline Reports that would form part of the submission for the Project as discussed in the JWG technical group meeting. NexGen noted that the submission would include a Master Executive Summary, a master list of abbreviations and units, and a glossary. NexGen also indicated that the Technical Support Documents relating to Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Use Studies, and the Indigenous Engagement Report were not publicly facing documents.
14 June 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided the page counts per document title in the Draft EIS Sections, Technical Support Documents, and Baseline Reports that would form part of NexGen's submission for the Project.
20 June 2022	Email, incoming	JWG and staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised of the attached MN-S Métis Traditional Foods Study Budget for review and approval so that the MN-S team could proceed with the work.
28 June 2022	Email, incoming	JWG and staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen to follow up on the request to receive the Draft EIS from NexGen during the conformity review period so that the MN-S technical team could start the review.
29 June 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG and staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that copies of the Draft EIS would be provided to MN-S once NexGen received confirmation from CNSC that the submissions were complete and concordant. NexGen noted that this process would ensure that the documents provided to the MN-S were the same as those subject to the technical reviews that will be conducted under the CNSC process. NexGen advised that based on discussion with the CNSC, that there may be an opportunity to share the Draft EIS with the MN-S team prior to the formal public review commencing once the concordance checks were complete.

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
12 July 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed the MN-S would be holding Métis-specific meetings in September 2022 to gather information on the Draft EIS and noted the possibility to also discuss the Project and the Benefit Agreements negotiations. The MN-S noted the meetings would include one technical consultant, one legal counsel from the MN-S, and an MN-S representative and that NexGen would be invited to take part in a portion of the meetings.
12 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for reaching out regarding the Métis-specific EA results meetings planned for September 2022. NexGen agreed that it would be beneficial to review what the meetings would look like, the budget, and how both parties could jointly work to deliver information on the Project to the leadership and citizens of MN-S NR2. NexGen inquired if the MN-S had a plan or budget that would be ready for review and offered assistance with posters or information flyers that might be needed.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period that provides Indigenous Groups and Communities, members of the public, and government department and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that CNSC had requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the MN-S leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to a continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
19 July 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested an update on the Traditional Foods Study budget that was submitted in June 2022 and noted that once approval was received, the MN-S team could get started on the work.
19 July 2022	Video conference	Leadership and staff	NexGen, the CNSC Federal-Indigenous Review Team, and the ENV met for a technical workshop to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ provide an overview of NexGen, the Project, and the EA process and next steps; and ▪ provide an overview of the Project EIS structure and content to the federal and provincial review teams.
19 July 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen and informed that the proposed budget information for the Métis-specific EA results meetings would be available in the month of August 2022 and indicated that the format had not been finalized yet, but the MN-S would like NexGen to be involved. The MN-S also confirmed availability to work with NexGen on the meeting posters.
20 July 2022	In-person meeting	JWG and staff	NexGen delivered a USB consisting of the Draft EIS and supporting documents in-person to the front desk reception at the MN-S office in Saskatoon.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
4 August 2022	Email, incoming	JWG	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested for an update on the status of the Métis Foods Study budget and noted that the MN-S member had accepted a new position outside of the MN-S.
4 August 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for forwarding the email regarding the Métis Foods Study Budget and stated that a NexGen team member would return to the office the following week and that the budget would be discussed. NexGen congratulated the MN-S member on their new position and stated it had been a pleasure working together.

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the MN-S that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the MN-S.</p>
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed MN-S and advised of the upcoming environmental monitoring work to be conducted at the Rook I site and to introduce new team members. NexGen informed of the additional field work related to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial as well as the baseline gamma survey at the Rook I site that was planned to be completed during the summer and fall. NexGen indicated that Omnia Ecological Services would be at the Rook I site between 13 August 2022 and 27 August 2022 to complete a field program to conduct a natural regeneration assessment and noted that NexGen was interested in arranging a small tour while Omnia Ecological Services was on site to encourage discussion, knowledge sharing, and to answer questions. NexGen indicated that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field work and requested to be informed if there were MN-S members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen informed the MN-S of the baseline gamma radiation survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall. NexGen expressed interest in hiring four youth community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and to invite an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the MN-S to confirm if there were interested members by 19 August 2022.</p>
16 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and requested an update on the Métis-specific EA results meetings with the MN-S NR2 membership that was tentatively being planned for September 2022. NexGen attached the previous email correspondence with the MN-S regarding the Métis-specific EA results meetings for reference.</p>
18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board had reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements had been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the MN-S R2 to reach out with any questions or comments.</p>
22 August 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for Project EA; ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen community program updates.
23 August 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and JWG	NexGen met with the MN-S for a Project update meeting following the restructuring of the MN-S Lands and Consultation department. The meeting focused on planning upcoming JWG meetings and Métis-specific EA results community information sessions. The MN-S and NexGen also shared updates on approved budgets for ongoing work, such as the MN-S NR2 Métis Knowledge Study digitization, the Métis Foods Study, and the JWG and technical capacity support.
24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
31 August 2022	Video conference	JWG	NexGen and the MN-S JWG subgroup met to begin planning the September 2022 MN-S NR2 Board Meeting, the October 2022 Métis-specific EA results community information sessions, and the next JWG meeting. Additionally, the MN-S and NexGen shared updates on the existing work scopes (including budgeting and invoicing), the MN-S review of the Draft EIS, and the 2022 Site Program.
2 September 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that NexGen has set aside additional capacity funding support for the MN-S review of the Draft EIS and requested that an invoice be sent to NexGen for the additional funding.
2 September 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a summary of the Project update meeting held on 23 August 2022 and the subsequent JWG technical group meeting held on 31 August 2022.</p> <p>NexGen noted the key points for the 23 August 2022 Project Update Meeting were related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Métis Food Study and the digitization of the IKTLU; ▪ topics for the next formal JWG meeting to be transportation, traffic, and road safety; ▪ the MN-S Community Coordinator position funded by NexGen; ▪ the MN-S proposal for NexGen to present to the NR2 Board Members prior to conducting the in-community Métis community information session; ▪ the Métis-specific EA results community information session that was tentatively scheduled for a day during the week of 3 October 2022 to 7 October 2022; and ▪ the scheduling of the JWG subgroup meeting to continue the planning of the upcoming meetings in September 2022 and October 2022. <p>NexGen noted the key points for the 31 August 2022 JWG technical group meeting were related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ no additional updates on the existing work scopes for the digitization of the IKTLU and Traditional Foods Study; ▪ the MN-S Community Coordinator position was still unfilled; ▪ MN-S invoicing; ▪ the status of the Draft EIS review by Two Worlds Consulting; ▪ additional capacity support funding for review of the Draft EIS; ▪ confirmation that the MN-S NR2 Board meeting would be scheduled on 30 September 2022 and that NexGen would no longer be included in the meeting; ▪ Métis-specific EA results community information session planned for the week of 3 October to 7 October 2022; and ▪ the topic and timing of the next formal JWG meeting that would be discussed during the next JWG technical group meeting scheduled on 16 September 2022.

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8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S following up on the action items from the JWG technical meeting held on 31 August 2022. NexGen provided the posters, invitation materials and sign-in sheet that were used for the June 2022 community information sessions as attachments to help with the planning of the Métis-specific EA results community information session. NexGen also attached a photo of the general layout of the sessions for reference and indicated that the sessions were advertised through monthly radio updates.
26 September 2022	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide information on the upcoming Project EA/EIS overview presentation for the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members, scheduled on 30 September 2022. NexGen included details on the presentation content and presenters and indicated that questions regarding both the EIS and the EA would be answered during the meeting.
27 September 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and acknowledged the information on the upcoming Project EA/EIS Overview presentation for the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members, as emailed on 26 September 2022. The MN-S indicated that internal approval was required prior to sending the agenda, poster, and budget to NexGen.
28 September 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen providing the 30 September 2022 Project Métis-specific EA results community information session agenda and budget as well as the 5 October 2022 to 6 October 2022 community information session poster and agenda.
29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF copy of the August 2022 community newsletter.
30 September 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members to present on the Project EA and Draft EIS. At the request of MN-S NR2 Leadership, NexGen delivered the EIS submission overview presentation that had been presented to the CNSC, ENV, and Federal-Indigenous Review Team in July 2022.
5 October 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen attended the MN-S NR2 Métis-specific EA results community information session in La Loche, Saskatchewan to present the results of the environmental assessment for the Project.
6 October 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen attended the MN-S NR2 Métis-specific EA results community information session in Buffalo Narrows, Saskatchewan to present the results of the environmental assessment for the Project.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the Traditional Foods Study Program that was planned to begin in 2023. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the MN-S community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.
20 October 2022	Letter, incoming	Leadership	NexGen received a letter from MN-S expressing concerns related to NexGen's efforts to build a meaningful and respectful relationship with MN-S in respect to its proposal to develop the Project on MN-S Land Claim. The MN-S outlined NexGen's approach to the Draft EIS and indicated that the opportunity for the MN-S to review the Draft EIS prior to its filing was refused. The MN-S indicated that the community would like to engage in a collaborative problem-solving to build trust in NexGen as a partner and meet with NexGen decision-makers.

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			The MN-S informed NexGen that responding to the EIS and engaging with the communities were the MN-S priority.
9 November 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S informing of the Baseline Environmental Effects and Traditional Foods Study baseline monitoring programs that NexGen would be conducting in 2023 that would be led by CanNorth. NexGen provided the contact information for the CanNorth representative who would be arranging a scoping meeting and the NexGen team members who would be involved in the program.
14 November 2022	Video conference	Leadership and JWG	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the 2022 budget for engagement activities, and to plan 2023 engagement activities.
15 November 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the MN-S and attached a letter responding to the MN-S NR2 letter dated 20 October 2022 to address the issues raised. NexGen noted that they fully recognize and acknowledge the Aboriginal Rights and title of the Métis Nation, and that it is on this basis that NexGen has been engaging with the leadership of NR2 for nearly 10 years in connection with the Project. NexGen stated their approach to consultation, engagement, and disclosures, including the timing thereof, has been in complete compliance with the established federal and provincial regulatory processes incorporating consistency, fairness, and transparency to all Indigenous Groups, including the MN-S. NexGen noted that they have worked productively with MN-S representatives and technical advisors on the JWG established under the Study Agreement.
24 November 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	CanNorth emailed NexGen and the MN-S advising that a phone call with the MN-S Regional Director was held to discuss the upcoming kick-off meeting. CanNorth proposed to schedule a virtual meeting on 6 December 2022 and requested for confirmation of availability. CanNorth also indicated that the engagement session in the New Year would be a more in-depth, in-person meeting about the Métis Foods Study.
25 November 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and acknowledged the communication process clarification on the Traditional Foods Study sessions emailed on 24 November 2022. The MN-S confirmed the proper MN-S contacts responsible for meeting coordination, working with the Regional Leadership, and for completing an engagement plan for each session.
1 December 2022	Video conference	JWG and staff	NexGen met with the MN-S to discuss the budget and engagement plans for the upcoming 2023 year.
12 December 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG and staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide the proposed agenda and logistical details for the JWG meeting planned for 20 December 2022. NexGen acknowledged the MN-S community members who would be attending and listed the agenda discussion items based on the discussions held on 1 December 2022 for review and comments. NexGen requested for the MN-S to confirm the timing and location of the meeting that would work or if a call would need to be scheduled to discuss further. NexGen informed the MN-S of the NexGen and CanNorth team members who would be joining the meeting and invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
20 December 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and JWG	The JWG, consisting of members from NexGen and MN-S NR2 met to discuss and plan upcoming engagement activities that will begin taking place in Q1 2023. These activities include a community information session and environmental baseline monitoring programs, including a regional Traditional Foods Study.
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities leading into 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the MN-S in 2023.

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
5 January 2023	Email, incoming	JWG and staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the proposed meeting to have NexGen and CanNorth present to the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members on 11 January 2023 would need to be postponed to a later date. The MN-S informed NexGen that they would be working on the schedule during the week of 9 January 2023.
11 January 2023	Video conference	JWG and staff	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the updates for the 2023 engagement planning. Topics discussed included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The MN-S proposed date of 23 January 2023 for NexGen to meet with the MN-S regional council and board members to discuss Traditional Foods Study/baseline monitoring programs. ▪ The MN-S proposed dates for the Draft EIS-focused community meetings/information sessions in La Loche and Buffalo Narrows. ▪ Baseline environmental monitoring program presentation that would be prepared by NexGen for the 23 January 2023 meeting. ▪ Invoice examples that would need to be provided to the MN-S for honorariums. The MN-S NR2 community contact for NexGen's next quarterly public newsletter.
17 January 2023	Video conference	JWG and staff	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the logistics for the upcoming meeting on 23 January 2023 and to discuss the timing of the MN-S NR2 community meetings for NexGen to present on the Draft EIS.
23 January 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members in La Loche and presented an overview of the environmental baseline monitoring programs that would be taking place in 2023, along with the regional Traditional Foods Study, which would be led by CanNorth. There were 19 members in attendance and questions were posed during the presentation.
14 February 2023	Email, outgoing	JWG and staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S and requested for the MN-S availability for a phone call during the week of 13 February 2023 or 21 February 2023 to discuss upcoming engagement activities, planning for the next JWG meeting, and priorities for MN-S and NexGen over the next couple of months. NexGen shared their thoughts related to the date of the next JWG meeting and the priorities for Q1 2023 and Q2 2023. NexGen also followed up on the community liaison contact for the regional Traditional Foods Study as well as the MN-S community contact that could be included in the next NexGen community newsletter.
21 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen also requested for the MN-S to confirm a date that would work to re-schedule the 9 March 2023 JWG meeting and invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
27 March 2023	Video conference	Staff	NexGen, the MN-S, and CanNorth met to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen would be initiating in 2023. The MN-S noted the main contact for this study was on leave until 3 April 2023 but that the MN-S was interested in progressing the work. CanNorth provided an overview of the next steps for the study, including receiving approval from leadership, meeting with and training the community liaison, and having the community liaison conduct interviews for the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen shared that information about the study had been presented to the MN-S JWG in December 2022, and to the MN-S NR2 leadership in January 2023. The MN-S stated they would proceed with obtaining approval from leadership, and that CanNorth and the MN-S could schedule a training meeting in April 2023.
5 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator and welcomed them. NexGen indicated that they would be happy to share information about the collaboration with the MN-S and attached the most recent copy of the engagement update letter that was sent on 21 March 2023. NexGen stated the letter provides updates on the EA process for the Project, shares a summary of recent engagement activities completed, and outlines a list of proposed activities, including the next JWG meeting.

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			NexGen also advised the letter addressed additional scopes that were underway, including the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen inquired if the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator would be available for a meeting on 6 April 2023 or during the week of 10 April 2023 for a formal introduction, to discuss the items in the engagement letter, and to discuss planning the next JWG meetings. NexGen requested for the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator to confirm a time that would work.
5 April 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested that the MN-S Director of Environment be the primary contact for MN-S communications going forward with the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator and the MN-S Environmental Program Planner copied. The MN-S acknowledged that NexGen has been experiencing difficulty in communications with the MN-S and indicated that there have been staffing changes.
10 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S to acknowledge that the MN-S Director of Environment would be NexGen's primary contact and indicated that the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator and the MN-S Environmental Program Planner would be copied on all communications. NexGen also inquired if the MN-S Director of Environment would like to join the catch-up meeting with the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator scheduled on 12 April 2023.
12 April 2023	Video conference	Staff	NexGen met with the new MN-S engagement contact for an introductory meeting. NexGen and the MN-S discussed a brief history of the MN-S JWG meetings and scheduled the next JWG meeting on 26 May 2023 to discuss the MN-S comments on NexGen's Draft EIS, including the Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments and public comments. The MN-S also shared status updates on the Traditional Foods Study, Métis-specific Foods Study, digitization of the MN-S Traditional Land Use Study, and potential for a Rook I site tour in the summer. The MN-S noted they were familiar with the Study Agreement, and NexGen reiterated the capacity funding and mechanisms available under the Study Agreement. NexGen offered to send the MN-S JWG meeting minutes to the MN-S and also offered that the MN-S could reach out at anytime with questions or for additional information.
12 April 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen and indicated that the MN-S had ran into complications with the Traditional Foods Study that would postpone the planning of a JWG meeting. The MN-S stated that the ownership of the data that was being collected required clarification and informed NexGen that the MN-S had turned to the MN-S legal department to confirm how to proceed. The MN-S indicated that NexGen would be updated accordingly.
12 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the update regarding the Traditional Foods Study data. NexGen informed the MN-S that CanNorth had offered to share additional information about their data confidentiality processes for the regional Traditional Foods Study and inquired if the MN-S would like to have a meeting arranged with CanNorth to discuss. NexGen also inquired if the planned JWG meeting focusing on the Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments planned for 26 April 2023 would still proceed. NexGen stated that conversations regarding the Traditional Foods Study outside of the JWG meeting could still be held and expressed that NexGen would like to meet and advance the discussions on the Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments with the MN-S.
12 April 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the discussions on the regional Traditional Foods Study and Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments and stated that further planning would be put on hold until the MN-S legal department had provided comments. The MN-S received indicated that NexGen would be updated as soon as the MN-S receives direction on how to proceed. The MN-S thanked NexGen for the meeting held on 12 April 2023 and expressed that it had motivated internal MN-S discussions that would result in forward progress.
13 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S the previous JWG meeting minutes and information. NexGen advised that all the related documentation had been collated into a USB drive and offered to drop it off or meet up on 14 April 2023

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			or 15 April 2023. NexGen provided the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator a phone number to call directly.
14 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff and JWG	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing the draft meeting notes from the JWG meeting held on 20 December 2022 and the NR2 Board meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study held on 23 January 2023 that had not yet been sent to the MN-S. NexGen inquired if the MN-S JWG attendees could review the draft notes and confirm if there were any edits required. NexGen indicated the notes would be finalized upon hearing back from the MN-S, or if a response was not received, on 12 May 2023. NexGen stated the meetings held were focused on planning and that Aurora Communications was not present to record and transcribe full verbatim meeting minutes. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions on the JWG presentations and meeting minutes on the USB drive that NexGen would be dropping off to the MN-S.
18 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide the Rook I Visitor Checklist sent to visitors staying at camp for extended periods. NexGen noted that they would call the MN-S to coordinate their pick-up.
19 April 2023	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen met with members from the BNDN and MN-S for a Rook I site tour and to locate a spot for the ceremonial sweat with Elders from all local priority area Nations. The core logging facilities and the Arrow site were toured. A safe location for the ceremonial sweat was confirmed.
24 April 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The MN-S emailed NexGen to thank them for the site visit and to provide an update on the regional Traditional Foods Study. The MN-S stated that the MN-S legal department has suggested that the MN-S assume the ownership of the contract between NexGen and CanNorth for the regional Traditional Foods Study and noted that this would eliminate the need for a data sharing agreement. The MN-S confirmed that the MN-S legal was agreeable with NexGen and CanNorth to proceed with tissue sampling as long as the data would be provided without caveats. The MN-S attached the budget for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study prepared by Two Worlds Consulting that had already been approved by NexGen. The MN-S requested for NexGen to notify CanNorth if they agreed with the resolution and indicated that the MN-S would then proceed with implementation planning.
25 April 2023	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	NexGen called the MN-S to discuss the MN-S email dated 24 April 2023 regarding the regional Traditional Foods Study. The MN-S explained the feedback provided by the MN-S legal department. NexGen reiterated that there were two Traditional Foods Study scopes of work in progress with the MN-S and suggested that there may be some confusion. NexGen asked if it would be helpful if NexGen sent an email to clarify the difference between the MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study, and the regional Traditional Foods Study that CanNorth was leading for NexGen. The MN-S agreed that the clarification was needed and would help to advance the discussions.
25 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for the email and brief call to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study further. NexGen noted that NexGen and the MN-S have two separate Traditional Foods Study scopes of work underway and provided additional information on the MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study and the NexGen regional Traditional Food Study. NexGen stated that the possibility of the MN-S interviewing the same people for both studies to reduce duplication of efforts had been discussed in previous meetings. NexGen indicated that with this approach, the MN-S would work with CanNorth on the CanNorth interview questionnaire, and that the MN-S would also ask their own questions as part of the MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study. NexGen informed the MN-S that CanNorth would require only the data from the CanNorth interview questions and would not request access to additional MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study interview data or questions. NexGen expressed that they hoped the information provided would assist with conversations for the regional Traditional Foods Study and a potential information sharing agreement. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or if a phone call would need to be arranged between the MN-S, NexGen, and CanNorth.

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27 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	CanNorth emailed the MN-S providing the regional Traditional Foods Study program summary, a summary of the questions that would be asked during the interviews, and a copy of the PowerPoint that was presented to the MN-S in December 2022 and again in January 2023. CanNorth informed the MN-S that they had completed similar studies with communities in the Athabasca Region and provided a link to additional information on the community-based programs. CanNorth stated they would reach out to the MN-S during the week of 1 May 2023 to discuss scheduling training in May 2023.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Groups and communities.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and a digital copy of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; ▪ education, training, and employment updates; and ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives.
12 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership, staff, and members	NexGen held a community information session in Buffalo Narrows to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
13 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership, staff, and members	NexGen held a community information session in La Loche to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
14 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership, staff, and members	NexGen held a community information session in Turnor Lake and the BNDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.

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15 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen, the MN-S, and the MN-S NR2 met to sign a Benefit Agreement with respect to the Project.
19 June 2023	In-person meeting	JWG	<p>The NexGen and MN-S JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ status updates for the EA process for the Project; ▪ a collaborative approach to the regulatory process for the Project, including validating the issues and concerns identified for the MN-S; and ▪ next steps for the JWG. <p>The MN-S agreed to review the summary of issues and concerns table and confirm a meeting date for the JWG to meet to discuss.</p>
27 June 2023	Email, outgoing	JWG, Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S thanking them for the collaborative JWG meeting held on 19 June 2023. NexGen attached the Métis-specific issues and concerns table prepared as part of the requirements for the federal EA process as a follow up to the action item from the JWG meeting and stated the issues and concerns reflect the information provided by representatives of the MN-S NR2 to NexGen. NexGen explained the information in the table was included in Appendix 2B of the Draft EIS with the exception of the key mitigations and accommodations column and noted the minor updates made to the table. NexGen advised that both the MN-S and NexGen were required to review together the information and confirm that the table appropriately captures and addresses the issues and concerns. NexGen stated the next step was for the MN-S NR2 team to review the table, provide feedback, and identify any items that would require further discussion. NexGen advised that a workshop would be arranged to discuss any items flagged by the MN-S and that any remaining items would be worked through the MN-S NR2 and NexGen Environmental Committee. NexGen informed the MN-S that the CNSC would then be advised of the outcome of the collaborative validation process. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions regarding the Issues and Concerns table.
4 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the 30 June 2023 email. NexGen inquired if a copy of the most recent NexGen newsletter as well as the image of the Implementation and Community Coordinator contact information for the MN-S, CRDN, BNDN, and BRDN was what the MN-S needed.
5 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing a copy of the June 2023 NexGen newsletter and a screenshot of the list of Implementation and Community Coordinators.
12 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and inquired if there were any questions regarding the Métis-specific issues and concerns table that was prepared for the federal EA process as a follow up to NexGen's 27 June 2023 email. NexGen requested for the MN-S to advise as to when they would be ready for a meeting to workshop any items that warranted further discussion. NexGen looked forward to meeting soon to review and validate the information as part of the continued collaboration on the Project.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the MN-S NR2, CRDN, BNDN, and BRDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the MN-S NR2's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of an MN-S NR2 representative to participate in the meeting and invited the MN-S NR2 to reach out if there were any questions.

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10 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and listed several Environmental Committee processes to ensure alignment with the MN-S. NexGen inquired if the Environmental Committee process items noted should be confirmed during the planned Implementation Committee meeting scheduled on 14 August 2023 to ensure that both NexGen and the MN-S were advancing in line with respective expectations under the Environmental Committee.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the NexGen community newsletter for the Project. NexGen indicated the contact information for each of the Indigenous Groups in the local priority area was included and noted that the MN-S NR2 Community Coordinator's contact information was listed in the last edition. NexGen informed the MN-S NR2 that another community newsletter was planned for September 2023 and explained they would like to include the contact information again. NexGen stated that the MN-S was aligned with providing contact information to help community members know who to talk to about some of the initiatives as discussed at the last JWG / Environmental Committee meeting held in June 2023. NexGen inquired if the MN-S NR2 contact in the newsletter should be updated to the Implementation Coordinator or continue to list the MN-S NR2 Community Coordinator. NexGen included a screenshot of the community contacts included in the June 2023 newsletter for reference.
14 August 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the MN-S met for their first Implementation Committee meeting to discuss an overview of the role of the Implementation Committee and to review and share updates relating to all articles under the Benefit Agreement.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen stated the study would provide regional food data to compare or augment the assumptions used in the modelling for the Project EA. NexGen indicated they have been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen also acknowledged that the MN-S NR2 interview training was complete, community interviews have recently been completed, and that the data entry was also nearly complete. NexGen informed the MN-S the goal was to have all community interviews completed by 15 December 2023 and advised that CanNorth would use the information gathered by the MN-S NR2 to inform the 2024 sampling program. NexGen indicated that a final report would be produced by CanNorth in the summer of 2024. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or concerns regarding the revised timeline.
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the MN-S. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS has been uploaded to the MN-S and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public

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31 August 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV emailed the MN-S and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the MN-S to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures and technical review findings, and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the MN-S and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 and advised that they were copied on the ENV correspondence to the President of the MN-S regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the MN-S and MN-S NR2 Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator in alignment with the terms of reference for the MN-S and MN-S NR2 Benefit Agreement and as part of the ongoing discussions regarding collaboration on the regulatory process for the Project.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and MN-S and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the provincial Final EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen informed the MN-S NR2 that NexGen has recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS and continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen expressed they looked forward to collaborating with the MN-S NR2 Environmental committee to review the responses NexGen submitted to the CNSC on the MN-S NR2 federal technical comment submission. NexGen stated they also looked forward to the review in parallel to the CNSC-led technical review process in which the MN-S NR2 would be participating and to a collaborative approach in responding to the MN-S NR2 public comments submitted as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen thanked the MN-S NR2 for the continued engagement throughout the federal EA and licensing processes and invited the MN-S NR2 to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and MN-S regarding the seed collection program that NexGen was working with Integral Ecology Group to conduct at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project. NexGen informed the MN-S NR2 and MN-S that both NexGen's Environmental Team and Integral Ecology Group would be on site from 2 October 2023 and 5 October 2023 for the program and inquired if the MN-S Environmental Committee Regulatory Lead or if a member of the Caribou Working Group would be interested in participating. NexGen stated that a day trip could be accommodated and requested for the MN-S NR2 to confirm a preferred date. NexGen noted the

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			costs for involvement would be paid as per the Environmental Committee funding and advised that NexGen would be reaching out to Environmental Committees with other Nations to confirm interest in participation. NexGen also indicated that an Elder was welcome to join.
18 September 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S would be unavailable for the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project on 2 October to 5 October 2023 in response to NexGen's 13 September 2023 email. The MN-S thanked NexGen for the opportunity.
18 September 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The MN-S NR2 emailed the ENV and NexGen attaching a letter in support of the Project.
25 September 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen hosted the MN-S NR2 Leadership at the Rook I site for a tour.
26 September 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The MN-S emailed NexGen and attached the issues and concerns validation table for review. The MN-S advised that an MN-S NR2 President had instructed to hold off submitting the table to NexGen as a workshop to address the issues and concerns was being arranged. The MN-S stated that it has been two weeks and a meeting has not been established. The MN-S noted that the MN-S Director of Environment has directed for the issues and concerns validation table be sent to NexGen to continue with progress.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and MN-S regarding NexGen's visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10-12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the MN-S NR2 Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
10 October 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The MN-S emailed NexGen to follow up if NexGen was agreeable with the MN-S using the NexGen regional Food Study data that was collected by the MN-S to inform the NexGen Métis Food Study. The MN-S also requested for NexGen to confirm the Métis Food Study budget.
11 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed the budget for the MN-S led Traditional Foods Study as requested. NexGen indicated they would confirm the request for the shared data from the regional Traditional Foods Study.
18 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed there were no concerns with the MN-S using data collected as part of the regional Traditional Foods Study to support the Métis-specific Foods Study.
18 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 regarding scheduling the next Environmental Committee meeting to share respective updates as well as discuss priorities and planning for 2024. NexGen proposed to have steering-level Environmental Committee meetings quarterly and hold ad-hoc or sub-committee meetings outside of the quarterly meetings for specific topics. NexGen requested for the MN-S and MN-S NR2 to provide feedback on the proposed approach. NexGen confirmed availability for an Environmental Committee meeting on 6, 9, or 10 November 2023 and inquired if any of the dates would work.
19 October 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership, IC, and Environmental Committee	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and provided a list of the interim MN-S NR2 Implementation and Environmental Committee member assignments.
30 October 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group and the provincial and federal regulators for a workshop. Stantec presented the caribou offset options and gathered feedback to inform the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project.
2 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the proposed meetings to discuss and finalize the issues and concerns table as well as the steering committee / quarterly Environmental Committee meeting to share respective updates and discuss priorities and planning for 2024. The MN-S requested for NexGen to provide dates for consideration.

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
3 November 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the MN-S and MN-S NR2 Implementation Committee met for a meeting to discuss roles, share updates on education and training, and options for sharing information and reports with the NR2 communities.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV emailed the MN-S and copied NexGen to provide a letter noting that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen Energy Ltd. approval to proceed with the proposed Project and attached the decision notification, and ministerial approval.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ education, training, and employment updates; ▪ community engagement updates; ▪ a summary of the June 2023 community information sessions; and ▪ Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 providing a letter regarding the recent provincial approval of the Project EA and thanked the MN-S NR2 for the support through the provincial EA process.
27 November 2023	Video conference	Environmental Committee	NexGen and the MN-S Technical Working Group, a subgroup formed under the Environment Committee, met to discuss the next steps for the issues and concerns validation. The Technical Working Group confirmed the Environmental Committee would meet on 15 December 2023 to review the issues and concerns table and collaborate on its finalization.
28 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S, providing copies of the signed files that the MN-S has signed off as the Federal-Indigenous Review Team representatives for NexGen's responses to their information requests. NexGen requested to be copied on the email from MN-S to the CNSC confirming the MN-S and MN-S NR2 acceptance of the responses.
28 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 providing an update on the activities that have been conducted related to the issues and concerns validation activities required as part of the federal EA process since the last Environmental Committee meeting held on 19 June 2023 in preparation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 December 2023. NexGen attached the finalized issues and concerns table that was confirmed ready to be presented to the Environmental Committee for final sign off as discussed during the Technical Working Group meeting held on 27 November 2023. NexGen also provided specific notes on the attached table for review and invited the MN-S and MN-S NR2 to reach out if there were any questions.
5 December 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the signed Federal-Indigenous Review Team documents and indicated that the MN-S met with the CNSC on 4 December 2023 to discuss. The MN-S informed NexGen the response letter would be added to the MN-S workplan for the week of 4 December 2023.
5 December 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The MN-S copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC thanking the CNSC for the meeting held on 4 December 2023 and attached the MN-S and MN-S NR2 acceptance of the responses to the Federal-Indigenous Review Team's information requests for the NexGen Project.
15 December 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the MN-S and MN-S NR2 for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included an update on the regulatory approval process for the Project, an overview of environmental monitoring programs and initiatives, and finalization and validation of the issues and interests identified for the MN-S NR2 as part of the EA.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed several points from the CNSC letter regarding regulatory planning and activities and provided a summary of

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies. NexGen provided responses to each of the IRs from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
12 January 2024	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen, the MN-S NR2, and the MN-S met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and followed up regarding the status of the issues and concerns table. NexGen inquired if the table could be considered final and if MN-S and MN-S NR2 would be sending the confirmation letter to the CNSC on 15 January 2024.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 regarding scheduling the quarterly Environmental Committee meetings in advance and proposed the dates for 2024. NexGen inquired if the dates would work and stated that meeting invites could be sent out to the Environmental Committee members to hold the dates.
15 January 2024	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen regarding the proposed dates for the 2024 quarterly Environmental Committee meetings and confirmed the dates would work.
23 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and attached the draft letter regarding the MN-S NR2 issues and concerns validation. NexGen inquired if MN-S would be sending the confirmation letter to the CNSC during the week of 22 January 2024.
23 January 2024	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The MN-S copied NexGen in an email correspondence to the CNSC confirming that the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 have validated the issues and concerns for the Project and attached the acceptance letter.
23 January 2024	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The CNSC copied NexGen in an email correspondence to the MN-S thanking the MN-S for the acceptance letter regarding issues and concerns validation for the Project.
31 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and EC	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the MN-S NR2 and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting in February 2024.
31 January 2024	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen, thanking NexGen for the engagement update letter for the Project.
9 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 providing the agenda and presentation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 February 2024. NexGen also listed the proposed discussion items for review.
9 February 2024	Email, incoming	Leadership	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen regarding the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 February 2024 and requested that the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 President be included back on the Environmental Committee.
14 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and confirmed that the invitation and information for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 February 2024 would be sent to the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 President.
16 February 2024	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen, the MN-S NR2, and the MN-S met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the regulatory approvals and public comment processes for the Project; ▪ an overview of ongoing environmental monitoring programs;

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MN-S (including MN-S NR2 and the Métis Locals)			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a discussion on working in collaboration on federal licensing documents as well as end land use planning for the Project; and an overview of the 2024 exploration programs.
21 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 a meeting invite for the next Implementation Committee meeting on 4 March 2024.
26 February 2024	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 Leadership. The MN-S NR2 introduced their new Implementation Coordinator and Human Resources Coordinator, per the Benefit Agreement. NexGen and the MN-S NR2 had additional discussions on communication process, information sharing with community members, and business and contracting.
28 February 2024	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen met with the Training Committee members and discussed the following key topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> university requirements for secondary school math and science; progress of the Export database; training to employment needs; and update on the completed, current, and upcoming training programs.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; IR = information request; JWG = Joint Working Group; LLML#39 = La Loche Métis Local #39; BNML#62 = Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; N-19 Trappers = N-19 Trappers Association; NVLL = Northern Village of La Loche; VC = valued component.

In addition to these key engagement activities, a Benefit Agreement between the MN-S and MN-S NR2, and NexGen has been signed.

5.3 Birch Narrows Dene Nation

Table 6 is a summary of key engagement activities undertaken with the BNDN between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024.

Table 6: Summary of Key Engagement Activities with the Birch Narrows Dene Nation

Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
1 February 2017	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen provided an update presentation on exploration and Project development activities, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> overview and history of the Arrow deposit; highlights of metallurgical work; conceptual Project design; update on studies planned to support a future EA; and proposed 2017 activities including baseline studies and engagement planning. <p>Copies of meeting materials were provided after the meeting.</p>
30 October 2018	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen provided an update on exploration and project development activities to begin dialogue on the Project. The topics included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> company introduction and overview; description of Rook I and Arrow deposit; preliminary EA highlights and the current Pre-Feasibility Study; environmental baseline summary; community commitment to training and procurement; and commitment to engagement.
11 March 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent the BNDN a letter to invite the BNDN Chief and Council to a workshop on 27 March 2019 to review the information provided in the Project Description prepared for the Project.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
9 April 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen provided a presentation including a detailed overview of the information included in the Project Description, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent a Notification of the Commencement of the EA for the Project to the BNDN.
4 June 2019	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent an invitation to the BNDN for a meeting on 18 June 2019 to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete a IKTLU Study in the area of the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement.
25 June 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The BNDN sent NexGen a letter requesting a meeting with NexGen to further discuss details regarding a Benefit Agreement.
25 June 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen met with the BNDN to introduce the Study Agreement which includes capacity funding for a JWG, IKTLU Study, and community coordinator.
30 September 2019	Study Agreement	Leadership	NexGen and the BNDN met to sign and execute the Study Agreement. The Study Agreement outlines a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project and includes funding for a IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and for establishing a JWG.
8 October 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen, the CNSC and BNDN met for a presentation. The presentation was facilitated by NexGen but was led by the CNSC to provide an overview of the CNSC's environmental review process.
25 October 2019	In-person meeting	JWG	NexGen and the BNDN held an introductory meeting for the JWG, which included the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; and ▪ human health risk assessment.
4 December 2019	In-person meeting	JWG	The JWG met to discuss the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ review of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; ▪ human health risk assessment; ▪ water assessment and management; and ▪ air and water pathways. <p>This second JWG meeting included a review of the material presented in the first meeting as there were several new members in the group.</p>
31 December 2019	IKTLU Study	Leadership	The BNDN submitted the final draft of the IKTLU Study as per the Study Agreement.
22 January 2020	Site tour	JWG	The JWG met to provide a tour of the Project site, followed by a presentation and meeting to discuss the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mineral Surface Lease Agreements; ▪ underground tailings management;

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ caribou mitigation and management; ▪ IKTLU; and ▪ traffic studies.
2 March 2020	In-person meeting	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ socio-economic assessment: approach and methods; ▪ community well-being; ▪ employment and training opportunities; ▪ business opportunities; and ▪ caribou mitigation and management.
26 August 2020	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project update; ▪ Regulatory process update; ▪ review of JWG meetings; and ▪ key actions and commitments.
11 December 2020	Video conference	JWG	<p>The CNSC presented to the JWG on the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of CNSC functions as a regulator; ▪ role in Indigenous engagement; ▪ EA; and ▪ radiation protection and compliance.
27 January 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ modelling and the EA process; ▪ air quality model; ▪ surface water quality model; ▪ environmental risk assessment model; and ▪ future meeting topics.
24 February 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen's approach to alternatives assessment; ▪ tailings alternatives assessment; ▪ waste rock alternatives assessment; ▪ site water management alternatives assessment; and ▪ site layout optimization.
25 March 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ land stewardship through all Project phases; ▪ informing the path forward; and ▪ EA updates. <p>Additionally, the BNDN JWG members presented to NexGen regarding the BNDN's Nuh Nene department and approach to consultation. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
7 April 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and outlined three topics to be discussed as an outcome of the 25 March 2021 JWG meeting. The topics were as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a proposed revised approach to the Women's Workshop; ▪ how NexGen can best incorporate the Dene language into the EIS; and ▪ the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program that is part of a broader Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan. <p>NexGen indicated to the BNDN that individual emails would be sent to the BNDN outlining how NexGen intended to approach each topic.</p>
8 April 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided information about the proposed revised approach to the Women's Workshop as it was postponed due to COVID-19. NexGen proposed that a virtual interview program led by InterGroup be completed, if the BNDN agreed with the approach, to please help identify interviewees. NexGen also asked if there were other subsets of the community that the BNDN felt may be otherwise underrepresented that NexGen should also consider an interview program to better understand their unique perspectives.</p>

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			NexGen added that if this initiative is supported by the BNDN, NexGen would like to commence interviews in late April / early May 2021 and would like to provide an honorarium to the participants to thank them for their time.
16 April 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a draft presentation related to the planned April 2021 JWG meeting. NexGen requested that the BNDN share the presentation with the other JWG members prior to the meeting. NexGen also provided a letter regarding the EA and a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and provided details on the upcoming Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program with an invitation for the BNDN to participate.
22 April 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on the traffic study and accidents and malfunctions evaluation, and to review the bounding scenarios used in the evaluation; ▪ an overview of the EA methodology, focusing on pathway analysis and initiating discussions on how the Project could affect community well-being; and ▪ information on the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
29 April 2021	Video conference	Leadership	Representatives from the JWG, and WSP met to discuss the inputs and considerations for the Mine Waste MAA. Discussions focused on the identification of mine waste, tailings, and gypsum as the waste streams and the MAA process for each. Positive feedback was received for the tailings selection and additional discussions focused on gypsum and the selection of options for mine waste.
7 May 2021	Video conference	Leadership	<p>Members from the JWG met with NexGen and Omnia to discuss the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. Discussions included reviewing the proposed program and reviewing background information. The participants also discussed the BNDN's participation in the upcoming field portion of the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program.</p> <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
19 May 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a letter to summarize the JWG engagement activities, and to provide opportunities to help inform the EA and noted that NexGen's goal was to provide this letter to the BNDN JWG at or near the start of each month. The following appendix was included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore prior to the May 2021 JWG meeting.
28 May 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ share information on EA methods, including a focus on pathway analysis related to some of the VCs and intermediate components; ▪ discuss pathways for Indigenous land and resource use in the Project and how the Project could affect them; and ▪ continue discussions on community well-being. <p>Meeting minutes were provided after the meeting.</p>
2 June 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted they had been working with the WSP team to finalize the MAA report. NexGen thanked the BNDN member for the meeting and noted that the attached MAA report was still in working draft form.</p> <p>NexGen noted some updates that happened since the previous meeting, including changes to the gypsum alternatives assessment and the waste rock alternatives assessment.</p>
15 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of the JWG update letter for review. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore prior to the June 2021 JWG meeting; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary.
22 June 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN to follow up on an action item from the 28 May 2021 JWG meeting and confirmed that spawning habitat for multiple fish species

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			exists at or near the Clearwater River bridge crossing immediately east of Patterson Lake. NexGen provided a brief summary of the surveys. NexGen noted that figures were attached to show the spring and fall spawning survey locations and that the figures will form part of the aquatic baseline report.
2 July 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. NexGen informed the BNDN that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program and that a summary of when information about the program was presented to and discussed with the BNDN would also be provided.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
8 July 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on determining significance of residual adverse effects; ▪ information on confidence and uncertainty in predicting future conditions as a result of the Project; ▪ information on monitoring and follow-up programs using the examples of socio-economics and land use; and ▪ discuss how to present material in plain language. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
27 July 2021	Video conference	Leadership and JWG	The JWG met to review a draft presentation created by NexGen to describe the EA process anticipated for the Project. Contained within the description was an identification of specific opportunities where the BNDN would be included as part of both the federal and provincial regulatory processes as well as during key milestones during the development of the EA and during the EA review process.
27 July 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of the July 2021 engagement update letter for review to summarize the JWG engagement activities in June 2021 and to provide an outline for the upcoming activities. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore prior to the July 2021 JWG meeting; ▪ June 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ April 2021 JWG summary.
4 August 2021	Video conference	JWG	The JWG met to share information about traditional and wage economies and discuss community engagement opportunities, including a community information session planned for September 2021.
4 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a monthly update letter to summarize engagement activities during July to mid-August 2021 and to share what was planned for EA engagement in September 2021. The following appendix was included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of themes being considered for the community information sessions.
1 September 2021	Site visit	Leadership	NexGen team members met with the BNDN to search for a historical cultural site.
1 September 2021	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the BNDN to discuss how the BNDN would like to file the IKTLU Study as part of the EIS.
1 September 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of a monthly engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.
14 October 2021	Site visit	Leadership	NexGen and representatives from the BNDN and Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. completed a tour of the Rook I site. The site visit included a tour of the main camp facilities, the core logging facilities, and the Arrow drilling sites, and a focus was placed on the proposed infrastructure locations for the Project. Positive comments were received regarding the small footprint size of the Rook I exploration camp and Arrow site. Additional discussion was focused on business and employment opportunities.

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3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the draft EIS to the CNSC and ENV.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.</p>
5 November 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter and corresponding appendices summarizing engagement activities from August to October 2021 and to share a summary of the proposed activities for November 2021. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July/August 2021 JWG summary; ▪ March 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary (re-issued).
17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and informed that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the draft EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of air, land, water, and people to be presented in multiple workshops.</p>
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and summarizing proposed activities for January 2022. A copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021 was also provided.</p>
13 January 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and extended an invitation to the upcoming EA results workshop planned for 31 January 2022. NexGen advised that this first workshop would be on air and land and would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results.</p> <p>NexGen also confirmed the proposal to schedule an Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee meeting on 1 February 2022 and that NexGen would follow up with more details.</p>
18 January 2022	Video conference	Leadership	<p>NexGen, the BNDN, CNSC, and ENV met to discuss the inclusion of the BNDN's IKTLU Study as a confidential document as part of NexGen's EIS submission.</p>
26 January 2022	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen called the BNDN and informed the BNDN that NexGen must postpone the EA results workshop that was scheduled for 31 January 2022, due to COVID-19. NexGen informed the BNDN that they would call back next week to discuss rescheduling, and the BNDN provided an update on election dates that will need to be considered when rescheduling.</p>
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested clarification on the use of quotes from the BNDN IKTLU Study in the draft EIS. NexGen provided examples and advised that NexGen could follow up with a call to the BNDN on 31 January 2022, to confirm.</p>
4 February 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	<p>The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed BNDN's approval for NexGen to proceed with editing quotes in the Draft EIS.</p>
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlined the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.</p>
21 April 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Implementation Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an attached letter with the changes to the NexGen Implementation Coordinator, and the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee members. NexGen indicated that an Implementation Committee meeting would be scheduled and an introduction to the new NexGen team members would be made. NexGen also listed four BNDN roles and requested for confirmation of active members.</p>

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22 April 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and Implementation Committee	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the changes to the Benefit Agreement representatives as noted in the 21 April 2022 email. The BNDN also indicated that there were no BNDN team member changes to report and listed the summary of team members.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the BNDN and local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
7 June 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ communication; ▪ the Environmental Committee's mandate, roles, and responsibilities; ▪ the BNDN First Nation Monitor Technician (i.e., independent Indigenous Monitor) position; ▪ ways and means to promote and facilitate the involvement of youth in environmental activities; and ▪ current and future environmental activities and potential future engagement opportunities.
24 June 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen held a community information session in Turnor Lake, Saskatchewan and BNDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the Draft EIS submitted to the provincial and federal regulators; and ▪ provide information about the Draft EIS regulatory review process and how members of the local priority area can be involved in the review.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period that provides Indigenous Groups and Communities, members of the public, and government department and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the BNDN leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
18 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested the invoice for BNDN technical capacity support. NexGen advised that the funding had been put aside to provide the BNDN with capacity funding for technical support for the review of the Draft EIS and noted that the funding was not a commitment in the Benefit Agreements but was in good faith to support the EA process.
20 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that the Draft EIS documents from the CNSC had been uploaded to the BNDN-NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site to provide the BNDN's technical team easier access to the documents. NexGen identified the team members who should be contacted should there be any information requests.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
8 August 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The BNDN, BRDN, and NexGen met for a joint Environmental Committee meeting to discuss logistics for the 2022 engagement activities related to the baseline

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			gamma radiation survey, the woodland caribou field work, and the transition from JWG to the Environmental Committee.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN regarding the field portion of the Linear Feature Regeneration Assessment that would be completed by Omnia Ecological Services at the Rook I site from 13 August 2022 to 27 August 2022 as discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022. NexGen expressed interest in arranging a tour to encourage discussion surrounding woodland caribou, the mitigation trials, and the field survey. NexGen noted that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field survey and requested to be informed if there were community members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen also informed the BNDN and the BRDN of the baseline gamma radiation survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall and advised that NexGen would be hiring four youth community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and would be inviting an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to confirm if there were interested community members by 19 August 2022 and noted that a potential date range for the survey would be confirmed by 12 August 2022 or during the week of 15 August 2022. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to relay NexGen's COVID-19 policy when recruiting community members for the field programs.</p>
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the BNDN that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the BNDN.</p>
16 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN following the Environmental Committee meeting on 8 August 2022. NexGen provided a 2021 presentation from a consultant that provides a high-level overview of certain completed wildlife surveys and the species located. NexGen indicated that a meeting could be arranged to review any questions on the content. NexGen informed the BNDN that a broader discussion with the Environmental Committee / JWG on the EA results was being planned and that some specific information on the wildlife surveys could be included in the meeting.</p>
18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board has reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements have been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out with any questions or comments.</p>
22 August 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for the Project EA;

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and ▪ NexGen community program updates.
24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
30 August 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	<p>The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee met to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ finalize the Environmental Committee Terms of Reference and discuss the First Nation Monitor Technician position; ▪ review and discuss the meeting summary template; ▪ discuss engagement updates and upcoming engagement opportunities for environmental programs at Rook I; ▪ discuss the importance of education, training, and employment; ▪ discuss the importance of cultural practices and sharing information equally; and ▪ plan the Q4 / year-end Environmental Committee meeting.
14 September 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and Leadership	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a bullet point list of information requested regarding public access for hunters as it relates to the proposed Project and the current Rook I exploration site, as discussed during the last Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen indicated that BNDN could reach out if there was a desire to discuss further.
14 September 2022	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding scheduling an Environmental Committee site tour of the Rook I site on 27 September 2022 or 28 September 2022. The Regulatory Lead of the BNDN confirmed unavailability during the proposed dates and indicated that the Chief and Council of the BNDN might be available for the site tour.
16 September 2022	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee, Leadership, and consultants	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding a request for a plain language Project fact sheet on the Project EA that could be distributed at the community meeting scheduled on 20 September 2022.
16 September 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and Leadership	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a copy of the booklets that were created for the community information sessions held in June 2022 in the local priority area for review and to assist with the BNDN's upcoming community meeting. NexGen also provided links to NexGen's website for additional details on the community information sessions held, JWG summaries, and general Project overview information for reference.
16 September 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested assistance in finding field assistants to work on a baseline gamma survey at the Rook I site. NexGen confirmed the physical requirements for the program and provided the hourly rates for the work.
16 September 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and staff	The BNDN emailed NexGen and advised there were three community members interested in being field assistants for the baseline gamma survey.
16 September 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for confirming that there were currently three interested members for the field assistant roles for the baseline gamma survey. NexGen proposed to touch base during the week of 19 September 2022 to discuss further.
26 September 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding the proposed EA Meeting / Workshop planned for 3 October 2022 or 4 October 2022 and suggested to postpone the meeting to late October 2022 or November 2022 to allow for better community attendance and to allow for discussion on the EIS review comments. The BNDN indicated that several dates for consideration would be provided during the week of 3 October 2022.
29 September 2022	Email exchange	Staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a status update on the baseline geochemistry document for the Project EIS requested on 26 September 2022. NexGen indicated that the two primary documents available were the waste and wall rock source terms and the tailings source terms that the BNDN had already accessed. NexGen informed the BNDN that they would follow up with the EA team for the baseline geochemistry document and keep the BNDN posted.
29 September 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the status update on the baseline geochemistry document for the Project EIS. The BNDN thanked NexGen for

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			following up on the request and indicated that it was important to review the data collected which the source term predictions were based upon.
29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities in the summer of 2022 and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF of the August 2022 community newsletter.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the Traditional Foods Study Program planned to begin in 2023 that was discussed during the recent Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the BNDN community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.
18 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed the contacts at the BNDN for the engagement on the baseline monitoring programs in response to NexGen's 11 October 2022 email. The BNDN also expressed interest in arranging a meeting with CanNorth to discuss the planned programs.
18 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the shapefiles for NexGen's mineral dispositions (SW1, SW2, and SW3 properties) as an attachment and included the UTM coordinates for the Rook I camp as a follow up to the BNDN's 7 October 2022 email.
19 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the NexGen shapefiles for the mineral dispositions (SW1, SW2, and SW3 properties) and UTM coordinates for the Rook I camp emailed on 18 October 2022.
21 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN advising that the proposed date of 27 October 2022 for a community meeting no longer worked for the entire team and requested for the BNDN to propose new dates.
24 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged receipt of the notification advising 27 October 2022 for a potential community meeting would not work and confirmed they would provide alternative dates.
1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the formal notification of the NexGen committee member changes to the Benefit Agreement Implementation Committee as a follow up to the BNDN's 22 April 2022 email.
22 November 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discuss the EA results for the Project. ▪ Share an update on the BNDN Implementation Committee activities. ▪ Review the Environmental Committee activities in 2022, including the Environmental committee Mandate. ▪ Discuss logistics and planning for 2023.
24 November 2022	Phone call, incoming	Leadership	The BNDN Chief called NexGen to reiterate and confirm that the BNDN community fully supports the Project and the Benefit Agreement and noted how positive the engagement experience has been for the community.
2 December 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 November 2022 for review and comments. NexGen indicated that the documents have been placed on the Environmental Committee SharePoint site and noted that the list of action items have also been included in the email. NexGen thanked the BNDN for a great meeting and looked forward to seeing everyone during the week of 5 December 2022.
7 December 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and staff	NexGen presented the results of the EA to the BNDN Environmental Committee, Chief and Council, and technical consultants. Following the EA results presentation, NexGen and the BNDN discussed the comments that were submitted to the CNSC by the BNDN as part of the federal public review period for the Project Draft EIS and the next steps for discussing the comments.

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22 December 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the December 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; an update on environmental monitoring programs; a summary of community updates and initiatives; a Project status update; and a Christmas message.
22 December 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and staff	<p>The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding the comments and questions submitted by the BNDN related to the Project Draft EIS. The BNDN indicated that some of the comments were addressed during the meeting held on 7 December 2022 and thanked NexGen for the EA workshop presentation.</p> <p>The BNDN expressed that the best path forward on the remaining items would be a joint discussion with NexGen in order to learn more about NexGen's approach on certain topics and to hold a constructive discussion to resolve remaining items that needed clarification or resolution. The BNDN attached an updated spreadsheet of the questions and comments for NexGen's review. The BNDN indicated that the spreadsheet was intended to be used as a guide for upcoming meetings and listed the topics that could be discussed specifically.</p> <p>The BNDN noted that there was a lot to learn from NexGen on the approach taken, and by meeting to discuss the topics, the BNDN was confident that the open items could be addressed or resolved by collaboration between the BNDN and NexGen. The BNDN informed NexGen that the BNDN could be available to meet during the first week of January 2023 and that two BNDN members could arrange to attend in person on 9 January or 13 January 2023.</p> <p>The BNDN thanked NexGen for the support and partnership during 2022 and looked forward to working together in 2023.</p>
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement in 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the BNDN in 2023.
19 January 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN to inform about a regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen would be completing in 2023. NexGen advised that CanNorth has been engaged to complete the study in northwest Saskatchewan and work with the communities to further understand the type, quantity, and location of Traditional Foods consumed and analyze key food types. NexGen indicated that the regional Traditional Foods Study would add to the work already done by communities in support of NexGen's EA and noted that the BNDN, CRDN, MN-S, and BRDN have been approached to engage on the program and to help inform the study design. NexGen indicated that an overview of the regional Traditional Foods Study was discussed with the BNDN Environmental Committee during a meeting held in 2022 and it was determined that identifying a community liaison for the program would be the next step. NexGen proposed to have CanNorth present a regional Traditional Foods Study overview and indicated that a similar meeting was being arranged with CanNorth and the BRDN. NexGen inquired if the BNDN would be interested in attending a joint meeting with the BRDN and hoped to arrange the presentation in late January 2023 or mid-February 2023. NexGen inquired if there was a date that would work best for the BNDN.
7 February 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN to thank the BNDN for the emails following up on the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 13 February 2023. NexGen advised that there were updates regarding the EA process that would take 1-2 hours of time in the morning to discuss. NexGen informed the BNDN that the NexGen team member has reached out to NexGen's Vice President, Environment, Permitting & Licensing and the EA team regarding the responses to the BNDN's outstanding EIS comments and recommendations for the meeting

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			agenda. NexGen noted that the BNDN's proposed draft agenda was also forwarded and that NexGen would reach back out as soon as possible.
7 February 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and staff	The BNDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the update regarding the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 13 February 2023 and the status of the responses to the BNDN's outstanding EIS comments.
13 February 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and the BNDN Environmental Committee met to discuss the BNDN comments on the Draft EIS submitted as part of the federal public review process. NexGen and the BNDN Environmental Committee discussed a collaborative method, through the Environmental Committee, to workshopping and resolving these comments. NexGen agreed to provide draft responses to the BNDN's public comments at a later date for the BNDN's review, and it was agreed that a follow-up Environmental Committee workshop would be scheduled at a later date.
21 February 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and the BNDN Environmental Committee met to discuss updates on the 2023 Environmental Committee priorities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the regulatory review of the EA; ongoing monitoring programs (specifically, the regional Traditional Foods Study); collaboration on licence documents (specifically, the Environmental Protection Program and the Wildlife and Human Interactions Procedure); community awareness; and end land use planning.
21 February 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
24 February 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the Northern Technical Assistant that CanNorth was seeking for the upcoming winter water sampling program that was discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting recently held. NexGen indicated that they would provide accommodations and meals for the duration of the program at the Rook I camp and that CanNorth would be providing compensation. NexGen indicated the program was tentatively scheduled to be conducted from 21 March 2023 to 28 March 2023 and requested to be informed by 10 March 2023 if the BNDN knew anyone who would be interested and qualify for the role. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions regarding the sampling program.
1 March 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and confirmed that the Northern Technical position had been filled.
13 March 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the Environmental Committee meeting held on 21 February 2023 and indicated that CanNorth would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study in more detail. CanNorth stated that the BNDN could invite any representatives to attend who could help guide the design of the program and inquired if the BNDN would be available to meet early April 2023.
16 March 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the 13 March 2023 email and advised that another CanNorth team member could assist in arranging the meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study once the BNDN confirmed a date that would work.
20 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
11 April 2023	Video conference	Environmental Committee and staff	BNDN and CanNorth met to discuss the NexGen regional Traditional Food Study in more detail, including the program's goals, study design, community involvement, data considerations, and next steps.
14 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the meeting held on 11 April 2023. CanNorth provided the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study summary for the BNDN Chief and Council as well as examples of the questions that would be asked during the interview for review. CanNorth stated they were comfortable with the BNDN's process to receive permission from Chief and Council to proceed with the regional Traditional Foods Study and noted that a Band Council Resolution was a process that they had seen previously. CanNorth provided a sample of

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			Band Council Resolution wording and indicated that further particulars would be up to the BNDN and could be taken from the regional Traditional Foods Study summary. CanNorth provided the proposed compensation rates for the interviewers, interviewee, and the community liaison for the project and advised that all payments would go through CanNorth. CanNorth invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
19 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN providing the list of foods that would be included in the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire. CanNorth indicated they are providing the list for review and in advance of the training sessions.
19 April 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with members from the BNDN and MN-S for a Rook I site tour and to locate a spot for the ceremonial sweat with Elders from all local priority area Nations. The core logging facilities and the Arrow site were toured. A safe location for the ceremonial sweat was confirmed.
21 April 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the education and training initiatives; ▪ regulatory process updates for the Project; and ▪ a summary of community engagement updates.
26 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN to follow-up and confirm if there has been any progress on getting a Band Council Resolution or agreement to move forward with the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study.
26 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN informing of the meeting held with the CNSC and indicated there were a few action items that came from the meeting to keep progressing the Project. NexGen stated that the CNSC would need to connect with the BNDN to try and close off the action items. NexGen noted that the implementation and mechanisms of the Benefit Agreement may have already resolved some of the outstanding items that the CNSC would like to address and requested for the BNDN to reach out to the CNSC.
8 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN to follow-up regarding the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study and inquired if training could be arranged in the next few weeks.
10 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the schedule of the community information sessions about the Project planned for 12 June 2023 to 16 June 2023 in the local priority area communities. NexGen indicated the community information sessions would be a drop-in format with a series of poster stations staffed by NexGen staff who would be available to share information and answers. NexGen also shared the objectives of the community information sessions and noted that the staff of the CNSC and ENV would be in attendance to explain their roles as regulatory agencies and to answer any questions from community members. NexGen stated the community information sessions would be open to all community members and members of the public and would be advertised through monthly radio announcements. NexGen indicated that posters would be created to share and post in the communities and that invitation cards would be mailed out. NexGen thanked the BNDN for helping confirm the dates and venues and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or additional information needed.
12 May 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee and staff	The BNDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen regarding arranging training for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. The BNDN inquired if scheduling the training could be extended.
17 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	CanNorth emailed the BNDN acknowledging the BNDN's request to extend the scheduling of the training for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth inquired if the last week of May 2023 or first week of June 2023 would be feasible.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN, forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Groups and communities.
24 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN thanking them for the understanding about postponing the May 2023 Environmental Committee meeting and proposed to reschedule the meeting in late June 2023. NexGen inquired if the morning of 27 June 2023 would work for the BNDN and stated the agenda would remain as previously proposed. NexGen requested for the BNDN to confirm if the proposed date would work or if there was an alternative date the BNDN would like to

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			suggest. NexGen also reminded the BNDN that they were continuing to plan for the community information sessions in the local priority area and expressed they were looking forward to being in BNDN/Turnor Lake on 14 June 2023.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; education, training, and employment updates; and a summary of community updates and initiatives.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and a digital copy of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed they hope to see the BNDN at the upcoming community information sessions.
14 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership, Environmental Committee, staff, and members	NexGen held a community information session in Turnor Lake and the BNDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
5 July 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a discussion of Implementation Committee updates and the Environmental Committee's 2023 priorities, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ongoing environmental monitoring programs (specifically, seed collection); collaboration on licensing documents; community awareness updates; and key updates relating to the EA process.
5 July 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
21 July 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee	The BNDN emailed NexGen and provided a letter with the change in the BNDN representation for the roles as defined in the Benefit Agreement between the BNDN and NexGen.
24 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for the updates regarding the BNDN technical consultants and potential dates for a workshop to discuss the BNDN issues and concerns identified for the Draft EIS. NexGen explained the materials for the workshop would be the same as the slides that were included in the Environmental Committee meeting held on 5 July 2023 and the additional PDF sent out with the key mitigation and accommodation columns included. NexGen offered to resend the materials to the BNDN. NexGen noted the first workshop would be to discuss the issues and concerns table from Section 2 of the Draft EIS and advised that a subsequent workshop would be scheduled at a later date to discuss the comments submitted by the BNDN as part of the federal public review on the Draft EIS.
24 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership, Implementation Committee, and	NexGen emailed the BNDN and acknowledged receipt of the notice of change in the BNDN representation.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
		Environmental Committee	
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the BNDN, CRDN, MN-S NR2, and BRDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the BNDN's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of a BNDN representative to participate in the meeting and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions.
9 August 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BNDN emailed NexGen and stated they would reach out to a potential BNDN representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group and confirm their interest.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked them for confirming that the BNDN would reach out to the potential BNDN representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the draft agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 August 2023. NexGen stated a main priority for the Environmental Committee meeting would be to collaboratively review the issues and concerns table specific for the BNDN as part of the regulatory process for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the issues and concerns table for reference and review. NexGen proposed that the Environmental Committee continue to meet to share any updates related to ongoing 2023 priorities after the issues and concerns workshop and advised the meeting has been extended to ensure there would be enough time. NexGen expressed they looked forward to the meeting.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities.
14 August 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a review of 2023 Environmental Committee priorities and a workshop of the issues and concerns identified for the BNDN as part of the Draft EIS for the Project.
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and staff	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen stated the study would provide regional food data to compare or augment the assumptions used in the modelling for the Project EIS. NexGen indicated they have been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen acknowledged that the BNDN had a job posting out to recruit interviewers to assist with the regional Traditional Foods Study and that two interviewers have recently been recruited. NexGen noted the next step would be for the BNDN to schedule interview training with CanNorth, and once the training was complete, the interviews with community members would begin. NexGen informed the BNDN the goal was to have all community interviews completed by 15 December 2023 and advised that CanNorth would use the information gathered by the BNDN to inform the 2024 sampling program. NexGen indicated that a final report would be produced by CanNorth in the summer of 2024. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns about being able to complete the interview training and community interviews by 15 December 2023.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for

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			the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the BNDN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS had been uploaded to the BNDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked the BNDN for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV emailed the BNDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the BNDN to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the Final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures and technical review findings and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the BNDN and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that they were copied on the ENV correspondence to the Chief of the BNDN regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the BNDN Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator as per the terms of reference for the BNDN Benefit Agreement and as part of the ongoing discussions regarding collaboration on the regulatory process for the Project.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the Caribou Working Group and thanked the group for helping make the first meeting held on 29 August 2023 a success. NexGen attached the meeting minutes, presentation, and a visual charter for review as well as provided a link to the requested resources as a follow up to some of the action items. NexGen informed the Caribou Working Group that a placeholder for the workshop on 16 October 2023 had been sent out and noted that NexGen would also be inviting regulators as guests to the workshop. NexGen advised that additional information would be sent out closer to the date.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen also informed the BNDN that NexGen has recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS as well as continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen expressed they looked forward to collaborating with the BNDN Environmental Committee to address the BNDN public comments submitted as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen thanked the BNDN for the continued engagement throughout the federal EA and licensing processes for the Project and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the seed collection program that NexGen was working with Integral Ecology Group to conduct at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project that have been discussed in the

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
			Environmental Committee meetings. NexGen informed the BNDN that both NexGen’s Environmental Team and Integral Ecology Group would be at the Rook I site between 2 October and 5 October 2023 for the program and inquired if a BNDN member would be interested in participating. NexGen stated that a day trip could be accommodated and requested for the BNDN to confirm a preferred date. NexGen noted the costs for involvement would be paid as per the Environmental Committee funding and advised that NexGen would be reaching out to Environmental Committees with other Nations to confirm interest in participation. NexGen also indicated that an Elder was welcome to join a BNDN member.
15 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the issues and concerns table that has been updated to reflect the workshoping conducted during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 15 August 2023 and included a table outlining the changes made for reference. NexGen informed of the next steps for the BNDN and NexGen to prepare letters to the CNSC to endorse the responses and confirm the items have been agreed upon. NexGen stated that a draft letter documenting the process undertaken would be circulated for EC review. NexGen thanked the BNDN for the collaborative and transparent approach with working through the regulatory processes for the Project and advised that an EC subgroup meeting to continue the review of the BNDN public comments submitted as part of the federal EA process would be organized once the issues and concerns validation letter has been finalized.
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached a draft letter prepared for the BNDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the BNDN-NexGen Environmental Committee. NexGen also attached a copy of the completed issues and concerns summary table to accompany the letter to CNSC. NexGen welcomed any adjustments to the letterhead and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or clarification required.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding NexGen’s visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10-12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the BNDN Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
31 October 2023	Video conference	Environmental Committee	NexGen and the BNDN met to discuss NexGen’s proposed exploration programs for 2024 as well as to discuss several topics relating to the BNDN Environmental Committee, including the letter regarding the issues and concerns validation, communication and funding processes, and education and training initiatives.
31 October 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The BNDN copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC providing a letter regarding the validation of issues and concerns that confirmed the issues and concerns identified by the BNDN in regards to the Project that could be addressed at this time have been resolved. The BNDN also informed the CNSC that processes have been developed to resolve concerns in the future.
2 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The CNSC copied NexGen in an email to the BNDN thanking the BNDN for providing a support letter confirming that NexGen has satisfactorily addressed all of the BNDN’s issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of federal EA requirements. The CNSC informed the BNDN that the CNSC would be in contact regarding next steps in the EA process and noted the letter would be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry once the Federal-Indigenous Review Team technical review was complete.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the proposed high-level agenda for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 7 November 2023 for review. NexGen indicated a copy of the presentation would also be distributed later on 6 November 2023 and stated that lunch would be provided for in-person attendees.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the presentation for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 7 November 2023 and noted printed copies would be available at the meeting.
7 November 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the BNDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a discussion of Implementation Committee updates and the EC’s 2023 priorities, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ongoing environmental monitoring programs;

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ collaboration on licensing documents; ▪ community awareness updates; ▪ end land use planning; and ▪ key updates relating to the EA process.
7 November 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	<p>NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting. The key topics discussed were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ procedures for Indigenous knowledge; ▪ logistics for both the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee; ▪ education and training initiatives; ▪ planning for a site tour; and ▪ economic development and business opportunities.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	<p>The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the BNDN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the BNDN.</p>
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.</p>
9 November 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ education, training, and employment updates; ▪ community engagement updates; ▪ a summary of the June 2023 community information sessions; and ▪ Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the Chief of the BNDN providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the BNDN for the support through the provincial EA process.</p>
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed several points from the CNSC letter regarding regulatory planning and activities and provided a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies. NexGen provided responses to each of the IRs from CNSC's letter.</p>
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN Chief providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.</p>
16 January 2024	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	<p>NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.</p>
31 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the BNDN and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting in February 2024.</p>
31 January 2024	Email, incoming	BNDDI	<p>BNDDI emailed NexGen regarding the engagement update letter for the Project provided to the BNDN. The BNDDI requested to be included in the distribution list moving forward and thanked NexGen for the work being done for impacted communities.</p>
31 January 2024	Email, outgoing	BNDDI	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDDI and thanked the BNDDI for the comments on the recent update letter for the Project. NexGen stated that BNDDI would be included in the distribution list moving forward.</p>
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN, providing the agenda and presentation for the quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2024 and listed the discussion items for review.</p>

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
9 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN, providing the presentation and meeting summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 7 November 2023 and indicated that all the documents have been uploaded to the BNDN–NexGen Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen also included a table of the action items, which was also available in the presentation.
12 February 2024	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	A BNDN Environmental Committee member emailed NexGen and advised that they would not be attending the quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2024. The BNDN Environmental Committee member stated it was a pleasure working with NexGen and noted they have learned from being involved in engagements, Benefit Agreement negotiations, and implementation processes.
12 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the BNDN Chief expressing thanks for the meeting held during the week of 5 February 2024 to review the business and employment stats for 2023 for the BNDN and attached the 2023 Local Priority Area Contract Award Summary slide deck. NexGen requested for the BNDN Chief to confirm the community representatives who would be attending the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2024.
13 February 2024	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the regulatory approvals and public comment processes for the Project; ▪ an overview of ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a discussion on working in collaboration on federal licensing documents as well as end land use planning for the Project; and ▪ an overview of the 2024 exploration programs.
28 February 2024	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen met with the Training Committee members and discussed the following key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ university requirements for secondary school math and science; ▪ progress of the Export database; ▪ training to employment needs; and ▪ update on the completed, current, and upcoming training programs.

BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BNNDI = Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc.; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; MAA = multiple accounts analysis; JWG = Joint Working Group; VC = valued component.

In addition to these key engagement activities, a Benefit Agreement between the BNDN and NexGen has been signed.

5.4 Buffalo River Dene Nation

Table 7 is a summary of key engagement activities undertaken with the BRDN between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
1 February 2017	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen provided an update presentation on exploration and Project development activities, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview and history of the Arrow deposit; ▪ highlights of metallurgical work; ▪ conceptual Project design; ▪ update on studies planned to support a future EA; and ▪ proposed 2017 activities including baseline studies and engagement planning. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
16 October 2018	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities. The topics included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of Rook I and Arrow deposit; ▪ preliminary economic assessment highlights and the current Pre-feasibility Study; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement.
11 March 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent the BRDN a letter with a meeting request to the BRDN Chief and Council to attend a workshop on the Project Description on 27 March 2019 at the BRDN.</p>
8 April 2019	Update meetings with Leadership	Leadership, staff, and members	<p>NexGen met with the BRDN to present an overview of the information included in the Project Description, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent a letter to the BRDN to provide the Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.</p>
4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen sent an invitation letter to the BRDN regarding a proposed meeting on 18 June 2019, to discuss the following items: ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete a IKTLU Study in the area of the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement.
26 June 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen held a community information session at the BRDN to discuss/present on the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ inform local communities of the nature of the proposed activities at the Rook I site; ▪ answer questions and received initial feedback specific to the Project for consideration during the EA; ▪ initially identify VCs and local land use by community members in attendance; ▪ provide information about the EA process; and ▪ introduce NexGen and the Project to the broader community.
14 August 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen and the BRDN met to discuss the Study Agreement which includes capacity funding for a JWG, IKTLU Study, and community coordinator.</p>
19 September 2019	Study Agreement	Leadership and staff	<p>NexGen and the BRDN met to sign and execute the Study Agreement. The Study Agreement outlines a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project, and includes funding for a IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and for establishing a JWG.</p>

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
9 October 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership and staff	NexGen, the CNSC, and the BRDN met for a presentation. The presentation was facilitated by NexGen but led by the CNSC to provide an overview of the CNSC's environmental review process.
1 November 2019	In-person meeting	JWG	NexGen and the BRDN met to hold an introductory meeting for the JWG including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; and ▪ human health risk assessment.
5 December 2019	In-person meeting	JWG	NexGen and the BRDN met to hold the second meeting of the JWG. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ review of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; ▪ human health risk assessment; ▪ water assessment and management; and ▪ air and water pathways. <p>The meeting was held at Vermette Lake. After the meeting, Elders joined in the evening for supper and a discussion of the Project that included maps and images.</p>
19 December 2019	IKTLU Study	Leadership	The BNDN submitted the final draft of the BRDN IKTLU Study for the Project, as per the Study Agreement.
23 January 2020	Site tour	JWG	The JWG met to provide a tour of the Project site, followed by a presentation and meeting to discuss the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mineral Surface Lease Agreements; ▪ underground tailings management; ▪ caribou mitigation and management; ▪ IKTLU; and ▪ traffic studies.
21 February 2020	In-person meeting	JWG	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ socio-economic assessment: approach and methods; ▪ community well-being; ▪ employment and training opportunities; ▪ business opportunities; ▪ caribou mitigation and management; and ▪ IKTLU Study results.
28 August 2020	Video conference	JWG	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project updates; ▪ regulatory process updates; ▪ review of JWG meetings; and ▪ key actions and commitments.
11 December 2020	Video conference	JWG	The CNSC presented to the JWG on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of CNSC functions as a regulator; ▪ role in Indigenous engagement; ▪ EA; and ▪ radiation protection and compliance.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
10 February 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ modelling and the EA process; ▪ air quality model; ▪ surface water quality model; ▪ environmental risk assessment model; and ▪ future meeting topics. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
24 February 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ approach to alternative assessments; ▪ tailings alternatives; ▪ waste rock alternatives; ▪ site water management alternatives; and ▪ site layout optimization.
31 March 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ land stewardship through all Project phases; ▪ informing the path forward; and ▪ EA updates. <p>Additionally, the BRDN JWG members presented to NexGen about BRDN history and current conditions and services, needs, and issues. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
16 April 2021	Email, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a letter regarding the EA and a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and provided details on the upcoming Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program with an invitation for the BRDN to participate.</p>
29 April 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on the traffic study and accidents and malfunctions evaluation, including to review the bounding scenarios used in the evaluation; ▪ an overview of the EA methodology, focusing on pathway analysis and initiating discussions on how the Project could affect community well-being; and ▪ information and feedback on the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program.
19 May 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a letter to summarize the JWG engagement activities, and to provide opportunities to help inform the EA and noted that NexGen's goal was to provide similar letters moving forward. The following appendix was included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore prior to the May 2021 JWG meeting.
27 May 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on EA methods, including a focus on pathway analysis related to some of the VCs and intermediate components; ▪ pathways for Indigenous land and resource use in the Project and how the Project could affect Indigenous land and resource use; and ▪ continue discussions on community well-being. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting.</p>
15 June 2021	Email, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted that an action from the March 2021 JWG meeting was to contact the NSEQC to find out their proposed meeting schedule. NexGen confirmed they had been in contact with a member and that the NSEQC had not yet received the required Order in Council in Regina. It was confirmed that the NSEQC did have an approved budget for 2021/2022 and would arrange a meeting later in the year.</p>
15 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted the attachment of an engagement update letter for review. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore prior to the June 2021 JWG meeting; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary.

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23 June 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on determining significance of residual adverse effects; ▪ information on confidence and uncertainty in predicting future conditions as a result of the Project; ▪ information on monitoring and follow-up programs using the examples of socio-economics and land use; and ▪ discussion of how to present material in plain language. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting.</p>
2 July 2021	Email, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. NexGen informed the BRDN that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program and that NexGen will be providing a summary of when information about the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program was presented to and discussed with the BRDN.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
27 July 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted attachment of the July engagement update letter for review to summarize the JWG engagement activities in June 2021 and to provide an outline for the upcoming activities. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore prior to the July 2021 JWG meeting; ▪ June BRDN JWG meeting minutes; ▪ June 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ April 2021 JWG summary.
5 August 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The JWG met to share information about additional wage economies and discuss community engagement opportunities, including a community information session in September 2021. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
30 August 2021	Site visit	JWG	<p>The JWG met for a tour of the Rook I site. The main camp facilities and core processing facilities were toured, as well as two drill rigs at the Arrow site. Additionally, the mine plan and Arrow Deposit resource model were viewed in 3D software. Discussions during the tour focused on employment and contracting opportunities.</p>
31 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter to summarize engagement EA activities during July to mid-August 2021 and to share what was planned for EA engagement in September 2021. The following appendix was included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of themes being considered for the community information sessions.
17 September 2021	Video conference	Leadership and JWG	<p>Representatives from the BRDN, NexGen, and Omnia Ecological met to discuss the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program. Omnia Ecological provided background information as to why and how the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program will be conducted at the Rook I site. Overall, a collaborative discussion about caribou was held, and as an outcome of the meeting, the BRDN will be contacting a member about participating in the on-site portion of the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial Program.</p>
27 September 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted the attachment of an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.</p>
21 October 2021	Video conference	JWG	<p>The BRDN JWG members presented to NexGen on BRDN history, culture, tradition, and spirituality and shared Traditional Foods, furs, crafts, knowledge, and stories. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>

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3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an update on NexGen’s submission of the Project draft EIS to the CNSC and ENV. NexGen advised that the draft EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.
5 November 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter and corresponding appendices summarizing engagement activities from August to October 2021 and to share a summary of the proposed activities for November 2021. The following appendices were included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> July/August 2021 JWG summary; March 2021 JWG summary; and May 2021 JWG summary (re-issued).
17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership, staff, and JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and informed that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the draft EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022. NexGen advised that the workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of air, land, water, and people to be presented in several workshops.
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and summarizing proposed activities for January 2022. A copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021 was also provided.
13 January 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and extended an invitation to the upcoming workshop planned for 3 February 2022 to present and discuss some of the EA results. NexGen advised this first workshop would be focused on air and land and would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results. NexGen also confirmed the proposal to schedule an Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee meeting on Friday, 4 February 2022, and that NexGen would follow up with more details.
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the workshop scheduled for 3 February 2022, would need to be postponed due to recent positive COVID-19 cases and noted that an update would be provided in the coming week regarding rescheduling. NexGen proposed that the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 4 February 2022, would be moved to a virtual platform.
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, staff, and JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested clarification on the use of quotes from the BRDN IKTLU in the draft EIS. NexGen provided examples and advised that NexGen could follow up with a call to the BRDN on 31 January 2022 to confirm.
4 February 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, staff, and JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested confirmation regarding how the BRDN would like to present the IKTLU Study to the regulators as part of NexGen’s draft EIS submission. NexGen outlined various options for the BRDN to consider and advised that NexGen would be available to answer any questions and co-ordinate a meeting with the CNSC and/or the ENV if the BRDN had any questions about their policies and confidentiality processes.
9 February 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership, staff, and JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and confirmed that as per the discussion with the BRDN on 9 February 2022, NexGen would proceed with using edited quotes in the draft EIS.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and JWG	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlining the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.

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11 March 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen presented to the newly elected BRDN Chief and Council members to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an overview of NexGen; an overview of the Study Agreement signed with the BRDN in 2019; an overview of the Benefit Agreement signed with the BRDN in 2020; and an overview of and status update on the Project.
21 April 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the Chief of the BRDN and provided an attached letter describing changes to the NexGen Implementation Coordinator and the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee members. NexGen indicated that an Implementation Committee meeting would be scheduled and an introduction to the new NexGen team members would be made. NexGen also listed four BRDN roles and requested for confirmation of active members.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a NexGen scholarship update; an introduction to a new NexGen team member; an update on the completed 2021 Rook I field program; information on Project jobs and opportunities; updates on Project advancement; contact information to learn more about the Project; and a word search.
25 June 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and members	NexGen held a community information session at the BRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the Draft EIS submitted to the provincial and federal regulators; and provide information about the Draft EIS regulatory review process and how members of the local priority area can be involved in the review.
4 July 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> share an overview of the Environmental Committee and its status; review the Terms of Reference and First Nation Monitor Technician (role description); discuss utilizing subcommittees in the Environmental Committee; discuss the Environmental Committee initiative application; determine a meeting schedule and cadence for the Environmental Committee; discuss a status update on the transition from the JWG to the Environmental Committee and planning for an EA Results meeting; discuss the engagement opportunities for 2022 programs; and discuss future engagement opportunities for other upcoming work and programs.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period that provides Indigenous Groups and Communities, members of the public, and government department and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the BRDN leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.

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18 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested the BRDN invoice for technical capacity support. NexGen advised that the funding had been put aside to provide the BRDN with capacity funding for technical support for the review of the Draft EIS and noted that the funding was not a commitment in the Benefit Agreement but was in good faith to support the EA process.
20 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the Draft EIS documents from the CNSC had been uploaded to the BRDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site to provide the BRDN's technical team easier access to the documents. NexGen identified the NexGen team members who could be contacted should there be any information requests.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
8 August 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The BNDN, BRDN, and NexGen met for a joint Environmental Committee meeting to discuss logistics for the 2022 engagement activities related to the baseline gamma survey, woodland caribou field work, and transition from JWGs to the Environmental Committee.
8 August 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen following an Environmental Committee meeting and requested more information and a photo of the artifact found onsite near the Rook I camp.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN regarding the field portion of the Linear Feature Regeneration Assessment that would be completed by Omnia Ecological Services at the Rook I site from 13 August 2022 to 27 August 2022 as discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022. NexGen expressed interest in arranging a tour to encourage discussion surrounding woodland caribou, the mitigation trials, and the field survey. NexGen noted that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field survey and requested to be informed if there were community members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen also informed the BNDN and the BRDN of the baseline gamma survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall and advised that NexGen would be hiring four community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and would be inviting an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to confirm if there were interested community members by 19 August 2022 and noted that a potential date range for the survey would be confirmed by 12 August 2022 or during the week of 15 August 2022. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to relay NexGen's COVID-19 policy when recruiting community members for the field programs.</p>
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey are and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the BRDN that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the BRDN.</p>

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10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that an email with additional details regarding the artifact found at the Rook I site had just been sent and welcomed questions or a meeting to discuss further.
11 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that Omnia had delayed the trip to begin the linear disturbance regeneration assessment until 16 August 2022. NexGen advised that there was an opportunity for a community member to assist with the field survey, if interested.
12 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN providing the draft minutes from the joint Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022 for review and comment. NexGen also included the draft action items from the meeting and requested for the contacts and availability for the 2022 engagement opportunities.
18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board had reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements have been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out with any questions or comments.
22 August 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the current Rook I site activities; a permitting status and update for the Project; information on the regulatory process for Project EA; a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and NexGen community program updates.
24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
1 September 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> share a status update on the First Nation Monitor Technician (i.e., Independent Indigenous Monitor) role; discuss the meeting summary template; discuss engagement updates and upcoming engagement opportunities for environmental programs at Rook I; and plan the Q4 / year-end Environmental Committee meeting.
29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF of the August 2022 community newsletter.
6 October 2022	Letter, incoming	Leadership	NexGen received an email from the BRDN providing a letter of support for the Project to be included in the formal federal Draft EIS public review.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; a Project status update; an introduction to the Project website; and an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the Traditional Foods Study Program planned to begin in 2023 that was discussed during the recent Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the BRDN community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.

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1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN to follow up on the request for engagement on the baseline monitoring programs emailed on 11 October 2022. NexGen requested for confirmation on the BRDN contacts who would be involved and could assist in coordinating a meeting with CanNorth and NexGen to discuss the scopes.
23 November 2022	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> discuss a Project update; share an update on the BRDN Implementation Committee activities; review the Environmental Committee's activities in 2022, including the Environmental Committee mandate; and discuss logistics and planning for 2023.
2 December 2022	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 23 November 2022 for review and comment. NexGen indicated that the documents have been placed on the Environmental Committee SharePoint site and noted that the list of action items have also been included in the email. NexGen thanked the BRDN for a great meeting and looked forward to seeing everyone during the week of 5 December 2022.
6 December 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the BRDN Environmental Committee and Chief and presented the results of the EA for the Project. The presentation focused on the Draft EIS and its four main themes of assessment and discussed the potential impacts to each, including: atmosphere, water, land, and people.
22 December 2022	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the December 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; an update on environmental monitoring programs; a summary of community updates and initiatives; a Project status update; and a Christmas message.
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities leading into 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the BRDN in 2023.
22 February 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	The NexGen and the BRDN Environmental Committee met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a Project update; an overview of the baseline monitoring programs; and an introduction to the regional Traditional Foods Study.
22 February 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
24 February 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the Northern Technical Assistant that CanNorth was seeking for the upcoming winter water sampling program that was discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023. NexGen indicated that they would provide accommodations and meals for the duration of the program at the Rook I camp and that CanNorth would be providing compensation. NexGen indicated the program was tentatively scheduled to be conducted between 21 March and 28 March 2023 and requested to be informed by 10 March 2023 if the BRDN knew anyone who would be interested and qualify for the role. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions regarding the sampling program.
24 February 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Northern Technical Assistant that CanNorth was seeking for the upcoming winter water sampling program and indicated that they have shared the information with a BRDN councillor. The BRDN noted that they would look for an applicant best suited for the job opportunity and have the individual contact NexGen.

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1 March 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and thanked them for sharing the posting for a Northern Technical Assistant. NexGen confirmed that the position has been filled and noted that the new Northern Technical Assistant would be assisting CanNorth with the upcoming March trip.
1 March 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the position for the Northern Technical Assistant and indicated that the candidate NexGen has hired was not from the BRDN. The BRDN inquired if NexGen required someone from the BRDN community and stated that they had someone for consideration.
3 March 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN to advise that NexGen could use the candidate that the BRDN would like to propose for the Northern Technical Assistant position for the spring sampling trip occurring in late May 2023 or first week of June 2023. NexGen informed the BRDN that they hope to utilize Northern Technical Assistants from the entire local priority area throughout the year and would be alternating between communities. NexGen noted that these opportunities were brought forward to all primary Indigenous groups and advised that the BRDN happened to respond back on 27 February 2023. NexGen thanked the BRDN for their response.
13 March 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	CanNorth emailed the BRDN as a follow up to the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023 and indicated that CanNorth would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the Traditional Foods Study in more detail. CanNorth stated that the BRDN could invite any representatives to attend who could help guide the design of the program and inquired if the BRDN would be available to meet early April 2023.
14 March 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any clarifications or corrections required and advised that all documents have been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen stated that there was not enough time to review the entire presentation during the meeting and proposed to arrange a time for a follow-up breakout Environmental Committee meeting to discuss the issues and concerns validation for the Draft EIS. NexGen inquired when would work best for the BRDN to meet. NexGen also included a table of the action items for review.
20 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
4 April 2023	Phone call	Environmental Committee	CanNorth and the BRDN had a phone call to discuss next steps for the regional Traditional Foods Study. It was agreed that the BRDN and CanNorth would draft a document for the BRDN Chief and Council to review and approve, and that the BRDN Community Liaison for the Study would be recruiting community members to join the interview team. The BRDN and CanNorth agreed that they would try to host the training at the end of April 2023 or beginning of May 2023.
14 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	CanNorth emailed the BRDN attaching the NexGen Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth indicated that the regional Traditional Foods Study summary could also be sent to the BRDN Chief and Council for review and stated that they would be happy to present to them. CanNorth provided the proposed compensation rates for the interviewers, interviewees, and the community liaison for the Project and advised that all payments would go through CanNorth. CanNorth invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
19 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	CanNorth emailed the BRDN providing the list of foods that would be included in the regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire. CanNorth indicated they are providing the list for review and in advance of the training sessions.
19 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen confirming satisfaction with the list of foods that would be included in the regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire. The BRDN stated that they would advise if there were additional Dene food items that could be added to the list.

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19 April 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen and indicated that elk and buffalo could be added to the list of foods for the regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire.
21 April 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; regulatory process updates for the Project; and a summary of community engagement updates.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Groups and communities.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; education, training, and employment updates; and a summary of community updates and initiatives.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen’s April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and a digital copy of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed they hope to see the BRDN at the upcoming community information sessions.
15 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership, Environmental Committee, and members	NexGen held a community information session in Dillon and BRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
18 July 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the BRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a discussion of Implementation Committee updates; ongoing environmental monitoring programs (specifically, a seed collection program); collaboration on licensing documents and other documents such as the Environment Protection Program and the Wildlife and Human Interactions Procedure; community awareness updates and information about learning on the land; and key updates on provincial approvals and the EA process.
18 July 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee and IC	NexGen emailed the BRDN and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.

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27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the BRDN, CRDN, MN-S NR2, and BNDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the BRDN's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of a BRDN representative to participate in the meeting and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding BRDN interest in assisting NexGen with the fall groundwater sampling at the Project as discussed during the last Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen explained the sampling dates for the fall has been changed due to limited vehicle availability. NexGen informed the BRDN that NexGen would be heading to the Site on 21 August 2023 and begin groundwater sampling around 24 August 2023 returning to Saskatoon on 1 September 2023. NexGen noted that it would be unlikely that the sampling of the wells would be completed during the trip and provided three options for the BRDN to go to the site for consideration. NexGen apologized for the short notice on the change of schedule and indicated that the BRDN would need to come to site in a NexGen vehicle as per travel protocols. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out to discuss the groundwater sampling when the BRDN was in the Saskatoon office during the week of 14 August 2023 and advised that the BRDN would be compensated for their time through the Environmental Committee.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and acknowledged the BRDN's availability between 21 August 2023 and 24 August 2023 to assist with groundwater sampling for the Project. NexGen informed the BRDN that the air quality maintenance would be held between 21 August 2023 and 24 August 2023 and noted the groundwater sampling would occur from 24 August 2023 onwards. NexGen inquired if it would work better for the BRDN to arrive at camp on 24 August 2023 and leave on either 30 August 2023 or 1 September 2023. NexGen also advised that they would likely be back on site to finish sampling between 11 September 2023 and 15 September 2023 should the dates work better for the BRDN. NexGen noted the required travel and camp stay information would be provided once the dates have been finalized.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen and stated that they would not be available between 24 August 2023 and 1 September 2023 to assist with groundwater sampling at the Project.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and acknowledged that the BRDN would not be available between 14 August 2023 and 1 September 2023 to assist with groundwater sampling at the Project. NexGen indicated that the BRDN was welcome to come to site to help with the weather station setup and maintenance. NexGen stated they could pick up the BRDN on the way to site and that the BRDN should be able to travel home on 24 August 2023 with WSP. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed that NexGen looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting on 16 August 2023.
15 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and thanked the BRDN for the time to meet for the last Environmental Committee meeting held on 18 July 2023. NexGen attached the final presentation, meeting summary, Draft EIS issues and concerns table, and the request for funds form for the Environmental Committee. NexGen informed the BRDN that all of the documents have been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen also included a table of the action items for review and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or clarifications needed. NexGen looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 August 2023.

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16 August 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the BRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting; key topics included a review of 2023 Environmental Committee priorities and a workshop of the issues and concerns identified for the BRDN as part of the Draft EIS for the Project.
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Rook I Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of Caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen stated the study would provide regional food data to compare or augment the assumptions used in the modelling for the Project EIS. NexGen indicated they have been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen acknowledged that the BRDN interview training was complete and that the community member interviews were progressing and were almost complete. NexGen informed the BRDN the goal was to have all community interviews completed by 15 December 2023 and advised that CanNorth would use the information gathered by the BRDN to inform the 2024 sampling program. NexGen indicated that a final report would be produced by CanNorth in the summer of 2024. NexGen advised that community liaisons could still encourage community members to submit fall hunting samples and noted that CanNorth would be providing additional information regarding the sample submission process and cost reimbursement. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the BRDN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS has been uploaded to the BRDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV emailed the BRDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the BRDN to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report which would be provided as part of the final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures, and technical review findings and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the BRDN and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that they were copied on the ENV correspondence to the Chief of the BRDN regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the BRDN Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator in alignment with the terms of reference for the BRDN Benefit Agreement and as part of the ongoing discussions regarding collaboration on the regulatory process for the Project.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen also informed the BRDN that NexGen has recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS as well as continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the continued engagement throughout the federal EA and licensing processes for the Project and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the seed collection program that NexGen was working with Integral Ecology Group to conduct at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project that have been discussed in the Environmental Committee meetings. NexGen informed the BRDN that both NexGen's Environmental Team and Integral Ecology Group would be at the Rook I site between 2 October and 5 October 2023 for the program and inquired if a BRDN member would be interested in participating. NexGen stated that a day trip could be accommodated and requested for the BRDN to confirm a preferred date. NexGen noted the costs for involvement would be paid as per the Environmental Committee funding and advised that NexGen would be reaching out to Environmental Committees with other Nations to confirm interest in participation. NexGen also indicated that an Elder was welcome to join a BRDN member.
15 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN, providing the issues and concerns table that has been updated to reflect the workshopping conducted during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 16 August 2023 and included a table outlining the changes made for reference. NexGen informed of the next steps for BRDN and NexGen to prepare letters to the CNSC to endorse the responses and confirm the items have been agreed upon. NexGen stated that a draft letter documenting the process undertaken would be circulated for Environmental Committee review. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the collaborative and transparent approach with working through the regulatory processes and looked forward to continue working with the BRDN on initiatives for the Project.
27 September 2023	Text exchange	Environmental Committee	NexGen exchanged text messages with the BRDN regarding the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project between 2 October and 5 October 2023. NexGen inquired if the BRDN wanted to participate and the BRDN member confirmed unavailability to join. The BRDN suggested for NexGen to contact another BRDN member who may be available and provided the member's phone number to contact.
27 September 2023	Text exchange	Environmental Committee	NexGen exchanged text messages with a BRDN member regarding the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project between 2 October and 5 October 2023. NexGen noted that another BRDN member had recommended them and inquired if they wanted to participate and stated that NexGen could arrange travel to and from the site. The BRDN member confirmed unavailability to participate due to a conflict in schedule and thanked NexGen for the offer.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached a draft letter prepared for the BRDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee. NexGen also attached a copy of the completed issues and concerns summary table to accompany the letter to the CNSC. NexGen welcomed any adjustments to the letter and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or clarification required.
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting and inquired if the BRDN would be available to meet on 8 November 2023 instead of 15 November 2023. NexGen also proposed for a longer meeting to review all of the updates and priorities going into 2024.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding NexGen's visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10-12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the BRDN Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the documents from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 16 August 2023 and indicated that the documents have also been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen included a table of the action items for review and noted the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting was proposed to be scheduled on 9 November 2023.
30 October 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group and the provincial and federal regulators for a workshop. Stantec presented the caribou offset options and gathered feedback to inform the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project.
2 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the BRDN Chief providing the draft letter prepared for the BRDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee. NexGen invited the BRDN Chief to reach out if there were any questions.
2 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The BRDN copied NexGen in a correspondence to the ENV providing a letter of support for the Project.
3 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The BRDN copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC providing a letter of support confirming that NexGen has satisfactorily addressed all BRDN issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of federal EA requirements.
3 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership and Environmental Committee	The CNSC copied NexGen in an email to the BRDN thanking the BRDN for providing a support letter confirming that NexGen has satisfactorily addressed all BRDN issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of federal EA requirements. The CNSC informed the BRDN that the CNSC would be in contact regarding next steps in the EA process and noted the letter would be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry once the Federal-Indigenous Review Team technical review was complete.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the high-level agenda for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 8 November 2023 for review. NexGen indicated a copy of the presentation would also be distributed later on 6 November 2023 and noted lunch would be provided for in-person attendees.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the presentation for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 8 November 2023 for review and noted printed copies would be available at the meeting.
8 November 2023	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen met with the BRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a discussion of Implementation Committee updates and the EC's 2023 priorities, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ collaboration on licensing documents; ▪ community awareness updates; ▪ end land use planning; and ▪ key updates relating to the EA process.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
8 November 2023	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting. The key topics discussed were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> procedures for Indigenous knowledge; logistics for both the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee; education and training initiatives; planning for a site tour; and economic development and business opportunities.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the BRDN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the BRDN.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	Leadership and members	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> education, training, and employment updates; community engagement updates; a summary of the June 2023 community information sessions; and Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the Chief of the BRDN providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the BRDN for the support through the provincial EA process.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed several points from the CNSC letter regarding regulatory planning and activities and provided a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies. NexGen provided responses to each of the IRs from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the BRDN Chief providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
10 January 2024	In-person meeting	Implementation Committee	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
22 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the proposed overnight tour of the Project site on 6 to 7 February 2024 discussed during the Implementation Committee meeting held on 10 January 2024. NexGen requested confirmation of how many BRDN members would be attending and if there were any food sensitivities to be aware of. NexGen also informed the BRDN of the logistics on 6 February 2024.
29 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided the proposed itinerary for the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024. NexGen also attached the visitor checklist for items that tour participants would need to bring.
30 January 2024	Email, incoming	Implementation Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 and informed NexGen of a BRDN member who would be attending with two other potential members.
31 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership and Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the BRDN and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting in February 2024.
1 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 and inquired if the two other potential members noted in the BRDN's 30 January 2024 email would be attending.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
1 February 2024	Email, incoming	Implementation Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 and indicated that the BRDN was waiting for one member to confirm attendance at the tour.
1 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached presentation slides summarizing the existing baseline conditions at the Project site as a follow-up to an outstanding action item from a previous Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or additional discussion needed. NexGen provided an update that the potential Environmental Committee meeting planned for 20 February 2024 was being looked into to confirm NexGen Environmental Committee members' availability.
1 February 2024	Email, incoming	Environmental Committee	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the presentation slides summarizing the existing baseline conditions at the Project site and requested to discuss the information further. The BRDN inquired if there was a time that would work for NexGen.
1 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the presentation slides summarizing the existing baseline conditions at the Project site and stated the information could potentially be discussed at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting if there was time. NexGen indicated that a future date to meet could also be discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting.
5 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Implementation Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN and indicated that NexGen's Vice President, Community has recommended postponing the Project site tour planned for 6-7 February 2024 due to poor road conditions. NexGen stated the tour would be rescheduled soon.
9 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Environmental Committee	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the presentation and meeting summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 November 2023 and indicated that all the documents have been uploaded to the BRDN–NexGen Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen included a table of the action items, which was also available in the presentation. NexGen looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting on 20 February 2024 and stated the agenda and the presentation would be sent out early in the week of 19 February 2024.
20 February 2024	In-person meeting	Environmental Committee	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the regulatory approvals for the Project; ▪ an overview of ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a discussion on working in collaboration on federal licensing documents as well as end land use planning for the Project; and an overview of the 2024 exploration programs.

BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; ECCC = Environment and Climate Change Canada; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of the Environment; JWG = Joint Working Group; IAAC = Impact Assessment Agency of Canada; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; NSEQC = Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee; VC = valued component.

In addition to these key engagement activities, a Benefit Agreement between the BRDN and NexGen has also been signed.

5.5 English River First Nation

Table 8 outlines key engagement activities with the ERFN between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024.

Table 8: Summary of Key Engagement Activities with the English River First Nation

Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent a letter to the ERFN to provide the Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.
30 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen called and left a message with reception to confirm if the notification letter had been received as registered mail confirmed delivery and signature.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with leadership	Leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
14 July 2022	Phone call, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen called the ERFN to advise that the Draft EIS for the Project has been posted on the CNSC's website and was available for the public review period and asked if there was an email address or contact information that the ERFN was willing to provide so that NexGen could share the link for the CNSC's website. The ERFN responded that they were a temporary receptionist and were unsure whose contact information to provide, and asked if NexGen could call back on 18 July 2022.
18 July 2022	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	NexGen called the ERFN as a follow up to the call made on 14 July 2022. NexGen informed the ERFN member that NexGen was calling to inquire if the ERFN would like to provide contact information so that NexGen could share an update about the Draft EIS submission. NexGen left a phone number for a different ERFN member to call back.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ERFN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and explained it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be available to support the ENV through the process if requested and would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the ERFN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen updated the ERFN that they were in the final stages of completing responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC and noted what the next steps would be. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the ERFN to reach out if there were any questions.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ERFN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
1 February 2024	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ERFN and provided an engagement update letter. NexGen advised the purpose of the letter was to share updates on the Project, including any updates on the EA process, present a summary of the recent engagement activities completed, and provide an outline of proposed upcoming engagement activities. NexGen invited the ERFN to reach out if there were any questions.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; ERFN = English River First Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment.

To date, the ERFN has not contacted NexGen in relation to the Project.

5.6 Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

Table 9 is a summary of key engagement activities with the ACFN between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024.

Table 9: Summary of Key Engagement Activities with the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent a letter to the ACFN to provide the Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.
31 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen called and left a message with administration to confirm if the letter sent 3 May 2019, had been received as registered mail did not confirm delivery.
6 June 2019	Phone call, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen called and left a message with administration to confirm if the letter sent 3 May 2019 had been received as registered mail did not confirm delivery.
12 July 2019	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent an email to confirm receipt of the 3 May 2019 notification letter and executive summary of the Project Description in Dene and English.
18 July 2019	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ACFN emailed NexGen to provide contact information for further correspondence.
26 July 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The ACFN sent NexGen a letter to provide comments on the Project Description through the CNSC's public comment period.
14 August 2019	Letter, outgoing (sent by ENV)	Leadership	<p>Letter was sent by the ENV. Summary provided for information only as it forms relevant context for subsequent communication between NexGen and the ACFN.</p> <p>The ENV sent the ACFN a letter in response to the letter received by them on 26 June 2019 (from the ACFN). The letter noted that commercial uses of resources, such as commercial trapping, are not subject to the province's Consultation Policy Framework.</p> <p>The province wished to determine if there is a duty to consult with the ACFN and expressed interest in knowing how ACFN members are using the unoccupied land in the area of the proposed Project for non-commercial activities. To that end, the following information was requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ locations within the Project area used by the community, both traditionally and currently, to hunt, fish, trap for food or carry out traditional uses; ▪ the presence of ACFN traditional ceremonial or burial sites in the area that might be impacted by the Project; and ▪ any other sites of significance to the ACFN that the province should be made aware of.
20 August 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen sent a letter to the ACFN in response to the letter dated 26 July 2019. NexGen extended an invitation to meet and indicated that at this time NexGen is not prepared to offer capacity funding for the ACFN review of the Project Description.</p> <p>It was also noted that while the ACFN has a member with a trapline located in the N-22 Fur Block, the Project is located in the N-19 Fur Block and NexGen has been, and continues, to engage with trappers of the N-19 Fur Block regarding traplines in proximity to the Project. NexGen extended an invitation to schedule a meeting between NexGen and representatives of the ACFN and provided a direct contact if there were any questions or if they would like to discuss further.</p>

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
3 December 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	<p>Letter from the ACFN – DLRM for information to respond to the letter dated 14 August 2019 from the ENV. The ACFN requested shape files of the proposed Project for insertion into software called CKK to generate a map of the Project in relation to the ACFN traditional use data and cultural protection areas. The ACFN noted that it is highly likely that there are gaps in the existing data record, and that future IKTLU Studies may be required to fully assess the impacts of the Project to the ACFN Treaty Rights.</p> <p>The ACFN noted that CKK is used by proponents to send the DLRM proposed project notifications, project updates, shape files and proposed applications for review. It was noted that if NexGen wishes to engage with DLRM using CKK, it could be set up for a one-time fee. The ACFN – DLRM also noted that there are costs associated with consultation and engagement meetings and that funding is required from proponents to review project information and applications they submit to regulators. Scope of work with the costs are available to review prior to meetings.</p>
24 December 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen responded to the letter dated 3 December 2019, from the ACFN to provide shapefiles for the Project area for the ACFN to respond to a letter sent by the ENV dated 14 August 2019.</p> <p>The letter noted that publicly available information shows the ACFN's traditional territory does not include the Project location; however, it was requested that NexGen is notified if there is additional information that indicates otherwise. In addition, NexGen offered to meet with the ACFN.</p>
9 November 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the Project draft EIS to the CNSC and ENV.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the draft EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.</p>
16 November 2021	Email, incoming	Leadership	<p>The ACFN emailed NexGen and introduced the new regulatory and industry coordinator and requested any necessary background information such as an earlier Project description and supporting maps.</p> <p>The ACFN noted that they would be using CKK to review consultation submissions and conduct preliminary screenings of anticipated impacts to the ACFN land use sites and areas and requested that NexGen use this platform in their consultations with the ACFN.</p>
24 January 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the ACFN and advised that the requested information that was previously provided to the ACFN in 2019 was attached for review and to please contact NexGen if there were any questions.</p>
14 March 2022	Voicemail, incoming	Staff	<p>The ACFN left a voicemail for NexGen regarding a request for an update on the EIS submission.</p>
14 March 2022	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	<p>NexGen called the ACFN and provided an update that the EIS was planned to be submitted at the end of Q1 2022 in response to the ACFN's 14 March 2022 voicemail.</p>
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	<p>NexGen emailed the ACFN and informed that the CNSC has completed its conformity review of NexGen's draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period that provides Indigenous Groups and Communities, members of the public, and government department and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen indicated that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen noted they looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project and invited the ACFN to contact NexGen if there were any questions.</p>

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
27 October 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The CNSC emailed NexGen and the ACFN regarding the ACFN's request for the NexGen engagement contact. The CNSC indicated that NexGen's Vice President – Community was copied on the email and was the engagement lead for the Project. The CNSC also inquired if the ACFN was planning to submit a funding application to cover consultation and engagement with CNSC staff on the Project.
28 October 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership	The ACFN emailed NexGen and provided a letter outlining the need for adequate consultation with the ACFN regarding the Project.
14 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN, CNSC, and ENV, providing a letter in response to the ACFN's letter sent on 28 October 2022. NexGen noted that they would be happy to meet to discuss the ACFN's letter further or any questions the ACFN may have on the Project.
14 December 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the ACFN would be happy to discuss NexGen's letter sent on 14 December 2022 and requested for a meeting invite to be sent out for the week of 16 January 2022.
14 December 2022	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	NexGen called the ACFN and left a message requesting for a return phone call to discuss working together to set up a time that would work best for a meeting in response to the ACFN's 14 December 2022 email.
15 December 2022	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen to follow up on the email sent on 14 December 2022 requesting for a meeting invite for the week of 16 January 2023.
15 December 2022	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN in response to the ACFN's email requesting for a meeting invite for the week of 16 January 2023. NexGen advised that a voice mail was left for the ACFN on 14 December 2022 to discuss the planning of the meeting prior to sending out a meeting invitation.
15 December 2022	Email exchange	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and requested for a meeting placeholder to be sent out as discussed on 15 December 2022. The ACFN informed NexGen that that they would send out a Zoom link and noted that 16 January 2023 or 17 January 2023 would work best. NexGen sent a meeting invite for 17 January 2023.
11 January 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen regarding the meeting scheduled for 17 January 2023 and advised that the meeting would need to be re-scheduled. The ACFN requested for NexGen to provide several dates of availability for consideration.
11 January 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and acknowledged that the meeting scheduled for 17 January 2023 would no longer work. NexGen indicated that alternate dates of availability would be provided to the ACFN.
17 January 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen to follow up on the 11 January 2023 NexGen email and inquired if a new proposed meeting date has been discussed.
17 January 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided a list of alternate dates for a meeting between 1 February 2023 and 3 February 2023. NexGen requested that the ACFN confirm which date would work.
17 January 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing a list of alternate meeting dates. The ACFN requested that a meeting be scheduled for 2 February 2023 at 10 am and noted that the ACFN would be waiting for NexGen's meeting invite.
2 February 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed ACFN to advise that the upcoming meeting to discuss the results of the EA would have to be postponed due to an unexpected incident requiring NexGen to be in the community on 2 February 2023. NexGen inquired if the ACFN could propose alternative dates during the week of 6 February 2023 or any subsequent available dates. NexGen thanked the ACFN for understanding and looked forward to meeting with the ACFN team.
2 February 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and acknowledged that the EA results meeting would have to be postponed. The ACFN informed NexGen that the week of 6 February 2023 would not work and proposed to meet on 13 February 2023, 14 February 2023, or 17 February 2023. The ACFN requested for NexGen to confirm which dates would work and looked forward to the discussion.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
13 February 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and confirmed that the proposed meeting dates during the week of 13 February 2023 would not work. NexGen inquired if the ACFN would be available on 23 February 2023.
27 February 2023	Video conference	Staff	NexGen met with the ACFN to discuss engagement on the Project and the ACFN comment submission on the Draft EIS.
13 April 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen providing a draft process agreement for review and indicated that there might be time to discuss the agreement during the meeting scheduled for 13 April 2023.
13 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN to thank the ACFN for sending the draft process agreement. NexGen advised the agreement would be reviewed and stated there might not be time to complete a detailed review the agreement prior to the EA Results presentation scheduled on 13 April 2023. NexGen proposed to schedule a separate meeting to discuss once the proposed agreement has been fully reviewed by the NexGen team.
13 April 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and agreed with NexGen's proposal to schedule a separate meeting to discuss the draft process agreement once it has been fully reviewed by the NexGen team.
13 April 2023	Video conference	Staff	NexGen met with the ACFN and presented the results of the EA completed for the Project.
13 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN, providing the PDF of the EA results presentation presented on 13 April 2023. NexGen requested the ACFN to forward the presentation to the ACFN team members who participated in the meeting.
8 May 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen requesting for an update on the draft process agreement and inquired if an initial meeting to review the proposed agreement could be arranged.
16 May 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and indicated they would get back to the ACFN to provide an update on the draft process agreement in response to the ACFN's 8 May 2023 email.
23 May 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and requested for a status update on the proposed process agreement.
23 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and thanked them for providing the draft process agreement. NexGen proposed to work on an engagement agreement focusing more on the collaborative work being done with the ACFN in relation to specific non-Project exploration programs and the Project. NexGen indicated that a draft agreement specific to the ACFN would be created and sent for review.
23 May 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the update on the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN advised they would wait for the draft agreement to review and inquired if NexGen had a timeline as to when the ACFN should receive the draft.
29 May 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen to follow up on the draft engagement agreement and inquired if NexGen had a timeline as to when the ACFN should receive the draft to review.
29 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and indicated they would attempt to provide the draft engagement agreement by 2 June 2023.
5 June 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and apologized for not providing the draft engagement agreement on 2 June 2023. NexGen informed the ACFN the draft agreement would be completed and provided on 6 June 2023.
5 June 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the status update of the draft engagement agreement.
6 June 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided the draft engagement agreement for review.
3 July 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and advised that the ACFN have reviewed the proposed engagement agreement. The ACFN indicated there were aspects of the document they were aligned with and informed NexGen there were two areas that would need to be discussed prior to moving forward. The ACFN requested for NexGen to consider these two items and advise the ACFN how they would like to proceed.

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11 July 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and followed up on the 3 July 2023 email.
11 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and advised that NexGen could call on 11 July 2023 or 12 July 2023 to discuss the draft engagement agreement. NexGen requested for the ACFN to confirm a date that would work.
11 July 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and confirmed preference for a Zoom call to discuss the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN stated they were available any time that would work for NexGen.
11 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and acknowledged the ACFN's availability for a call to discuss the draft engagement agreement. NexGen indicated a meeting invite for 12 July 2023 would be sent out.
12 July 2023	Video conference	Staff	NexGen met with the ACFN to discuss the draft engagement agreement and the two items raised by the ACFN.
31 July 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and followed up on the meeting held to discuss the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN stated that NexGen's response to the draft agreement was expected and inquired if there was an anticipated date as to when the update would be communicated to the ACFN.
4 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and stated that NexGen would be reaching out during the week of 7 August 2023 to review the draft engagement agreement in response to the ACFN's 31 July 2023 email.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and stated that NexGen is in the process of updating the draft engagement agreement as a follow up to NexGen's 4 August 2023 email. NexGen informed that an overview would be provided on how NexGen could address the items the ACFN had raised on the wording of the draft engagement agreement that was tabled and how NexGen could incorporate changes into the proposed agreement.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the information on the overview that would be provided on how NexGen could address the ACFN's concerns with the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN looked forward to NexGen's response.
30 August 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN emailed NexGen and inquired if there was an update on the draft engagement agreement as a follow up to NexGen's 14 August 2023 email.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN providing NexGen's proposal to address the ACFN's comments on the draft engagement agreement and stated it could be drafted into the agreement by NexGen once the five principles that were related to what was discussed on 12 July 2023 had been agreed upon. NexGen indicated they would be happy to meet with the ACFN and walk through the draft engagement agreement, if needed.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be available to support the ENV through the process if requested and would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the ACFN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen updated the ACFN that NexGen was in the final stages of completing responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC and noted what the next steps would be. NexGen expressed they looked forward to scheduling a time to discuss the ACFN comments provided as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal Licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the ACFN to reach out if there were any questions.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
20 September 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN copied NexGen in an email to the ENV providing the fast-track grant application for public review of the provincial EIS for the proposed Project.
20 September 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ENV emailed the ACFN and NexGen providing the consultation letter to the ACFN and stated that the ENV Environmental Assessment and Stewardship Branch was requesting the ACFN's participation in the provincial consultation process for the environmental impact assessment of the Project. The ENV also attached information on how to apply for a Fast Track Grant for reference.
21 September 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ACFN copied NexGen in an email to the ENV inquiring if the ACFN could provide partial review of the provincial EIS for the proposed Project on 3 October 2023 and send additional comments on 8 October 2023.
22 September 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the ACFN and confirmed that the ACFN could provide partial comments on the impacts to the ACFN Treaty Rights on 3 October 2023 and send additional comments on 8 October 2023.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	Staff	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the ACFN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the ACFN.
22 November 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN to follow up on the proposal to address the ACFN's comments on the draft Engagement Agreement emailed on 30 August 2023.
19 December 2023	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN to follow up on the proposal to address the ACFN's comments on the draft Engagement Agreement and indicated that NexGen also wanted to focus on the issues and concerns the ACFN have noted on the Project. NexGen invited the ACFN to reach out to arrange a meeting to discuss.
23 January 2024	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN to follow up on the NexGen email dated 19 December 2023 and inquired if the ACFN would be available to discuss the issues and concerns the ACFN have noted on the Project.
1 February 2024	Letter, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided an engagement update letter. NexGen advised the purpose of the letter was to share updates on the Project, including any updates on the EA process, to present a summary of the recent engagement activities completed, and to provide an outline of proposed upcoming engagement activities. NexGen invited the ACFN to reach out if there were any questions.
21 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the ACFN as a follow-up on the NexGen email dated 23 January 2024 and invited the ACFN to reach out if there was interest or availability to discuss the issues and concerns the ACFN have noted on the Project.

ACFN = Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation; CKK = Community Knowledge Keeper; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; DLRM = Dene Lands and Resource Management; EA = Environmental Assessment; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of the Environment; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement.

5.7 Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

Table 10 is a summary of key engagement activities undertaken between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024 with the YNLR as well as key engagement activities with the BLDFN and the FLDFN, two First Nations identified for engagement in relation to the Project who are both formally represented by the YNLR.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
The YNLR			
18 March 2019	Letter, incoming	Leadership	<p>The YNLR office sent NexGen a letter advising NexGen that the YNLR was to be the sole point of contact for the BLDFN, FLDFN, Hatchet Lake Denesųliné First Nation, Stony Rapids, Wollaston Lake, Camsell Portage, and Uranium City in relation to all new and ongoing mining, milling, exploration, forestry, road building, and other industrial and non-industrial developments and activities for which a federal or provincial licensing permit, regulatory process, EA, or other approval is required.</p> <p>The YNLR directed NexGen to communicate solely with YNLR in all related matters and provided contact information.</p>
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent a letter to the YNLR to provide the Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.
4 July 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen held an introductory meeting with the YNLR to discuss the scope of the Project and the work completed to date. Additionally, background of the YNLR was discussed.
5 September 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
3 October 2019	In-person meeting	Leadership	<p>NexGen met with the YNLR, FLDFN, and BLDFN to present an update on the Project and an overview of the Project Description, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; ▪ assessment approach; and ▪ engagement.
15 April 2020	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss the EA process and submission of the draft EIS. NexGen and the YNLR discussed engagement opportunities and traditional land use and agreed to have a follow-up conversation at a later date to discuss more details.
28 April 2020	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen and the YNLR met to discuss the traditional territory of the Athabasca Dene communities and the traditional land use in relation to the Project. The YNLR proposed supplementing the YNLR traditional land use database in the context of the Project to further evaluate potential impacts from the Project. The YNLR stated they will prepare and share a proposal summary with NexGen.
21 May 2020	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR proposed a Study Agreement with NexGen regarding the Project to complete an IKTLU Study.
5 June 2020	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen responded to the letter from the YNLR dated 21 May 2020. NexGen stated that they had reviewed the proposal for the YNLR to complete an IKTLU Study. NexGen expressed their support for the IKTLU Study subject to confirming the final scope, schedule, and budget. NexGen requested a phone call with the YNLR to discuss further.
10 August 2020	Study Funding Agreement	Leadership	NexGen and the YNLR signed and executed a Study Funding Agreement in which the YNLR will undertake a IKTLU Study on behalf of the Athabasca Denesųliné First Nations in relation to the Project.
4 December 2020	Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy	Leadership	<p>The YNLR emailed NexGen and provided the YNLR's interim report submission regarding the Study Funding Agreement and the provision of Athabasca Denesųliné IKTLU Study information for the Project.</p> <p>The YNLR noted that significant delays had been encountered due to COVID-19 cases and restrictions within communities. The YNLR stated they anticipate additional insights to be captured as the COVID-19 situation evolved and the YNLR was able to complete the work.</p>
8 October 2021	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR and FLDFN to discuss the YNLR's IKTLU Study and how the information from the IKTLU Study would be used in NexGen's EIS, as well as the options as to how the IKTLU Study can be submitted to the regulators.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
9 November 2021	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the Project draft EIS to the CNSC and ENV. NexGen advised that the draft EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.
19 January 2022	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss planning for an upcoming leadership meeting on 27 January 2022, at which NexGen will present.
27 January 2022	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR, BLDFN, and FLDFN to provide an update presentation to YNLR Leadership. The presentation topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> overview of NexGen; overview of the Project; Project status update; and EA update. <p>Following the presentation, discussion focused on the UGTMF and mine plans, engagement opportunities, business and contracting opportunities related to the Project, and a potential site tour/visit to the Rook I site. NexGen and the YNLR agreed to meet soon to follow up on action items and discuss a potential agreement between the YNLR and NexGen.</p>
11 February 2022	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen and the YNLR met to review and discuss the action items from the leadership meeting and presentation on 27 January 2022, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How the YNLR would like the IKTLU Study submitted to the regulators as part of NexGen's draft EIS submission. The YNLR indicated that a letter would be provided to NexGen to confirm their preference. Discussing the local priority area and regional priority area for the Project and the engagement opportunities that the YNLR communities would like to have. An Exploration or Engagement Agreement between the YNLR and NexGen. NexGen stated that an Engagement Agreement would be more suitable. The YNLR will provide a draft Engagement Agreement to NexGen in the coming weeks. Engagement opportunities in the communities that include community information sessions/open houses of the FLDFN and the BLDFN, site visits/tours to the Project site, and community newsletters.
15 March 2022	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR emailed NexGen and provided a letter regarding the inclusion of the Athabasca Denesųłin� Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment report into the EIS.
15 March 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR regarding the letter to include the Athabasca Denesųłin� Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment report into the EIS. NexGen acknowledged receipt of the letter and noted they would reach out to the YNLR after the letter has been reviewed.
7 April 2022	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss the letter received from the YNLR on 15 March 2022. NexGen and the YNLR discussed how the YNLR's Athabasca Denesųłin� Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Environmental Assessment document will be shared with the regulators as part of the draft EIS submission and how information from the study is incorporated and included in the draft EIS.
14 April 2022	Video conference	Leadership and staff	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss the draft EIS and the inclusion of and reference to information from the YNLR December 2020 report, Athabasca Denesųłin� Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment. During the meeting, NexGen shared examples of references in the draft EIS to discuss with the YNLR. NexGen committed to providing additional examples from the socio-economic sections of the draft EIS, and the YNLR committed to reviewing the language in Section 3.2.1 of the draft EIS to provide edits to NexGen for inclusion in the draft EIS.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
14 April 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR regarding the meeting held on 14 April 2022 and thanked the YNLR and that the IKTLU Study has been incorporated into NexGen's Draft EIS. NexGen attached a Word document containing the excerpt from Section 3, Indigenous and Local Knowledge, of the draft EIS that was discussed during the meeting for review and comments.
20 April 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the YNLR and inquired if any edits were required to the Section 3 excerpt that had been previously provided on 14 April 2022 or if the YNLR required anything additional from NexGen to proceed with the request.
21 April 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR emailed NexGen and provided an edited copy of the Section 3 text for consideration as an attachment and thanked NexGen for the opportunity to complete revisions prior to the Draft EIS being submitted to the CNSC. The YNLR also advised that the Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment report would include some figure updates and that the updated copy of the report would be sent to NexGen in the coming days.
21 April 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR acknowledging receipt of the edits to the Section 3 text and the update regarding the Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment report.
26 April 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR emailed NexGen and advised of the attached revised Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment report, and requested the report be included within the EIS for review by regulators and public.
26 April 2022	Email, incoming	Leadership and staff	The YNLR emailed NexGen regarding NexGen's interest in the Spring 2022 Newsletter. The YNLR informed NexGen of the cost for a full-page as well as a half-page entry and advised that the content would need to be submitted by 13 May 2022.
28 April 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the YNLR and advised of the attached document providing further examples of how the YNLR IKTLU Study has been incorporated into NexGen's Draft EIS. The examples provided were from the people/social sections of the Draft EIS.
2 May 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR, CNSC, and ENV, providing introductions for the three parties so that they could connect on the next steps for sharing the YNLR IKTLU Study for the Project. NexGen asked that the YNLR connect with the CNSC and ENV to confirm and discuss the submission details regarding sharing the YNLR IKTLU Study as a public document as part of the Draft EIS submission.
16 May 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership and staff	NexGen emailed the YNLR and advised of an attached submission for the Spring 2022 edition of the YNLR newsletter.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period that provides Indigenous Groups and Communities, members of the public, and government department and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the YNLR leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
6 April 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR providing the finalized Engagement Agreement for counter signature and indicated that they were excited to formalize this process moving forward with the YNLR. NexGen requested an executed copy of the Engagement Agreement and stated that a meeting could be arranged in the coming weeks.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
17 May 2023	Email, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR emailed NexGen providing the fully executed YNLR-NexGen Engagement Agreement. The YNLR stated they would reach out to NexGen soon to discuss an initial kick-off meeting in Saskatoon on 6 June 2023 or 8 June 2023 and looked forward to reviewing the draft press release regarding the agreement.
17 May 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed YNLR and thanked them for sending the fully executed Engagement Agreement. NexGen stated they were excited to continue engaging with the YNLR communities and creating opportunities through the projects that NexGen was working on with the YNLR. NexGen indicated the draft press release would be sent to the YNLR once it has been reviewed and noted that 6 June or 8 June 2023 would work to schedule the initial kick off meeting. NexGen noted that they would be in touch to confirm a meeting time that would work best for the YNLR.
7 June 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided the Saskatoon office-based job postings for Environmental Summer Student and Accounts Payable Summer Student. NexGen requested that the YNLR forward the postings to interested community members in Saskatoon who meet the education / experience requirements and included the application procedure.
8 June 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership and JWG	NexGen and the YNLR met for a JWG kick-off meeting. A high-level Project update and exploration program update was shared by NexGen, followed by a joint presentation of and discussion about the YNLR-NexGen Engagement Agreement.
12 July 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR and thanked them for the JWG meeting held on 8 June 2023. NexGen provided responses to the YNLR questions regarding the Project EIS as a follow up to an action item from the JWG meeting. NexGen confirmed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS submission would be shared with the YNLR as soon as it had completed conformity review checks from the ENV. NexGen also informed the YNLR that there was no exact date for submission of the responses to the federal technical and public review comments to the CNSC and noted that NexGen was targeting having the submission to the CNSC completed in Q3 2023. NexGen explained that once the federal technical comment responses have been submitted, the CNSC would complete a 30-day conformance check which would be followed by a 60-day technical review period. NexGen indicated the responses to the federal public comments would be submitted in parallel with the federal Final EIS and advised that there was no planned submission date yet. NexGen noted that a confirmation from the CNSC that the technical review comments have been resolved was required before the federal Final EIS could be submitted. NexGen indicated that a focused JWG meeting could be arranged if there were any public review comments submitted by the YNLR that required discussion and requested for the YNLR to confirm if the information provided addressed the questions from the JWG meeting.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be available to support the ENV through the process if requested and would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the YNLR. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also stated that a copy of the provincial Final EIS would be delivered to the YNLR on a USB drive on 1 September 2023 and listed the files included. NexGen updated the YNLR that NexGen is in the final stages of completing responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC and noted what the next steps would be. NexGen expressed they looked forward to scheduling a time to discuss the YNLR comments provided as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the YNLR to reach out if there were any questions.
1 September 2023	Phone call, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen called the YNLR to confirm receipt of the emails sent on 1 September 2023 regarding the provincial Final EIS and to see if there were any questions. NexGen confirmed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS and supporting documents would be provided on a USB drive to the YNLR. The YNLR confirmed the emails had been received and noted that the provincial Final EIS would be reviewed along with the YNLR JWG meeting minutes. NexGen indicated that the YNLR could reach out anytime if there were any questions.
1 September 2023	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen dropped off a USB drive consisting of a copy of NexGen's provincial Final EIS and supporting documentation for the YNLR. NexGen left the USB drive with the YNLR's front reception.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
1 November 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership	NexGen and the YNLR met to plan and discuss logistics for the upcoming YNLR JWG Rook I site tour planned on 20 November 2023.
20 November 2023	In-person meeting	Leadership and JWG	NexGen and the YNLR JWG travelled to the Rook I site on 20 November 2023 and stayed overnight. On 21 November 2023, the JWG members toured the Rook I site, which included a tour of a drill site and the core processing facilities.
25 January 2024	Email, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR emailed NexGen and followed up on the status of NexGen's responses to YNLR's comments on the EIS.
31 January 2024	Email, incoming	Staff	The YNLR emailed NexGen and requested a phone call to discuss NexGen's response to YNLR comments.
31 January 2024	Phone call, outgoing	Staff	NexGen called the YNLR following the email received from the YNLR earlier that day. NexGen stated they would like to meet with the YNLR to discuss the YNLR's issues and concerns relating to the Project and that a presentation was being prepared. NexGen and the YNLR agreed that NexGen would share the presentation with the YNLR for the YNLR to review prior to the meeting.
1 February 2024	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided an engagement update letter. NexGen advised the purpose of the letter was to share updates on the Project, including any updates on the EA process, to present a summary of the recent engagement activities completed, and to provide an outline of proposed upcoming engagement activities. NexGen invited the YNLR to reach out if there were any questions.
2 February 2024	Email, incoming	Leadership	The YNLR emailed NexGen expressing thanks for the engagement update letter emailed on 1 February 2024 and stated it would be reviewed.

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Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the YNLR providing the presentation material created to define how NexGen was working on validating issues and concerns. NexGen advised that the EA team would like to review the presentation with the YNLR during the week of 12 February 2024 and expressed interest in arranging a subsequent meeting to go over the issues and concerns validation. NexGen proposed to meet on 12 or 14 February 2024 and inquired if the dates would work for the YNLR.
8 February 2024	Email, incoming	Staff	The YNLR emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing the presentation material created to define how NexGen was working on validating issues and concerns. The YNLR requested for NexGen to send out a meeting invite for 12 February 2024 to review the presentation and listed the YNLR staff who would be attending.
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the YNLR a calendar meeting invite for 12 February 2024 to review the process for validating issues and concerns as it relates to the Project. NexGen provided the meeting location and included a Microsoft Teams meeting link for the attendees attending virtually.
12 February 2024	In-person meeting	Staff	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss updates on the regulatory process for the Project, including a collaborative process for discussing and validating the YNLR's issues and concerns on the Project.
15 February 2024	Email, outgoing	Staff	NexGen emailed the YNLR and expressed thanks for the meeting held on 12 February 2024 to discuss and confirm the path forward for the issues and concerns validation process. NexGen attached the issues and concerns table with the consolidated issues and concerns identified by the YNLR and NexGen's responses for review. NexGen indicated a meeting invite for 4 March 2024 would be sent out to discuss any comments the YNLR may have on the issues and concerns table and next steps. NexGen inquired if the proposed date would work or if the YNLR required additional time to complete the review.
The BLDFN			
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent the BLDFN a letter to provide the Notification of Commencement of the EA for the Project.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with Leadership	Leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
3 October 2019	Update meetings with Leadership	Leadership	NexGen provided an update to the YNLR, FLDFN, and BLDFN on the Project including an overview of the Project Description including following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; ▪ assessment approach; and ▪ engagement.
11 August 2020	Letter, incoming	Leadership	The BLDFN sent NexGen a letter and advised NexGen that approval had been granted for the YNLR to communicate directly with NexGen regarding the IKTLU Study.
27 January 2022	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR, BLDFN, and FLDFN to provide an update presentation to YNLR Leadership. The presentation topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of NexGen; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ Project status update; and ▪ EA update. <p>Following the presentation, discussion focused on the UGTMF and mine plans, engagement opportunities, business and contracting opportunities related to the Project, and a potential site tour/visit to the Rook I site. NexGen and the YNLR agreed to meet soon to follow up on the action items and to discuss a potential agreement between the YNLR and NexGen.</p>

Table 10: Summary of Key Engagement Activities with the Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

Date	Mechanism	Audience	Scope
The FLDFN			
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen sent a letter to the FLDFN to provide the Notification of commencement of the EA for the Rook I Project.
21 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	Leadership	NexGen returned a call from the FLDFN from the same day. The FLDFN expressed interest in the Project and stated that their community should be consulted. The FLDFN confirmed receipt of the notification letter dated 3 May 2019.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with Leadership	Leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
3 October 2019	Update meetings with Leadership	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR, FLDFN, and BLDFN to present an update on the Project and provide an overview of the Project Description including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; ▪ assessment approach; and ▪ engagement.
8 October 2021	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR and FLDFN to discuss the YNLR's IKTLU Study and how the information from the IKTLU Study will be used in NexGen's EIS, as well as the options as to how the IKTLU Study can be submitted to the regulators.
27 January 2022	Video conference	Leadership	NexGen met with the YNLR, BLDFN, and FLDFN to provide an update presentation to the YNLR Leadership. The presentation topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of NexGen; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ Project status update; and ▪ EA update. <p>Following the presentation, discussion focused on the UGTMF and mine plans, engagement opportunities, business and contracting opportunities related to the Project, and a potential site tour/visit to the Rook I site. NexGen and the YNLR agreed to meet soon to follow up on the action items and to discuss a potential agreement between the YNLR and NexGen.</p>

BLDFN = Black Lake Denesųłiné First Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment; FLDFN = Fond du Lac Denesųłiné First Nation; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; YNLR = Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources; UGTMF = underground tailings management facility.

In addition to the key engagement activities outlined above, NexGen has met with the Chief of the FLDFN to discuss the FLDFN's interests in business opportunities related to the Project.

6 FEEDBACK RECEIVED

A summary of feedback received during Indigenous engagement activities is presented within this subsection. The JWGs / Environmental Committees have provided a large volume of feedback in relation to the Project. Engagement is active and ongoing, and all questions, concerns, or comments will be addressed in subsequent Environmental Committee meetings, as part of other engagement methods established with Indigenous Groups, or during the completion of the EA process.

NexGen acknowledges the comments submitted to the CNSC during the public comment period on the Project Description and the responses provided by the CNSC as summarized in E-DOC 6001783 *Disposition Table of*

Public and Indigenous Group's Comments on the Project Description – Rook I Project (CNSC 2019). While these comments are not included here, they have been considered in the EA, including in the identification of issues and concerns (Section 6.2; Appendix C, Summary of Issues Identified by Indigenous Groups).

Summaries of the topics of interest, and issues and concerns raised by Indigenous Groups, are provided in Section 6.1 and Section 6.2, respectively. Summaries of the engagement activities conducted with Indigenous Groups and issues and concerns raised by Indigenous Groups between Project initiation in 2013 and 29 February 2024 are provided in Appendix B, Indigenous Group Engagement Activities, and Appendix C, respectively.

6.1 Topics of Interest

Topics of interest are provided for both primary and other Indigenous Groups.

6.1.1 Primary Indigenous Groups

Below is a summary of topics of interest raised during discussions with the primary Indigenous Groups. As there were strong similarities regarding many of the topics of interest raised by each individual Indigenous Group, they have been consolidated in the interest of brevity, and fall under the following themes (listed alphabetically): communication, community well-being, cumulative effects, environment, health and safety, socio-economics, traditional economy, and traditional land and resource use.

Communication

Communities stated that working together with NexGen towards a harmonious and prosperous future is the desired outcome, and communities appreciate the opportunity to discuss the Project and work alongside NexGen. Communities also requested that Project information be shared with the broader community, and noted the importance of having images, video, and some text translated into Dene to help explain the EIS. Indigenous Groups identified that engaging with communities and having community members trained in engagement techniques would help communities better understand the Project and provide feedback.

Community Well-Being

Communities stated that increased income, and both the positive and negative social effects arising from increased income, should be considered, and that community support should be explored, such as financial management assistance. It was suggested having an Elder on the Project site would help workers retain a connection to their communities as well as provide mentorship and support. Indigenous Groups noted that providing family and community support networks would help with the effects of worker rotation cycles on community members, and that cultural sensitivity training would be important for all Project employees. Communities also stated worker rotation schedules should consider resource use activities (e.g., seasonal hunting and fishing) as it would help community members retain their connection to the land.

Cumulative Effects

Communities noted that the consideration of effects and effects studies completed at other project sites in the area is important in the assessment of the Project. Information about other project activities in the surrounding area was noted as important for better understanding potential cumulative effects that might occur. It was noted that cumulative effects from other industrial activities such as mining, forestry, and hydro-electric power generation and transmission projects should also be taken into consideration. Indigenous Groups also noted concerns regarding increased access restrictions on traditional lands due to increasing project developments in the area.

Environment

The communities expressed interest in various potential environmental effects of the Project such as air and water quality, wildlife, and other environmental effects experienced at similar projects (e.g., Cluff Lake). Communities had an interest in understanding the direction of water flow once it leaves Patterson Lake. There was concern expressed that some wildlife species such as wolves and bears have increased in number, possibly due to a poor market for furs and reduced hunting during the COVID-19 pandemic. Communities also expressed an interest in environmental monitoring in their communities and better understanding potential environmental conditions under various climate change scenarios.

Health and Safety

Communities expressed interest in learning more about health and safety issues related to the uranium industry. Communities voiced concern about highway conditions from Green Lake to the Project site and increased traffic volume. It was suggested that an emergency response plan, including training of personnel, would be important in the event of a spill or accident. Communities also expressed concern about consuming potentially contaminated Traditional Foods.

Socio-economics

The potential positive and negative socio-economic effects of the Project were communicated as being of high interest. Communities noted that the positive educational and economic effects on communities should be sustainable beyond the lifespan of the Project. It was noted that educational and training opportunities are very important, but the need to travel outside the community for such opportunities is a challenge, and training should be provided locally where possible as there are social barriers (e.g., childcare, family responsibilities, social issues such as financial management and access to mental health resources). It was stated that further improvements are needed to increase high school completion rates. It was noted that there has been some past success in designing and delivering training in the communities, but this training has not been as successful in linking individuals to jobs, and more support is needed to promote long-term employment opportunities to community members including women, youth, and members of other diverse subgroups. Cultural sensitivity training and awareness was also highlighted as an important factor for communities to ensure safety, diversity, and inclusion in the workplace.

Communities stated that assistance may be required to help local contractors understand bidding processes, insurance, and other criteria necessary to be competitive in Project procurement opportunities. It was suggested a database for employment and training services would be beneficial to assist with capacity building.

Joint Working Group members also noted that they need support to address tasks and actions stemming from JWG meetings.

Traditional Economy

Communities stated that the traditional economy includes most of the community's population and generally includes looking at activities such as hunting, trapping, fishing, wild rice harvesting, firewood harvesting, and arts and crafts, and how these activities are utilized for sale and subsistence. However, it was noted that it is currently difficult to make a living with trapping due to low fur prices. It was also noted that the regular schedules usually required for wage employment may limit the time that community members have available to go out on the land.

Communities stated that more young people are beginning to participate in the traditional economy and there has been an increase in the number of people going out on the land. It was noted that land-based programs in schools, increased availability of all-terrain vehicles and trucks, and crafts programs have contributed to the increased

participation in the traditional economy and the transfer of traditional skills to younger generations. Communities noted these programs should be continued and promoted to encourage youth to participate in the traditional economy.

Traditional Land and Resource Use

Communities expressed the vital importance of the land to communities and how it has helped establish traditions, practices, and people’s way of life. It was noted that hunting, fishing, trapping, and harvesting of medicines and food plants continue to be a critical part of the spirituality, well-being, survival, identity, and culture of communities. Communities also indicated that land-based learning programs and using Dene language in schools have been highly successful in engaging youth with traditional land and resource use and their culture. Potential Project effects on hunting, trapping, and fishing, as well as access to and utilization of lands and resources, were identified as a concern for some community members.

6.1.2 Other Indigenous Groups

6.1.2.1 English River First Nation

No topics of interest have been received from the ERFN.

6.1.2.2 Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

No topics of interest have been received from the ACFN.

6.1.2.3 Ya’thi Néné Lands and Resources

Feedback received from the YNLR has indicated there is interest in economic opportunities arising from the Project, a desire to learn more about monitoring programs proposed for the Project, and a desire to keep their communities informed as the Project progresses.

6.2 Issues and Concerns

Summaries of key issues and concerns identified by the Indigenous Groups engaged on the Project are provided in Section 6.2.1, Clearwater River First Nation, through Section 6.2.7, Ya’thi Néné Lands and Resources.

6.2.1 Clearwater River Dene Nation

Discussions during engagement activities with the CRDN have been wide-ranging and encompass a broad spectrum of interest in relation to the Project.

Table 11 captures a summary of issues and concerns identified by the CRDN. Issues noted within the table have largely been obtained through JWG feedback, the CRDN IKTLU Study, and engagement activities conducted with the community since early Project initiation in 2013.

Table 11: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Clearwater River Dene Nation

Theme	Issue
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Surface water quality, especially in Patterson Lake, and the Clearwater River watershed. ▪ Negative effects on ability to harvest fish, including commercial harvests. ▪ Effects on navigability within waterways within traditional territory. ▪ Site contact water capture, management, and treatment. ▪ Tailings management safety and storage.

Table 11: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Clearwater River Dene Nation

Theme	Issue
Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increased land use pressure impacting hunting opportunities. ▪ Effects to moose (<i>Alces alces</i>) population and moose habitat.
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Increased competition with non-Indigenous hunters and land users. ▪ Negative effects on community well-being from influx of workers and capital, including increased income. ▪ Human health concerns regarding radiation. ▪ Human health concerns from consuming potentially contaminated harvested resources. ▪ Ability to harvest country foods and implications for food security and community well-being. ▪ Noise disturbance and loss of aesthetic appreciation. ▪ Access limitations and the subsequent effect to traditional knowledge transmission. ▪ Traffic safety.
EA process and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Balancing engagement activities among communities and Indigenous Groups. ▪ Cumulative effects methodology and confidence in cumulative effects results. ▪ Additional information about Project Construction, Operations, and Closure phases.

EA = Environmental Assessment.

6.2.2 Métis Nation – Saskatchewan

Discussions during engagement activities with the MN-S have been wide-ranging and encompass a broad spectrum of interest in relation to the Project.

Table 12 captures a summary of issues and concerns identified by the MN-S. Issues noted within the table have largely been obtained through JWG feedback, the MN-S IKTLU Study, and engagement activities conducted with the community since early Project initiation in 2013.

Table 12: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan

Theme	Issue
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Persistence of Project effects through time and across the region. ▪ Potential for pollution from the Project. ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments.
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Persistence of Project effects through time and across region. ▪ Project effects on fish, especially in Patterson Lake and Clearwater River. ▪ Potential for pollution from the Project. ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments.
Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Dust effects on vegetation and wildlife. ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments. ▪ Accidents and spillages from increased traffic. ▪ Persistence of Project effects through time and across the region. ▪ Potential for pollution from the Project. ▪ Project effects to wildlife health.
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Access restrictions to land. ▪ Use of land and ability to transmit traditional knowledge to younger generations. ▪ Negative effects on community well-being from increased incomes and employment. ▪ Employment, training, and business opportunities for community members, with emphasis on local hiring. ▪ Maintaining workers' right to speak their language at workplace site. ▪ Negative effects on community well-being from influx of workers and capital. ▪ Project effects on community well-being due to market conditions resulting in Project shutdown. ▪ Safety of tailings stored underground in the UGTMF. ▪ Human health concerns from consuming fish from Patterson Lake. ▪ Human health concerns regarding radiation. ▪ Human health concerns regarding tailings. ▪ Ability to harvest country foods and implications for food security and community well-being.

Table 12: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan

Theme	Issue
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cumulative effects from industrial developments.
EA process and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement with cabin owners and trappers around Patterson Lake. Engagement capacity and the ability to communicate more broadly within the community. Proper use of Métis Knowledge while protecting intellectual property rights and confidentiality.

EA = Environmental Assessment; UGTMF = underground tailings management facility.

6.2.3 Birch Narrows Dene Nation

Engagement activities with the BNDN have led to robust discussions covering a wide range of topics and encompassing a broad spectrum of interest in relation to the Project.

Table 13 captures a summary of issues and concerns identified by the BNDN. Issues noted within the table have largely been obtained through JWG feedback, the BNDN IKTLU Study, and engagement activities conducted with the community since early Project initiation in 2013.

Table 13: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Birch Narrows Dene Nation

Theme	Issue
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cumulative effects from industrial developments within BNDN territory. Control and monitoring of radon gas. Procedures in the event of a spill in environment. Uranium's harm to environment.
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control and monitoring of radon gas and its effects on food sources and water. Cumulative effects from industrial developments within BNDN territory. Procedures in the event of a spill to the environment. Uranium's harm to the environment. Effects on water quality of Patterson Lake (including radiation) and connected waterways. Stability and safety of tailings management storage.
Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control and monitoring of radon gas and its effects on food sources and wildlife. Cumulative effects from industrial developments within BNDN territory. Procedures in the event of a spill to the environment. Uranium's harm to environment. Traffic disrupting wildlife behaviour. Project impacts on trapping species. Waste management and reclamation.
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Loss of land on lease area, especially Patterson Lake and surrounding areas, affecting ability to hunt, travel, and transmit traditional knowledge to younger generations. Metrics for measuring and assessing positive Project outcomes for workers. Human health concerns from cumulative effects. NexGen's balance of business, employment, and training opportunities among communities and Indigenous Groups. Negative effects on community well-being from influx of capital, including increasing income. Increased competition with non-Indigenous recreational land users. Project impacts on ability to harvest country foods. Project impacts on trapping species.
EA process and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exclusion of land users and interested individuals farther from Project. Capacity restrictions impacting community member participation in community knowledge collection.

BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment.

6.2.4 Buffalo River Dene Nation

Engagement activities with the BRDN have led to robust discussions covering a wide range of topics and encompassing a broad spectrum of interest in relation to the Project.

Table 14 captures a summary of issues and concerns identified by the BRDN. Issues noted within the table have largely been obtained through JWG feedback, the BRDN IKTLU Study, and engagement activities conducted with the community since early Project initiation in 2013.

Table 14: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Buffalo River Dene Nation

Theme	Issue
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cumulative effects from industry degrading air quality.
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments. ▪ Effects on water quality. ▪ Project effects to water quality affecting fish quality (especially in Patterson Lake) and commercial fishing.
Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments. ▪ Dust from road traffic. ▪ Degradation of roads, including potential effects from spills. ▪ Safety of truck transportation. ▪ Effects on wildlife health. ▪ Noise from Project activities, including vehicle traffic. ▪ Decline in bird population available for harvest.
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Access limitations to land and resources and ability to transmit traditional knowledge to younger generations. ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments on human health. ▪ Cumulative access restrictions within BRDN traditional territory. ▪ Responsibility for local road infrastructure. ▪ Safety of truck transportation, including potential effects from spills. ▪ Negative effects on community well-being from influx of workers and capital, including increased income. ▪ Human health concerns from harvesting and consuming wildlife. ▪ Increased competition with non-Indigenous recreational land users. ▪ Noise from Project activities, including vehicle traffic. ▪ Human health concerns regarding radiation and information conveyance to community members. ▪ Project effects to water quality affecting fishing industry. ▪ Ability to harvest country foods with implications surrounding food security and community well-being. ▪ Decline in bird population available for harvest.
EA process and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Capacity funding impacting community knowledge collection. ▪ Adequacy of environmental monitoring for the Project.

BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment.

6.2.5 English River First Nation

No issues and concerns have been identified by the ERFN.

6.2.6 Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

The ACFN have expressed issues and concerns through comments provided on the Project Description submitted to the CNSC and ENV in 2019 (NexGen 2019a) and public comments submitted as part of the federal EA review process. Table 15 captures a summary of issues and concerns identified by the ACFN.

Table 15: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

Theme	Issue
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Decreased air quality. ▪ Cumulative effects.

Table 15: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

Theme	Issue
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Navigability of waterways. ▪ Cumulative effects.
Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Invasive species. ▪ Effectiveness of reclamation on vegetation and traditional use plant species. ▪ Adequate monitoring of wildlife habitat availability and wildlife habitat quality. ▪ Cumulative effects.
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Access limitations to hunt, trap, and fish.
EA process and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project engagement.

EA = Environmental Assessment.

6.2.7 Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

The YNLR indicated they are generally supportive of uranium mining projects if they are engaged in advance. The YNLR would like to continue to be engaged in relation to the Project.

Table 16 captures a summary of issues and concerns identified by the YNLR. Issues noted within the table have largely been obtained through the YNLR IKTLU Study, engagement activities conducted with the community since the commencement of the Project EA in 2019, and public comments submitted as part of the federal EA review process.

Table 16: Summary of Issues and Concerns Identified by the Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

Theme	Issue
Air	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Decreased air quality.
Water	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project effects on water quality, including far-future effects. ▪ Project effects to fish and fish habitat as a result of changes to water quality. ▪ Long-term water quality effects from tailings from the Project and other industrial developments.
Land	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Noise from Project activities, including vehicle traffic, affecting people and wildlife. ▪ Effects to woodland caribou. ▪ Increased harvest pressure on wildlife and fish (especially in Patterson Lake) from work camps and increased human presence. ▪ Increased human-wildlife interactions. ▪ Potential effects from spills on soil. ▪ Effects on vegetation from introduction of invasive species. ▪ Long-term productivity of the land, including its ability to produce high-quality Traditional Food resources.
People	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Access limitations to land and resources. ▪ Cumulative effects from industrial developments. ▪ Effects of increased road traffic between La Loche and the Project impacting safety to humans and wildlife. ▪ Economic opportunities for Athabasca Basin communities during all phases of the Project lifespan.
EA process and methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Inaccurate classification of the YNLR as an other Indigenous Group and exclusion from local priority area for Project engagement. ▪ Adequacy of Project monitoring.

EA = Environmental Assessment; YNLR = Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources.

6.3 Validation of Identified Issues and Concerns

NexGen has worked with Indigenous Groups to understand their interests and issues and concerns and is committed to meaningfully address any issues and concerns raised. Joint Working Group meetings have been the predominant means by which primary Indigenous Group interests and issues and concerns were identified and discussed. Confirmation that all identified issues and concerns were accurately understood and recorded was accomplished by:

- having an open discussion when an issue or concern was raised during a JWG meeting to explore and understand the comment;
- recording JWG meeting discussions and preparing meeting minutes that were distributed in draft form to all meeting participants for review and verification for accuracy prior to finalization;
- providing an open opportunity in JWG meetings to revisit or review issues and concerns discussed in previous meetings; and
- publishing JWG presentation summaries (beginning in 2021) for community distribution by JWG members that summarized meeting topics of discussion and “what we heard” from the JWGs.

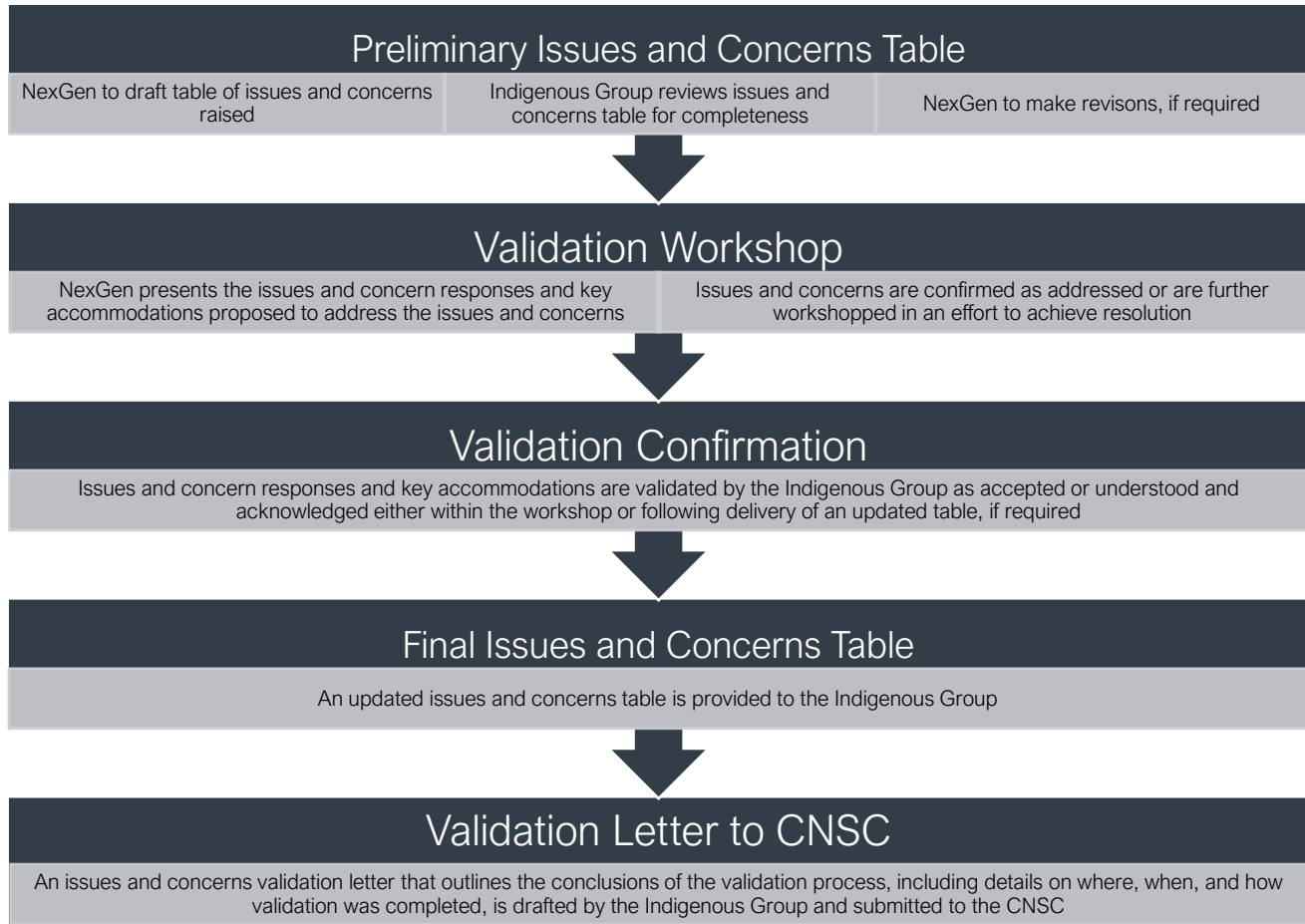
In addition to the JWGs, other methods to understand interests and capture Indigenous issues and concerns were also undertaken. The IKTLU Studies completed by each Indigenous Group (TSD II: BNDN; TSD III: BRDN; TSD IV: MN-S; TSD V.1: CRDN; TSD V.2: CRDN; TSD V.3: CRDN; TSD VI: YNLR) identified issues and concerns, most of which were also raised and discussed during the JWG meetings. NexGen also presented EA results to the Indigenous Groups, which included opportunities for members in attendance to ask questions and raise any issues and concerns. Following submission of the Draft EIS, the EA review period provided additional opportunities for Indigenous Groups to verify that all issues and concerns were considered and properly captured by NexGen.

Consistent with E-DOC #6470679 (CNSC 2021b), NexGen’s proposed process to validate Indigenous issues and concerns requires working directly with the Indigenous Groups to address issues and concerns (to the extent possible), and where it is not possible to fully address issues and concerns, receive confirmation from the Indigenous Group that the way in which NexGen has responded to these issues and concerns is understood and acknowledged. The steps undertaken through the Indigenous issue and concern validation process are as follows:

- NexGen drafts a table of issues and concerns raised by each Indigenous Group and provides the table to the Indigenous Group for review.
- Indigenous Groups review the draft issues and concerns table for completeness, followed by NexGen making revisions, if required.
- Meetings and workshops are held between NexGen and the Indigenous Groups to validate if the issues and concerns are addressed or whether further accommodations are required to address the issues and concerns. Where further accommodations are required, NexGen proposes additional accommodations and updates the issues and concerns table accordingly.
- NexGen produces a final updated table of all the issues and concerns for the Indigenous Group to review and endorse. Following endorsement, the Indigenous Groups then issues a letter to the CNSC endorsing the final list and identifies any issues and concerns that require further work (if any exist) and, if known, how these could be addressed (e.g., through the Environmental Committee or JWG).

A visual representation of the proposed process to validate Indigenous issues and concerns is provided in Figure 4.

Figure 4: Process for Validation of Indigenous Issues and Concerns



CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

Appendix C provides a summary of the issues and concerns raised up to 29 February 2024, NexGen’s responses, the location in the EIS where issues and concerns are addressed through the EA, and the key accommodations proposed to address issues and concerns. To date, the proposed validation process has been well received by the Indigenous Groups who have participated. As of the timing of submission of the revised EIS, the validation process for the issues and concerns has been completed with the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, with the information within Appendix C representing the final validated tables for these Indigenous Groups. The CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN have also issued letters to the CNSC endorsing the final issues and concerns tables, confirmed that issues and concerns raised to date have been addressed, and acknowledged that mutually acceptable methods (e.g., Environmental Committee meetings) are in place to raise and address future issues and concerns during the Project lifespan (Appendix C). The validation process has also significantly progressed with the YNLR. Attempts to discuss and advance the validation process with the ACFN have been undertaken; however, NexGen has not yet received any responses from the ACFN in this regard (Appendix B). Validation of issues and concerns is not required for the ERFN as the ERFN has not provided any Project issues and concerns that require validation. A more detailed description of the validation process status for each Indigenous Group is provided in Table 17.

Table 17: Validation Process Status by Indigenous Group

Indigenous Group	Validation Process Status
Clearwater River Dene Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Draft issues and concerns table – complete ▪ Validation workshop – complete ▪ Validation confirmation – complete ▪ Final issues and concerns table submitted – complete ▪ Validation letter submitted to the CNSC – complete
Métis Nation – Saskatchewan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Draft issues and concerns table – complete ▪ Validation workshop – complete ▪ Validation confirmation – complete ▪ Final issues and concerns table submitted – complete ▪ Validation letter submitted to the CNSC – complete
Birch Narrows Dene Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Draft issues and concerns table – complete ▪ Validation workshop – complete ▪ Validation confirmation – complete ▪ Final issues and concerns table submitted – complete ▪ Validation letter submitted to the CNSC – complete
Buffalo River Dene Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Draft issues and concerns table – complete ▪ Validation workshop – complete ▪ Validation confirmation – complete ▪ Final issues and concerns table submitted – complete ▪ Validation letter submitted to the CNSC – complete
Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen has drafted the issues and concerns table and made multiple attempts to progress the validation process with the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation (Appendix B); however, NexGen has not received responses to these requests.
Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Draft issues and concerns table – complete ▪ Validation workshop – complete ▪ Validation confirmation – in progress ▪ Final issues and concerns table submitted – to be completed ▪ Validation letter submitted to the CNSC – to be determined
English River First Nation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Validation of issues and concerns is not required as the English River First Nation have not raised any issues and concerns regarding the Project.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission.

NexGen acknowledges the importance of addressing Indigenous issues and concerns and will continue to listen, respond to, and, where possible, address all issues and concerns raised during the Project lifespan.

7 MOVING FORWARD

The following activities represent planned engagement specific to Indigenous Groups that would occur during the Project lifespan. It is anticipated that the engagement activities listed below will occur throughout all stages of the Project lifespan, including Construction, Operations, and Closure. Specific engagement methods and scheduling of engagement activities would be adapted to meet changing needs of the Project and the expectations and interests of Indigenous Groups. In this regard, engagement activities to be conducted throughout the Project lifespan will be determined in collaboration with Indigenous Groups.

7.1 Ongoing and Planned Engagement Activities

NexGen is in the process of implementing and developing future engagement programs to meet NexGen’s vision and values, comply with regulatory requirements, and strive to meet or exceed Indigenous Group expectations.

Joint Working Groups / Environmental Committees

The JWG / Environmental Committee program is planned to continue throughout the Project lifespan, though the specific format and terms of reference may be altered based on agreements that are reached with each Indigenous Group (e.g., as noted in Section 4.2.1.1, activities formerly conducted through the JWGs for the CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN are now being conducted through the Environmental Committees). Items for discussion will be based on activities in progress, as well as any specific items of discussion requested by Indigenous Groups. The meetings will continue to evolve as required to meet the engagement needs of participating Indigenous Groups and NexGen. It is anticipated that the JWGs / Environmental Committees will meet approximately quarterly during the Project lifespan; however, this schedule will be adapted as needed.

Joint Working Group / Environmental Committee Summaries

During the EA process, the JWG summaries provided a succinct graphic summary of the information provided during JWG meetings with primary Indigenous Groups that allowed participants to communicate the topics and results of discussions more easily to their community members. These summaries were distributed after each JWG meeting. Going forward, NexGen plans to develop JWG or Environmental Committee summaries following JWG or Environmental Committee meetings, so long as the Indigenous Groups feel they provide value.

Joint Working Group / Environmental Committee Breakout Sessions

Joint Working Group / Environmental Committee breakout sessions with individual Indigenous Groups, as identified through the JWG / Environmental Committee program, will continue to take place on an as-needed basis throughout the Project lifespan to focus on specific items or to meet requests from individual groups.

Implementation Committees

Implementation Committees would be tasked with the responsibility of facilitating effective ongoing working relationships and confirming that all commitments made within the Benefit Agreements are realized. The Implementation Committees will provide a forum for regular communication and information exchange and for the early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. It is anticipated that the Implementation Committees will meet approximately quarterly during the Project lifespan; however, this schedule will be adapted as needed.

Indigenous Group Leadership and Staff

Engagement with Indigenous Group Leadership (i.e., Chief and Council and Métis Local Presidents and Regional Director) and staff will continue to be a priority for future engagement activities. NexGen is committed to engaging with Leadership and staff as required and upon request throughout the Project lifespan.

Benefit Agreements

The Benefit Agreements include commitments to establish processes for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and each primary Indigenous Group, both within and outside the mandate of the Environmental Committees and Implementation Committees. The specific methods of communication are determined through collaboration between NexGen and each Indigenous Group and will occur throughout the Project lifespan.

7.2 Engagement through the Project Lifespan

NexGen is committed to effective engagement. NexGen will continue to explore existing and future opportunities and initiatives to reach Indigenous community members, enable them to receive information on the Project, and provide an opportunity for their voices to be heard. Engagement will continue to be fluid and responsive to the needs of Indigenous Groups.

In addition to Indigenous-specific engagement, several other engagement mechanisms would be implemented throughout the Project lifespan. While these activities would apply to the general public, significant engagement with Indigenous Group members is anticipated to occur. Further information on NexGen's planned engagement may be found in EIS Section 2.7, Moving Forward.

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APPENDIX A

Notification Letters to Indigenous
Groups for the Commencement of
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May 3, 2019

Chief Teddy Clark
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P.O. Box 5050
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We look forward to hearing about any interest the English River First Nation may have in relation to the Rook I Project.

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May 3, 2019

Chief Allan Adam
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Re: Rook I Project - Environmental Assessment Commencement Notification

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APPENDIX B

Indigenous Groups Engagement
Activities

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition
ACFN	Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation
BLDFN	Black Lake Denesųliné First Nation
BNDN	Birch Narrows Dene Nation
BRDN	Buffalo River Dene Nation
CNSC	Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
CRDN	Clearwater River Dene Nation
EA	Environmental Assessment
ECCC	Environment and Climate Change Canada
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
ENV	Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment
ERFN	English River First Nation
FLDFN	Fond du Lac Denesųliné First Nation
IAAC	Impact Assessment Agency of Canada
IKTLU	Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use
JWG	Joint Working Group
KP	key person
MLTC	Meadow Lake Tribal Council
MN-S	Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
MN-S-NR2	Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Northern Region 2
NexGen	NexGen Energy Ltd.
Omnia	Omnia Ecological Services
Project	Rook I Project
TKLUO	Traditional Knowledge, Land Use and Occupancy
UTM	Universal Transverse Mercator
VC	valued component
YNLR	Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

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Table B-1: Clearwater River Dene Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
28 August 2013	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the CRDN to discuss NexGen's progress to date and the plans for the Rook I exploration camp during the winter. An update on potential contracting opportunities for the Project was also provided.
30 April 2014	Phone call, incoming	The CRDN called NexGen to request a consultation meeting with NexGen, the CRDN, and the ENV.
1 May 2014	Phone call, incoming	The CRDN called NexGen to request a meeting on 8 May 2014 to discuss NexGen's summer plans at the Rook I site.
8 May 2014	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN Chief and Council to introduce NexGen and to discuss the proposed exploration program. NexGen also provided an overview of mineral exploration techniques. Additional discussion was focused on arranging a site tour for the CRDN members, training and employment, environmental protection, and community engagement.
19 August 2015	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to set up a meeting and a site tour. A follow-up email was sent on 20 August 2015.
11 January 2016	Email exchange	NexGen and the CRDN exchanged emails attempting to organize a meeting in Saskatoon for NexGen to update the CRDN on the Rook I site activities planned for the winter of 2016.
2 February 2016	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the CRDN to discuss the contract and tendering process, and to provide clarity on the selection process. Positive discussion also focused on local workforce placement and permitting.
15 March 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen provided an update on the winter 2016 drilling program to the CRDN. NexGen and the CRDN discussed local employment, contracting, and training opportunities, as well as the possibility of a site tour. The CRDN discussed their expectation regarding NexGen hiring locally.
5 April 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN to discuss how best to begin traditional knowledge work in the community. The CRDN representative advised NexGen that previous work related to traditional knowledge and land use planning had been completed already and that NexGen should discuss the matter with the Chief.
1 September 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed business opportunities for local companies.
21 September 2016	Letter, incoming	The CRDN sent NexGen a letter regarding consultation expectations. The CRDN proposed a meeting with NexGen to discuss these matters in more detail and to attempt to reach a common understanding regarding expectations.
14 October 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN for an introductory in-person meeting and a tour of a local business facilities. Topics of discussion included the creation of a regional economic development group, and engagement and consultation strategies.
27 January 2017	Email exchange	The CRDN and NexGen exchanged emails regarding engagement and consultation.
27 January 2017	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent the CRDN an email regarding consultation and engagement and stated that early consultation with all Meadow Lake Tribal Council Bands and Métis Locals is required based on discussions with the provincial and federal governments. NexGen stated their commitment to supporting local communities.
3 February 2017	Email exchange	The CRDN stated that they would like to arrange a meeting to include the Northern Village of La Loche and the MN-S, including the La Loche Métis Local #39, to discuss traditional land use and stakeholders present in the area of NexGen's exploration activities. NexGen and the CRDN exchanged emails regarding scheduling a meeting.
21 February 2017	Email exchange	A series of emails were exchanged between NexGen, the CRDN, and the MN-S NR2 regarding traditional territory and engagement.
6 September 2017	Letter, incoming	The MN-S NR2, the Northern Village of La Loche, the La Loche Métis Local #39, and the CRDN emailed NexGen an attached letter requesting an informal meeting to discuss upcoming issues in the uranium exploration industry and each organization's expectations and concerns.
12 October 2017	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2, the La Loche Métis Local #39, the CRDN, and the Northern Village of La Loche to discuss the uranium exploration industry. Consultation and engagement were discussed, as well as economic opportunities and partnerships. The meeting identified the close ties between the Northern Village of La Loche, the La Loche Métis Local #39, the MN-S NR2, and the CRDN, and that they collectively want to ensure that La Loche and the CRDN are considered for economic opportunities that arise from NexGen's exploration and development activities.

Table B-1: Clearwater River Dene Nation

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10 May 2018	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed potential business opportunities for local Indigenous companies in the area and reviewed the current local business capacity and local regional service network employment for the Project.
17 August 2018	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN and provided a tour of the Rook I site for Chief, Council, and select community members. The tour included an overview presentation of the 2018 activities followed by a tour of the Project site.
4 October 2018	Letter, incoming	The CRDN sent NexGen a letter to express interest in the proposed development of the Project, requested additional information regarding the exploration and drilling program, consultation relating to the exploration and drilling program, and status of the EA. The CRDN requested a meeting with NexGen.
16 October 2018	Multiple methods	Following a series of correspondence, NexGen sent the CRDN an introductory email and stated that the information request was being compiled and would be submitted with a response letter. The CRDN responded to NexGen's email suggesting meeting in Saskatoon once the information request was received. Further discussion on the positive and respectful relationship was conducted.
13 November 2018	Email exchange	NexGen and the CRDN exchanged emails regarding the information package that NexGen had sent to the CRDN, a tentative meeting date, and the direction to provide hardcopy maps to the CRDN. The CRDN emailed NexGen a letter with an invitation to meet with the CRDN to begin consultation.
13 December 2018	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN to discuss the Project and discuss a process for promoting meaningful engagement. NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of the Project and Arrow deposit; ▪ Preliminary Economic Assessments highlights and summary of Pre-Feasibility Study results; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.
7 January 2019	Multiple methods	NexGen and the CRDN exchanged texts to discuss training the CRDN members with a local drilling company. NexGen and the CRDN discussed the positive meeting on 13 December 2018. The CRDN requested a meeting on 22 January 2019 to discuss the next steps.
22 January 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent the CRDN a letter with a meeting request to the CRDN Chief and Council to attend a workshop on the Rook I Project Description on 12 February 2019 in La Loche.
22 January 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed a change of date for the Project Description workshop, consultation framework, and other meetings that the CRDN had recently with the CNSC and other mining companies.
18 February 2019	In-person meeting	The CRDN presented to NexGen regarding engagement and collaboration funding for the CRDN as the Project advances. A conceptual document on how to proceed was shared with NexGen to review.
18 February 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN to present an overview of the information included in the Rook I Project Description, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
21 March 2019	Phone call	A phone meeting between NexGen and the CRDN occurred to discuss a collaboration agreement and when the CRDN and NexGen could meet to discuss further.
29 March 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the CRDN to notify them that a letter from the ENV would be sent to them regarding the Rook I Technical Proposal application and the duty to consult.
4 April 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the CRDN to notify them that a letter from the CNSC would be sent to the CRDN to state that NexGen has submitted a Rook I Project Description.

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3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
10 May 2019	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to discuss next steps and to confirm that the CRDN received the notification letter dated 3 May 2019.
4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen sent an invitation letter to a meeting on 18 June 2019 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete an IKTLU Study in the area around the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss the framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement. <p>NexGen informed the CRDN that a representative from both the Northern Village of La Loche and the MN-S NR2 have also been invited to attend. NexGen acknowledged that the Northern Village of La Loche is not a rights-bearing Indigenous community and that the CRDN and the MN-S NR2 are two distinct and separate Indigenous Nations but that for transparency on information shared, all are being invited to meet collectively.</p>
12 June 2019	Letter, incoming	The CRDN replied to NexGen's letter dated 4 June 2019 regarding the meeting invitation for 18 June 2019.
13 June 2019	Phone call, incoming	The CRDN expressed that the CRDN would like to meet with NexGen separately from the Northern Village of La Loche and the MN-S NR2. NexGen and the CRDN agreed to meet on 18 June 2019.
18 June 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN to introduce the Study Agreement, which included capacity funding for a JWG, an IKTLU Study, a community coordinator, and a dietary study. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.
19 September 2019	Phone call	NexGen and the CRDN had a phone call regarding arranging a meeting with the CRDN Chief and Council, CNSC, and the ENV. The CRDN informed NexGen that the CRDN will not be able to attend this meeting and that the CRDN would set up a meeting between the CRDN and regulators. The CRDN expressed gratitude for NexGen's respectful approach to engagement and stated that the CRDN would be sending an invitation to arrange a meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia.
23 September 2019	Letter exchange	The CRDN sent NexGen a letter to request an engagement update meeting in Vancouver, British Columbia on 8 November 2019. NexGen responded to propose alternative dates. The CRDN suggested meeting on 13 November 2019 in Saskatoon, to which NexGen agreed.
16 October 2019	Email exchange	Signing of a Study Agreement was completed between the CRDN and NexGen to outline a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project. The Study Agreement includes funding for an IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and establishing a JWG.
13 November 2019	In-person meeting	A meeting was held to discuss the Study Agreement in detail (including the IKTLU Study), plans for the upcoming community forum, and a tour of the Rook I site.
14 November 2019	Email exchange	Between 14 and 20 November 2019, NexGen and the CRDN exchanged emails regarding scheduling meetings to support the activities outlined in the Study Agreement and to determine the appropriate meeting attendees. NexGen also sent a timeline with deliverable dates as agreed upon in the Study Agreement. The CRDN stated that there would be an update on the IKTLU Study and dietary study soon.
21 November 2019	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent the CRDN an email requesting support in conducting interviews with the CRDN members who have broad knowledge of the community or expertise in specific areas that are relevant to the socio-economic environment.
25 November 2019	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and proposed a plan for the JWG to fulfill the EIS submission requirements and to work within the community. The CRDN confirmed that the IKTLU Study and dietary study are aligned with the Study Agreement.
27 November 2019	Video conference	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed the IKTLU Study and Household Food Survey progress as per the Study Agreement.
27 November 2019	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen to request possible dates to review the Consultation Policy being developed for the CRDN. This Policy was originally proposed in February 2019.

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2 December 2019	Multiple methods	NexGen emailed the CRDN shapefiles that were requested during the meeting on 27 November 2019. Additional discussion occurred through email and phone calls and focused on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ confirming that the socio-economic interviews can be arranged in La Loche; ▪ the CRDN drafting an email confirming the change in the timeline for the outstanding deliverables; and ▪ tentatively planning the first JWG meeting on 14 January 2020, if confirmed by Chief and Council. Meeting was eventually set for 31 January 2021.
9 December 2019	Email exchange	NexGen sent the CRDN a follow-up email regarding the socio-economic interviews and the JWG member selection and meetings. The CRDN stated that the CRDN would be having internal meetings during the week and would provide updates once available. The CRDN also stated that they had not received confirmation of the JWG membership yet. NexGen emailed the CRDN to connect the CRDN with InterGroup, who will be organizing interviews within the community.
16 December 2019	Email exchange	The CRDN instructed NexGen to have InterGroup reach out to a CRDN representative to arrange the interviews for the socio-economic sections of the EIS. InterGroup emailed the CRDN to begin organizing the social and economic interviews in the communities and advised that a phone message had been left that afternoon. InterGroup subsequently emailed the CRDN and provided a memorandum regarding the economic research InterGroup would like to conduct in January 2020.
6 January 2020	Text exchange	NexGen texted the CRDN to confirm the JWG meeting on 14 January 2020. The CRDN replied that they would confirm meeting times and call NexGen.
16 January 2020	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen to arrange the first JWG meeting in Saskatoon on 31 January 2020. The CRDN also confirmed the attendees.
17 January 2020	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed plans to engage a CRDN representative to assist in the socio-economic interviews being conducted at the CRDN.
31 January 2020	Email exchange	The CRDN emailed NexGen the IKTLU research plan sent to address the approach and timing of deliverables. The CRDN suggested that the interim IKTLU Study would be delivered to NexGen by 15 February 2020 and that the final report would be submitted by 31 March 2020.
31 January 2020	In-person meeting	Introductory meeting for the JWG. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introduction and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; and ▪ overview of Indigenous Knowledge in the EA.
2 February 2020	Email exchange	The CRDN emailed NexGen to request that the second and third JWG meetings occur in Edmonton on 19 February 2020 and in Vancouver on 10 March 2020, respectively. NexGen agreed to the dates and locations to accommodate the CRDN's schedule.
19 February 2020	In-person meeting	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introduction and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ overview of Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ human health risk assessment; and ▪ consultation and the CRDN rights. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.
3 March 2020	Text, outgoing	NexGen sent a text to the CRDN inquiring about a potential member to assist with field work from 16 to 26 March 2020.

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4 March 2020	Email exchange	NexGen and the CRDN exchanged emails regarding the CRDN community forum that NexGen was invited to attend on 25 March 2020. The official invite was delivered in person by the CRDN on 10 March 2020.
10 March 2020	In-person meeting	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ baseline studies / existing environment; ▪ terrestrial (vegetation, wildlife, species at risk); ▪ aquatic (hydrology, water quality, fish and fish habitat); ▪ potential pathways and assessment methodology; and ▪ socio-economic research. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.
14 March 2020	Email, incoming	The CRDN notified NexGen that the CRDN community forum was cancelled due to COVID-19.
1 April 2020	Multiple methods	NexGen and the CRDN corresponded through conference calls, phone calls, and text messages to discuss the delay of the IKTLU Study. The CRDN suggested that the interim report would be delayed until 29 April 2020 and the final report delivery date was still to be determined.
20 April 2020	Video conference	NexGen and the CRDN met to discuss the status of the IKTLU Study, and the community perception of the socio-economic effects anticipated from the Project.
28 April 2020	Multiple methods	The CRDN emailed and called NexGen to inform them that the IKTLU Study would not be delivered until May 2020.
8 May 2020	Email, incoming	The CRDN informed NexGen that the IKTLU Study will be delivered on 11 May 2020.
19 May 2020	Phone call, incoming	The CRDN informed NexGen that their consultants requested another two weeks to complete the IKTLU Study, but that the CRDN instructed them to complete it by the end of the week.
5 June 2020	Email, incoming	The CRDN provided NexGen with an interim IKTLU Study as a preliminary report based on interviews conducted between 2010 and 2016. The interim IKTLU Study is an initial document and supplemental information will be obtained, though activities have been delayed due to COVID-19.
8 September 2020	Multiple methods	NexGen called the CRDN to request a JWG meeting via Zoom to continue engagement on the Project. A follow-up email was sent on 14 September 2020. NexGen and the CRDN agreed in a phone call on 25 September 2022 to define the next JWG meeting, and the CRDN directed NexGen to include specific CRDN representatives on a follow-up email. NexGen sent the CRDN an email as per the phone call on 25 September 2020 to set up the next JWG meeting.
22 October 2020	Email, outgoing	The CRDN emailed NexGen to provide an update on the IKTLU Study progress, the JWG meeting request, and Benefit Agreement progression.
29 October 2020	Email exchange	The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested to meet on 3 November 2020 in Saskatoon to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ discuss JWG meetings and follow-up requirements; ▪ share an update on the IKTLU Study; ▪ discuss the submission of the CRDN invoices for previous JWG meetings; ▪ review milestones and achievements of the Study Agreement; and ▪ discuss the newly introduced the CRDN communication application. NexGen replied and agreed to the meeting time and objectives.
3 November 2020	Video conference	NexGen and the CRDN met to discuss the next JWG meeting and to provide a status update on the EA, the IKTLU Study, and an opportunity to use a virtual engagement platform. The CRDN also confirmed that InterGroup can contact the CRDN to advance the socio-economic studies for the EA and that the CRDN is interested in conducting a tri-party meeting with NexGen and the CNSC once the IKTLU Study is complete.
10 November 2020	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN with the proposed schedule for virtual JWG meetings for the remainder of the year and throughout 2021 to provide the CRDN with time to prepare.
23 November 2020	Email, outgoing	NexGen followed up with the CRDN regarding the proposed JWG meeting for 8 December 2020.
30 November 2020	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent the CRDN an email requesting an update on the status of the IKTLU Study.

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8 December 2020	Multiple methods	NexGen texted, phoned, and emailed the CRDN between 8 December 2020 and 17 December 2020 to request a meeting to plan the next JWG engagement meetings and to discuss the status of the delayed IKTLU Study.
22 December 2020	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and provided an update that the IKTLU Study was in final review prior to releasing it to Chief and Council. The CRDN advised that revisions would be completed over the Christmas holidays and would be presented to the CRDN in the New Year.
23 December 2020	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN a letter to provide details related to 2021 JWG activities, including scheduling monthly virtual JWG meetings in 2021, providing a list of proposed topics for future JWG meetings, and engaging technical expertise. NexGen proposed a meeting the first week in January 2020 to begin planning the next JWG meeting.
4 January 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen followed up with a series of emails between 4 January 2021 and 25 January 2021 to the CRDN regarding the JWG planning meeting proposed in January 2021 and updates on the IKTLU Study.
2 February 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the CRDN and reminded the CRDN of the letter sent on 23 December 2020 and inquired if the JWG would be able to meet via Zoom on 10 February 2021 or 17 February 2021 to facilitate a JWG meeting. The CRDN replied to NexGen's request for a JWG meeting and noted they were waiting for direction from Chief and Council.
8 February 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested an update on the IKTLU Study.
22 February 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to follow up on outstanding items from the 3 November 2020 meeting. NexGen advised that InterGroup have modified the in-community social and economic research program due to COVID-19 restrictions. NexGen requested that the CRDN identify a community member with the appropriate experience/skill set to conduct the interviews. NexGen noted that there would be training to help prepare the CRDN community member chosen to conduct the interviews.
6 March 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to the CRDN to provide an update with respect to submission of the EIS, revisit provisions under the Study Agreement, outline a proposed approach for continuing JWG discussions, and inquire as to the status of the socio-economic study for the CRDN. NexGen attached the January and February 2021 JWG presentations given to other JWG's and welcomed the opportunity to present the topics at the CRDN's convenience.
12 March 2021	Letter, incoming	The CRDN replied to NexGen's letter from 6 March 2021. The CRDN stated that they agree to advance work under the Study Agreement and provided comments in advance of the proposed meeting on 24 March 2021. The CRDN acknowledged NexGen's target submission date for filing the EIS and noted that the CRDN is in discussions with the CNSC. The CRDN also provided updates on the IKTLU Study, the socio-economic interviews, and the JWG meetings. The CRDN confirmed that they are prepared to meet virtually for a JWG meeting on 24 March 2021.
18 March 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to thank them for their letter dated 12 March 2021. NexGen confirmed that they are in the process of responding to the letter but that it was prudent to confirm the meeting details for the JWG meeting scheduled on 24 March 2021. NexGen stated they would prepare materials for "Part 1: The Baseline of the Host Environment and Project Area" and "Part 2: Potential Environmental Interactions and Effects" as per the agenda stated in the letter dated 12 March 2021.
18 March 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for the letter dated 12 March 2021 and suggested a phone call on 22 March 2021 to discuss the CRDN's preference for a researcher to complete the socio-economic research/interview program.
18 March 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN a letter in response to the letter received from the CRDN on 12 March 2021. NexGen provided updates and responses regarding the EIS, Study Agreement provisions, the CRDN IKTLU Study, the socio-economic interviews, and the JWG meetings. NexGen reiterated that continued engagement with the CRDN remains a priority and outlined near-term next steps to support the EA process.

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24 March 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ terrestrial baseline studies; ▪ aquatic baseline studies; ▪ environmental interactions (pathways); ▪ cumulative effects; and ▪ next steps for the EA. <p>Meeting minutes were provided after the meeting.</p>
14 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN as follow up to the 24 March 2021 JWG meeting, including updates on actions from the JWG meeting.
29 April 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN to follow up on an action item from the 24 March 2021 JWG meeting that was to schedule a discussion between the CRDN and NexGen around environmental baseline and monitoring programs for the Project. NexGen inquired if the week of 10 May 2021 would work for the CRDN and proposed 11 May 2021 or 13 May 2021. NexGen noted areas of interest for this discussion to be collaboration on environmental field work programs, specifically program design for incorporation of Indigenous Knowledge, as well as collaborating with community knowledge holders.</p> <p>NexGen requested the CRDN confirm a meeting date that would work, identify any key areas of interest for discussion, and identify any materials NexGen could provide to assist in preparation of the meeting.</p>
3 May 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and followed up on the discussion at the 24 March 2021 JWG meeting regarding NexGen's approach to caribou (<i>Rangifer tarandus</i> species) mitigation and offsetting planning. NexGen stated that they would like to provide further details and invite the CRDN to participate in NexGen's planned Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen provided a letter invitation with appendices on the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and noted that should the CRDN representative be interested in meeting, to reach out directly to NexGen to do so, with the identified NexGen and the CRDN representatives copied as per communication protocols.</p> <p>NexGen also provided the provincial caribou reports for the CRDN's review, as requested as an action item from the 24 March 2021 JWG meeting.</p>
4 May 2021	In-person meeting	<p>The CRDN met with NexGen to discuss status updates on outstanding items from the Study Agreement, which included the IKTLU Study, socio-economic studies, and technical capacity support, as well as status updates on actions related to the JWG. The CRDN confirmed their desire to conduct the socio-economic KP interviews with the CRDN members themselves, using the KP interview guide NexGen used for other communities.</p> <p>Meeting minutes were provided after the meeting.</p>
4 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an update on NexGen's availability to meet to discuss the environmental baseline and monitoring. NexGen also requested that the CRDN reach out with any questions or to provide specific areas of interest for discussion.
6 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed a CRDN representative and thanked them for the meeting on 4 May 2021. NexGen advised that they would be reaching out to connect with the CRDN on the CRDN inputs into the socio-economic studies for the EIS and stated that NexGen was committed to working collaboratively with the CRDN to responsibly develop the Project.
7 May 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed a CRDN representative and provided the KP interview guide to assist with conducting the socio-economic KP interviews on behalf of the CRDN. NexGen requested that in the interest of consistency, the CRDN answer the questions within the guide with the CRDN community members.</p> <p>NexGen also requested an update on the Community Household Harvest Study. NexGen stated that a perception survey draft questionnaire would be compiled and that NexGen would seek inputs once developed.</p>
7 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an update on the Project schedule and the milestone timelines.

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12 May 2021	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the informative email regarding the socio-economic studies and advised that the CRDN would provide an update following a discussion with the team.
19 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested an update on the KP interviews for the socio-economic baseline studies, with a request that these be completed in May 2021, as well as a status update on the Community Household Harvest Study. NexGen outlined additional initiatives and welcomed a reply for all initiatives addressed in the email. NexGen referred to the email sent to the CRDN on 4 May 2021 regarding NexGen's planned Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and asked for a CRDN update regarding that initiative. NexGen provided the related invitation as an attachment and noted that NexGen was looking to advance the initial aspects of the field program as early as June 2021.
20 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested an update on the KP interviews for the socio-economic baseline and the Community Household Harvest Survey.
7 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested an update on topics including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ KP interviews for the CRDN for the socio-economic baselines; ▪ Community Household Harvest Survey status update; ▪ Rook I baseline program workshop; and ▪ Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. <p>NexGen suggested potential days and times for a Zoom meeting to discuss.</p>
16 June 2021	Email exchange	The CRDN emailed NexGen and advised that the KP interviews for the CRDN for the socio-economic baselines and the Community Household Harvest Survey would not begin until after the CRDN election at the end of June 2021. NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for the update and expressed interest to work together after the election.
17 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted a list of information NexGen was hoping to receive from the CRDN and indicated the desire to align on the next steps of engagement once the election is complete. NexGen noted that the outstanding deliverables and programs are important to confirm that the CRDN's input is incorporated in the EA. Outstanding deliverables noted in the email included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ KP interviews; ▪ Community Household Harvest Survey; ▪ Rook I Project baseline program workshop; ▪ Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program; and ▪ the CRDN IKTLU Study. <p>Newly proposed programs included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ targeted Women's Interviews; ▪ regional services; and ▪ regional services providers workshop.
30 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent the CRDN an engagement update letter and attached appendices regarding engagement on the EA for the Project, including JWG meeting presentations provided to other JWGs. NexGen stated that the intent of the letter was to confirm that information shared with the JWG is made available to all JWGs and to confirm any pending requests and information from the meetings and discussions are tracked and followed up on. The following appendices were included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ March 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ April 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ hazard identification for the accidents and malfunctions assessment; ▪ regional highway maps of Highway 155 and Highway 955; ▪ May 2021 JWG presentation; and ▪ May 2021 JWG presentation summary.

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2 July 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen informed the CRDN that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and that NexGen will be providing a summary of when information about the program was presented to and discussed with the CRDN.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
29 July 2021	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted attachment of the July engagement update letter for review to summarize the JWG engagement activities in June and July, present an outline for upcoming JWG activities, and to provide additional information regarding engagement on the EA for the Project. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore for the July 2021 JWG meeting; ▪ June 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ June 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ April 2021 JWG summary.
30 July 2021	Email exchange	<p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and noted that due to COVID-19 restrictions and other community processes of resuming Band operations, the CRDN's focus was to proceed with a limited and sensitive approach. The CRDN added that proper participation methods and practices with the community of the CRDN was vital moving forward and advised they would review the letter and attachments provided on 29 July 2021. NexGen replied to the CRDN and agreed that much work has been completed while working together and expressed anticipation for connecting again soon.</p>
31 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised of an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during July to mid August 2021 and to share what was planned for EA engagement in September 2021. An attached appendix included a list of themes being considered for the community information sessions.</p>
31 August 2021	Email, incoming	<p>The CRDN emailed NexGen in response to an engagement update letter provided by NexGen on 31 August 2021. The CRDN advised that they were reviewing all data and scheduling pertaining to the activities on items that reflect the CRDN's community and technical participation and added that several areas of the Project required attention.</p>
9 September 2021	Multiple methods	<p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested a call to discuss administrative aspects of the Study Agreement and clarify the outstanding technical items requiring the CRDN's attention. NexGen called the CRDN to discuss the CRDN's advancement of the IKTLU Study, the Harvest Food Study, and the JWG.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and noted discussion items from a call on 9 September 2021 to discuss the IKTLU Study, Harvest Food Study, and the JWG. NexGen outlined several items related to the Study Agreement and the JWG process. NexGen re-extended an invitation to the CRDN to meet in Saskatoon for the CRDN to present to NexGen staff on various potential areas such as the CRDN IKTLU Study, culture, and customs.</p> <p>NexGen also extended an invitation for a site tour for Chief and Council and outlined details related to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program, including a request for the CRDN to assist with providing a CRDN member to participate in the program.</p> <p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the quick response regarding the Harvest Food Study Report and the socio-economics interviews.</p>
16 September 2021	Email exchange	<p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and stated they have been reviewing the Rook I Project Description and requested engineering specifics for the Project to assist with strategy and planning. NexGen emailed the CRDN to confirm that NexGen would ask the Project engineers to provide the requested information.</p>

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17 September 2021	Multiple methods	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and asked if there was an Elder or a CRDN knowledge holder that would like to take part in the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program.</p> <p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and noted a concern with sending a knowledge holder out with the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program work as the CRDN would need to verify if the Elders agree to share on-the-ground, unsolicited information.</p> <p>NexGen called the CRDN regarding the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. The CRDN advised that they would try to find a community member that would be interested in participating and that a follow-up email would be sent, once confirmed. NexGen and the CRDN discussed the dates for the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program as well as the camp accommodations and policies. The CRDN were subsequently unable to identify a suitable participant.</p>
17 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and asked if a CRDN consultant had completed socio-economic interviews to support the EIS.
27 September 2021	Multiple methods	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.</p> <p>The CRDN responded on 29 September 2021 by email and outlined the CRDN's position with respect to participation in the CRDN / NexGen engagement process and stated the CRDN would be reaching out to discuss other Project matters soon.</p>
5 October 2021	Email exchange	The CRDN and NexGen exchanged emails regarding a meeting to discuss 2022/2023 business opportunities.
5 October 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and inquired if the socio-economic interviews had been delivered to the CRDN by their consultant.
3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the EIS to the CNSC and the ENV.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.</p>
5 November 2021	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter and corresponding appendices summarizing engagement activities from August to October 2021 and to share a summary of the proposed activities for November 2021. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July/August 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ July/August 2021 JWG summary; ▪ March 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary (re-issued).
5 November 2021	Letter, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen a letter and provided the final CRDN IKTLU Study.
19 November 2021	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen hosted a meeting with leadership from local communities (i.e., the CRDN, the MN-S NR2, and La Loche) to discuss the Project training plan being advanced with training service providers (i.e., Northlands College, the Gabriel Dumont Institute, the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies, and the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification). Discussion was held around the challenges faced by local community members in pursuing post-secondary education or training (i.e., lack of resources in community, lack of access to computers/internet, lack of knowledge of potential careers, childcare and financial barriers for adult workers, and lack of delivery of training in communities).</p>
6 December 2021	Phone call, outgoing	<p>NexGen called the CRDN to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ proposed meeting time for a JWG meeting; ▪ the IKTLU Study, in which NexGen noted the open invitation for the CRDN to present the IKTLU Study as per the CRDN's request; and ▪ Benefit Agreements.

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17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and informed them that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the EA results workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of air, land, water, and people to be presented in multiple workshops.</p>
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021, summarized proposed activities for January 2022, and provided a copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021.
7 January 2022	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and confirmed availability for a meeting on 18 January 2022. NexGen offered to host the meeting in the Saskatoon office or an alternative location of the CRDN's preference.</p> <p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and advised that the upcoming meeting on 18 January 2022 would occur at an alternate location in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. The CRDN noted the first part of the meeting would focus on action items related to the JWG, such as the Harvest Food Study and the socio-economic survey, and that the second part of the meeting would focus on technical business areas for the Project.</p>
18 January 2022	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen met with the CRDN to discuss topics and deliverables related to the EA and to plan the next series of JWG meetings for Q1 2022.</p> <p>Following the meeting, on 26 January 2022, NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked the CRDN for attending the planning meeting on 18 January 2021 in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. NexGen provided a tentative schedule and highlights of the deliverables discussed.</p>
26 January 2022	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested clarification on the use of quotes from the CRDN IKTLU Study in the EIS. NexGen provided examples and advised that NexGen could follow up with a call to the CRDN on 31 January 2022 to confirm.</p> <p>On 27 January 2022, the CRDN emailed NexGen and advised of edits required in the IKTLU Study examples provided by NexGen via email on 26 January 2022. The CRDN noted that the CRDN would like to keep the details as original as possible and that they would reply back once confirmed.</p>
3 February 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and inquired how the CRDN would like the IKTLU Study presented to the regulatory authorities as part of NexGen's EIS submission. NexGen noted that it had been mentioned at the meeting on 18 January 2022 and that the CRDN may have already discussed the matter with the CNSC. NexGen also provided the options outlined in the Study Agreement for how the CRDN may decide to present and submit the IKTLU Study with the EIS submission.
5 February 2022	Email exchange	<p>The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested that the wording of quotes from the CRDN IKTLU Study be kept as written in NexGen's EIS.</p> <p>On 9 February 2022, NexGen emailed the CRDN and confirmed that NexGen would not modify the text of the quotes and would use the original wording from the CRDN Indigenous Rights and Knowledge Study in the EIS.</p>
10 February 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and requested a meeting to connect regarding the planned EA Results workshops. NexGen noted that some of the scheduled workshops had been cancelled due to potential COVID-19 exposure. NexGen suggested meeting to discuss content, format, and timing for the workshops with the CRDN and asked that the CRDN provide availability for a one-hour meeting during the week of 21 February 2022.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlining the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.
1 April 2022	Video conference	NexGen and the CRDN met to discuss planning for upcoming JWG meetings with respect to an EA results meeting, baseline data collection and monitoring programs for the Project, and the community foods study.

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2 April 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and expressed appreciation for NexGen's patience while the CRDN worked through the transition of the technical negotiation process. The CRDN noted they were on track to proceed and assist with outstanding Project criteria requirements going forward. The CRDN suggested that a meeting date be set in order to draft an agenda of items that would require immediate attention.
5 April 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and expressed thanks for the discussion held on 1 April 2022. The CRDN listed the questions and items that were discussed, including arranging a meeting to discuss the EA results with Leadership, the upcoming baseline data collection and monitoring programs, and need for a community food study.
5 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and agreed with the CRDN's points regarding planning the EA results workshop. NexGen expressed interest in discussing the baseline programs for 2022 and requested guidance from other NexGen and CRDN members as to whom should be involved in those discussions. NexGen provided a summarized list of programs being considered for collaboration and additional points that should be considered for future discussions, including KP interviews and a perception study.
17 April 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen and the CRDN met for an Implementation Committee and business development meeting.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
23 June 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in the CRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the Draft EIS submitted to the provincial and federal regulators; and ▪ provide information about the Draft EIS regulatory review process and how members of the local priority area can be involved in the review.
24 June 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and expressed appreciation for participating in the CRDN's Industry and Government Informational gathering (i.e., community information session) held on 23 June 2022.
13 July 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen and the CRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting and engagement update meeting.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and informed that the CNSC had completed the conformity review of NexGen's Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period, which would provide Indigenous Nations and Communities, members of the public, and government departments and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC requested that all written comments must be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the CRDN leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
18 July 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and advised that the update regarding the CNSC conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project would be shared with the CRDN Chief and the engagement team on 20 July 2022.
18 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to thank them for their update and advised that the CRDN could reach out with any questions.

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19 July 2022	Video conference	NexGen, the CNSC Federal-Indigenous Review Team, and the ENV met for a technical workshop to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> provide an overview of NexGen, the Project, and the EA process and next steps; and provide an overview of the Project EIS structure and content to the federal and provincial review team.
20 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN requesting the invoice for technical capacity support that was discussed at a previous meeting. NexGen noted that the funding had been put aside to provide the CRDN with capacity funding for technical support to review the Draft EIS and was not a commitment in the Benefit Agreements. NexGen informed the CRDN that all Draft EIS documents from the CNSC website had also been uploaded to the CRDN-NexGen Benefit Agreements SharePoint site and indicated that any information requests should be directed to the NexGen Implementation and Engagement Team.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
1 August 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and expressed thanks for the engagement update letter and suggested that additional discussions should occur about sharing information with the community. The CRDN also noted that joint NexGen/CRDN information could be included on the CRDN communication app once it was in place.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found. NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the CRDN that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the CRDN.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised of the upcoming environmental monitoring work to be conducted at the Rook I site and to introduce new team members. NexGen informed the CRDN of the additional field work related to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial as well as the baseline gamma survey at the Rook I site that was planned to be completed during the summer and fall. NexGen indicated that Omnia would be at the Rook I site from 13 August 2022 to 27 August 2022 to complete a field program to conduct a natural regeneration assessment and noted that NexGen was interested in arranging a small tour while Omnia was on site to encourage discussion, knowledge sharing, and to answer questions. NexGen indicated that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field work and requested to be informed if there were any CRDN members who would be interested in participating. NexGen informed the CRDN of the baseline gamma radiation survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall. NexGen expressed interest in hiring four youth community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and to invite an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the CRDN to confirm if there were interested members by 19 August 2022.
10 August 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen confirming receipt of the email providing the update on the environmental monitoring and indicated that the community would discuss and define the CRDN's participation in the program.

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18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board had reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements have been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out with any questions or comments.
22 August 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for Project EA; ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and ▪ NexGen community program updates.
24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
7 September 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN and discussed the Benefit Agreement committee membership, the meeting scheduled on 20 September 2022 to discuss the 2022 Rook I site programs submitted for provincial approval, the Environmental Committee meeting tentatively scheduled on 12 October 2022 and 13 October 2022, to discuss the EA results, and the proposed CRDN Chief and Council Site tour.
10 September 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and provided an attached letter with the CRDN comments on the Pre-Impact Heritage Resources Impact Assessment document for the Rook I site.
14 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding a CRDN site tour tentatively scheduled on 11 October 2022 followed by the EA results workshop meeting. NexGen advised that an EA results presentation was being finalized and confirmed the focus of the workshop would be on the regulatory process and the results of the EA. NexGen offered to collaborate on the planning and logistics and requested for the CRDN to confirm their availability.
14 September 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the CRDN site tour tentatively scheduled on 11 October 2022 and the EA results workshop meeting. The CRDN indicated that a confirmation date for the site tours would be discussed during the 15 September 2022 meeting and advised that the Chief of the CRDN would be confirming the proposed dates. The CRDN also informed NexGen of the CRDN contact to be updated with the EA results workshop planning.
14 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and acknowledged the update provided regarding the proposed site tour in October 2022 and thanked the CRDN for the additional information.
22 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN confirming receipt of the letter regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment finding at Rook I dated 10 September 2022. NexGen noted the survey was a proactive measure to inform future work around the Patterson Lake bridge being evaluated as part of the continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen attached a presentation summarizing the results of the survey and suggested to meet to discuss the CRDN's questions and requests as the next step.
22 September 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment finding at Rook I. The CRDN thanked NexGen for the response to the letter sent on 10 September 2022 and requested additional information related to the permit. The CRDN indicated that arranging a meeting would work to discuss the information requests noted in the letter once the information was received.
29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF copy of the August 2022 community newsletter.

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11 October 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	In response to the CRDN's follow-up questions emailed on 22 September 2022, NexGen emailed the CRDN and confirmed that a permit application had not submitted for the bridge upgrade work. NexGen indicated that a bridge upgrade was planned to be completed in the future and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey was initiated proactively in advance of the permit to complete the work. NexGen noted that additional information related to the 100-meter radius around the bridge, the site selections, and the chert endscraper analysis process has been requested from CanNorth and that NexGen would reach back out to the CRDN once the information has been received.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the Traditional Foods Study Program that was planned to begin in 2023. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the CRDN community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.
11 October 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment finding at Rook I. The CRDN thanked NexGen for the responses to the CRDN's follow-up questions and looked forward to hearing back with additional information.
19 October 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN Chief and Council and Environmental Committee and presented the results of the EA for the Project. The presentation focused on the Draft EIS and its four main themes of assessment and discussed the potential impacts to each, including atmosphere, water, land, and people.
1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided a formal letter regarding the change to the Project Oversight Committee.
1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to follow up on the request for engagement on the baseline monitoring programs emailed on 11 October 2022. NexGen requested for confirmation on the CRDN contacts who would be involved and could assist in coordinating a meeting with CanNorth and NexGen to discuss the scopes.
2 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN in response to the CRDN's 11 October 2022 email and provided responses to the CRDN's follow-up questions related to the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment.
2 November 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the responses to the follow-up questions related to the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment. The CRDN requested for additional information regarding the artifact.
4 November 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested for the Borden number of the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment site that was recorded by CanNorth.
8 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and, in response to the CRDN's 4 November 2022 email, confirmed the Borden number of the site that was recorded by CanNorth. NexGen also informed the CRDN that the artifact was with CanNorth and that the anticipated submission to the Royal Saskatchewan Museum was in spring 2023. NexGen indicated that there were no plans for additional analysis to be conducted by the Royal Saskatchewan Museum and attached photographs of the artifacts for reference.
8 November 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing the Borden number of the site recorded by CanNorth and the additional information regarding the artifact.
11 November 2022	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen forwarding the email that was sent to the CNSC with an attached letter of the CRDN Leadership's approved Information Requests.

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22 December 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the December 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; an update on environmental monitoring programs; a summary of community updates and initiatives; a Project status update; and a Christmas message.
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities leading into 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the CRDN in 2023.
30 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided the proposed agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 31 January 2023. NexGen indicated that the meeting would be focusing on collaborating on the process to discuss and finalize responses to the CRDN's Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments on the Draft EIS as well as provide information on NexGen's baseline programs and the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions and indicated that the agenda could be forwarded to others.
31 January 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen shared updates relating to the provincial and federal regulatory process for the Draft EIS, and NexGen and the CRDN discussed a collaborative process for discussing and resolving the CRDN's Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments submitted on the Draft EIS as part of the federal review of the Draft EIS. Additionally, CanNorth attended the Environmental Committee meeting to present on the upcoming regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen was initiating in 2023.
24 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN as a follow up to the action item from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 31 January 2023 to formally connect CanNorth's employee leading the Patterson Lake Regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen with the CRDN's technical consultant and Environmental Committee member as well as the CRDN's Engagement Lead and Environmental Committee Regulatory Lead to continue the discussions regarding the CRDN's involvement in the Traditional Foods Study. NexGen advised that everyone's email addresses were included in the email chain to start the discussions and invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
13 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the CRDN regarding the meeting held on 31 January 2023 discussing NexGen's regional Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth inquired if the CRDN would be available to meet in April 2023 to continue the discussion on the details about the intent and design of the study, the potential synergies between NexGen's regional Traditional Foods Study and the CRDN's Harvest Study, data confidentiality, and potential concerns about the CRDN's participation in the study. CanNorth looked forward to meeting the CRDN to discuss the project and the potential to collaborate.
13 March 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen regarding CanNorth's request to meet in April 2023 to continue the discussion on NexGen's regional Traditional Foods Study. The CRDN advised that they would discuss the request internally.
20 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to follow up on the Environmental Committee meeting held on 31 January 2023 and advised that the NexGen EA Team has been working on drafting responses to the CRDN submissions of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and public comments on the Draft EIS. NexGen inquired if the CRDN would be available for a workshop to discuss and collaborate on the responses during the week of 3 April 2023 or 10 April 2023.
20 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments.

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21 March 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen confirming that scheduling a workshop to discuss the Draft responses to the CRDN submissions of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and public comments on the Draft EIS during the week of 3 April 2023 or 7 April 2023 would work. The CRDN noted that the table of draft responses that NexGen committed to providing during the last meeting would be required one week prior to the proposed workshop.
22 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for confirming that the week of 3 April 2023 or 7 April 2023 would work to schedule a workshop to discuss the draft responses to the CRDN submissions of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and public comments on the Draft EIS. NexGen noted the workshop would be discussed internally and reach back out to the CRDN with proposed dates.
22 March 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen and requested for CanNorth to provide the interview questions related to NexGen's regional Traditional Foods Study for the CRDN's review prior to scheduling a meeting.
30 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to propose scheduling the workshop to discuss the draft responses to the CRDN submissions of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and public comments on the Draft EIS on 25 April 2023 or 26 April 2023. NexGen inquired if the proposed dates would work and indicated that pre-meeting materials would be provided for review one week prior to the meeting. NexGen requested for the CRDN to provide several options if the proposed dates do not work.
30 March 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that 25 April 2023 or 26 April 2023 to discuss the draft responses to the CRDN submissions of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and public comments on the Draft EIS would work.
4 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN a meeting invite for an Environmental Committee meeting on 25 April 2023 to discuss and workshop responses to the CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team and public comments on the Draft EIS. NexGen indicated that pre-meeting materials would be distributed one week prior to the meeting and proposed that the meeting be held in-person at the NexGen Saskatoon office. NexGen indicated that participants who would be unable to attend in-person could use the Microsoft Teams meeting link provided to join virtually.
18 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN informing of the meeting held with the CNSC during the week of 10 April 2023 and indicated there were a few action items that came from the meeting to keep progressing the Project. NexGen stated that the CNSC would need to connect with the CRDN to get resolution and direction as the implementation and mechanisms of the Benefit Agreement may have resolved some of the outstanding items. NexGen inquired if the CRDN could reach out to the CNSC to address the action items.
18 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN attaching the meeting materials for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 25 April 2023 for review. NexGen informed the CRDN of what was included in the presentation and indicated the CRDN issues and concerns summary that would be used to discuss the issues and concerns validation had also been attached. NexGen proposed to discuss the CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments and responses first, followed by the summary of issues and concerns, and the public comments if there was time. NexGen stated that a follow up meeting could be arranged for items that do not get discussed during the workshop and invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions prior to the meeting.
18 April 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked them for providing the meeting materials for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 25 April 2023.
21 April 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the education and training initiatives; ▪ regulatory process updates for the Project; and ▪ a summary of community engagement updates.
25 April 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the CRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting to discuss and workshop responses to the CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments and Summary of issues and concerns on the Draft EIS.

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10 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN providing the schedule of the community information sessions about the Project planned for 12 June 2023 to 16 June 2023 in the local priority area communities. NexGen indicated the community information sessions would be a drop-in format with a series of poster stations staffed by NexGen staff who would be available to share information and answers. NexGen also shared the objectives of the community information sessions and noted that the staff of the CNSC and the ENV would be in attendance to explain their roles as regulatory agencies and to answer any questions from community members. NexGen stated the community information sessions would be open to all community members and members of the public and would be advertised through monthly radio announcements. NexGen indicated that posters would be created to share and post in the communities and that invitation cards would be mailed out. NexGen thanked the CRDN for helping confirm the dates and venues and invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or additional information needed.
14 May 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen confirming that the CRDN Treaty Days would occur on 16 June 2023 and stated the community information session on the Project could proceed. The CRDN indicated that a formal invitation would be sent to organizations and government affiliates to participate once the poster with the event details has been completed. The CRDN indicated they assume that the opportunity would present a showcase similar to the 2022 participation Treaty Day celebrations (i.e., the 2022 community information sessions).
15 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for confirming the CRDN Treaty Days would occur on 16 June 2023 and that the NexGen community information session on the Project could proceed. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there was anything that NexGen could assist with and noted that they would keep the CRDN informed as to the community information session planning.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Nations and communities.
24 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN to follow up regarding the regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen has initiated for the Patterson Lake area. NexGen expressed they would like the CRDN's involvement in the study and invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or would like to schedule a time to meet with CanNorth to continue the discussion on the next steps for the study. NexGen also invited the CRDN to reach out if there was any additional information the CRDN would like to review prior to arranging a meeting.
24 May 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen in response to NexGen's follow up on the regional Traditional Foods Study initiated for the Patterson Lake area. The CRDN indicated that they would check internally for advisory comments.
24 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for checking internally for advisory comments on the regional Traditional Foods Study initiated for the Patterson Lake area.
6 June 2023	Email, outgoing	The CRDN emailed NexGen and provided a file with the interview results regarding CRDN Traditional Foods use. The CRDN advised the names were withheld for confidentiality and noted that corrections were made. The CRDN indicated that NexGen could reach out if there were any questions or if additional information was required.
8 June 2023	Email, incoming	A CRDN member emailed NexGen regarding the independent Indigenous Monitor position and inquired about the day-to-day duties of the role and where the location of the position. The CRDN member indicated they would forward their resume.
8 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed a CRDN member and explained more about the independent Indigenous Monitor position. NexGen noted the requirements and listed some of the potential tasks of the role. NexGen informed the CRDN member that NexGen's Engagement Lead would connect them with the CRDN contact for the Environmental Committee for additional information and requested for the CRDN member to submit their resume.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; ▪ education, training, and employment updates; and ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives.

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9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and digital copies of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed that they hope to see the CRDN at the upcoming community information sessions.
9 June 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for sending the engagement update letter for the Project, copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters, and the digital copies of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. The CRDN noted that they would review the documents during the week of 12 June 2023 and provide NexGen feedback.
9 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked the CRDN for confirming feedback on the engagement update letter for the Project would be provided.
13 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for sending the results regarding the CRDN's Traditional Foods use. NexGen inquired if the information could be shared with CanNorth for the regional Traditional Foods Study conducted for the Patterson Lake region and if the CRDN would be interested in taking part of anything further for the study.
16 June 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in the CRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
18 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN providing the updated CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team comment responses and issues and concerns validation tables as a follow up to action items from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 25 April 2023. NexGen also included summary tables outlining modifications made to each table based on the workshop. NexGen confirmed that the next step would be to generate letters prepared by the CRDN to the CNSC confirming the items reflected in the responses for the purpose of the federal EA process. NexGen thanked the Environmental Committee members for the collaborative and transparent approach working through the regulatory process for the Project. NexGen indicated the next Environmental Committee meeting to work through the CRDN public comments submitted as part of the federal EA process would be scheduled after the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and issues and concerns letters had been finalized.
19 June 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the updated Federal-Indigenous Review Team comment responses and issues and concerns validation tables. The CRDN informed NexGen that the CRDN's process requires full consultation with leadership in all developments proceeding in all environmental areas and noted that the CRDN would hold further internal discussion prior to presenting to the CRDN Chief. The CRDN indicated that they would discuss the commitments moving forward with NexGen.
19 June 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the CRDN Traditional Foods use information could be shared with CanNorth. The CRDN indicated they would look into the additional study items and stated they were sure there would be sample donation for testing.
21 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for sending the CRDN food study information. NexGen indicated the information was shared with CanNorth and was advised that some of the information could be incorporated into the broader NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen explained that one of the main goals of the broader Traditional Foods Study was to get the grams/per person/day to verify the assumptions in the EIS and inquired if the CRDN would be willing to share additional information around portion sizes, species-specific information, and harvest location mapping. NexGen indicated that CanNorth could assist with training the community interviewers and noted that there was also a concern with how the CRDN data could be shared while maintaining the CRDN's anonymity within the Regional Study. NexGen proposed to arrange a call between NexGen, the CRDN, and CanNorth to discuss options and next steps.

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22 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and introduced a CRDN member who had questions regarding the independent Indigenous Monitor position. NexGen stated that some of the potential tasks for the position was shared with the CRDN member and indicated the purpose of the introduction was to allow the CRDN member to ask any questions directly to the CRDN Environmental Committee representatives. NexGen invited for the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
22 June 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and agreed with the proposed meeting to discuss next steps for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. The CRDN also indicated that they would consult internally regarding the additional information around portion sizes.
23 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding scheduling a meeting to discuss next steps for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study and requested for the CRDN to provide a time that would work.
4 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and inquired if the CRDN had a chance to follow up on further participation on the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen indicated that they would be available for a meeting along with CanNorth in the afternoon of 11 July 2023 or anytime on 12 July 2023.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the CRDN, the MN-S NR2, the BNDN, and the BRDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the CRDN's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of a CRDN representative to participate in the meeting and invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN as a follow up to NexGen's 27 July 2023 email and inquired if there was a CRDN representative to participate in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group.
10 August 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and advised that they would get back to NexGen with a CRDN representative to participate in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group.
10 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for confirming that the CRDN would get back with a CRDN representative to participate in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the upcoming September 2023 edition of the NexGen Community Newsletter for the Project. NexGen informed the CRDN that the community contacts for each of the Indigenous Groups in the local priority area for the Project would be listed in the newsletter and inquired for the CRDN to confirm the CRDN Implementation Coordinator contact. NexGen included a screenshot of the June 2023 newsletter clip of the community contacts for reference.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested for NexGen not to include the CRDN on any newsletters or information inclusive until direction from the Chief of the CRDN had been received. The CRDN informed NexGen that they have the exclusive rights alone for the release of any CRDN community information.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for the update on including the CRDN community information in the NexGen newsletter. NexGen indicated that they would wait to hear back from the CRDN.
22 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and inquired if there was a CRDN representative available to join the Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 either in-person or virtually. NexGen requested for confirmation as to who the meeting invite should be sent to and advised that representatives from the MN-S, the BNDN, and the BRDN had recently been confirmed.

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22 August 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and indicated that they would confirm if the CRDN's consultant could participate on behalf of the CRDN in the Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023.
22 August 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the CRDN's consultant would be participating in the Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 on behalf of the CRDN.
22 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked them for confirming that the CRDN's consultant would be participating in the Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 on behalf of the CRDN. NexGen noted the meeting invite would be forwarded to the CRDN's consultant.
28 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and listed the next steps that the CNSC needed from the CRDN to progress the consultation process. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen informed the CRDN they had been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen thanked the CRDN for sharing the results of previous interviews regarding the CRDN Traditional Foods use and for sharing the information with CanNorth to use in the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen stated they were interested in having the CRDN participate further by conducting supplementary interviews to collect more quantitative data as well as harvest location mapping and provided a revised timeline for the CRDN's involvement in the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen advised that CanNorth would use the new information gathered paired with the previous qualitative data provided by the CRDN to inform the 2024 sampling program once the community interviews were complete. NexGen informed the CRDN that CanNorth would produce a final report in the summer of 2024. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions regarding the timeline or if there were any concerns about the CRDN being able to participate further in the regional Traditional Foods Study and obtain approval to proceed by 30 November 2023.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen had submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the CRDN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS had been uploaded to the CRDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked the CRDN for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the CRDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting CRDN to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the Final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures and technical review findings, and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the CRDN and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.

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31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the CRDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence thanking the CRDN for pointing out the error in the previous email. The ENV stated that a corrected Notice of Review letter had been attached.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed the ENV and copied NexGen on the correspondence thanking the ENV for the update on the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The CRDN stated they would discuss with the Chief of the CRDN along with the collective positioning of support for the Project.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and advised that NexGen was copied on the ENV correspondence to the Chief of the CRDN regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the CRDN Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator. NexGen noted that all copied on the email have already received the correspondence and stated that NexGen was following up to remain consistent with the established Environmental and Implementation Committee communication processes.
1 September 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the CRDN to confirm if the emails sent on 30 August 2023 and 1 September 2023 regarding the provincial Final EIS has been received, if the SharePoint access worked and if there were any questions. The CRDN stated there were no concerns and noted that the CRDN would reach out to NexGen's Vice President, Community during the week of 3 September 2023 to discuss the letter of support. The CRDN also confirmed availability to meet in-person in Saskatoon during the week of 10 September 2023.
3 September 2023	Email, outgoing	The CRDN emailed NexGen and inquired if a meeting could be scheduled to discuss the next steps that the CNSC needed from the CRDN to progress the consultation process emailed on 28 August 2023.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Caribou Working Group and thanked the group for helping make the first meeting held on 29 August 2023 a success. NexGen attached the meeting minutes, presentation, and a visual charter for review as well as provided a link to the requested resources as a follow up to some of the action items. NexGen informed the Caribou Working Group that a placeholder for the workshop on 16 October 2023 has been sent out and noted that NexGen would also be inviting regulators as guests to the workshop. NexGen advised that additional information would be sent out closer to the date.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen also informed the CRDN that they have recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS as well as continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen thanked the CRDN for the collaborative effort on developing responses to the federal technical review comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to using a similar approach for the CRDN public comment submission as part of concluding the federal public review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen invited the CRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
12 September 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen thanking NexGen for sharing the update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project has been confirmed complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements. The CRDN stated that further discussion with the Chief of the CRDN would be held at the next internal meeting and noted that the CRDN would also be meeting with NexGen's Vice President, Community to review the technical project areas soon.
13 September 2023	In-person / face-to-face	NexGen hosted the CRDN Chief and members of the CRDN Council at the Rook I site for a tour.

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22 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN providing a draft letter for the CRDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the CRDN-NexGen Environmental Committee to satisfy federal EA requirements for the Project. NexGen also attached the completed issues and concerns summary table to accompany the letter to the CNSC. NexGen expressed appreciation for the CRDN's collaboration and support of the Project and looked forward to continuing to work with the Environmental Committee throughout the regulatory process.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding NexGen's visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10 to 12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the CRDN Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
12 October 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN copied NexGen on an email to the CNSC providing a signed letter confirming community support for the Project.
13 October 2023	Email, incoming	The CNSC copied NexGen on an email to the CRDN acknowledging the letter confirming community support for the Project emailed on 12 October 2023. The CNSC indicated they were waiting on a resubmission from NexGen before undertaking the Federal-Indigenous Review Team technical review of NexGen's information requests' responses. The CNSC advised the letter from the CRDN would be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry for the Project along with the results of the technical review of information requests' responses.
14 October 2023	Email, incoming	The CRDN copied NexGen on an email to the CNSC thanking the CNSC for the 13 October 2023 email response to the CRDN letter confirming community support for the Project. The CRDN also informed the CNSC to include the CRDN Chief and the Environmental advisor for the CRDN engagement team on Federal-Indigenous Review Team correspondence moving forward.
16 October 2023	Email, incoming	The CNSC copied NexGen on an email to the CRDN confirming the CRDN Chief and the Environmental advisor for the CRDN engagement team would be included on all Federal-Indigenous Review Team correspondence moving forward as requested.
17 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding scheduling the next Environmental Committee meeting to discuss updates on the regulatory process for the Project and share information about some of the environmental programs occurring or planned to occur at site. NexGen proposed to hold the Environmental Committee meeting on 6, 9 or 10 November 2023 and indicated that the CRDN could also provide alternative dates for consideration.
19 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the community-based Traditional Foods Study for the Project and inquired if the CRDN would be participating further and completing supplementary interviews and mapping.
30 October 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group and the provincial and federal regulators for a workshop. Stantec presented the caribou offset options and gathered feedback to inform the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the CRDN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the CRDN.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ education, training, and employment updates; ▪ community engagement updates; ▪ a summary of the June 2023 Community Information Sessions; and ▪ Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Chief of the CRDN providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the CRDN for the support through the provincial EA process.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
20 December 2023	Letter, incoming	The CNSC emailed NexGen and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter requesting clarification regarding potential linkages between recent exploration activities at the Rook I site and the Project.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed that Rook I site exploration activities in question were required to inform Project design but do not represent development of the Project. In addition, the letter included a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies prior to submission of the exploration program permit application. NexGen confirmed that all activities being undertaken at the Rook I site are compliant with the <i>Nuclear Safety and Control Act</i> and the <i>Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012</i> . NexGen provided responses to each of the information requests from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN Chief providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
11 January 2024	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the MLTC Client Engagement and Job Fair scheduled on 30 January 2024 that would be hosted in the CRDN community and inquired if NexGen would be available to attend.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and proposed to schedule the next Environmental Committee meeting on 12 February 2024 to discuss regulatory updates, current and upcoming environmental initiatives and monitoring programs, and to flag key dates and opportunities for the year. NexGen inquired if the proposed date would work and stated the meeting could be held in-person or virtually. NexGen also proposed to schedule the quarterly Environmental Committee meetings for 2024 and listed potential dates for consideration.
15 January 2024	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the proposed Environmental Committee meetings and suggested to not explore meeting dates beyond the proposed 12 February 2024 meeting. The CRDN stated the date would be discussed internally and a confirmation would be provided to NexGen. The CRDN indicated that a discussion regarding the CRDN's participation in the final approval process of the Project would be held with NexGen's Vice President, Community during the week of 22 January 2024.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and thanked the CRDN for looking into the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting date. NexGen also invited the CRDN to provide alternative dates for consideration and acknowledged the CRDN's preference to hold off on scheduling any additional quarterly Environmental Committee meetings beyond February 2024.
24 January 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen and the CRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
30 January 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen attended the career fair in the CRDN community, hosted by the CRDN and the MLTC.
30 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting and inquired if the date would work for the CRDN Environmental Committee members or if an alternate date would be preferred.
30 January 2024	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen regarding the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting and indicated that there were some minor internal Environmental Committee process changes. The CRDN advised that a call would be made to NexGen's Vice President, Community to discuss.
31 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the CRDN and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting with the CRDN soon.
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN regarding the proposed 12 February 2024 Environmental Committee meeting and followed up to confirm if the CRDN has connected with NexGen's Vice President, Community to discuss. NexGen inquired if the CRDN was interested in meeting on the proposed date or if a later date in February 2024 would work better.

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14 February 2024	Email, incoming	The CRDN emailed NexGen and requested to discuss the results of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team review of NexGen's 31 October 2023 EIS submission for the proposed Rook I Project.
14 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CRDN and stated that NexGen would call to discuss the results of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team review of NexGen's 31 October 2023 EIS submission for the proposed Rook I Project as requested.
14 February 2024	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the CRDN to discuss the Federal-Indigenous Review Team review of NexGen's EIS. NexGen confirmed with CRDN that the CRDN Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments were considered complete with no further action required from the CRDN.
28 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Training Committee members and discussed the following key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ university requirements for secondary school math and science; ▪ progress of the Export database; ▪ training to employment needs; and ▪ update on the completed, current, and upcoming training programs.

CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; IAAC = Impact Assessment Agency of Canada; ECCC = Environment and Climate Change Canada; Omnia = Omnia Ecological Services; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; KP = key person; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; VC = valued component.

Table B-2: Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (including Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Northern Region 2)

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
19 May 2013	In-person meeting	NexGen met with members of the La Loche Métis Local #39 and the N-19 Trappers Association to introduce NexGen and to discuss any concerns. Some concerns were noted by the La Loche Métis Local #39 and the N-19 Trappers such as the potential effects of drilling and restricted land use. Additional discussions were focused on employment and business opportunities as well as ongoing community engagement.
24 August 2015	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the newly elected President of the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 in Buffalo Narrows for introductions and coffee.
12 October 2015	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the President of the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 for an informal coffee to discuss ongoing work.
16 March 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 to provide an update on NexGen's 2016 winter drill program and the other upcoming programs scheduled for 2016, including the environmental and engagement plans. NexGen and the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 discussed the Project, including the geology of the Arrow deposit, the status and future of the Project, and the employment, contracting, and training opportunities.
5 April 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen organized an information session to share information about the Project with the Chipewyan Prairie Industry Relations Corporation, the English River First Nation, the Métis Local 130 Métis Nation Region 1 #214, the Northern Settlement of Deschambeau Lake community council, and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Government Relations. NexGen introduced the Project and provided a summary of the work to date as well as an overview of the planned work to be completed in 2016. Community members raised concerns about the engagement and consultation processes to date. Additional discussions were focused on the safety of uranium mining, local employment and contracting, and traditional land use.
21 February 2017	Email exchange	A series of emails were exchanged between NexGen, the CRDN, and the MN-S NR2 regarding traditional territory and engagement.
27 February 2017	In-person meeting	NexGen provided an update presentation on exploration and Project development activities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview and history of the Arrow deposit; ▪ highlights of metallurgical work; ▪ conceptual Project design; ▪ update on studies planned to support a future EA; and ▪ proposed 2017 activities including baseline studies and engagement planning.
6 September 2017	Letter, incoming	The MN-S NR2, the Northern Village of La Loche, the La Loche Métis Local #39, and the CRDN emailed NexGen an attached letter requesting an informal meeting to discuss upcoming issues in the uranium exploration industry and each organization's expectations and concerns.
12 October 2017	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2, the La Loche Métis Local #39, the CRDN, and the Northern Village of La Loche to discuss the uranium exploration industry. Consultation and engagement were discussed as well as economic opportunities and partnerships. The meeting identified the close ties between the Northern Village of La Loche, the La Loche Métis Local #39, the MN-S NR2, and the CRDN and that they collectively want to ensure that La Loche and the CRDN are considered for economic opportunities that arise from NexGen's exploration and development activities.
10 July 2018	In-person meeting	NexGen provided a tour of the Rook I site for the La Loche Métis Local #39 President and Council. The following areas were visited: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rook I exploration camp; ▪ core processing and storage facilities; ▪ surface drill locations at the Arrow deposit; ▪ cuttings management facility; and ▪ weather station. <p>This tour provided an opportunity for dialogue and an opportunity for the President and Council to increase their knowledge of activities at the Rook I site.</p>

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
5 October 2018	In-person meeting	NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities to the MN-S NR2. The topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of the Project and Arrow deposit; ▪ Preliminary Economic Assessment highlights and the current Pre-Feasibility Study; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement.
21 February 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent the MN-S NR2 a letter with a meeting request to attend a workshop on the Rook I Project Description on 27 February 2019 in Saskatoon.
26 February 2019	Text exchange	The MN-S NR2 requested the workshop meeting dates be changed to later in March.
25 March 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 to present an overview of the information included in the Rook I Project Description, including the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
29 March 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the MN-S NR2 to notify them that a letter from the ENV regarding the Rook I Technical Proposal application and the duty to consult would be sent to the La Loche Métis Local #39, the Turnor Lake Métis Local #40, and the Descharme Lake Métis Local #130. An MN-S NR2 representative explained that a letter should not be sent to the Descharme Lake Métis Local #130 as they do not have Métis Local status and should be considered part of the La Loche Métis Local #39. The MN-S NR2 noted that they would contact the ENV on this matter.
29 March 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the La Loche Métis Local #39 to notify them that a letter from the ENV would be sent to them regarding the Rook I Technical Proposal application and the duty to consult.
29 March 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the Turnor Lake Métis Local #40 to notify them that a letter from the ENV would be sent to them regarding the Rook I Technical Proposal application and the duty to consult.
4 April 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the MN-S NR2 to notify them that a letter from the CNSC would be sent to the MN-S President to state that NexGen has submitted the Rook I Project Description and that this letter was sent to the MN-S NR2 as the representatives of the Métis Locals.
5 April 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the MN-S to notify them that a letter from the CNSC would be sent to the MN-S to state that NexGen has submitted the Rook I Project Description and that a letter was sent to the MN-S NR2 as the representatives of the Métis Locals.
8 April 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the new President and Board Members of the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 and provided a general overview of the status of the Project.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to the MN-S to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to the MN-S NR2 to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
4 June 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called and left a message with the MN-S NR2 reception to confirm if the notification letter was received as registered mail confirmed delivery.
4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent an invitation letter to the MN-S NR2 for a meeting on 18 June 2019 to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete an IKTLU Study in the area around the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement.

Table B-2: Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (including Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Northern Region 2)

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
18 June 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 to introduce the Study Agreement, which included capacity funding for a JWG, IKTLU Study, community coordinator, and dietary study.
20 June 2019	Letter, incoming	The MN-S NR2 sent NexGen a letter regarding the meeting on 18 June 2019 in Saskatoon that stated their engagement considerations and proposed next steps.
20 June 2019	Phone Call	NexGen and the MN-S NR2 discussed the letter that NexGen sent to the MN-S NR2 and the MN-S NR2's concerns regarding the proposed studies. NexGen stated that NexGen would provide the funding for the proposed studies but that the MN-S NR2 would conduct and retain ownership of the studies.
5 July 2019	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Study Agreement to the MN-S NR2.
26 July 2019	In-person meeting	An open-floor meeting where the leadership of the MN-S, the MN-S NR2, the Métis National President, and the community members from the respective communities met and discussed updates within the Métis Nation. NexGen was invited to attend the meeting and sponsored a traditional meal.
30 July 2019	Email exchange	The MN-S NR2 requested a Project area map. NexGen supplied a Project-specific map and a regional area map.
12 August 2019	Email exchange	NexGen and the MN-S NR2 exchanged emails with respect to setting up a meeting with the consultants who will be completing the IKTLU Study for the MN-S NR2 on 14 August 2019.
14 August 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with representatives for the MN-S to review administrative aspects the Study Agreement. The MN-S requested a map of the area in the vicinity of the Project that covers the wildlife study area for the baseline studies and the schedule for the Project as it refers to Construction, Operations, and Decommissioning and Reclamation (i.e., Closure).
16 August 2019	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent the MN-S NR2 a map of the area in the vicinity of the Project and a link to the Project Description and Project timeline.
20 August 2019	Email exchange	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen to request maps with different map scales and inquired if there was supposed to be another attachment in the previous email regarding the Project timeline. NexGen responded that the map that was provided shows the regional extent of the EA study areas and explained that with wildlife having the largest study area, the boundaries of the other disciplines (air, aquatics, terrestrial) are within the extent of the map. The scale (1:250K) of the map is such that it shows the extent of the information that was requested. There was discussion about setting up a follow-up conversation.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
5 September 2019	Letter, incoming	A letter was received by NexGen: Motion for Métis Local Delegation of duty to consult Responsibilities and Motion for Authorized Delegate to Accept Delegation Responsibilities of duty to consult, transferring responsibility to the MN-S from the MN-S NR2.
9 September 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen and the MN-S met to sign and execute the Study Agreement. The Study Agreement outlines a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA for the Project and includes funding for an IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and for establishing a JWG.
19 September 2019	Multiple methods	NexGen called the MN-S NR2 to arrange a meeting with the MN-S NR2, the CNSC, and the ENV on 8 October 2019. A follow-up email invitation was sent on 27 September 2019 to confirm the meeting details. The MN-S NR2 confirmed via text message on 27 September 2019 that MN-S NR2 Council and legal counsel would be attending the meeting on 8 October 2019 in Saskatoon.
8 October 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen, the CNSC, the MN-S, and the MN-S NR2 met for a presentation. The presentation was facilitated by NexGen but was led by the CNSC to provide an overview of the CNSC's EA review process.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
29 October 2019	In-person meeting	Introductory meeting for the JWG including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; and ▪ human health risk assessment.
10 December 2019	In-person meeting	A JWG meeting was held and included the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ review of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; ▪ human health risk assessment; ▪ water assessment and management; and ▪ air and water pathways.
21 January 2020	In-person meeting	A tour of the Rook I site was conducted, followed by a presentation and meeting to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mineral Surface Lease Agreements; ▪ underground tailings management; ▪ caribou – mitigation and management; ▪ Traditional Land Use; and ▪ traffic studies.
26 February 2020	Email, incoming	The MN-S confirmed that the IKTLU Study can be used by Golder and InterGroup to support the EA as per the Study Agreement.
27 February 2020	In-person meeting	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ socio-economic assessment (approach and methods); ▪ community well-being; ▪ employment and training opportunities; ▪ business opportunities; ▪ caribou mitigation and management; and ▪ IKTLU Studies. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were needed, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
13 March 2020	Email exchange	A legal representative for the MN-S emailed NexGen to inform that travel restrictions had been put in place as a result of COVID-19 and that the upcoming meeting would need to be rescheduled or potentially moved to a teleconference.
18 March 2020	Email, incoming	The MN-S notified NexGen that the tour of La Loche and the Rook I site that was planned for 22 and 23 March 2020 was cancelled due to COVID-19.
2 April 2020	Email exchange	NexGen created a JWG poster for community members. The MN-S reviewed the poster with minor edits requested.
1 May 2020	Email exchange	The MN-S emailed NexGen to ask how NexGen is supporting La Loche and the northern communities during the COVID-19 pandemic. NexGen replied that they are providing support through a community pandemic coordinator, food boxes for the students at home, and partnering with the Saskatchewan Mining Association to supply masks and cleaning supplies.
7 May 2020	In-person meeting	NexGen toured the MN-S around NexGen's office in Saskatoon.
14 May 2020	Email exchange	The MN-S emailed NexGen requesting dates for the next JWG meetings and to discuss a Benefit Agreement. NexGen replied on 15 May 2020 to share a meeting agenda to review the JWG plans, confirm that the IKTLU Study is finalized, and to continue Benefit Agreement discussions.

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21 May 2020	Email exchange	On 15 May 2020, NexGen sent a proposed meeting and agenda to discuss the path forward for the JWG and the Benefit Agreement. The MN-S responded on 21 May 2020 to request that all Benefit Agreement discussions proceed through legal counsel and that the JWG is placed on hold until Benefit Agreement discussions have advanced.
2 June 2020	Multiple methods	Following leaving a phone message, NexGen thanked the MN-S for their email on 21 May 2020. NexGen stated that they had hoped to discuss the email over the phone but unfortunately had not been able to connect. NexGen stated that they understand the requested path forward for the JWG and Benefit Agreements and stated that NexGen's objective is to continue and advance the respectful relationship with the MN-S and the local Métis leadership and communities. NexGen suggested a JWG meeting in the coming weeks and asked the MN-S to inform NexGen what dates would work best.
4 June 2020	Email, incoming	The Turnor Lake Métis Local #40 copied NexGen on an email to the MN-S NR2 regarding JWG membership.
23 July 2020	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent the MN-S an email to confirm the new JWG membership and to confirm if there has been a change in the community coordinator position. NexGen suggested a meeting in August 2020 to continue the engagement process for the EA.
20 August 2020	Email, incoming	The MN-S provided the most up to date IKTLU Study that incorporated edits from the former JWG members. The MN-S advised NexGen that all future JWG and engagement requests should be provided to the MN-S legal counsel.
12 November 2020	Email exchange	Email correspondence was exchanged between the MN-S and NexGen. NexGen emailed the MN-S on 6 November 2020 to request to meet to continue Benefit Agreement discussions and JWG and engagement meetings. The MN-S responded on 10 November 2020 with terms for participating in Benefit Agreement meetings. NexGen replied on 12 November 2020 to address the terms and to notify the MN-S that a NexGen representative would be reaching out to the designated MN-S representative to request a JWG meeting.
16 November 2020	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide a meeting agenda and list of NexGen attendees for the proposed JWG meeting on 8 December 2020. NexGen also attached a schedule of proposed JWG meeting dates for the remainder of 2020 and in 2021.
3 December 2020	Email exchange	The MN-S replied to NexGen's JWG meeting request to confirm the attendance for 8 December 2020. NexGen replied to the MN-S to request that the proposed JWG meeting be rescheduled to 16 December 2020 as NexGen's availability had changed between 16 November 2020 and 3 December 2020. The MN-S replied to NexGen and proposed 17 or 18 December 2020 for the JWG meeting. NexGen replied and confirmed that meeting on 17 December 2020 would work.
17 December 2020	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project update; ▪ regulatory process update; ▪ review of JWG meetings; ▪ key actions and commitments; and ▪ topics for future JWG meetings. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per provided comments, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
22 January 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and proposed a JWG meeting in February 2021. NexGen noted the attachment of a letter, which suggested a plan for the 2021 JWG / Engagement meetings. The letter addressed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a proposed JWG meeting schedule; ▪ a proposed list of topics for future JWG meetings; ▪ the recording and co-chairing of JWG meetings; ▪ the MN-S engagement of technical expertise; and ▪ a list of VCs for the Project.

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6 March 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S a formal letter to reiterate their commitment to continuing meaningful engagement with the MN-S on behalf of the Locals within the MN-S NR2. NexGen invited the MN-S to a meet for the MN-S to provide feedback to NexGen and to collectively determine the path forward for the JWG. NexGen also confirmed capacity funding available as per the Study Agreement.
8 March 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S advised that they discussed the proposed meeting on 17 March 2021.
23 March 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided the names of the JWG members that would be attending the next JWG meeting.
29 March 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for the list of the JWG participants for the next JWG meeting. NexGen provided a draft agenda for the next JWG meeting to collectively discuss the path forward for the JWG. On 1 April 2021, the MN-S emailed NexGen and requested additional time to prepare for the next JWG meeting to discuss the path forward and indicated that they have just hired technical consultants to assist.
9 April 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached letter regarding engagement on the EA for the Project to provide an update on NexGen's schedule for the EIS, provisions of the Study Agreement, and the proposed approach for continuing JWG discussions. NexGen also provided near-term steps to continue to support the EA process. The following appendices were included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ completed JWG presentations, supplementary materials, and meeting minutes; and ▪ planned Q1 2021 JWG presentations for the following topics: models and the EA, Project design and alternatives assessed, and land use (past, present, and future).
5 May 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached letter regarding the EA and a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and provided details on the upcoming Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program with an invitation for the MN-S to participate.
5 May 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the MN-S's expectations and desires for the JWG moving forward, reflecting the MN-S's recent decision to change the membership of the JWG and including suggested topics for future discussion, meeting frequency, and participants; ▪ timelines for the submission of the EIS and the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program; and ▪ interim communication protocol for communication between the MN-S and NexGen. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per provided comments, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
5 May 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided the MN-S proposed JWG plan that was discussed during the 5 May 2021 JWG meeting. The proposed plan outlined a tentative JWG process and schedule, which specified meeting topics, participants, materials, and information to be provided in advance of meeting and the proposed timing for the JWG meetings to occur.
7 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and acknowledged that based on the input received from the meeting on 5 May 2021, NexGen understood that providing an EIS schedule overview to the MN-S was a critically important task and provided a schedule table that provided context for many of the items contained within the draft MN-S/NexGen JWG Planning Table. NexGen also provided a list of topics that were not included within the draft the MN-S / NexGen JWG planning table but to which NexGen was prepared to discuss at any time. NexGen added that if a break-out session to discuss any items in more detail would be beneficial, then NexGen would be happy to discuss.
12 May 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing the EIS planning schedule. The MN-S advised that they need to connect internally about what could be completed given the election period and what may need to wait.

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14 May 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that should a meeting to discuss the timing of tasks and how they related to milestones in planning schedule be required, that NexGen would gladly set up a meeting.</p> <p>NexGen also followed up on an action item and provided the timelines associated with the Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program.</p>
14 May 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked them for the clarification and information on the caribou-related items. The MN-S inquired if NexGen had any ideas about timing and activities related to opportunities for the MN-S' involvement in the caribou studies in the spring/summer. The MN-S noted that the MN-S could also give this some thought.
14 May 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and suggested an introductory call with NexGen's subject matter expert (Omnia) and a subset of the NexGen team to discuss the proposed caribou mitigation program details. NexGen provided a copy of the caribou mitigation and offsetting planning invitation letter sent to the MN-S on 5 May 2021 for reference and requested that the MN-S advise if there were times the MN-S may be available for a call.</p> <p>NexGen added that NexGen would like to include the MN-S and/or MN-S Locals in the field part of the program tentatively scheduled for June 2021.</p>
18 May 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and stated that connecting with Omnia sounded positive. The MN-S noted uncertainty around the timing that this meeting could occur as key members were out of the office. The MN-S stated that a meeting could still occur though the information would need to be taken back to the full MN-S team for discussion.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and agreed that NexGen would be interested in hearing the thoughts of the other MN-S representatives about the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen stated that the planning and the field portion of Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program was scheduled for June 2021 and that setting a meeting within the following two weeks between Omnia and the MN-S representatives would be a great first step and requested that the MN-S provide availability for the following week for a collaborative session.</p> <p>NexGen also added that in the letter sent to the MN-S representative on 5 May 2021 regarding caribou mitigation and offsetting planning, NexGen suggested that the MN-S identify local knowledge holders to collaborate on the initiative and suggested that perhaps an MN-S member could identify local community members with knowledge on both caribou and the Patterson Lake area. NexGen stated that should knowledge holders be unavailable to attend the first meeting, NexGen would be happy to meet again at a future date to identify opportunities to continue the conversation.</p>
3 June 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and Two Worlds Consulting (consultant to the MN-S) and noted they had been reviewing the MN-S / NexGen JWG Plan document and would be finalizing a letter to the MN-S that would be sent before the end of that week.</p> <p>NexGen also inquired if the MN-S was still interested in setting up an introductory call with Omnia regarding the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and if any of the MN-S or the MN-S NR2 Local members were interested in participating in the field program during the summer.</p>
4 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted attachment of a response letter to provide context regarding engagement completed to date and future agenda items, following NexGen's review of the MN-S / NexGen JWG plan document.
7 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted they were looking forward to hearing from the MN-S now that the election period had concluded.

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23 June 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S to propose a meeting during the week of 12 July 2021. NexGen noted the following topics for discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project description (i.e., key Project design elements); ▪ Project interactions with the environment; ▪ proposed mitigations; and ▪ Project alternatives considered. <p>NexGen confirmed they would draft a presentation and noted they would welcome input from MN-S.</p>
29 June 2021	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and congratulated the successful election candidates. NexGen requested dates the MN-S would be available to meet post-election. NexGen also noted that they look forward to feedback from the MN-S team regarding the JWG process. NexGen noted they wanted to proactively propose topics of importance to be able to move forward collaboratively.</p> <p>The MN-S emailed NexGen thanking them for their email and saying that they will connect with the broader MN-S group and will follow up.</p>
30 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen sent the MN-S an engagement update letter and attached appendices regarding engagement on the EA for the Project. NexGen stated that the intent of the letter was to confirm that information shared with some JWGs is made available to all JWGs and that any pending requests and information from the meetings and discussions are tracked and followed up on. The following appendices were included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ April 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ hazard identification for the accidents and malfunctions assessment; ▪ regional highway maps of Highway 155 and Highway 955; ▪ May 2021 JWG presentation; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary.
7 July 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen informed the MN-S that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and that NexGen will be providing a summary of when information about the program was presented to and discussed with the MN-S.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
9 July 2021	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up on the meeting request on 29 June 2021 to discuss the JWG relationship and outstanding action items or any Project-specific topics of interest.</p> <p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and noted they were working internally to respond to information regarding caribou. The MN-S noted that they were receiving requests from other proponents and requested additional support from NexGen and appreciation of the current capacity limitations. The MN-S stated that to move forward the caribou work would be prioritized and that further JWG work would therefore be delayed.</p>
14 July 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and agreed upon meeting dates. NexGen stated they were preparing a presentation that would discuss outstanding issues and actions, a current description of the Project (reintroduction plus any added information), critical alternatives considered, Project/environment interactions, and proposed key mitigations.</p> <p>NexGen added that NexGen was prepared to proceed with JWGs on a regular schedule and noted the possibility of transitioning the JWG to a steering committee format with breakout groups to help ease some of the capacity constraints conveyed to NexGen by the MN-S team.</p>

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27 July 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and suggested 19 August 2021 for the next JWG meeting. The MN-S requested that the CNSC participate in the conversation to gain context about the relationship and the issues.
28 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed the proposed meeting date of 19 August 2021. NexGen requested a phone call prior to the meeting to discuss the structure and agenda for the meeting.
29 July 2021	Email, incoming	The CNSC emailed NexGen and the MN-S and confirmed they would be happy to meet to hear concerns and better understand the context around the issues raised and confirm that all parties were communicating well and engaging effectively. The CNSC suggested that the CNSC, the MN-S, and NexGen work to set up a separate tripartite meeting with a set agenda at an alternative date, as opposed to having the CNSC join the NexGen and MN-S JWG meeting.
29 July 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and agreed to the proposed meeting time on 19 August 2021. The MN-S also noted the following agenda items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ clearing past action items; ▪ clarification of consultation protocols and parameters; and ▪ Project re-introduction and overview.
30 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted the following agenda items for the 19 August 2021 JWG meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ review of outstanding issues and action items from previous JWG meetings; ▪ a discussion regarding the path forward for the JWG; and ▪ a current description of the Project (reintroduction plus any added information), critical alternatives considered, Project/environment interactions, and proposed key mitigations. NexGen noted that per the CNSC comments, NexGen would be happy to set up a tripartite meeting at a future date and suggested that ENV should be included as well.
3 August 2021	Email exchange	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S would connect with their team for next steps regarding the 19 August 2021 JWG meeting proposed by NexGen via email on 30 July 2021. NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank the MN-S for their response regarding scheduling the proposed 19 August 2021 JWG meeting and that they looked forward to hearing back soon.
6 August 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S team was still working on a few logistical pieces related to the email sent by NexGen on 30 July 2021 regarding the proposed JWG meeting on 19 August 2021.
6 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities for the Project during June to mid-July 2021 and to provide an outline for upcoming activities. The following appendices were included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ list of questions to explore for the July 2021 JWG meeting; ▪ June 2021 JWG presentation; ▪ June 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ April 2021 JWG summary.
6 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for the update received from the MN-S on 6 August 2021 regarding the proposed JWG meeting on 19 August 2021.
9 August 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S would be happy to meet with the CNSC separately from the JWG process.
10 August 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the MN-S and noted that they looked forward to meeting at the JWG meeting on 19 August 2021. The MN-S emailed and thanked NexGen for an email sent by NexGen on 10 August 2021 related to the 19 August 2021 JWG meeting.

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12 August 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested a call on the same day or the next day to discuss some minor housekeeping issues related to the JWG meeting on 19 August 2021.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and apologized for the short notice on the reply and inquired if 12 August 2021 would work for a call to discuss the housekeeping items prior to the JWG on 19 August 2021, as requested by the MN-S via email on 12 August 2021. NexGen also provided alternative times for 13 August 2021.</p>
16 August 2021	Video conference	<p>Representatives from the NexGen and the MN-S JWG met for a JWG breakout meeting to discuss minor housekeeping items in advance of the 19 August 2021 JWG meeting.</p>
16 August 2021	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and reiterated their appreciation for the discussion that morning on 16 August 2021. NexGen proposed that two key Golder team members attend the JWG to discuss the Project and EA. NexGen added that NexGen wanted to confirm that the MN-S agreed with this approach before formally proceeding. NexGen added that NexGen's minute taker for the JWG does record voice pieces for transcription purposes and that NexGen does not receive a copy of the recording. NexGen clarified that the JWG meetings are not video recorded and requested confirmation, comments, or questions regarding this approach.</p> <p>The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the call on 16 August 2021 to review the agenda ahead of the JWG meeting on 19 August 2021. The MN-S advised that the MN-S would prefer that Golder was not in attendance at this point as the desire was to focus on the relationship as a whole and setting a good foundation regarding process and trust. The MN-S also advised that the MN-S team provide feedback regarding the recording of the meeting.</p>
17 August 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided the updated meeting invitation including an agenda in advance of the JWG meeting on 19 August 2021.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and expressed thanks for meeting on 16 August 2021 to discuss the agenda for the JWG meeting on 19 August 2021. NexGen advised that they did not plan to invite legal counsel to attend the JWG.</p>
19 August 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ processes and protocols for the JWG; ▪ housekeeping aspects of the JWG process; ▪ capacity funding; ▪ roundtable comments; and ▪ discussion of trust building, collaboration, and the introduction of more culturally appropriate ways of sharing, such as cultural values and Métis history shares. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per comments provided, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
26 August 2021	Email, incoming	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided potential dates and locations for the JWG subgroup to meet in late September 2021.</p>
27 August 2021	Multiple methods	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and inquired if they would be available 27 August 2021 for a call to discuss meeting logistics for the late-September 2021 small-group meeting. The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed availability for a call on 27 August 2021.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised they would call on 27 August 2021 as requested by the MN-S to discuss meeting logistics for the late-September small-group meeting. The call occurred later that day during which meeting dates later in the week of 20 September 2021 were proposed.</p>
30 August 2021	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed availability on 23 and 24 September 2021 for the proposed JWG breakout group meeting(s).</p> <p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked them for their message and agreed to wait to determine if the breakout meeting planned in late September would be in-person or virtual.</p>
9 September 2021	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and followed up on the meeting format for 23 and 24 September 2021.</p>

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13 September 2021	Email exchange	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised they would have an answer soon regarding the format for the meetings on 23 and 24 September 2021. NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for the email exchange about the format of the meetings on 23 and 24 September 2021.
20 September 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and noted that they were looking forward to the upcoming meetings.
23 September 2021 and 24 September 2021	Video conference	<p>Representatives from the NexGen and the MN-S JWG met for a JWG breakout meeting to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ review previous actions and discussion points from previous JWG meetings to create a centralized JWG meeting action tracker and discuss next steps; ▪ discuss the next formal JWG meeting and confirm the topics to be caribou and Project Description; ▪ identify VCs as a topic of importance to discuss further; ▪ discuss identifying and prioritizing the information from the EA for sharing with the MN-S; and ▪ discuss the existing mechanisms available under the Study Agreement for requests for technical support. <p>Copies of meeting materials were provided after the meeting. NexGen placed a copy of the break-out session spreadsheet on SharePoint for breakout group access.</p>
29 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided meeting notes from the JWG subgroup meeting. NexGen requested that the MN-S confirm whether the list reflected the meeting discussion points and next steps.
1 October 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed that the summary of the September 2021 break-out meeting looked accurate. The MN-S inquired if it would be possible for NexGen to provide the spreadsheet that had been worked on as part of the break-out session.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a copy of the break-out session spreadsheet.</p>
5 October 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed attachment of an engagement update letter and July/August 2021 JWG presentation to summarize engagement activities for the Project for August and September 2021 and to provide insight into planned activities.
18 October 2021	Email exchange	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up regarding the presentation for the upcoming JWG meeting. NexGen noted that comments on the 19 August 2021 JWG meeting minutes had been provided by the MN-S, though wanted to double check if a meeting was still required to resolve any additional items.</p> <p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised they believed the changes to the minutes were likely minor. The MN-S stated that they were looking forward to the small-group meeting on 22 October 2021. The MN-S noted that there was no proposed date for a larger-group meeting yet and that the MN-S would be in touch with feedback on that soon.</p>
19 October 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided some suitable dates and times for the JWG meeting in November 2021 as well as a participant list.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed a JWG meeting on 2 November 2021 would work for the NexGen team.</p>
26 October 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided a spreadsheet that included Two Worlds Consulting's review of past minutes that identified some items that were not included in the group/collective spreadsheet. The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested that, if possible, NexGen should review the augmented details provided in the issues tracking table provided by the MN-S via email on 26 October 2021.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and acknowledged receipt of the spreadsheet that included Two Worlds Consulting's review of past minutes.</p>

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2 November 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the MN-S presentation on Métis history (Louis Riel); and ▪ NexGen’s presentation on the Project and caribou. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per comments provided, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an update on NexGen’s submission of the EIS to the CNSC and the ENV.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.</p>
3 November 2021	Email, incoming	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen in response to an engagement update letter and expressed concern with the number of requests received from NexGen. The MN-S noted that they were working to provide a budget for additional resources and that they required time to review, consider, engage, and respond to NexGen. The MN-S noted they see value in the engagement opportunities suggested by NexGen, but that COVID-19 presented a concern for their community and team members. The MN-S informed NexGen that a key MN-S member would be on personal leave until mid-January 2022, suggested that the JWG continues as scheduled for the remainder of the year, and that additional engagement opportunities are postponed and revisited in 2022. The MN-S stated they would share a budget to account for the additional work and participation and that NexGen can work with MN-S’s counsel to restart Benefit Agreement negotiations.</p>
3 November 2021	Email, incoming	<p>The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and the MN-S and advised that MN-S NR2 regional council wanted a meeting soon as opposed to waiting. The MN-S NR2 noted that COVID-19 is a factor to consider when arranging meetings but that meeting attendees can be cautious.</p>
8 November 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested a meeting to debrief on the 2 November 2021 JWG meeting. The MN-S provided a list of available dates and times for the proposed meeting.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed availability for a JWG Debrief Meeting on 9 November 2021. NexGen advised that NexGen would send the meeting invite and inquired if there were any specific items to focus on for the meeting so that NexGen could prepare in advance.</p>
10 November 2021	Multiple methods	<p>Representatives from the NexGen and MN-S JWG met for a JWG breakout meeting to discuss the next steps for the technical breakout group. The technical breakout group recommended meeting in December 2021 and to have a formal JWG meeting in early 2022. The MN-S confirmed that a communication regarding capacity funding and support was being drafted for NexGen and that the MN-S would be discussing preferred meeting schedules with JWG members. NexGen noted they will be drafting a Terms of Reference for the technical breakout group and that they would be reviewing the JWG meeting outline document provided by the MN-S in May 2021 in advance of the next meeting to share an update on available presentation materials. NexGen confirmed that the Study Agreements included capacity funding as well as mechanisms to request additional capacity funding if so required.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for meeting on 10 November 2021 to debrief following the JWG meeting on 2 November 2021 and to discuss the next steps for the JWG subgroup. NexGen provided a summary of notes taken during the meeting.</p> <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting, revised per comments provided, and subsequently issued as final meeting minutes.</p>
17 November 2021	Email exchange	<p>The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided the technical working group, traditional land use, and caribou budget.</p> <p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed receipt of the budget information that was provided.</p>

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19 November 2021	In-person meeting	NexGen hosted a meeting with leadership from local communities (i.e., CRDN, MN-S, NR2, and La Loche) to discuss the Project training plan being advanced with training service providers (i.e., Northlands College, the Gabriel Dumont Institute, the Saskatchewan Indian Institute of Technologies, and the Saskatchewan Apprenticeship and Trade Certification). Discussion was held around the challenges faced by local community members in pursuing post-secondary education or training (i.e., lack of resources in community, lack of access to computers/internet, lack of knowledge of potential careers, childcare and financial barriers for adult workers, and lack of delivery of training in communities).
30 November 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and followed up on the meeting on 10 November 2021. NexGen inquired if the MN-S had considered when may be a suitable time to meet during the weeks of 6 December 2021 or 13 December 2021.
1 December 2021	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that Two Worlds Consulting would welcome another meeting; however, there was no further budget to support the MN-S on technical items for NexGen.
13 December 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for the update provided on 1 December 2021 regarding the lack of remaining budget for technical funding. NexGen advised they had a chance to follow up on the technical expert funding and noted that there was a large amount of funding remaining under the Study Agreement for 2021 in addition to the 2022 amounts and offered to meet and further discuss if required.
16 December 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for providing the budget summary on 17 November 2021 and inquired about a suitable time to meet and discuss further during the next week or early in 2022. NexGen advised their team had discussed internally and that they believed both parties are well-aligned in terms of capacity funding outlined by the MN-S and existing funding available.
17 December 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the MN-S and informed that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022. NexGen advised that the EA results workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of Air, Land, Water, and People to be presented in multiple workshops. The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and advised they were looking forward to the environmental workshop meetings in January 2022.
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and providing proposed activities for January 2022, a copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021, and JWG summaries for March, May, and July 2021.
12 January 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed receipt of the upcoming workshop information. The MN-S advised they would not be participating in-person due to rising COVID-19 numbers but would be interested in discussing the topics in a virtual format once the proposed budget had been finalized.
13 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S expressing thanks for the update regarding the budget progress and anticipation of further discussions in 2022 when NexGen and the MN-S could next meet.
11 February 2022	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a meeting invitation for 14 February 2022 to discuss the budget for engagement activities in 2022. The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked them for providing the meeting invitation for 14 February 2022 to discuss the budget for engagement activities in 2022.
14 February 2022	Video conference	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the proposed budget for engagement activities in 2022, including technical support funding and a community coordinator position, confirming that the requests outlined by the MN-S materially aligned with available funding from 2021 and 2022.

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14 February 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for the meeting on 14 February 2022 to discuss the budget for engagement activities in 2022. NexGen summarized items discussed and actions. NexGen advised that NexGen would reach out to the MN-S to schedule the first two JWG meetings outlined in the budget plan.
15 February 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S would review the technical support requirements and connect with the MN-S team on future JWG meetings.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlining the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.
15 March 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and provided an update that the MN-S was interested in progressing the JWG and proposed scheduling a technical meeting to determine how the next JWG meeting would proceed. The MN-S also requested an update on the status of the budget approvals in order to move forward with the digitization of the MN-S study and the JWG.
16 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and expressed thanks for the 15 March 2022 email update that the MN-S was interested in scheduling a technical meeting to determine how the next JWG meeting would proceed. NexGen noted that a team member would reach out to the MN-S regarding the logistics for the technical group meeting. NexGen also advised that the budget approval for the digitization of the MN-S was being worked on and that a call would be arranged with the MN-S to discuss.
16 March 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the updates on scheduling a technical group meeting and the pending budget approval for the digitization of the MN-S study. The MN-S thanked NexGen for the updates and noted they would be waiting to hear back on both items.
25 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and suggested to schedule a JWG technical group meeting during the week of 4 April 2022.
28 March 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked them for reaching out to set up a JWG meeting for the technical group. The MN-S advised that one member would be away during the week of 4 April 2022; however, the MN-S indicated that if 7 April 2022 would work for NexGen, the meeting could proceed, and the absent member could be briefed after the meeting.
31 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S thanking them for the update and confirming NexGen's availability on 7 April 2022. NexGen proposed meeting times and requested confirmation for the meeting content. NexGen also noted an action item from the previous meeting related to the administration fees charged for Two Worlds that were referenced in the 2022 budgets that would need to be discussed.
31 March 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen advising that 11:00 am to 12:00 pm on 7 April 2022 would work for a technical group meeting and confirmed that the purpose of the meeting was for general planning.
31 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	The MN-S emailed NexGen a letter in response to the engagement update letter sent by NexGen on 11 March 2022. The MN-S noted concerns regarding some of the content and timelines that were included in the engagement update letter. In particular, the MN-S informed NexGen that the delays in NexGen's response to the approval of the remaining funding from the Study Agreement has presented challenges to the MN-S on both the digitization of the MN-S study as well as continuing JWG discussions. The MN-S noted that they hoped to hear back from NexGen shortly regarding the budget to continue to move the items forward in a respectful and meaningful way.
31 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for providing the list of attendees that would attend the meeting on either 7 April or 8 April 2022 and advised that NexGen would reply to confirm the date and time as soon as possible.
7 April 2022	Video conference	The NexGen and MN-S JWG technical group met to plan the next JWG meeting. Some members were new to the JWG technical group, so the existing members provided an overview of the role of the JWG technical group and discussed the logistics and format of the JWG meetings. The MN-S provided feedback to NexGen on ways to make the JWG materials more accessible and understandable. A discussion occurred around choosing dates for the next JWG meeting, and NexGen and the MN-S agreed to have another JWG technical group meeting before the end of the month.

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7 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and stated that NexGen and the MN-S team members had discussed the budget for engagement activities and technical capacity support funding and that one outstanding line item was going to be updated but confirmed that the scope was approved.
7 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and asked if NexGen would be comfortable receiving invoices related to the technical tasks in the engagement activities budget as both agreed on the updated line item.
7 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that NexGen was comfortable receiving invoices as part of the engagement activities budget.
11 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen the revised Métis Knowledge Study budget and noted that the MN-S would begin the digitization of the study once NexGen approves the budget.
11 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up regarding potential dates for the next JWG technical group and full JWG meetings. NexGen advised of their availability on 26 April 2022 through 28 April 2022 and indicated that if the dates were too late in the month for the MN-S something sooner could be arranged. NexGen also noted that during the 8 April 2022 meeting to discuss the 2022 Site Program, a full JWG meeting was suggested to occur in May 2022 and inquired what date ranges would work for the MN-S.
12 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing potential dates for an upcoming technical group and larger JWG meeting. The MN-S confirmed that the afternoon of 26 April 2022 would work for the next JWG technical group meeting and confirmed the four members who would attend. The MN-S noted that the next JWG meeting could be scheduled in May 2022 and that a confirmed date would be provided once discussed with the NR2 members.
14 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S acknowledging the confirmation of availability and attendees for the next JWG technical group meeting planned on 26 April 2022. NexGen indicated that there would be two members that would be attending and confirmed the meeting time that would work. NexGen also thanked the MN-S for the update on the next JWG meeting in May 2022.
14 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the JWG technical group meeting scheduled on 26 April 2022 and advised that the meeting would need to be changed to 28 April 2022 due to a schedule conflict. The MN-S requested that NexGen update the meeting invitation that was sent if the newly requested time worked for the NexGen participants.
14 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that NexGen was available to change the JWG technical group meeting to 28 April 2022 and indicated that the meeting invite would be updated.
14 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and inquired if 26 April 2022 between 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm would work to hold the JWG technical group meeting and if NexGen could send out the invite. The MN-S advised of an additional member who would be joining.
20 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to follow up on the Métis food study that was previously discussed. The MN-S indicated interest in starting the Traditional Foods study that was noted in the Study Agreement and confirmed that the budget for the Traditional Foods study was not included in the MN-S budget that was sent to NexGen.
20 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that the MN-S budget that was sent did not include the Traditional Foods Study. NexGen stated that they looked forward to receiving the MN-S budget to proceed through the approval process.
22 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the afternoon of 17 May 2022 or 18 May 2022 would work for the next JWG meeting. The MN-S requested that a meeting invite be sent out if either date worked for NexGen.
22 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and stated that they were not available to meet on 17 May 2022 for the JWG meeting and proposed to schedule the meeting on 18 May 2022 instead.
22 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and indicated that the afternoon of 18 May 2022 could work and that a JWG meeting invite would be sent out once the date and time have been confirmed internally with the NexGen team. NexGen also advised that alternative dates would be provided if needed.

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22 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked them for checking to see if 18 May 2022 would work for the next JWG meeting.
27 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed availability in the afternoon of 18 May 2022 for the JWG meeting. NexGen suggested that part of the JWG technical group planning meeting scheduled on 28 April 2022 be utilized to set an agenda for the 18 May 2022 JWG meeting that could be included in the invite that would be sent out.
28 April 2022	Video conference	The NexGen and MN-S JWG technical group met to plan the next JWG meeting. The MN-S shared a Métis value share on Michif language, followed by a recap of the last JWG technical group meeting. A discussion about education and mentorship programs occurred, followed by NexGen noting that baseline monitoring programs should be discussed at a later date of convenience to the MN-S. NexGen shared an update on the Draft EIS submission timeline, followed by a discussion about the regulatory review process and when the Draft EIS would be available to the MN-S to review. The JWG technical group determined that the next JWG would occur on 18 May 2022 and that the meeting topics would be focused on the regulatory process for the Project, what the EA and Draft EIS are, and the review process for the Draft EIS, including having the MN-S present on their involvement in the Federal-Indigenous Review Team.
29 April 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised of unavailability to connect to discuss the MN-S' information needs related to a technical review of the Project EIS until the week of 2 May 2022.
29 April 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the attached letter in response to MN-S' letter sent on 31 March 2022. NexGen clarified that their understanding was that NexGen had generally approved the budget to support the engagement activities and technical work during the 14 February 2022 meeting and that discussions and meetings would advance. NexGen also stated that as per the email correspondence on 7 April 2022, that NexGen had confirmed that NexGen was comfortable receiving invoices related to the tasks in the proposed budget. NexGen formally confirmed the budget amounts for the engagement and technical capacity funding budget. NexGen also noted that the digitization of the Métis Knowledge Study had not been included in the original scope of work and that NexGen agreed it was a valuable exercise to support ongoing engagement with the MN-S; therefore, NexGen confirmed that the digitization budget was also formally approved.
29 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for providing the timeline update regarding MN-S' information needs related to a technical review of the Project EIS.
3 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked them for providing the letter confirming the budget amounts for the technical capacity funding and the MN-S digitization.
3 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that 9 May 2022 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am would work for the JWG technical group meeting.
3 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that the JWG technical group meeting scheduled for 9 May 2022 would need to be rescheduled due to a conflict. NexGen proposed alternative meeting times on 9 May 2022 and 10 May 2022.
3 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for agreeing to shift the JWG technical group meeting to 9 May 2022 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.
9 May 2022	Video conference	The NexGen and MN-S JWG technical group met to continue planning the next JWG meeting and collaborate on the presentation materials.
11 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S NR2 would like to meet for an in-person JWG meeting on 18 May 2022 at 1:30 pm. The MN-S indicated that there would also be a virtual link to the meeting and noted that a board room at the MN-S head office has been booked. The MN-S requested for NexGen to confirm if the proposed meeting would work and indicated that both the invite and agenda could be updated.
12 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the imminent EIS submission and requested for a copy of the Project EIS during the 30-day conformity period to help the MN-S schedule consultants' reviews on behalf of the MN-S. The MN-S indicated that the CNSC has indicated to the MN-S that sharing the EIS during the 30-day conformity review period was NexGen's choice.
12 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that the proposed in-person JWG meeting on 18 May 2022 would work. NexGen advised which team members would attend in-person and those who would attend virtually. NexGen inquired if there were any COVID-19 precautions that would need to be followed in the office.

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16 May 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
17 May 2022	Email, outgoing	The MN-S emailed NexGen advising that the CNSC slides regarding the Federal-Indigenous Review Team would not be used at the JWG meeting scheduled on 18 May 2022 as the MN-S was not in a position to speak on CNSC's behalf regarding the topic. The MN-S noted that a quick high-level overview of the Federal-Indigenous Review Team and the MN-S' involvement would be provided and indicated that a separate call with CNSC could be arranged if the MN-S NR2 had further questions.
17 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for their recent update and provided a copy of the presentation for the upcoming meeting scheduled for 18 May 2022. NexGen advised that the presentation had been revised based on the comments from the previous subgroup meeting and offered to bring printed copies. NexGen also noted that they would provide a recorder to use for the meeting minutes process.
18 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and acknowledged receipt of the presentation for the 18 May 2022 JWG meeting that was emailed on 17 May 2022. The MN-S confirmed that a recorder should be brought to the meeting and indicated a time for NexGen to arrive to ensure proper set up.
18 May 2022	In-person meeting	The MN-S and NexGen JWG met to discuss the regulatory process for the Project. The following topics were discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the EA process undertaken by NexGen for the Project; ▪ an overview of the Draft EIS review process; ▪ the engagement pathways available for the JWG and community members to review the Draft EIS; and ▪ MN-S participation on the federal review team with the CNSC.
19 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the JWG meeting held on 18 May 2022. NexGen noted that MN-S provided valuable direction, insight, and guidance on how the JWG could collaboratively work together to create a focused information session to jointly deliver to the community. NexGen requested that the MN-S provide dates and times for the coming weeks that would work to collaborate on the development of material and planning purposes.
25 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and noted that the MN-S and NexGen could begin planning a joint information session in the next few weeks and requested dates and times that NexGen would be available to discuss the engagement opportunity.
25 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a summary of the Draft EIS Sections, Technical Support Documents, and Baseline Reports that would form part of the submission for the Project as discussed in the JWG technical group meeting. NexGen noted that the submission would include a Master Executive Summary, a master list of abbreviations and units, and a glossary. NexGen also indicated that the Technical Support Documents relating to Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Use Studies, and the Indigenous Engagement Report were not publicly facing documents.
26 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and inquired if an estimate could be provided on the number of pages in each document title contained in the Draft EIS Sections to determine the level of effort that would be required per topic.
30 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that the JWG meeting on 18 May 2022 had not properly recorded, and meeting notes could not be produced. NexGen advised that a record of action items, attendance, logistics and a high-level meeting summary could be provided and inquired if the MN-S had any detailed notes that could be shared.
30 May 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that notes that were taken by the MN-S at the JWG meeting on 18 May 2022 would be similar to that taken by NexGen. The MN-S advised NexGen to provide the information captured during the meeting and indicated that additional information could be added during the review.

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31 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that the notes from the 18 May 2022 JWG Meeting would be sent for the MN-S to review and make additions.
10 June 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing a high-level draft summary from the JWG meeting held on 18 May 2022. NexGen requested the MN-S fill in any missing member information and provide edits.
13 June 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S team would review the 18 May 2022 JWG meeting notes and would inform NexGen if there was additional information to add.
14 June 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided the page counts per document title in the Draft EIS Sections, Technical Support Documents, and Baseline Reports that would form part of NexGen's submission for the Project.
20 June 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S and Two World Consulting reviewed and added to the 18 May 2022 JWG meeting notes and requested NexGen's feedback.
20 June 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised of the attached MN-S Métis Traditional Foods Study Budget for review and approval so that the MN-S team could proceed with the work.
28 June 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to follow up on the request to receive the Draft EIS from NexGen during the conformity review period so that the MN-S technical team could start the review.
29 June 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that copies of the Draft EIS would be provided to MN-S once NexGen received confirmation from CNSC that the submissions were complete and concordant. NexGen noted that this process would ensure that the documents provided to the MN-S were the same as those subject to the technical reviews that will be conducted under the CNSC process. NexGen advised that based on discussion with the CNSC, that there may be an opportunity to share the Draft EIS with the MN-S team prior to the formal public review commencing once the concordance checks were complete.
5 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for returning the 18 May 2022 JWG meeting minutes and advised NexGen would share any comments once reviewed.
12 July 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed the MN-S would be holding Métis-specific meetings in September 2022 to gather information on the Draft EIS and noted the possibility to also discuss the Project and the Benefit Agreements negotiations. The MN-S noted the meetings would include one technical consultant, one legal counsel from the MN-S, and an MN-S representative and that NexGen would be invited to take part in a portion of the meetings.
12 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for reaching out regarding the Métis-specific EA results meetings planned for September 2022. NexGen agreed that it would be beneficial to review what the meetings would look like, the budget, and how both parties could jointly work to deliver information on the Project to the leadership and citizens of the MN-S NR2. NexGen inquired if the MN-S had a plan or budget that would be ready for review and offered assistance with posters or information flyers that might be needed.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period, which provides Indigenous Nations and Communities, members of the public, and government departments and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC had requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the MN-S leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to a continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
19 July 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested an update on the Traditional Foods Study budget that was submitted in June 2022 and noted that once approval was received, the MN-S team could get started on the work.
19 July 2022	Video conference	NexGen, the CNSC Federal-Indigenous Review Team, and the ENV met for a technical workshop to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ provide an overview of NexGen, the Project, and the EA process and next steps; and ▪ provide an overview of the Rook I EIS structure and content to the federal and provincial review teams.

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19 July 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and informed that the proposed budget information for the Métis-specific EA results meetings would be available in the month of August 2022 and indicated that the format had not been finalized yet, but the MN-S would like NexGen to be involved. The MN-S also confirmed availability to work with NexGen on the meeting posters.
20 July 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen delivered a USB consisting of the Draft EIS and supporting documents in-person to the front desk reception at the MN-S' office in Saskatoon.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
4 August 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested for an update on the status of the Métis Foods Study budget and noted that the MN-S member had accepted a new position outside of the MN-S.
4 August 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the email regarding the Métis Foods Study budget was being forwarded as they had received an out-of office-reply from the original NexGen member.
4 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for forwarding the email regarding the Métis Foods Study Budget and stated that a NexGen team member would return to the office the following week and that the budget would be discussed. NexGen congratulated the MN-S member on their new position and stated it had been a pleasure working together.
8 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and noted they had received resignation notices from the MN-S members and requested confirmation of who the main MN-S engagement contact for the Project would be going forward. NexGen also requested the contact information for the MN-S NR2 Community Coordinator.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the MN-S that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the MN-S.</p>
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised of the upcoming environmental monitoring work to be conducted at the Rook I site and to introduce new team members. NexGen informed of the additional field work related to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation Trial as well as the baseline gamma survey at the Rook I site that was planned to be completed during the summer and fall. NexGen indicated that Omnia would be at the Rook I site between 13 August 2022 and 27 August 2022 to complete a field program to conduct a natural regeneration assessment and noted that NexGen was interested in arranging a small tour while Omnia was on site to encourage discussion, knowledge sharing, and to answer questions. NexGen indicated that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field work and requested to be informed if there were any MN-S members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen informed the MN-S of the baseline gamma radiation survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall. NexGen expressed interest in hiring four youth community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and to invite an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the MN-S to confirm if there were interested members by 19 August 2022.</p>

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
11 August 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to advise that the MN-S member has accepted a new position outside of the MN-S and provided the contact information for the MN-S members who would be responsible for future Lands and Consultation inquiries.
16 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and requested an update on the Métis-specific EA results meetings with the MN-S NR2 membership that was tentatively being planned for September 2022. NexGen attached the previous email correspondence with the MN-S regarding the Métis-specific EA results meetings for reference.
16 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S welcoming a member back to the team and noted they were available for a call or meeting to help support bringing the MN-S member up to speed on NexGen's file.
16 August 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and inquired if a meeting to discuss the next steps regarding the Métis-specific EA results meetings should be scheduled in response to NexGen's email.
17 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and agreed that an in-person meeting should be scheduled to discuss the planning of the next JWG meeting and the MN-S NR2 Métis-specific EA results meetings in response to the MN-S 16 August 2022 email.
17 August 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S replied to NexGen and another MN-S member to confirm that the week of 22 August 2022 would work for an in-person meeting to discuss the planning of the next JWG meeting and the MN-S NR2 Métis-specific EA results meetings. The MN-S requested for NexGen to propose dates and times for consideration.
17 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that 23 August 2022 would work for an in-person JWG meeting and inquired if the date would work for the MN-S.
18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S R2 and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board had reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements had been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the MN-S R2 to reach out with any questions or comments.
22 August 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for Project EA; ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and ▪ NexGen community program updates.
23 August 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S for a Project update meeting following the restructuring of the MN-S Lands and Consultation department. The meeting focused on planning upcoming JWG meetings and Métis-specific EA results community information sessions. The MN-S and NexGen also shared updates on approved budgets for ongoing work, such as the MN-S NR2 Métis Knowledge Study digitization, the Métis Food Study, and the JWG and technical capacity support.
24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
31 August 2022	Video conference	NexGen and the MN-S JWG subgroup met to begin planning the September 2022 MN-S NR2 Board Meeting, the October 2022 Métis-specific EA results community information sessions, and the next JWG meeting. Additionally, the MN-S and NexGen shared updates on the existing work scopes (including budgeting and invoicing), the MN-S' review of the Draft EIS, and the 2022 Site Program.
2 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that NexGen has set aside additional capacity funding support for the MN-S' review of the Draft EIS and requested that an invoice be sent to NexGen for the additional funding.

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2 September 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a summary of the Project update meeting held on 23 August 2022 and the subsequent JWG technical group meeting held on 31 August 2022.</p> <p>NexGen noted the key points for the 23 August 2022 Project Update Meeting were related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Métis Food Study and the digitization of the IKTLU; ▪ topics for the next formal JWG meeting to be transportation, traffic, and road safety; ▪ the MN-S Community Coordinator position funded by NexGen; ▪ the MN-S proposal for NexGen to present to the NR2 Board Members prior to conducting the in-community Métis community information session; ▪ the Métis-specific EA results community information session that was tentatively scheduled for a day during the week of 3 October 2022 to 7 October 2022; and ▪ the scheduling of the JWG subgroup meeting to continue the planning of the upcoming meetings in September 2022 and October 2022. <p>NexGen noted the key points for the 31 August 2022 JWG technical group meeting were related to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ no additional updates on the existing work scopes for the digitization of the IKTLU and Traditional Foods Study; ▪ the MN-S Community Coordinator position was still unfilled; ▪ the MN-S invoicing; ▪ the status of the Draft EIS review by Two Worlds Consulting; ▪ additional capacity support funding for review of the Draft EIS; ▪ confirmation that the MN-S NR2 Board meeting would be scheduled on 30 September 2022 and that NexGen would no longer be included in the meeting; ▪ Métis-specific EA results community information session planned for the week of 3 October to 7 October 2022; and ▪ the topic and timing of the next formal JWG meeting that would be discussed during the next JWG technical group meeting scheduled on 16 September 2022.
8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided the minutes from the Project Update Meeting held on 23 August 2022 for review and comments.
8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing the notes from the JWG technical group meeting held on 31 August 2022 as an attachment for review and comments.
8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S following up on the action items from the JWG technical meeting held on 31 August 2022. NexGen provided the posters, invitation materials, and sign-in sheet that were used for the June 2022 community information sessions as attachments to help with the planning of the Métis-specific EA results community information session. NexGen also attached a photo of the general layout of the sessions for reference and indicated that the sessions were advertised through monthly radio updates.
26 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide information on the upcoming Project EA/EIS overview presentation for the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members, scheduled on 30 September 2022. NexGen included details on the presentation content and presenters and indicated that questions regarding both the EIS and the EA would be answered during the meeting.
27 September 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and acknowledged the information on the upcoming Project EA/EIS Overview presentation for the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members, as emailed on 26 September 2022. The MN-S indicated that internal approval was required prior to sending the agenda, poster, and budget to NexGen.
27 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for confirming that internal MN-S approval was required before the upcoming Project EA/EIS Overview presentation agenda, poster, and budget could be sent out.
28 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for confirming that internal MN-S approval was required before the agenda, poster and budget could be sent out for the upcoming Project EA/EIS Overview presentation for the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members.

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28 September 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen providing the 30 September 2022 Project Métis-specific EA results community information session agenda and budget as well as the 5 October 2022 to 6 October 2022 community information session poster and agenda.
29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF copy of the August 2022 community newsletter.
30 September 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 Leadership and Board members to present on the Project EA and Draft EIS. At the request of the MN-S NR2 Leadership, NexGen delivered the EIS submission overview presentation that had been presented to the CNSC, ENV, and Federal-Indigenous Review Team in July 2022.
2 October 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested for clarification on NexGen's position on having Two Worlds Consulting (the MN-S consultants) attend the Métis-specific EA results community information sessions. The MN-S expressed the importance in having the community third-party consultant present at the information sessions.
3 October 2022	Multiple methods	NexGen emailed the MN-S to confirm it would be beneficial for Two Worlds Consulting (the MN-S consultant) to be present at the Métis-specific EA results community information sessions as discussed on 3 October 2022 and in response to the MN-S 2 October 2022 email. NexGen provided the approved agenda for the 5 October 2022 and 6 October 2022 MN-S NR2 community information sessions.
5 October 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen attended the MN-S NR2 Métis-specific EA results community information session in La Loche, Saskatchewan to present the results of the environmental assessment for the Project.
6 October 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen attended the MN-S NR2 Métis-specific EA results community information session in Buffalo Narrows, Saskatchewan to present the results of the environmental assessment for the Project.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the Traditional Foods Study Program that was planned to begin in 2023. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the MN-S community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.
20 October 2022	Letter, incoming	NexGen received a letter from the MN-S expressing concerns related to NexGen's efforts to build a meaningful and respectful relationship with the MN-S in respect to its proposal to develop the Project on the MN-S Land Claim. The MN-S outlined NexGen's approach to the Draft EIS and indicated that the opportunity for the MN-S to review the Draft EIS prior to its filing was refused. The MN-S indicated that the community would like to engage in a collaborative problem-solving to build trust in NexGen as a partner and meet with NexGen decision-makers. The MN-S informed NexGen that responding to the EIS and engaging with the communities were the MN-S' priority.
1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up on the request for engagement on the baseline monitoring programs emailed on 11 October 2022. NexGen requested for confirmation on the MN-S contacts who would be involved and could assist in coordinating a meeting with CanNorth and NexGen to discuss the scopes.
1 November 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the follow up on the request for engagement on the baseline monitoring programs. The MN-S confirmed the community members who would be available to meet and discuss in response to NexGen's email.

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2 November 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and noted they would be available to meet on 22 November or 23 November 2022 to discuss the baseline monitoring programs.
4 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and acknowledged the dates that the MN-S would be able to meet to discuss the baseline monitoring programs and stated they would follow up with CanNorth to confirm availability to meet and reach back out to the MN-S.
8 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow-up and confirm interest in planning the next JWG meeting and inquired if there were any topics of interest for discussion. NexGen offered to plan a JWG technical group meeting to discuss further.
9 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S informing of the Baseline Environmental Effects and Traditional Foods Study baseline monitoring programs that NexGen would be conducting in 2023 that would be led by CanNorth. NexGen provided the contact information for the CanNorth representative who would be arranging a scoping meeting and the NexGen team members who would be involved in the program.
14 November 2022	Video conference	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the 2022 budget for engagement activities, and to plan 2023 engagement activities.
15 November 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and attached a letter responding to the MN-S NR2 letter dated 20 October 2022 to address the issues raised. NexGen noted that they fully recognize and acknowledge the Aboriginal Rights and title of the Métis Nation, and that it is on this basis that NexGen has been engaging with the leadership of MN-S NR2 for nearly 10 years in connection with the Project. NexGen stated their approach to consultation, engagement, and disclosures, including the timing thereof, has been in complete compliance with the established federal and provincial regulatory processes incorporating consistency, fairness, and transparency to all Indigenous Nations, including the MN-S. NexGen noted that they have worked productively with MN-S representatives and technical advisors on the JWG established under the Study Agreement.
22 November 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen introducing a new member of the MN-S Environment/Duty to Consult team who would be assisting in coordinating the meeting with CanNorth as a follow up to NexGen's 9 November 2022 email.
22 November 2022	Email exchange	The MN-S emailed NexGen and indicated that the MN-S was looking at scheduling the next JWG meeting in January 2023 in response to NexGen's 8 November 2022 email. The MN-S confirmed the members to correspond with regarding the meeting.
24 November 2022	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed NexGen and the MN-S to schedule a kick-off meeting in December 2022 to discuss the Traditional Foods Study and requested for the MN-S to confirm if an in-person or virtual meeting was preferred and for dates that would work.
24 November 2022	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed NexGen and the MN-S advising that a phone call with the MN-S Regional Director was held to discuss the upcoming kick-off meeting. CanNorth proposed to schedule a virtual meeting on 6 December 2022 and requested for confirmation of availability. CanNorth also indicated that the engagement session in the New Year would be a more in-depth in-person meeting about the Métis Food Study.
24 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and clarified the proper contacts for the Traditional Foods Study. NexGen inquired if the MN-S could confirm that the listed MN-S contacts for coordinating the engagement for the study was correct and that MN-S would work with the MN-S NR2 members. NexGen advised that any information provided to CanNorth directly would be forwarded to NexGen to address with the MN-S.
25 November 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and acknowledged the communication process clarification on the Traditional Foods Study sessions emailed on 24 November 2022. The MN-S confirmed the proper MN-S contacts responsible for meeting coordination, working with the Regional Leadership, and for completing an engagement plan for each session.
1 December 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the MN-S to discuss the budget and engagement plans for the upcoming 2023 year.
1 December 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to confirm the JWG meeting planned for 20 December 2022 and listed the MN-S community members who would be attending.

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12 December 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide the proposed agenda and logistical details for the JWG meeting planned for 20 December 2022. NexGen acknowledged the MN-S community members who would be attending and listed the agenda discussion items based on the discussions held on 1 December 2022 for review and comments. NexGen requested for the MN-S to confirm the timing and location of the meeting that would work or if a call would need to be scheduled to discuss further. NexGen informed the MN-S of the NexGen and CanNorth team members who would be joining the meeting and invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
14 December 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the JWG meeting planned for 20 December 2022. The MN-S noted that edits to the agenda would be sent in the afternoon of 14 December 2022 and confirmed the meeting location and time.
14 December 2022	Phone call, incoming	The MN-S called NexGen to confirm the logistics for the JWG meeting planned for 20 December 2022. NexGen confirmed that they would provide lunch.
19 December 2022	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to provide a copy of the agenda for the JWG meeting planned on 20 December 2022. The MN-S asked NexGen to provide any edits.
19 December 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S noting there was one requested edit to the agenda for the 20 December 2022 JWG meeting. NexGen confirmed that lunch would be delivered to the MN-S office for the meeting.
20 December 2022	In-person meeting	The JWG, consisting of members from NexGen and the MN-S NR2, met to discuss and plan upcoming engagement activities that will begin taking place in Q1 2023. These activities include a community information session and environmental baseline monitoring programs, including a regional Traditional Foods Study.
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities leading into 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the MN-S in 2023.
4 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up on the status of the proposed meeting to have NexGen and CanNorth present to the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members on 11 January 2023 about the baseline environmental monitoring programs and the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen inquired if the meeting date was confirmed in order to organize travel arrangements.
5 January 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the proposed meeting to have NexGen and CanNorth present to the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members on 11 January 2023 would need to be postponed to a later date. The MN-S informed NexGen that they would be working on the schedule during the week of 9 January 2023.
5 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for informing that the proposed meeting to have NexGen and CanNorth present to the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members on 11 January 2023 would need to be postponed to a later date. NexGen indicated that they could discuss further during the week of 9 January 2023.
10 January 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and inquired if NexGen would be available to meet on 11 January 2023 to discuss the planning of the proposed meeting to have NexGen and CanNorth present to the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members.
10 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed availability to meet on 11 January 2023 at 2:00 pm to discuss the planning of the proposed meeting to have NexGen and CanNorth present to the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members.

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11 January 2023	Video conference	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the updates for 2023 engagement planning. Topics discussed included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the MN-S proposed date of 23 January 2023 for NexGen to meet with the MN-S regional council and board members to discuss Traditional Foods Study/baseline monitoring programs; ▪ the MN-S proposed dates for the Draft EIS-focused community meetings/information sessions in La Loche and Buffalo Narrows; ▪ baseline environmental monitoring program presentation that would be prepared by NexGen for the 23 January 2023 meeting; ▪ invoice examples that would need to be provided to the MN-S for honorariums; and ▪ the MN-S NR2 community contact for NexGen's next quarterly public newsletter.
11 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and expressed thanks for the meeting held on 11 January 2023 to discuss the updates for the 2023 engagement planning. NexGen provided a summary of the updates and action items for the MN-S review.
12 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing the proposed agenda points for the meeting planned for 23 January 2023 for review and comments. NexGen indicated that they would continue working on the one-page summary for the baseline monitoring programs as discussed on 11 January 2023.
17 January 2023	Video conference	NexGen and the MN-S met to discuss the logistics for the upcoming meeting on 23 January 2023 and to discuss the timing of the MN-S NR2 community meetings for NexGen to present on the Draft EIS.
18 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and expressed thanks for the meeting held on 17 January 2023 to discuss the planning of upcoming meetings and events. NexGen provided a summary and update on the action items related to the 23 January 2023 meeting and the MN-S NR2 Community EIS presentations for review. NexGen requested for the MN-S to confirm a preferred date in March 2023 to reschedule the community meetings.
18 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to request rescheduling the community meeting that was recently planned for 23 January 2023 to a different date. NexGen noted that the meeting date falls on a civic holiday and indicated that they attempted to call the MN-S on 18 January 2023 to discuss.
23 January 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 Local Presidents and Board Members in La Loche and presented an overview of the environmental baseline monitoring programs that would be taking place in 2023, along with the regional Traditional Foods Study, which would be led by the environmental consulting company CanNorth. There were 19 members in attendance and questions were posed during the presentation.
14 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and requested for the MN-S' availability for a phone call during the week of 13 February 2023 or 21 February 2023 to discuss upcoming engagement activities, planning for the next JWG meeting, and priorities for MN-S and NexGen over the next couple of months. NexGen shared their thoughts related to the date of the next JWG meeting and the priorities for Q1 2023 and Q2 2023. NexGen also followed up on the community liaison contact for the regional Traditional Foods Study as well the MN-S community contact that could be included in the next NexGen community newsletter.
17 February 2023	Phone call, incoming	The MN-S called NexGen to discuss the email on 14 February 2023 from NexGen requesting to schedule a meeting to discuss the JWG, EIS comment review/collaborative process for discussing, and resolving comments and planning previously discussed community meetings. The MN-S apologized for not responding to NexGen's email earlier and noted that they had been away for a community meeting. The MN-S inquired if NexGen could schedule a meeting during the week of 6 March 2023 and NexGen confirmed that the proposed week would work well. NexGen indicated that a meeting invitation would be sent out. NexGen noted that previous discussions with the MN-S included planning for community meetings in mid-March 2023 and suggested that this be discussed further at the early March meeting. NexGen stated that dates have not yet been confirmed and that community meetings in mid-March may be too rushed to plan and have everyone attend. The MN-S agreed and indicated that community members may not want another meeting right away. The MN-S thanked NexGen for understanding the MN-S' competing priorities and for being willing to re-schedule meetings.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
17 February 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to thank them for touching base on 17 February 2023 and to confirm that the MN-S has accepted the meeting invite. The MN-S requested for NexGen to remove an MN-S staff member from all correspondence moving forward and add the new MN-S Duty to Consult coordinator.
23 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for the introduction to the new MN-S Duty to Consult coordinator and indicated that NexGen was looking forward to meeting them in person. NexGen proposed to turn the planned meeting scheduled for 9 March 2023 to a JWG meeting and inquired if other MN-S members would be able to attend. NexGen indicated that updates, upcoming priorities, and setting up the next meeting dates could be discussed. NexGen noted that the planned meeting could be extended a couple of hours if the proposed approach worked for the MN-S and that a specific agenda could also be provided later in the week of 20 February 2023.
24 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided the proposed list of topics to discuss at the meeting planned for 9 March 2023. NexGen informed the MN-S of the NexGen team members that would be available to answer any questions while NexGen's Engagement Lead was out of the office from 25 February 2023 to 5 March 2023.
7 March 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the MN-S regarding JWG meeting planning and there was no answer.
8 March 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the MN-S regarding JWG meeting planning and there was no answer.
8 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to confirm if the meeting planned for 9 March 2023 would still proceed and noted that they attempted to call MN-S on 7 March 2023 and 8 March 2023. NexGen indicated that they had previously suggested that the meeting on 9 March 2023 be turned into a JWG meeting and indicated that there was no response received. NexGen informed the MN-S that they assume the meeting on 9 March 2023 would be to discuss the topics emailed on 24 February 2023 via Microsoft Teams.
9 March 2023	Text, incoming	The MN-S sent a text to NexGen regarding the meeting scheduled on 9 March 2023 and advised the meeting would need to be cancelled due to illness.
9 March 2023	Text, outgoing	NexGen sent a text to the MN-S and acknowledged that the MN-S would need to cancel the meeting scheduled on 9 March 2023. NexGen offered to re-schedule to a new time once the MN-S was back in the office.
17 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up regarding re-scheduling the last meeting and inquired if the MN-S had availability in the next several weeks that would work for a JWG meeting.
21 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen also requested for the MN-S to confirm a date that would work to re-schedule the 9 March 2023 JWG meeting and invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
27 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up on the MN-S' outreach to CanNorth to set up a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen inquired if the MN-S would be available on 27 March 2023 to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study as well as any other MN-S and NexGen engagement activities. NexGen provided a phone number for the MN-S to call directly.
27 March 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the proposed meeting on 27 March 2023 to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study and other engagement activities. The MN-S indicated that they were waiting for the MN-S Director of Environment to confirm availability to meet at 3:30 pm on 27 March 2023 and inquired if the time would work for NexGen. The MN-S also stated that they would reach out to CanNorth to confirm if they could attend the meeting.
27 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to confirm that meeting at 3:30 pm on 27 March 2023 would work and thanked the MN-S for sending the meeting invite.

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27 March 2023	Video conference	NexGen, the MN-S, and CanNorth met to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen would be initiating in 2023. The MN-S noted the main contact for this study was on leave until 3 April 2023 but that the MN-S was interested in progressing the work. CanNorth provided an overview of the next steps for the study, including receiving approval from leadership, meeting with and training the community liaison, and having the community liaison conduct interviews for the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen shared that information about the study had been presented to the MN-S JWG in December 2022, and to the MN-S NR2 leadership in January 2023. The MN-S stated they would proceed with obtaining approval from leadership, and that CanNorth and the MN-S could schedule a training meeting in April 2023.
29 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided the regional Traditional Foods Study presentation that CanNorth shared with the MN-S JWG and MN-S NR2 leadership. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions.
5 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to follow up on the engagement update letter sent on 21 March 2023 and inquired if the MN-S had any questions. NexGen also inquired if the MN-S would be available for a JWG meeting in April 2023 and requested for the MN-S to provide a date and time that would work.
5 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the previous Duty to Consult Liaison Officer had moved to a different department within the MN-S and that a different MN-S employee would be taking over. The MN-S inquired what the agenda would look like for the next JWG meeting.
5 April 2023	Text, outgoing	NexGen sent a text to the MN-S to express that it was a pleasure to have worked and collaborated with the MN-S Duty to Consult Liaison Officer. NexGen wished them the best in the new position within the MN-S.
5 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator and welcomed them. NexGen indicated that they would be happy to share information about the collaboration with the MN-S and attached the most recent copy of the engagement update letter that was sent on 21 March 2023. NexGen stated the letter provided updates on the EA process for the Project, shares a summary of recent engagement activities completed, and outlines a list of proposed activities, including the next JWG meeting. NexGen also advised the letter addressed additional scopes that were underway, including the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen inquired if the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator would be available for a meeting on 6 April 2023 or during the week of 10 April 2023 for a formal introduction, to discuss the items in the engagement letter, and to discuss planning the next JWG meetings. NexGen requested for the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator to confirm a time that would work.
5 April 2023	Text, incoming	The MN-S sent a text to NexGen and thanked them for the kind words. The MN-S indicated that they appreciated the collaboration on the last EIS session and stated that NexGen has been fantastic to work with.
5 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested that the MN-S Director of Environment be the primary contact for the MN-S communications going forward with the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator and the MN-S Environmental Program Planner copied. The MN-S acknowledged that NexGen has been experiencing difficulty in communications with the MN-S and indicated that there have been staffing changes.
6 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing the most recent copy of the engagement update letter. The MN-S indicated that it would take a few days to catch up and go through the previous meeting notes. The MN-S also confirmed availability on 12 April 2023 for a call and inquired if NexGen could send a meeting invite.
6 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and indicated that a meeting invite for 12 April 2023 would be sent out. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions prior to the meeting.
10 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to acknowledge that the MN-S Director of Environment would be NexGen's primary contact and indicated that the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator and the MN-S Environmental Program Planner would be copied on all communications. NexGen also inquired if the MN-S Director of Environment would like to join the catch-up meeting with the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator scheduled on 12 April 2023.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
12 April 2023	Video conference	NexGen met with the new MN-S engagement contact for an introductory meeting. NexGen and the MN-S discussed a brief history of the MN-S JWG meetings and scheduled the next JWG meeting on 26 May 2023 to discuss the MN-S comments on NexGen's Draft EIS, including the Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments and public comments. The MN-S also shared a status update on the Traditional Foods Study, Métis-specific Food Study, digitization of the MN-S Traditional Land Use Study, and potential for a Rook I site tour in the summer. The MN-S noted they were familiar with the Study Agreement, and NexGen reiterated the capacity funding and mechanisms available under the Study Agreement. NexGen offered to send the MN-S JWG meeting minutes to the MN-S and also offered that the MN-S could reach out at anytime with questions or for additional information.
12 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and indicated that the MN-S had ran into complications with the Traditional Foods Study that would postpone the planning of a JWG meeting. The MN-S stated that the ownership of the data that was being collected required clarification and informed NexGen that the MN-S had turned to the MN-S legal department to confirm how to proceed. The MN-S indicated that NexGen would be updated accordingly.
12 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the update regarding the Traditional Foods Study data. NexGen informed the MN-S that CanNorth had as offered to share additional information about their data confidentiality processes for the regional Traditional Foods Study and inquired if the MN-S would like to have a meeting arranged with CanNorth to discuss. NexGen also inquired if the planned JWG meeting focusing on the Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments planned for 26 April 2023 would still proceed. NexGen stated that conversations regarding the Food Study outside of the JWG meeting could still be held and expressed that NexGen would like to meet and advance the discussions on the Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments with the MN-S.
12 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the discussions on the regional Traditional Foods Study and Federal-Indigenous Review Team comments and stated that further planning would be put on hold until the MN-S legal department had provided comments. The MN-S received indicated that NexGen would be updated as soon as the MN-S receives direction on how to proceed. The MN-S thanked NexGen for the meeting held on 12 April 2023 and expressed that it had motivated internal MN-S discussions that would result in forward progress.
12 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for the update regarding the need to postpone the planning of a JWG meeting. NexGen requested to be kept updated and invited the MN-S to reach out if there was information that NexGen could provide to assist.
13 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S the previous JWG meeting minutes and information. NexGen advised that all the related documentation had been collated into a USB drive and offered to drop it off or meet up on 14 April 2023 or 15 April 2023. NexGen provided the MN-S Lands and Consultation Coordinator a phone number to call directly.
14 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing the draft meeting notes from the JWG meeting held on 20 December 2022 and the NR2 Board meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study held on 23 January 2023 that had not yet been sent to the MN-S. NexGen inquired if the MN-S JWG attendees could review the draft notes and confirm if there were any edits required. NexGen indicated the notes would be finalized upon hearing back from the MN-S, or if a response was not received, on 12 May 2023. NexGen stated the meetings held were focused on planning and that Aurora Communications was not present to record and transcribe full verbatim meeting minutes. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions on the JWG presentations and meeting minutes on the USB drive that NexGen would be dropping off to the MN-S.
14 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to confirm that the draft meeting notes from the JWG meeting held on 20 December 2022 and the NR2 Board meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study held on 23 January 2023 would be distributed to the MN-S JWG for review. The MN-S indicated that comments would be provided if required.
18 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to provide the Rook I Visitor Checklist sent to visitors staying at camp for extended periods. NexGen noted that they would call the MN-S to coordinate their pick-up.
19 April 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with members from the BNDN and the MN-S for a Rook I site tour and to locate a spot for the ceremonial sweat with Elders from all local priority areas Nations. The core logging facilities and the Arrow site were toured. A safe location for the ceremonial sweat was confirmed.

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24 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to thank them for the site visit and to provide an update on the regional Traditional Foods Study. The MN-S stated that the MN-S legal department has suggested that the MN-S assume the ownership of the contract between NexGen and CanNorth for the regional Traditional Foods Study and noted that this would eliminate the need for a data sharing agreement. The MN-S confirmed that the MN-S legal department was agreeable with NexGen and CanNorth to proceed with tissue sampling as long as the data would be provided without caveats. The MN-S attached the budget for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study prepared by Two Worlds Consulting that had already been approved by NexGen. The MN-S requested for NexGen to notify CanNorth if they agreed with the resolution and indicated that the MN-S would then proceed with implementation planning.
25 April 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called MN-S to discuss the MN-S' email dated 24 April 2023 regarding the regional Traditional Foods Study. The MN-S explained the feedback provided by the MN-S legal department. NexGen reiterated that there were two Traditional Foods Study scopes of work in progress with the MN-S and suggested that there may be some confusion. NexGen asked if it would be helpful if NexGen sent an email to clarify the difference between the MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study, and the regional Traditional Foods Study that CanNorth was leading for NexGen. The MN-S agreed that the clarification was needed and would help to advance the discussions.
25 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to thank them for the email and brief call to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study further. NexGen noted that NexGen and the MN-S have two separate Traditional Foods Study scopes of work underway and provided additional information on the MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study and the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen stated that the possibility of the MN-S interviewing the same people for both studies to reduce duplication of efforts had been discussed in previous meetings. NexGen indicated that with this approach, the MN-S would work with CanNorth on the CanNorth interview questionnaire, and that the MN-S would also ask their own questions as part of the MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study. NexGen informed the MN-S that CanNorth would require only the data from the CanNorth interview questions and would not request access to additional MN-S-specific Traditional Foods Study interview data or questions. NexGen expressed that they hoped the information provided would assist with conversations for the regional Traditional Foods Study and a potential information sharing agreement. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or if a phone call would need to be arranged between the MN-S, NexGen, and CanNorth.
27 April 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen requesting to start discussion around the next JWG meeting. The MN-S requested for NexGen to provide the agenda topics, anticipated outcomes, and any additional information.
27 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the MN-S providing the regional Traditional Foods Study program summary, a summary of the questions that would be asked during the interviews, and a copy of the PowerPoint that was presented to the MN-S in December 2022 and again in January 2023. CanNorth informed the MN-S that they had completed similar studies with communities in the Athabasca Region and provided a link to additional information on the community-based programs. CanNorth stated they would reach out to the MN-S during the week of 1 May 2023 to discuss scheduling training in May 2023.
2 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S thanking the MN-S for the email dated 27 April 2023 regarding the next JWG meeting. NexGen advised the MN-S Director of Environment and the MN-S Environmental Program Planner had been copied in the response and provided the proposed topics and agenda for the JWG meeting. NexGen requested that the MN-S advise if there were any comments on the proposed topics and outcomes and stated that 26 May 2023 was still blocked off in the NexGen calendar should the MN-S confirm the date would work for the JWG meeting.
2 May 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen thanking NexGen for providing the outlined agenda for the JWG meeting. The MN-S indicated the information would advance the planning discussion with their team and noted that MN-S would reach out to NexGen once there was direction.
2 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S thanking the MN-S for acknowledging the proposed outlined agenda for the JWG meeting and informing that the information would advance the planning discussion with the MN-S team. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any additional information required during the MN-S' discussions.

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5 May 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and indicated they have booked a placeholder for the MN-S NR2 to be in Saskatoon on 5 June 2023 and 6 June 2023. The MN-S offered for NexGen to choose which date would work best to schedule the JWG. The MN-S inquired if NexGen would want an event budget and if NexGen would cover associated costs if the MN-S NR2 requests their legal counsel be present. The MN-S also inquired if NexGen would prefer to host the meeting at the NexGen office. The MN-S stated they would start making arrangements and copy the MN-S Director of Environment in correspondences once the preliminary planning has been completed.
5 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the upcoming NexGen newsletter planned to be distributed at the end of May 2023 or first week of June 2023 and attached the April 2023 issue of the newsletter for reference. NexGen requested for the MN-S to confirm if the MN-S Community Liaison contact for the regional Traditional Foods Study and the contact for the MN-S NR2 Community Coordinator that would be listed in the June 2023 newsletter were correct. NexGen also inquired if there was an alternative or additional contact for the regional Traditional Foods Study and the Community Coordinator that the MN-S would like shared in the newsletter. NexGen indicated that the information would need to be confirmed by the end of the week of 8 May 2023.
5 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the information regarding the JWG meeting. NexGen indicated they would discuss internally to confirm availability and would reach back out with responses to the MN-S questions. NexGen stated they could host the JWG meeting at the NexGen office.
5 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed unavailability on 5 June 2023 and 6 June 2023 for the JWG meeting. NexGen inquired if 8 June 2023 or 9 June 2023 would work for the MN-S. NexGen also provided responses to the MN-S questions related to the JWG meeting. NexGen stated a budget was not needed and that only a list of attendees was required. NexGen also informed the MN-S that it was been previously agreed on that legal would no longer be participating in the JWG meetings. NexGen indicated they would be happy to host the meeting and requested that the MN-S confirm if the date change would work or if alternate dates would need to be considered.
5 May 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and indicated the proposed 8 June 2023 or 9 June 2023 JWG meeting dates would not work. The MN-S inquired if 4 June 2023 would work for NexGen.
5 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed that scheduling the JWG meeting on 4 June 2023 would not work. NexGen proposed to hold the meeting on 29 May 2023, 30 May 2023, or 31 May 2023 and inquired if one of the dates would work for the MN-S. NexGen noted that 12 June 2023 to 16 June 2023 would also not work due to the community information sessions that NexGen would be hosting in the local priority area communities.
5 May 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen indicating that scheduling the JWG meeting on 29 May 2023 should work and stated that they were waiting for a confirmation from the MN-S Regional Director's assistant.
8 May 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that scheduling the JWG meeting on 29 May 2023 would not work for the MN-S NR2. The MN-S indicated that 19 June 2023 could be an option and noted the MN-S Regional Director's assistant was confirming with the MN-S NR2 leadership. The MN-S inquired if 19 June 2023 would work for NexGen.
8 May 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that scheduling the JWG meeting on 19 June 2023 in Saskatoon would work for the MN-S NR2. The MN-S indicated the MN-S NR2 legal counsel and the MN-S technical consultants would be attending the meeting virtually. The MN-S noted that a budget would be forwarded to NexGen as per the Terms of Reference Framework for the JWG and that the MN-S Director of Environment has been copied in the email.
9 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding scheduling the JWG meeting on 19 June 2023 in Saskatoon and indicated that they would confirm with the team if the proposed date would work. NexGen advised they would get back to the MN-S as soon as possible.

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10 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S, the MN-S NR2, the Métis Local 39 – La Loche, and the Métis Local 62 – Buffalo Narrows providing the schedule of the community information sessions for the Project planned for 12 June 2023 to 16 June 2023 in the local priority area communities. NexGen indicated the community information sessions would be a drop-in format with a series of poster stations staffed by NexGen staff who would be available to share information and answers. NexGen also shared the objectives of the community information sessions and noted that the staff of the CNSC and the ENV would be in attendance to explain their roles as regulatory agencies and to answer any questions from community members. NexGen stated the community information sessions would be open to all community members and members of the public and would be advertised through monthly radio announcements. NexGen indicated that posters would be created to share and post in the communities and that invitation cards would be mailed out. NexGen thanked the MN-S, the MN-S NR2, the Métis Local 39 – La Loche, and the Métis Local 62 – Buffalo Narrows for helping confirm the dates and venues and invited them to reach out if there were any questions or additional information needed.
15 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S confirming that 19 June 2023 would work to schedule the JWG meeting and informed the MN-S that the NexGen JWG members, EA team members, and legal counsel would be joining. NexGen indicated that the majority of the team would be attending in person and that the others would be participating virtually. NexGen confirmed that they would be providing lunch and snacks at the meeting. NexGen also informed the MN-S that NexGen has reached out to Aurora Communications to confirm if they could record and transcribe the meeting notes. NexGen stated the presentation would be compiled based on the agenda provided in the email dated 5 May 2023 and that NexGen would be in touch with the MN-S regarding the meeting details.
15 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S to confirm if the MN-S Community Coordinator could be identified and shared in the upcoming NexGen newsletter.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Nations and communities.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and a digital copy of the brochure and application form for the 2023 to 2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; ▪ education, training, and employment updates; and ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives.
12 June 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in Buffalo Narrows to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.

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13 June 2023	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen held a community information session in La Loche to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
14 June 2023	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen held a community information session in Turnor Lake and BNDN to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
15 June 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen, the MN-S, and the MN-S NR2 met to sign an Benefit Agreement with respect to the Project.
19 June 2023	In-person meeting	<p>The NexGen and MN-S JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ status updates for the EA process for the Project; ▪ a collaborative approach to the regulatory process for the Project, including validating the issues, interests, and concerns identified for the MN-S; and ▪ next steps for the JWG. <p>The MN-S agreed to review the summary of issues and concerns table and confirm a meeting date for the JWG to meet to discuss.</p>
23 June 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to confirm the appointed the MN-S members and main contacts for the joint committees established under the Benefit Agreement.
27 June 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and requested for an update as to when the responses to the EIS comments would be provided. The MN-S indicated that they would review the responses and would forward items that need further discussion to the MN-S and NexGen Environmental Committee for review.
27 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and thanked the MN-S for the follow up on the responses to the EIS. NexGen stated they would follow up internally regarding the status of the issues and concerns table from the Draft EIS that were previously discussed and would advise when it would be ready to send to the MN-S.
27 June 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the update on the Métis-specific issues and concerns table. The MN-S NR2 looked forward to finalizing the process.
27 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S advising they have followed up internally regarding the issues and concerns table and stated the materials were prepared and would be sent to the MN-S soon. NexGen provided confirmation that the communication protocol that NexGen was waiting for was received from the MN-S on 23 June 2023 and stated the issues and concerns table would be sent to the contacts specified by the MN-S NR2.

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27 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S thanking them for the collaborative JWG meeting held on 19 June 2023. NexGen attached the Métis-specific issues and concerns table prepared as part of the requirements for the federal EA process as a follow up to the action item from the JWG meeting and stated the issues and concerns reflect the information provided by representatives of the MN-S NR2 to NexGen. NexGen explained the information in the table was included in Appendix 2B of the Draft EIS with the exception of the key mitigations and accommodations column and noted the minor updates made to the table. NexGen advised that both the MN-S and NexGen were required to review together the information and confirm that the table appropriately captures and addresses the issues and concerns. NexGen stated the next step was for the MN-S NR2 team to review the table, provide feedback, and identify any items that would require further discussion. NexGen advised that a workshop would be arranged to discuss any items flagged by the MN-S and that any remaining items would be worked through the MN-S NR2 and NexGen Environmental Committee. NexGen informed the MN-S that the CNSC would then be advised of the outcome of the collaborative validation process. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions regarding the Issues and Concerns table.
28 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for identifying the interim MN-S Benefit Agreement committee representatives. NexGen attached the notification of NexGen's representatives to implement the Benefit Agreement.
30 June 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen following up on the information for the MN-S Facebook pages in the region and stated they would need images to be uploaded to the social media sites.
4 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the 30 June 2023 email. NexGen inquired if a copy of the most recent NexGen newsletter as well as the image of the Implementation and Community Coordinator contact information for the MN-S, the CRDN, the BNDN, and the BRDN was what the MN-S needed.
4 July 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed that the most recent NexGen newsletter as well as the image of the Implementation and Community Coordinator contact information for the MN-S, the CRDN, the BNDN, and the BRDN was the information that the MN-S needed.
5 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing a copy of the June 2023 NexGen newsletter and a screenshot of the list of Implementation and Community Coordinators.
12 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and inquired if there were any questions regarding the Métis-specific issues and concerns table that was prepared for the federal EA process as a follow up to NexGen's 27 June 2023 email. NexGen requested for the MN-S to advise as to when they would be ready for a meeting to workshop any items that warranted further discussion. NexGen looked forward to meeting soon to review and validate the information as part of the continued collaboration on the Project.
12 July 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and indicated that August 2023 would be better to workshop any items from the Métis-specific issues and concerns table that warrant further discussion.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the MN-S NR2, the CRDN, the BNDN, and the BRDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the MN-S NR2's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of an MN-S NR2 representative to participate in the meeting and invited the MN-S NR2 to reach out if there were any questions.
27 July 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the coordination of an MN-S NR2 representative to participate in the proposed regional Caribou Working Group. The MN-S NR2 informed NexGen they were reaching out to someone to sit on the committee.
2 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen as a follow up to NexGen's 27 July 2023 email and requested for clarification if NexGen wanted a single MN-S NR2 representative to participate in the Caribou Working Group.

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2 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and clarified that the request was for a single representative from the MN-S NR2 to participate in the Caribou Working Group. NexGen stated that the MN-S NR2 representative could then share updates to the MN-S/NexGen Environmental Committee, as required.
2 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for clarifying that the request was for a single representative from the MN-S NR2 to participate in the Caribou Working Group. The MN-S stated that the MN-S NR2 Regional Director would be informed.
2 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and followed up on the review status of the Métis-specific issues and concerns table prepared for the federal EA process and shared with the Environmental Committee in June 2023. NexGen requested for confirmation that the table accurately captured and addressed the MN-S-specific issues and concerns or if there were any items that would need to be discussed.
2 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and stated that their technical consultants had reviewed the Métis-specific issues and concerns table and have provided comments to the MN-S. The MN-S indicated that there were gaps that would be filled in with the Environmental Committee and inquired if there was a draft Terms of Reference for the Environmental Committee. The MN-S noted that it would assist to clarify and create a list for the MN-S NR2 to review as well as help build up the Environmental Committee Terms of Reference.
4 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that feedback on the Métis-specific issues and concerns table has been received from the MN-S consultants. The MN-S stated there were questions that would need to be discussed further with NexGen and inquired if NexGen would be available on 17 August 2023 for a meeting. The MN-S indicated that a list of questions was being compiled and noted the list would be provided to NexGen as soon as possible.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and inquired if the MN-S NR2 has confirmed a representative would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group as a follow up to the MN-S NR2's 27 July 2023 email.
9 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed the MN-S NR2 representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for confirming the MN-S NR2 representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group. NexGen requested for the contact information of the MN-S NR2 Caribou Working Group representative so the meeting information could be sent.
9 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed the best way to contact the MN-S NR2 Caribou Working Group representative.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for confirming the best way to contact the MN-S NR2 Caribou Working Group representative. NexGen noted that the NexGen Environmental Lead who would be coordinating the meeting on 29 August 2023 was copied on the email.
10 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for the review update on the Métis-specific issues and concerns table. NexGen advised that there were Terms of Reference for the Environmental Committee established in the Benefit Agreement as well as additional information regarding the mandate of the Environmental Committee in the Benefit Agreement. NexGen proposed to review the sections and then add a collaborative review to the agenda of a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for the MN-S feedback on the proposed approach and inquired if there was a date that would work best for an Environmental Committee meeting.
10 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and listed several Environmental Committee processes to ensure alignment with the MN-S. NexGen inquired if the Environmental Committee process items noted should be confirmed during the planned Implementation Committee meeting scheduled on 14 August 2023 to ensure that both NexGen and the MN-S were advancing in line with respective expectations under the Environmental Committee.

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11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the NexGen community newsletter for the Project. NexGen indicated the contact information for each of the Indigenous Groups in the local priority area was included and noted that the MN-S NR2 Community Coordinator's contact information was listed in the last edition. NexGen informed the MN-S NR2 that another community newsletter was planned for September 2023 and explained they would like to include the contact information again. NexGen stated that the MN-S was aligned with providing contact information to help community members know who to talk to about some of the initiatives as discussed at the last JWG/Environmental Committee meeting held in June 2023. NexGen inquired if the MN-S NR2 contact in the newsletter should be updated to the Implementation Coordinator or continue to list the MN-S NR2 Community Coordinator. NexGen included a screenshot of the community contacts included in the June 2023 newsletter for reference.
11 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen advising there would be two positions advertised as coordinators and confirmed the interim MN-S NR2 Implementation Coordinator as the community contact to be included in the next NexGen Community Newsletter.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked them for confirming the interim MN-S NR2 Implementation Coordinator to be included in the next NexGen Community Newsletter. NexGen noted the information would be updated in the newsletter and inquired if the email address and phone number could also be included.
14 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the MN-S met for their first Implementation Committee meeting to discuss an overview of the role of the Implementation Committee and to review and share updates relating to all articles under the Impact Benefit Agreement.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the Implementation Committee kick-off meeting held on 14 August 2023. NexGen listed the designated interim MN-S Benefit Agreement members discussed during the meeting and requested for the MN-S to confirm the list. NexGen also attached the meeting agenda, attendance, and actions for review and comments.
18 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and apologized for the delay in the response to NexGen's Environmental Committee process questions emailed on 10 August 2023. The MN-S inquired if a virtual meeting could be arranged during the week of 21 August 2023 to clarify some of the MN-S' questions. The MN-S advised that the comments have not yet been resolved and stated that some of the comments could be confirmed with clarification from NexGen.
22 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the follow-up on the questions related to the Environmental Committee process. NexGen stated that they had a debrief after the MN-S/NexGen Implementation Committee meeting held on 14 August 2023 and noted that there was confirmation that the interim Implementation Committee representatives would also serve as the interim Environmental Committee meeting members. NexGen confirmed that 25 September 2023 for an update meeting would work and indicated that a Teams meeting invite could be sent out.
24 August 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and confirmed the interim designated representatives for the MN-S NR2 as listed were correct in response to NexGen's 14 August 2023 email.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen stated the study would provide regional food data to compare or augment the assumptions used in the modelling for the Project EA. NexGen indicated they have been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen also acknowledged that the MN-S NR2 interview training was complete, community interviews have recently been completed, and that the data entry was also nearly complete. NexGen informed the MN-S the goal was to have all community interviews completed by 15 December 2023 and advised that CanNorth would use the information gathered by the MN-S NR2 to inform the 2024 sampling program. NexGen indicated that a final report would be produced by CanNorth in the summer of 2024. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions or concerns regarding the revised timeline.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the MN-S. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS has been uploaded to the MN-S and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the Federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked MN-S for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and provided the draft meeting minutes from the JWG held on 19 June 2023 for review and comment. NexGen noted for the MN-S to make any edits in track change and send back to NexGen once completed or confirm that there were no edits required.
31 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S thanking them for the check-in meeting held on 25 August 2023 and for the work the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 has conducted on reviewing the issues and concerns validation table. NexGen attached a PDF copy of the table provided to the MN-S NR2 Environmental Committee that included a listing of the key mitigations and accommodations identified by NexGen through the development of the table. NexGen also attached a Word version of the table with a column for the MN-S to insert the results of their review. NexGen listed the proposed next steps discussed at the meeting and invited the MN-S to reach out if there were any questions. NexGen stated that they looked forward to the continued collaboration with the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and stated that they would be reaching out in a separate cover regarding the MN-S technical and public comments provided as part of the federal EA process. NexGen stated that it would be important to establish a process of working through the comments for endorsement by the Environmental Committee.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the MN-S and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the MN-S to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures and technical review findings, and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the MN-S and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the MN-S and copied NexGen on the correspondence and stated that the ENV's previous email contained the notification letter for Turnor Lake Métis Local #40 instead of La Loche Métis Local #39. The ENV attached the correct letter inviting the MN-S to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures, and technical review findings and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the MN-S and requested for any comments by 3 October 2023.

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1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and advised that NexGen was copied on the ENV correspondence to the President of the MN-S regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator in alignment with the terms of reference for the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 Benefit Agreement and as part of the ongoing discussions regarding collaboration on the regulatory process for the Project.
1 September 2023	Phone call, outgoing	The MN-S and the MN-S NR2 called NexGen and confirmed receipt of the emails sent on 30 August 2023 and 1 September 2023 regarding the provincial Final EIS. The MN-S NR2 stated they would look into the emails and the SharePoint site further on 4 September 2023 and informed NexGen that there were currently no questions.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and the MN-S and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Caribou Working Group and thanked the group for helping make the first meeting held on 29 August 2023 a success. NexGen attached the meeting minutes, presentation, and a visual charter for review as well as provided a link to the requested resources as a follow up to some of the action items. NexGen informed the Caribou Working Group that a placeholder for the workshop on 16 October 2023 has been sent out and noted that NexGen would also be inviting regulators as guests to the workshop. NexGen advised that additional information would be sent out closer to the date.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen informed the MN-S NR2 that they have recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS and continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen expressed they looked forward to collaborating with the MN-S NR2 Environmental committee to review the responses NexGen submitted to the CNSC on the MN-S NR2 federal technical comment submission. NexGen stated they also looked forward to the review in parallel to the CNSC-led technical review process in which the MN-S NR2 would be participating and to a collaborative approach in responding to the MN-S NR2 public comments submitted as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen thanked the MN-S NR2 for the continued engagement throughout the federal EA and licensing processes and invited the MN-S NR2 to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and the MN-S regarding the seed collection program that NexGen was working with Integral Ecology Group to conduct at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project. NexGen informed the MN-S NR2 and the MN-S that both NexGen's Environmental Team and Integral Ecology Group would be on site from 2 October 2023 and 5 October 2023 for the program and inquired if the MN-S Environmental Committee Regulatory Lead or if a member of the Caribou Working Group would be interested in participating. NexGen stated that a day trip could be accommodated and requested for the MN-S NR2 to confirm a preferred date. NexGen noted the costs for involvement would be paid as per the Environmental Committee funding and advised that NexGen would be reaching out to Environmental Committees with other Nations to confirm interest in participation. NexGen also indicated that an Elder was welcome to join.
18 September 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and advised that the MN-S would be unavailable for the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project on 2 October 2023 to 5 October 2023 in response to NexGen's 13 September 2023 email. The MN-S thanked NexGen for the opportunity.
18 September 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed the ENV and NexGen attaching a letter in support of the Project.

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22 September 2023	Email, incoming	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and acknowledged the MN-S 18 September 2023 email confirming unavailability for the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project on 2 October 2023 to 5 October 2023. NexGen stated that the Environmental Committee would be updated on the initiative and inquired if another MN-S NR2 member was interested in joining the seed collection program for one day.
24 September 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and advised that the MNS-NR2 Regional Director has requested that the MN-S assist in organizing a virtual meeting with NexGen to discuss the provincial Final EIS. The MN-S noted they have requested if a Regional Council meeting has been scheduled for early October and stated that NexGen would be updated on the confirmed date. The MN-S inquired if NexGen had a presentation that they would like to present to the MN-S NR2.
25 September 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen hosted the MN-S NR2 Leadership at the Rook I site for a tour.
26 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and inquired if the meeting request from the MN-S NR2 Regional Director was for NexGen to share additional context as to the progress of the provincial EA as well as the next steps as a follow up to the MN-S 24 September 2023 email. NexGen also inquired if there was additional information as to when the MN-S NR2 Regional Council meeting would occur.
26 September 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen and attached the issues and concerns validation table for review. The MN-S advised that an MN-S NR2 President had instructed to hold off submitting the table to NexGen as a workshop to address the issues and concerns was being arranged. The MN-S stated that it has been two weeks and a meeting has not been established. The MN-S noted that the MN-S Director of Environment has directed for the issues and concerns validation table be sent to NexGen to continue with progress.
26 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and advised that NexGen has inquired with the MN-S NR2 Regional Director regarding organizing a meeting to discuss the provincial Final EIS. NexGen informed the MN-S that the MN-S NR2 Regional Director stated that they did not require a meeting. NexGen proposed to meet at the next Implementation Committee meeting and stated that provincial Final EIS information could be prepared for the meeting.
4 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and thanked the MN-S for the feedback on the Issues and concerns table. NexGen informed of the path forward discussed between the NexGen Vice President, Community and the MN-S NR2 leadership. NexGen attached the updated issues and concerns table and provided further context. NexGen expressed appreciation for the collaborative approach on the process and looked forward to presenting the issues and concerns table to the broader Environmental Committee.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and the MN-S regarding NexGen's visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10 to 12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the MN-S NR2 Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
10 October 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen to follow up if NexGen was agreeable with the MN-S using the NexGen Regional Food Study data that was collected by the MN-S to inform the NexGen Métis Food Study. The MN-S also requested for NexGen to confirm the Métis Food Study budget.
11 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed the budget for the MN-S led Traditional Foods Study as requested. NexGen indicated they would confirm the request for the shared data from the Regional Food Study.
18 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and confirmed there were no concerns with the MN-S using data collected as part of the regional Traditional Foods Study to support the Métis-specific food study.
18 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 regarding scheduling the next Environmental Committee meeting to share respective updates as well as discuss priorities and planning for 2024. NexGen proposed to have steering level Environmental Committee meetings quarterly and hold ad-hoc or sub-committee meetings outside of the quarterly meetings for specific topics. NexGen requested for the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 to provide feedback on the proposed approach. NexGen confirmed availability for an Environmental Committee meeting on 6, 9, or 10 November 2023 and inquired if any of the dates would work.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
19 October 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen and provided a list of the interim MN-S NR2 Implementation and Environmental Committee member assignments.
30 October 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group and the provincial and federal regulators for a workshop. Stantec presented the caribou offset options and gathered feedback to inform the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project.
2 November 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the proposed meetings to discuss and finalize the issues concerns table as well as the steering committee / quarterly Environmental Committee meeting to share respective updates and discuss priorities and planning for 2024. The MN-S requested for NexGen to provide dates for consideration.
2 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and followed up regarding the next steps for the MN-S NR2 issues and concerns validation process. NexGen proposed to arrange a brief Technical Working Group meeting to discuss and then schedule an Environmental Committee meeting to finalize the issues and concerns table. NexGen requested for the MN-S to provide available dates for the proposed meetings. NexGen also expressed wanting to arrange a steering committee / quarterly Environmental Committee meeting to share respective updates and discuss priorities and planning for 2024. NexGen suggested the Environmental Committee meeting and workshop focus on the issues and concerns finalization and stated that both meetings could be planned in a two day span to help the MN-S NR2 members travel to Saskatoon.
3 November 2023	In-person meeting	The NexGen and the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 Implementation Committee met for a meeting to discuss roles, share updates on education and training, and options for sharing information and reports with the NR2 communities.
3 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and proposed dates for the Technical Working Group meeting, Environmental Committee meeting, and Quarterly/Steering Committee Environmental Committee meeting for consideration. NexGen inquired which date would work for the MN-S.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the MN-S and copied NexGen to provide a letter noting that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen Energy Ltd. approval to proceed with the proposed Project and attached the decision notification and ministerial approval.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ education, training, and employment updates; ▪ community engagement updates; ▪ a summary of the June 2023 Community Information Sessions; and ▪ Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the MN-S NR2 for the support through the provincial EA process.
24 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 a Microsoft Teams meeting invite for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 15 December 2023. NexGen stated that lunch would be provided and noted the agenda as well as the meeting materials would be provided in advance of the meeting.
27 November 2023	Video conference	The NexGen and the MN-S Technical Working Group, a subgroup formed under the Environment Committee, met to discuss the next steps for the issues and concerns validation. The Technical Working Group confirmed the Environmental Committee would meet on 15 December 2023 to review the issues and concerns table and collaborate on its finalization.
28 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S providing copies of the signed files that the MN-S has signed off as the Federal-Indigenous Review Team representatives for NexGen's responses to their information requests. NexGen requested to be copied on the email from the MN-S to the CNSC confirming the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 acceptance of the responses.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
28 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 providing an update on the activities that have been conducted related to the issues and concerns validation activities required as part of the federal EA process since the last Environmental Committee meeting held on 19 June 2023 in preparation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 December 2023. NexGen attached the finalized issues and concerns table that was confirmed ready to be presented to the Environmental Committee for final sign off as discussed during the Technical Working Group meeting held on 27 November 2023. NexGen also provided specific notes on the attached table for review and invited the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 to reach out if there were any questions.
1 December 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and MN-S NR2 expressing thanks for the meeting held on 27 November 2023 to discuss the Environmental Committee next steps as well as the issues and concerns table. NexGen attached an updated draft letter template prepared to assist the MN-S and MN-S NR2 in sending to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the MN-S/MN-S NR2/NexGen Environmental Committee to satisfy federal EA requirements for the Project. NexGen advised of the NexGen team members copied in the email and requested that all be copied on the MN-S correspondence to the CNSC providing the letter. NexGen also followed up regarding scheduling a meeting to discuss the MN-S comments and responses and requested for preferred dates for consideration.
5 December 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and inquired if the MN-S has sent the signed Federal-Indigenous Review Team documents to the CNSC as a follow up to NexGen's 28 November 2023 email.
5 December 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S emailed NexGen regarding the signed Federal-Indigenous Review Team documents and indicated that the MN-S met with the CNSC on 4 December 2023 to discuss. The MN-S informed NexGen the response letter would be added to the MN-S workplan for the week of 4 December 2023.
5 December 2023	Email, incoming	The MN-S copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC thanking the CNSC for the meeting held on 4 December 2023 and attached the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 acceptance of the responses to the Federal-Indigenous Review Team's information requests for the NexGen Project.
14 December 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and provided the agenda, presentation, and a copy of the issues and concerns table for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 December 2023.
15 December 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included an update on the regulatory approval process for the Project, an overview of environmental monitoring programs and initiatives, and completing the validation of issues and concerns process for the MN-S NR2 as part of the EA.
20 December 2023	Letter, incoming	The CNSC emailed NexGen and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter requesting clarification regarding potential linkages between recent exploration activities at the Rook I site and the Project.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed that Rook I site exploration activities in question were required to inform Project design but do not represent development of the Project. In addition, the letter included a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies prior to submission of the exploration program permit application. NexGen confirmed that all activities being undertaken at the Rook I site are compliant with the Nuclear Safety and Control Act and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012. NexGen provided responses to each of the information requests from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
12 January 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen, the MN-S NR2, and the MN-S met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and followed up regarding the status of the issues and concerns table. NexGen inquired if the table could be considered final and if MN-S and MN-S NR2 would be sending the confirmation letter to the CNSC on 15 January 2024.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
15 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 regarding scheduling the quarterly Environmental Committee meetings in advance and proposed the dates for 2024. NexGen inquired if the dates would work and stated that meeting invites could be sent out to the Environmental Committee members to hold the dates.
15 January 2024	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen regarding the proposed dates for the 2024 quarterly Environmental Committee meetings and confirmed the dates would work.
23 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and attached the draft letter regarding the MN-S NR2 issues and concerns validation. NexGen inquired if MN-S would be sending the confirmation letter to the CNSC during the week of 22 January 2024.
23 January 2024	Email, incoming	The MN-S copied NexGen in an email correspondence to the CNSC confirming that the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 have validated the issues and concerns for the Project and attached the acceptance letter.
23 January 2024	Email, incoming	The CNSC copied NexGen in an email correspondence to the MN-S thanking the MN-S for the acceptance letter regarding the issues and concerns validation for the Project.
31 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the MN-S NR2 and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting in February 2024.
31 January 2024	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen, thanking NexGen for the engagement update letter for the Project.
9 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 providing the agenda and presentation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 February 2024. NexGen also listed the proposed discussion items for review.
9 February 2024	Email, incoming	The MN-S NR2 emailed NexGen regarding the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 February 2024 and requested that the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 President be included back on the Environmental Committee.
14 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S NR2 and confirmed that the invitation and information for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 February 2024 would be sent to the Buffalo Narrows Métis Local #62 President.
16 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen, the MN-S NR2, and the MN-S met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the regulatory approvals and public comment processes for the Project; ▪ an overview of ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a discussion on working in collaboration on Federal licensing documents as well as end land use planning for the Project; and ▪ an overview of the 2024 exploration programs.
21 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 a meeting invite for the next Implementation Committee meeting on 4 March 2024.
26 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the MN-S NR2 Leadership. The MN-S NR2 introduced their new Implementation Coordinator and Human Resources Coordinator, per the Benefit Agreement. NexGen and the MN-S NR2 had additional discussions on communication process, information sharing with community members, and business and contracting.
28 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Training Committee members and discussed the following key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ university requirements for secondary school math and science; ▪ progress of the Export database; ▪ training to employment needs; and ▪ update on the completed, current, and upcoming training programs.

BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment; IAAC = Impact Assessment Agency of Canada; ECCC = Environment and Climate Change Canada; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; VC = valued component.

Table B-3: Birch Narrows Dene Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
1 February 2017	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen provided an update presentation on exploration and Project development activities, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview and history of the Arrow deposit; ▪ highlights of metallurgical work; ▪ conceptual Project design; ▪ update on studies planned to support a future EA; and ▪ proposed 2017 activities, including baseline studies and engagement planning. <p>Copies of meeting materials were provided after the meeting.</p>
30 October 2018	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of the Project and Arrow deposit; ▪ Preliminary Economic Assessment highlights and the current Pre-Feasibility Study; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement.
20 December 2018	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BNDN to discuss community initiatives (such as the Driller Helper Training Program), community meetings and workshops for 2019, and to wish Season's Greetings.
11 March 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent the BNDN a letter to invite the BNDN Chief and Council to a workshop on 27 March 2019 to review the information provided in the Project Description prepared for the Project.
12 March 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BNDN and provided a tour of the new NexGen office in Saskatoon and had an informal discussion around employment opportunities and the BNDN school.
29 March 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BNDN to advise that there will be a letter sent to the BNDN from the ENV regarding the Rook I Technical Proposal application and the duty to consult.
4 April 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BNDN to advise that the BNDN will be receiving a letter from the CNSC that states that NexGen has submitted the Rook I Project Description.
9 April 2019	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen met with the BNDN to present an overview of the information included in the Rook I Project Description, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to the BNDN to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen sent an invitation letter to the BNDN regarding a meeting to be held on 18 June 2019 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete an IKTLU Study for the area around the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss a framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement.
25 June 2019	Letter, incoming	The BNDN sent NexGen a letter requesting a meeting to further discuss details regarding a Benefit Agreement.
25 June 2019	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen held a community information session in the BNDN to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ inform local communities of the nature of proposed activities at Rook I; ▪ answer questions and receive initial feedback specific to the Project for consideration during the EA; ▪ initially identify VCs and local land use by community members in attendance; ▪ provide information about the EA process; and ▪ introduce NexGen and the Project to the broader community.

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25 June 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BNDN to introduce the Study Agreement. The Study Agreement outlines a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project and includes funding for an IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and for establishing a JWG.
19 September 2019	Multiple methods	NexGen called the BNDN to arrange a meeting with the BNDN Chief and council, CNSC, and the ENV. A follow-up email was sent on 27 September 2019 to confirm the meeting details. The BNDN confirmed that meeting the on 8 October 2019 in Saskatoon would work and confirmed the participants from the BNDN.
30 September 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met to sign and execute the Study Agreement.
8 October 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen, the CNSC, the ENV, the Saskatchewan First Nations Natural Resource Centre of Excellence, and the BNDN met for a presentation. The presentation was facilitated by NexGen but was led by the CNSC to provide an overview of the CNSC's EA review process.
25 October 2019	In-person meeting	Introductory meeting for the JWG including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; and ▪ human health risk assessment.
4 December 2019	In-person meeting	A JWG meeting was held, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ review of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; ▪ human health risk assessment; ▪ water assessment and management; and ▪ air and water pathways. <p>This second JWG meeting included a review of the material presented in the first meeting as there were new members in the JWG.</p>
31 December 2019	Email, incoming	The BNDN submitted the final draft of the IKTLU Study, as per the Study Agreement.
22 January 2020	In-person meeting	The JWG had a tour of the Rook I site, followed by a presentation and meeting to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mineral Surface Lease Agreements; ▪ underground tailings management; ▪ caribou – mitigation and management; ▪ traditional land use; and ▪ traffic studies.
2 March 2020	In-person meeting	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ socio-economic assessment (approach and methods); ▪ community well-being; ▪ employment and training opportunities; ▪ business opportunities; and ▪ caribou mitigation and management.
22 April 2020	Text, incoming	The BNDN shared information in a Zoom meeting held on 16 April 2020, where a Saskatchewan-based doctor presented to the BNDN leadership and the JWG on the health of employees that work in uranium mining.
1 May 2020	Phone call	NexGen conducted a phone call with the BNDN to provide updates on the EA, the community, and the Project.
26 August 2020	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project update; ▪ regulatory process update; ▪ review of JWG meetings; and ▪ key actions and commitments.

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9 September 2020	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to state that the BNDN will work with NexGen as the Project moves forward.
11 December 2020	Video conference	The CNSC presented to the JWG on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of CNSC functions as a regulator; ▪ role in Indigenous engagement; ▪ EA; and ▪ radiation protection and compliance.
27 January 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ modelling and the EA process; ▪ air quality model; ▪ surface water quality model; ▪ environmental risk assessment model; and ▪ future meeting topics.
24 February 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen's approach to alternatives assessment; ▪ tailings alternatives assessment; ▪ waste rock alternatives assessment; ▪ site water management alternatives assessment; and ▪ site layout optimization.
25 March 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ land stewardship through all Project phases; ▪ informing the path forward; and ▪ EA updates. <p>Additionally, the BNDN JWG members presented to NexGen regarding the BNDN's Nuh Nene department and approach to consultation. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
7 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and outlined three topics to be discussed as an outcome of the 25 March 2021 JWG meeting. The topics were as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a proposed revised approach to the Women's Workshop; ▪ how NexGen can best incorporate the Dene language into the EIS; and ▪ the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program that is part of a broader Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan. <p>NexGen indicated to the BNDN that individual emails would be sent to the BNDN outlining how NexGen intended to approach each topic.</p>
8 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided information about the proposed revised approach to the Women's Workshop as it was postponed due to COVID-19. NexGen proposed that a virtual interview program led by InterGroup be completed, if the BNDN agreed with the approach, to please help identify interviewees. NexGen also asked if there were other subsets of the community that the BNDN felt may be otherwise underrepresented that NexGen should also consider an interview program to better understand their unique perspectives. <p>NexGen added that if this initiative is supported by the BNDN, NexGen would like to commence interviews in late April / early May 2021 and would like to provide an honorarium to the participants to thank them for their time.</p>
8 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and asked for feedback about how best to incorporate the Dene language into the EIS. NexGen also asked for recommendations regarding local translators.
13 April 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to plan a technical breakout meeting to discuss the Multiple Accounts Analysis for mine waste as previously discussed in the 24 February 2021 JWG Meeting. The BNDN stated the preference would be to review the alternatives assessment and supporting documents in advance of the proposed meeting and proposed dates to meet.

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14 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to propose a technical breakout meeting on 29 April 2021. NexGen stated that the Multiple Accounts Analysis report was still being finalized and proposed a workshop-style meeting and that the presentation slides and any supporting information could be shared prior to the meeting. NexGen informed the BNDN that internal subject matter experts from NexGen and Golder would be invited to the meeting.
15 April 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to confirm the timing of the technical breakout meeting scheduled for 29 April 2021. The BNDN confirmed that NexGen's approach to the meeting was a good place to start and asked that once documents were available if they could be shared as the BNDN would like to have a more detailed review.
16 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a draft presentation related to the planned 22 April 2021 JWG meeting. NexGen requested that the BNDN share the presentation with the other JWG members prior to the meeting. NexGen also provided a letter regarding the EA and a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and provided details on the upcoming Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program with an invitation for the BNDN to participate.
22 April 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on the traffic study and accidents and malfunctions evaluation, and to review the bounding scenarios used in the evaluation; ▪ an overview of the EA methodology, focusing on pathway analysis and initiating discussions on how the Project could affect community well-being; and ▪ information on the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
26 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and followed up on an action item from the 22 April 2021 JWG meeting. NexGen requested a time to connect the BNDN with NexGen's subject matter expert (Omnia) to discuss the background information to the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen suggested 7 April 2021 as the meeting date.
28 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide a slide deck that details the process conducted in support of the alternative assessments for tailings, gypsum, and waste rock in advance of the technical breakout meeting planned on 29 April 2021. NexGen noted that the content is in working draft form and invited the BNDN to ask questions or provide comments.
28 April 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to thank them for sharing the presentation in advance of the meeting scheduled on 29 April 2021. The BNDN noted that only one representative would be attending on behalf of the BNDN but that an additional member from the Turnor Lake Métis Local #40 might join as well.
28 April 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed availability to meet on 7 May 2021 to discuss the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program.
29 April 2021	Video conference	Representatives from the JWG, NexGen, and Golder met to discuss the inputs and considerations for the mine waste Multiple Accounts Analysis. Discussions focused on the identification of mine waste, tailings, and gypsum as the waste streams and Multiple Accounts Analysis the selection of options for mine waste.
29 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and followed up on the participants for the Women's Interviews. NexGen noted that InterGroup team members had been copied in the email as they would be coordinating the interviews.
29 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for confirming their availability to meet on 7 May 2021 to discuss the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and advised that a meeting link had been provided.
7 May 2021	Video conference	<p>Members from the JWG met with NexGen and Omnia to discuss the Caribou Reclamation Trial Program. Discussions included reviewing the proposed program and reviewing background information. The participants also discussed the BNDN's participation in the upcoming field portion of the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program.</p> <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>

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19 May 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a letter to summarize the JWG engagement activities and noted that NexGen would provide a similar letter to the JWG at or near the start of each month. The following appendix was included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of questions to explore prior to the May 2021 JWG meeting.
20 May 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen representatives (InterGroup) emailed the BNDN and advised that InterGroup would be coordinating the Women’s Interviews. InterGroup asked if the BNDN had any individuals in mind to participate and noted that NexGen hoped to start on interviewing the women within the following week or two.
25 May 2021	Email, outgoing	InterGroup emailed the BNDN and requested an update on the participants for the Women’s Interviews.
28 May 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ share information on EA methods, including a focus on pathway analysis related to the VCs and intermediate components; ▪ discuss pathways for how the Project could affect Indigenous land and resource; and ▪ continue discussions on community well-being. Meeting minutes were provided after the meeting.
2 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted they had been working with the Golder team to finalize the Mine Waste Alternatives Assessment Report. NexGen thanked the BNDN member for the meeting and noted that the attached Mine Waste Alternatives Assessment Report was still in working draft form. NexGen noted updates that happened since the previous meeting, including changes to the gypsum alternatives assessment and the waste rock alternatives assessment.
2 June 2021	Email, incoming	InterGroup emailed the BNDN and inquired about the progress of the participant selection for the Women’s Interviews.
4 June 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to thank them for sharing the Mine Waste Alternatives Assessment Report and stated that the technical breakout meeting was valuable and that the BNDN appreciated the opportunity for input on the Multiple Accounts Analysis.
15 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of an engagement update letter for review. NexGen also noted attachment of the May JWG summary document and noted this could be a useful communication tool to share with the local community.
21 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted the tentative planning of the June 2021 JWG meeting. NexGen advised that presentation materials were attached for review prior to the meeting.
22 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to follow up on an action item from the 28 May 2021 JWG meeting and confirmed that spawning habitat for multiple fish species exists at or near the Clearwater River bridge crossing immediately east of Patterson Lake. NexGen provided a brief summary of the surveys. NexGen noted that figures were attached to show the spring and fall spawning survey locations and that the figures will form part of the aquatic baseline report.
28 June 2021	Email, outgoing	InterGroup emailed the BNDN and confirmed that the workshop was planned for 27 July 2021 at 14:00 and that NexGen was seeking two participants from the community who work in health or social services to attend the workshop.
30 June 2021	Email, outgoing	InterGroup emailed the BNDN to ask for an update on potential interview candidates for the Women’s Interviews and noted that the desire is to have the interviews complete by 16 July 2021.
2 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen informed the BNDN that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and that a summary of when information about the program was presented to and discussed with the BNDN would also be provided. It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at Rook I and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.
7 July 2021	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BNDN and discussed the 2021 summer student program.

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8 July 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on determining significance of residual adverse effects; ▪ information on confidence and uncertainty in predicting future conditions due to Project effects; ▪ information on monitoring and follow-up programs using the examples of socio-economics and land use; and ▪ how to present material in plain language. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
20 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested feedback on the Accidents and Malfunctions topic that was reviewed in the April 2021 JWG meeting and the corresponding maps for potential environmentally sensitive areas along Highway 155 and Highway 955.
20 July 2021	Email, outgoing	InterGroup emailed the BNDN and noted the workshop for service providers to support the EIS for the Project was cancelled due to the wildfire situation in northern Saskatchewan. InterGroup noted they would consider planning another workshop in the fall.
21 July 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the 28 May 2021 JWG minutes were accurate and could be finalized.
22 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a draft working copy of a presentation in response to the BNDN's request to provide clarity on the EA process, including opportunities for the BNDN to collaborate with either or both government agencies and NexGen. NexGen requested that the BNDN review the presentation and provide feedback.
26 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted they would send a meeting invite to discuss the EA process.
27 July 2021	Video conference	NexGen and BNDN met to review a draft presentation created by NexGen to describe the EA process anticipated for the Project. Contained within the description was an identification of specific opportunities where the BNDN would be included as part of both the federal and provincial regulatory processes as well as during key milestones during the development of the EA and during the EA review process.
27 July 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of the July engagement update letter for review, which summarized the JWG engagement activities in June and provided an outline for the upcoming activities. June and April JWG summary documents were also noted to be attached.
4 August 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to share information about traditional and wage economies and discuss community engagement opportunities, including a community information session planned for September 2021. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.
4 August 2021	Video conference	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a monthly update letter to summarize engagement activities during July to mid-August 2021 and to share what was planned for EA engagement in September 2021. The following appendix was included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of themes being considered for the community information sessions.
5 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to outline the ways in which the BNDN IKTLU Study could be shared with the regulators as part of the EIS and asked if the BNDN could clarify how they would like to proceed. NexGen requested that the BNDN confirm if any changes were required.
9 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed BNDN to confirm that NexGen would like to plan a trip to search for the Dene Gathering (i.e., historical cultural) site for 1 September 2021.
11 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and inquired if the BNDN JWG would prefer a site tour on 31 August 2021, rather than the previously proposed JWG meeting.
18 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that they were working to reschedule the community information sessions to a different week to accommodate scheduling conflicts (i.e., moose hunting season). NexGen advised that the sessions would no longer take place the week of 20 September 2021.
30 August 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and requested an update on the timing for the community information sessions.
31 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that NexGen was planning to hold the community information sessions during the week of 4 October 2021. NexGen asked if the BNDN had a preferred date.

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31 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during July to mid August 2021 and to share what was planned for EA engagement in September 2021.
1 September 2021	In-person meeting	NexGen team members met with the BNDN to search for the historical cultural site.
1 September 2021	Video conference	NexGen met with the BNDN to discuss how the BNDN would like to file the IKTLU Study as part of the EIS.
1 September 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of a monthly engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.
2 September 2021	Email, outgoing	As follow up to discussions in previous JWG meetings, NexGen asked if the BNDN had questions about the options for sharing the IKTLU Study.
9 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted that Omnia would be at the Rock I site for the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen asked if there was an Elder from the BNDN that could collaborate on the program.
13 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted a planned date for the community information sessions. NexGen informed the BNDN that additional meetings would be occurring to discuss the status of COVID-19 and whether the event would still be possible and that another update would be sent later in the week.
16 September 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the BNDN and inquired if they would be available for a meeting on 17 September 2021 to discuss the inclusion of the IKTLU Study into the EIS. The BNDN subsequently confirmed that date would work.
17 September 2021	Video conference	NexGen met with the BNDN to discuss how the BNDN would like to file the IKTLU Study as part of the EIS.
20 September 2021	Email exchange	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that they would like to share the IKTLU Study with the CNSC as a confidential document. The BNDN asked if a meeting could be arranged with the CNSC to discuss how the data would be protected. NexGen emailed the BNDN and confirmed they would advise on the CNSC's availability for a meeting to discuss the BNDN's questions on how CNSC would use and protect data from the IKTLU Study.
27 September 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted attachment of an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.
14 October 2021	In-person meeting	NexGen and representatives from the BNDN and Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. completed a tour of the Rook I site. The site visit included a tour of the main camp facilities, the core logging facilities, and the Arrow drilling sites and a focus was placed on the proposed infrastructure locations for the Project. Positive comments were received regarding the small footprint size of the Rook I exploration camp and Arrow site. Additional discussion was focused on business and employment opportunities.
3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the EIS to the CNSC and the ENV. NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.
5 November 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter and corresponding appendices summarizing engagement activities from August to October 2021 and to share a summary of the proposed activities for November 2021.
14 December 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that NexGen had discussed scheduling a meeting with the CNSC and the ENV to discuss the BNDN IKTLU Study being filed as a confidential document as part of the EIS submission. NexGen inquired if there would be a time in early January 2022 that would work for the BNDN to meet.
17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and informed that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022. NexGen advised that the EA results workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of Air, Land, Water, and People to be presented over multiple workshops.

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17 December 2021	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and advised that the week of 24 January 2022 would not work for the BNDN to attend the EA results workshop as they had already had meetings scheduled during those days.
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised of the attached engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and providing proposed activities for January 2022. A copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021 was also provided.
13 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and extended an invitation to the upcoming EA results workshop planned for 31 January 2022. NexGen advised that this first workshop would be on air and land and would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results. NexGen also confirmed the proposal to schedule an Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee meeting on 1 February 2022 and that NexGen would follow up with more details.
18 January 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen, the BNDN, the CNSC, and the ENV met to discuss the inclusion of the BNDN's IKTLU Study as a confidential document as part of the EIS submission.
26 January 2022	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BNDN and informed the BNDN that NexGen must postpone the EA results workshop that was scheduled for 31 January 2022 due to COVID-19. NexGen informed the BNDN that they would call back next week to discuss rescheduling and the BNDN provided an update on election dates that will need to be considered when rescheduling.
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested clarification on the use of quotes from the BNDN IKTLU Study in the EIS. NexGen provided examples and advised that NexGen could follow up with a call to the BNDN on 31 January 2022 to confirm.
3 February 2022	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the BNDN and inquired if there was any feedback regarding how the BNDN would prefer the quotes from the IKTLU Study to be included in the EIS, specifically regarding potential edits to quotes. Through a subsequent exchange of emails, the BNDN advised that the sample edited quote from the IKTLU Study would suffice for inclusion in the EIS and provided approval for NexGen to proceed with editing quotes in the EIS, where required.
1 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the CNSC meeting invitation for 4 March 2022 to discuss the BNDN's Traditional Land Use Study and a Confidentiality Agreement. NexGen requested the BNDN to confirm if the BNDN would like NexGen to attend the meeting.
3 March 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that NexGen would not need to attend the 4 March 2022 meeting with CNSC but were still welcome to join if interested.
4 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and acknowledged the email confirmation that NexGen would not need to attend the 4 March 2022 meeting with the BNDN and the CNSC.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlined the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.
21 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an attached letter with the changes to the NexGen Implementation Coordinator, and the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee members. NexGen indicated that an Implementation Committee meeting would be scheduled and an introduction to the new NexGen team members would be made. NexGen also listed four BNDN roles and requested for confirmation of active members.
22 April 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the changes to the Benefit Agreement representatives as noted in the 21 April 2022 email. The BNDN also indicated that there were no BNDN / Birch Narrows Dene Nation Development Inc. team members changes to report and listed the summary of team members.
22 April 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that 29 April 2022 would work for the next JWG meeting to review the Draft EIS results. The BNDN requested that NexGen send the meeting invite or provide alternative dates.
26 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised unavailability to meet on 29 April 2022 but would provide alternative dates in May 2022 once it was confirmed that the NexGen EA team could attend. NexGen advised that the EA results materials were being updated as the submission had been delayed.
26 April 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed the notification to delay the EA results meeting on 29 April 2022 and requested NexGen provide alternative dates. The BNDN provided availability on 9 May 2022, 10 May 2022, or 11 May 2022.

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26 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and noted that NexGen would be in touch with potential dates for an EA results meeting in May 2022.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the BNDN and local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
7 June 2022	In-person meeting	The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ communication; ▪ the Environmental Committee's mandate, roles, and responsibilities; ▪ the BNDN First Nation Monitor Technician (i.e., independent Indigenous Monitor) position; ▪ ways and means to promote and facilitate the involvement of youth in environmental activities; and ▪ current and future environmental activities and potential future engagement opportunities.
24 June 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in Turnor Lake, Saskatchewan and the BNDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the Draft EIS submitted to the provincial and federal regulators; and ▪ provide information about the Draft EIS regulatory review process and how members of the local priority area can be involved in the review.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period which provides Indigenous Nations and Communities, members of the public, and government departments and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the BNDN leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
18 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested the invoice for BNDN technical capacity support. NexGen advised that the funding had been put aside to provide the BNDN with capacity funding for technical support for the review of the Draft EIS and noted that the funding was not a commitment in the Benefit Agreements but was in good faith to support the EA process.
20 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that the Draft EIS documents from the CNSC had been uploaded to the BNDN-NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site to provide the BNDN's technical team easier access to the documents. NexGen identified the team members who should be contacted should there be any information requests.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
8 August 2022	In-person meeting	The BNDN, the BRDN, and NexGen met for a joint Environmental Committee meeting to discuss logistics for the 2022 engagement activities related to the gamma radiation survey, the woodland caribou field work, and the transition from JWG to the Environmental Committee.

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10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN regarding the field portion of the Linear Feature Regeneration Assessment that would be completed by Omnia at the Rook I site from 13 August 2022 to 27 August 2022 as discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022. NexGen expressed interest in arranging a tour to encourage discussion surrounding woodland caribou, the mitigation trials, and the field survey. NexGen noted that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field survey and requested to be informed if there were community members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen also informed the BNDN and the BRDN of the baseline gamma radiation survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall and advised that NexGen would be hiring four youth community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and would be inviting an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to confirm if there were interested community members by 19 August 2022 and noted that a potential date range for the survey would be confirmed by 12 August 2022 or during the week of 15 August 2022. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to relay NexGen's COVID-19 policy when recruiting community members for the field programs.</p>
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the BNDN that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the BNDN.</p>
12 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN providing the draft minutes from the joint Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022 for review and comments. NexGen also included the draft action items from the meeting and requested for the contacts and availability for the 2022 engagement opportunities.</p>
16 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN following the Environmental Committee meeting on 8 August 2022. NexGen provided a 2021 presentation from a consultant that provided a high-level overview of certain completed wildlife surveys and the species located. NexGen indicated that a meeting could be arranged to review any questions on the content. NexGen informed the BNDN that a broader discussion with the Environmental Committee / JWG on the EA results was being planned and that some specific information on the wildlife surveys could be included in the meeting.</p>
18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board has reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements have been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out with any questions or comments.</p>
22 August 2022	Newsletter	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for the Project EA; ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and ▪ NexGen community program updates.

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24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
30 August 2022	In-person meeting	The NexGen and the BNDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ finalize the Environmental Committee Terms of Reference and discuss the First Nation Monitor Technician position; ▪ review and discuss the meeting summary template; ▪ discuss engagement updates and upcoming engagement opportunities for environmental programs at Rook I; ▪ discuss the importance of education, training, and employment; ▪ discuss the importance of cultural practices and sharing information equally; and ▪ plan the Q4 / year-end Environmental Committee meeting.
8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide potential dates for an Environmental Committee site tour of the Rook I site on 27 September 2022 or 28 September 2022. NexGen also suggested scheduling a meeting on 3 October 2022 or 4 October 2022 to discuss the EA results.
14 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed availability to coordinate an Environmental Committee site tour of the Rook I site on 27 September 2022 or 28 September 2022 in response to NexGen's 8 September 2022 email.
14 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for the offer to assist in coordinating the site tour and meetings.
14 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a bullet point list of information requested regarding public access for hunters as it relates to the proposed Project and the current Rook I exploration site, as discussed during the last Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen indicated that the BNDN could reach out if there was a desire to discuss further.
14 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding scheduling an Environmental Committee site tour of the Rook I site on 27 September 2022 or 28 September 2022. The Regulatory Lead of the BNDN confirmed unavailability during the proposed dates and indicated that the Chief and Council of the BNDN might be available for the site tour.
16 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding a request for a plain language Project fact sheet on the Project EA that could be distributed at the community meeting scheduled on 20 September 2022.
16 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a copy of the booklets that were created for the community information sessions held in June 2022 in the local priority area for review and to assist with the BNDN's upcoming community meeting. NexGen also provided links to NexGen's website for additional details on the community information sessions held, JWG summaries, and general Project overview information for reference.
16 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and requested assistance in finding field assistants to work on a baseline gamma survey at the Rook I site. NexGen confirmed the physical requirements for the program and provided the hourly rates for the work.
16 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and advised there were three community members interested in being field assistants for the baseline gamma survey.
16 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for confirming that there were currently three interested members for the field assistant roles for the baseline gamma survey. NexGen proposed to touch base during the week of 19 September 2022 to discuss further.
19 September 2022	Email exchange	The BNDN and NexGen exchanged emails regarding planning for the baseline gamma survey.
23 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to request a baseline geochemistry document for the Project EIS.
26 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the request for the baseline geochemistry document for the Rook I EIS. NexGen advised that the EA/EIS team has been contacted with the request for the document in response to the BNDN's 23 September 2022 email.
26 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding the baseline geochemistry document for the Rook I EIS and thanked NexGen for looking into the document request. The BNDN informed NexGen that the community sessions went very well.
26 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding the proposed EA Meeting / Workshop planned for 3 October 2022 or 4 October 2022 and suggested to postpone the meeting to late October 2022 or November 2022 to allow for better community attendance and to allow for discussion on the EIS review comments. The BNDN indicated that several dates for consideration would be provided during the week of 3 October 2022.

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27 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and acknowledged the 26 September 2022 email suggesting to postpone the EA Meeting/Workshop planned for 3 October 2022 or 4 October 2022 to late October 2022 or November 2022. NexGen confirmed availability for the proposed later date and looked forward to following up during the week of 3 October 2022.
29 September 2022	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a status update on the baseline geochemistry document for the Project EIS requested on 26 September 2022. NexGen indicated that the two primary documents available were the waste and wall rock source terms and the tailings source terms that the BNDN had already accessed. NexGen informed the BNDN that they would follow up with the EA team for the baseline geochemistry document and keep the BNDN posted.
29 September 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the status update on the baseline geochemistry document for the Project EIS. The BNDN thanked NexGen for following up on the request and indicated that it was important to review the data collected which the source term predictions were based upon.
29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities in the summer of 2022 and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF of the August 2022 community newsletter.
5 October 2022	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding a request for the Project shapefiles and other associated claims for the BNDN IKTLU Study.
7 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN in response to the BNDN's 5 October 2022 email and indicated that the Project shapefiles and other associated claims could be provided to the BNDN during the week of 10 October 2022.
7 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged that the Project shapefiles and other associated claims information requested would be provided by NexGen during the week of 10 October 2022.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the regional Traditional Foods Study Program planned to begin in 2023 that was discussed during the recent Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the BNDN community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.
14 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the week of 24 October 2022 for a community meeting would work and requested proposed dates for the meeting in response to NexGen's 27 September 2022 email.
14 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to acknowledge the BNDN's availability for a community meeting during the week of 24 October 2022 and noted that NexGen would reach back out with proposed dates for the meeting.
18 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed the contacts at the BNDN for the engagement on the baseline monitoring programs in response to NexGen's 11 October 2022 email. The BNDN also expressed interest in arranging a meeting with CanNorth to discuss the planned programs.
18 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the shapefiles for NexGen's mineral dispositions (SW1, SW2, and SW3 properties) as an attachment and included the UTM coordinates for the Rook I camp as a follow up to BNDN's 7 October 2022 email.
18 October 2022	Email exchange	NexGen exchanged emails with the BNDN and acknowledged the contacts at the BNDN for the engagement on the baseline monitoring programs and advised that NexGen would get back to the BNDN with CanNorth's availability for a meeting to discuss the programs.
18 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and confirmed availability on 27 October 2022 for a community meeting in response to the BNDN's 14 October 2022 email.

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19 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the NexGen shapefiles for the mineral dispositions (SW1, SW2, and SW3 properties) and UTM coordinates for the Rook I camp emailed on 18 October 2022.
19 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged that the BNDN would be contacted with CanNorth's availability for a meeting to discuss the baseline monitoring programs in response to NexGen's 18 October 2022 email.
19 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged NexGen's 18 October 2022 email confirming availability on 27 October 2022 for a community meeting. The BNDN indicated that the proposed date and time would be discussed internally and inquired if the meeting could be held during the evening for better attendance.
19 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding scheduling a community meeting on 27 October 2022. NexGen indicated that the BNDN request to hold the meeting in the evening would be discussed internally and noted that NexGen would get back to the BNDN on 20 October 2022.
20 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged the 19 October 2022 email indicating that the BNDN's request for the community meeting to be held in the evening of 27 October 2022 would be discussed internally within the NexGen team. The BNDN also listed the four comments that included recommendations from the BNDN's review of the Project Draft EIS that would be best discussed during the community meeting. The BNDN noted that a discussion could be held to confirm which of the comments could be discussed at the upcoming community meeting.
21 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN advising that the proposed date of 27 October 2022 for a community meeting no longer worked for the entire team and requested for the BNDN to propose new dates.
24 October 2022	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen and acknowledged receipt of the notification advising 27 October 2022 for a potential community meeting would not work and confirmed they would provide alternative dates.
1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the formal notification of the NexGen committee member changes to the Benefit Agreement Implementation Committee as a follow up to the BNDN's 22 April 2022 email.
8 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to follow-up on the proposed EA results meeting and expressed interest in still presenting the EA results to the BNDN Environmental Committee, Chief and Council, and community members. NexGen also advised that the proposed agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 22 November 2022 would be sent out.
22 November 2022	In-person meeting	The NexGen and the BNDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Discuss the EA results for the Project. ▪ Share an update on the BNDN Implementation Committee activities. ▪ Review the Environmental Committee activities in 2022, including the Environmental committee Mandate. ▪ Discuss logistics and planning for 2023.
24 November 2022	Phone call, incoming	The BNDN Chief called NexGen to reiterate and confirm that the community of BNDN fully supports the Project and the Benefit Agreement and noted how positive the engagement experience has been for the community.
2 December 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 November 2022 for review and comments. NexGen indicated that the documents have been placed on the Environmental Committee SharePoint site and noted that the list of action items have also been included in the email. NexGen thanked the BNDN for a great meeting and looked forward to seeing everyone during the week of 5 December 2022.
7 December 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen presented the results of the EA to the BNDN Environmental Committee, Chief and Council, and technical consultants. Following the EA results presentation, NexGen and the BNDN discussed the comments that were submitted to the CNSC by the BNDN as part of the federal public review period for the Project Draft EIS and the next steps for discussing the comments.

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22 December 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the December 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> an update on the education and training initiatives; an update on environmental monitoring programs; a summary of community updates and initiatives; a Project status update; and a Christmas message.
22 December 2022	Email, incoming	<p>The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding the comments and questions submitted by the BNDN related to the Project Draft EIS. The BNDN indicated that some of the comments were addressed during the meeting held on 7 December 2022 and thanked NexGen for the EA workshop presentation.</p> <p>The BNDN expressed that the best path forward on the remaining items would be a joint discussion with NexGen in order to learn more about NexGen's approach on certain topics and to hold a constructive discussion to resolve remaining items that needed clarification or resolution. The BNDN attached an updated spreadsheet of the questions and comments for NexGen's review. The BNDN indicated that the spreadsheet was intended to be used as a guide for upcoming meetings and listed the topics that could be discussed specifically.</p> <p>The BNDN noted that there was a lot to learn from NexGen on the approach taken, and by meeting to discuss the topics, the BNDN was confident that the open items could be addressed or resolved by collaboration between the BNDN and NexGen. The BNDN informed NexGen that the BNDN could be available to meet during the first week of January 2023 and that two BNDN members could arrange to attend in person on 9 January 2023 or 13 January 2023.</p> <p>The BNDN thanked NexGen for the support and partnership during 2022 and looked forward to working together in 2023.</p>
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement in 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the BNDN in 2023.
5 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to thank the BNDN for sending the reviewed, revised, and grouped list of comments and information requests submitted prior to Christmas. NexGen acknowledged that the BNDN has spoken with NexGen's Vice President, Community to arrange a meeting to discuss further and looked forward to the discussion. NexGen proposed to also hold a smaller discussion about the federal and provincial regulatory processes, to share NexGen's understanding of the guidance provided to date by the CNSC about the technical and public comments, and the path forward to submitting a final EIS to the ENV and the CNSC.
19 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to inform about a regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen would be completing in 2023. NexGen advised that CanNorth has been engaged to complete the study in northwest Saskatchewan and work with the communities to further understand the type, quantity, and location of Traditional Foods consumed and analyze key food types. NexGen indicated that the regional Traditional Foods Study would add to the work already done by communities in support of NexGen's EA and noted that the BNDN, CRDN, MN-S, and BRDN have been approached to engage on the program and to help inform the study design. NexGen indicated that an overview of the regional Traditional Foods Study was discussed with the BNDN Environmental Committee during a meeting held in 2022 and it was determined that identifying a community liaison for the program would be the next step. NexGen proposed to have CanNorth present a regional Traditional Foods Study overview and indicated that a similar meeting was being arranged with CanNorth and the BRDN. NexGen inquired if the BNDN would be interested in attending a joint meeting with the BRDN and hoped to arrange the presentation in late January 2023 or mid-February 2023. NexGen inquired if there was a date that would work best for the BNDN.

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27 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for a recent phone call confirming availability during the week of 20 February 2023 for a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study. NexGen proposed to include the regional Traditional Foods Study on the agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 21 February 2023 and have CanNorth present. NexGen indicated that others who were interested in the presentation could also attend or call-in. NexGen requested for the BNDN to confirm if the proposed approach to include the regional Traditional Foods Study discussion in the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting would work or if there were any concerns.
31 January 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to inquire if the written response to the BNDN's outstanding EIS public comments would be provided in advance of the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2023 to streamline the process. The BNDN indicated that many of the comments could be resolved with NexGen's response.
7 February 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen to follow-up on the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 13 February 2023. The BNDN advised that Tamarack team members would need to join the meeting virtually and provided a proposed agenda for review. The BNDN also inquired if the comment responses from NexGen to the BNDN's outstanding EIS public comments would be available for review prior to the meeting.
7 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to thank the BNDN for the emails following up on the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 13 February 2023. NexGen advised that there were updates regarding the EA process that would take 1-2 hours of time in the morning to discuss. NexGen informed the BNDN that NexGen has reached out to NexGen's Vice President, Permitting & Licensing and EA team regarding the responses to the BNDN's outstanding EIS public comments and recommendations for the meeting agenda. NexGen noted that the BNDN's proposed draft agenda was also forwarded and that NexGen would reach back out as soon as possible.
7 February 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the update regarding the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 13 February 2023 and the status of the responses to the BNDN's outstanding EIS public comments.
10 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide the presentation prepared for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2023 to discuss NexGen's Draft EIS and the BNDN's comments on the Draft EIS. NexGen proposed that the meeting begin with NexGen providing updates on the EA process, followed by a discussion on the collaborative approach to the federal review of the Draft EIS, which would include the public comments submitted by the BNDN and the summary of issues and concerns identified for the BNDN from the Draft EIS. NexGen stated that there would be an opportunity to workshop the issues and concerns from the EIS and the BNDN public comment table afterwards and advised that the NexGen EA team would be attending to discuss the comments. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns with the proposed agenda and presentation. NexGen indicated that lunch would be provided for the in-person attendees and expressed that NexGen looked forward to the meeting.
10 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the email sent to the Environmental Committee earlier on 10 February 2023 regarding the proposed agenda and presentation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 13 February 2023. NexGen confirmed that they would not have prepared responses available for the BNDN's public comment submission in the meeting and indicated that NexGen would be happy to begin workshopping the comments to continue to discuss the process and next steps. NexGen stated that the meeting presentation included a summary of issues and concerns identified for the BNDN from the Draft EIS and noted that the NexGen EA team, Environmental Committee members, and Community Engagement team would be attending the meeting. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 February 2023	In-person meeting	The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee met to discuss the BNDN public comments on the Draft EIS submitted as part of the federal public review process. The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee discussed a collaborative method, through the Environmental Committee, to workshopping and resolving these comments. NexGen agreed to provide draft responses to the BNDN's public comments at a later date for the BNDN's review, and it was agreed that a follow-up Environmental Committee workshop would be scheduled at a later date.

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15 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the proposed draft agenda for the quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 21 February 2023 for review. NexGen indicated that the agenda and presentation materials were aligned with the 2023 Environmental Committee priorities identified during the last quarterly meeting. NexGen stated that the presentation slide deck would be provided during the week of 13 February 2023 for review prior to the meeting. NexGen reminded the BNDN that the meeting would be hosted at the NexGen office and that lunch would be provided after the meeting.
16 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the presentation for the quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 21 February 2023 for review. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns and indicated that they looked forward to the meeting.
21 February 2023	In-person meeting	The NexGen and BNDN Environmental Committee met to discuss updates on the 2023 Environmental Committee priorities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ the regulatory review of the EA; ▪ ongoing monitoring programs (specifically, the regional Traditional Foods Study); ▪ collaboration on licence documents (specifically, the Environmental Protection Program and the Wildlife and Human Interactions Procedure); ▪ community awareness; and ▪ end land use planning.
21 February 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
24 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the Northern Technical Assistant that CanNorth was seeking for the upcoming winter water sampling program that was discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting recently held. NexGen indicated that they would provide accommodations and meals for the duration of the program at the Rook I site camp and that CanNorth would be providing compensation. NexGen indicated the program was tentatively scheduled to be conducted from 21 March 2023 to 28 March 2023 and requested to be informed by 10 March 2023 if the BNDN knew anyone who would be interested and qualify for the role. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions regarding the sampling program.
1 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and confirmed that the Northern Technical position had been filled.
13 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the Environmental Committee meeting held on 21 February 2023 and indicated that CanNorth would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study in more detail. CanNorth stated that the BNDN could invite any representatives to attend who could help guide the design of the program and inquired if the BNDN would be available to meet early April 2023.
14 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 21 February 2023 for review. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any clarifications or corrections required and advised that all documents have been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen also included a table of the action items as well as a table indicating the groupings of the Environmental Committee topics/priorities that require a lead to be identified from the BNDN.
16 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the 13 March 2023 email and advised that another CanNorth team member could assist in arranging the meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study once the BNDN confirmed a date that would work.
20 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
21 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen to confirm availability during the first week of April 2023 for a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study. The BNDN inquired if the meeting would be held via Zoom or a phone call.
22 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN to confirm availability on 5 April 2023, 6 April 2023, or 7 April 2023 for a virtual meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study and requested for the BNDN to confirm which date would work.
22 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen and confirmed that 5 April 2023 at 1:30 pm would work for a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study.
11 April 2023	Videoconference	The BNDN and CanNorth met to discuss the NexGen regional Traditional Food Study in more detail, including the program's goals, study design, community involvement, data considerations, and next steps.

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14 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN as a follow up to the meeting held on 11 April 2023. CanNorth provided the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study summary for the BNDN Chief and Council as well as examples of the questions for review that would be asked during the interviews. CanNorth stated they were comfortable with the BNDN's process to receive permission from Chief and Council to proceed with the regional Traditional Foods Study and noted that a Band Council Resolution was a process that they had seen previously. CanNorth provided a sample of Band Council Resolution wording and indicated that further particulars would be up to the BNDN and could be taken from the regional Traditional Foods Study summary. CanNorth provided the proposed compensation rates for the interviewees, interviewees, and the community liaison for the project and advised that all payments would go through CanNorth. CanNorth invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
19 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN providing the list of foods that would be included in the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire. CanNorth indicated they are providing the list for review and in advance of the training sessions.
19 April 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with members from the BNDN and the MN-S for a Rook I site tour and to locate a spot for the ceremonial sweat with Elders from all local priority area Nations. The core logging facilities and the Arrow site were toured. A safe location for the ceremonial sweat was confirmed.
21 April 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on education and training initiatives; ▪ regulatory process updates for the Project; and ▪ a summary of community engagement updates.
26 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN to follow-up and confirm if there has been any progress on getting a Band Council Resolution or agreement to move forward with the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study.
26 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN informing of the meeting held with the CNSC and indicated there were a few action items that came from the meeting to keep progressing the Project. NexGen stated that the CNSC would need to connect with the BNDN to try and close off the action items. NexGen noted that the implementation and mechanisms of the Benefit Agreement may have already resolved some of the outstanding items that the CNSC would like to address and requested for the BNDN to reach out to the CNSC.
4 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the draft agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 16 May 2023 for review. NexGen informed the BNDN the agenda and presentation materials were aligned with the 2023 Environmental Committee priorities identified for 2023 and indicated the slide deck would be provided for review prior to the meeting. NexGen proposed that the issues and concerns from Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement) of the Draft EIS be reviewed and discussed during the meeting. NexGen indicated the issues and concerns validation process had been scheduled near the beginning of the meeting agenda and proposed the detailed discussion and workshop occur near the end of the meeting after all other updates on the priority topics have been shared. NexGen inquired if the BNDN would be agreeable with the proposed approach and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or proposed additions to the agenda.
8 May 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN to follow-up regarding the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study and inquired if training could be arranged in the next few weeks.
10 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the schedule of the community information sessions about the Project planned for 12 June 2023 to 16 June 2023 in the local priority area communities. NexGen indicated the community information sessions would be a drop-in format with a series of poster stations staffed by NexGen staff who would be available to share information and answers. NexGen also shared the objectives of the community information sessions and noted that the staff of the CNSC and the ENV would be in attendance to explain their roles as regulatory agencies and to answer any questions from community members. NexGen stated the community information sessions would be open to all community members and members of the public and would be advertised through monthly radio announcements. NexGen indicated that posters would be created to share and post in the communities and that invitation cards would be mailed out. NexGen thanked the BNDN for helping confirm the dates and venues and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or additional information needed.

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12 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen regarding arranging training for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. The BNDN inquired if scheduling the training could be extended.
15 May 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BNDN to discuss postponing the 16 May 2023 Environmental Committee meeting due to the ongoing wildfires affecting the northern communities. NexGen and the BNDN agreed to postpone the meeting to a later date.
17 May 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN acknowledging the BNDN's request to extend the scheduling of the training for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth inquired if the last week of May 2023 or first week of June 2023 would be feasible.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Nations and communities.
19 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen regarding scheduling the training for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. The BNDN inquired if everything could be rescheduled due to the impact of the forest fires in the area.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BNDN acknowledging the BNDN's request to reschedule the training for the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth advised they would reach out to the BNDN at the end of May 2023 to touch base.
24 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN thanking them for the understanding about postponing the May 2023 Environmental Committee meeting and proposed to reschedule the meeting in late June 2023. NexGen inquired if the morning of 27 June 2023 would work for the BNDN and stated the agenda would remain as previously proposed. NexGen requested for the BNDN to confirm if the proposed date would work or if there was an alternative date the BNDN would like to suggest. NexGen also reminded the BNDN that they were continuing to plan for the community information sessions in the local priority area and expressed they were looking forward to being in the BNDN/Turnor Lake on 14 June 2023.
25 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen confirming availability for the proposed Environmental Committee meeting on 27 June 2023 and indicated that they would confirm availability of two other BNDN members.
25 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and indicated that they were not available for the proposed Environmental Committee meeting on 27 June 2023 and informed NexGen that they would be available any other day during the week of 26 June 2023.
25 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN thanking them for confirming their availability for the Environmental Committee meeting and indicated that 28 June 2023 or 29 June 2023 could also work.
25 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that scheduling the Environmental Committee meeting on 28 June 2023 would work best for them.
25 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen confirming that scheduling the Environmental Committee meeting on 28 June 2023 would work; however, the BNDN informed NexGen that the BNDN Community Planner/Lands Manager would be away during the proposed week of the meeting and returning to work on 4 July 2023. The BNDN member suggested that if moving the Environmental Committee meeting date to the week of 3 July 2023 was difficult then the group should go with the majority that could attend.
25 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding scheduling the Environmental Committee meeting and stated that 28 June 2023 or the week of 4 July 2023 would still work. NexGen also proposed to consider 20 June 2023 to 22 June 2023 if the dates would work better for attendance.
26 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen regarding scheduling the Environmental Committee meeting and proposed 5 July 2023 so that the BNDN Community Planner/Lands Manager could also attend. The BNDN informed NexGen that scheduling during the week of 21 June 2023 would be a challenge due to the community Summer Festivals.
31 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN confirming that scheduling the Environmental Committee meeting on 5 July 2023 would work and that NexGen could send out a calendar invite. NexGen informed the BNDN that the issues and concerns that had been identified for the BNDN for the Draft EIS (Appendix 2B of Section 2) would be workshopped during the meeting and requested for the BNDN to inform of any concerns with the approach. NexGen also acknowledged that the community was on evacuation notice due to the fire at the BNDN/Turnor Lake and hoped that everyone stays safe. NexGen stated they would keep in contact regarding the Environmental Committee meeting and noted that everyone's safety was priority and the meeting could be rescheduled, if required.

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1 June 2023	Email, outgoing	The BNDN emailed NexGen confirming that scheduling the Environmental Committee meeting on 5 July 2023 would work and suggested to lock the date in the calendar. The BNDN also thanked NexGen for the concern and note on the community fire situation and indicated the situation was stable with partial evacuation in place.
5 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN the meeting invite for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 5 July 2023 in Saskatoon. NexGen attached the agenda for review and requested to be informed if there were any questions or if there were additional proposed topics.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; ▪ education, training, and employment updates; and ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and a digital copy of the brochure and application form for the 2023-2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed they hope to see the BNDN at the upcoming community information sessions.
14 June 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and commented that the engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities was well done. The BNDN also confirmed that they would be attending the community information session scheduled on 14 June 2023.
14 June 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in Turnor Lake and BNDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
28 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the presentation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 5 July 2023 as well as the issues and concerns table that would be workshopped during the meeting for review. NexGen also attached the updated copy of the draft Environmental Committee Mandate and invited the BNDN to let NexGen know if there were any questions, concerns, or additional suggested edits.
5 July 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a discussion of Implementation Committee updates and the Environmental Committee's 2023 priorities, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ongoing environmental monitoring programs (specifically, seed collection); ▪ collaboration on licensing documents; ▪ community awareness updates; and ▪ key updates relating to the EA process.
5 July 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
12 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for the discussion at the Environmental Committee meeting held on 5 July 2023. NexGen inquired if the BNDN would be available between 31 July 2023 and 11 August 2023 for a breakout Environmental Committee meeting to review and validate the BNDN issues and concerns table. NexGen also proposed to complete the issues and concerns validation during the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 15 August 2023. NexGen stated they would be happy to host the meeting at the NexGen Saskatoon office and indicated that Environmental Committee members could also call into the meeting. NexGen requested for the BNDN to provide a preferred date and time that would work and re-attached the issues and concerns table for reference.

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12 July 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and indicated that they would prefer to review and validate the BNDN issues and concerns table during the 15 August 2023 Environmental Committee meeting. The BNDN requested for the minutes and agenda from the Implementation Committee meeting held during the week of 3 July 2023 for review and inquired how the committees would be proceeding in light of the personnel changes within Birch Narrows Dene Nation Development Inc.
12 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked them for the email confirming preference to review and validate the BNDN issues and concerns table during the 15 August 2023 Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen informed the BNDN that the Implementation Committee meeting held during the week of 3 July 2023 was to review the annual reports and stated that NexGen was currently completing the report. NexGen noted the report would be reviewed during the next Implementation Committee meeting and that NexGen would also be sharing some of the meeting action items. NexGen stated it would be appreciated if the BNDN could send out a notification as to who would be the Implementation Coordinator, Implementation Committee members, and Environmental Committee members to reflect any recent changes.
12 July 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the information regarding the proposed breakout Environmental Committee meeting and the Implementation Committee meeting held during the week of 3 July 2023. The BNDN informed NexGen that they were working on the replacements and notifications for the Implementation Coordinator, Implementation Committee members and Environmental Committee members and would get back to NexGen as soon as possible. The BNDN advised that a separate reply related to the breakout Environmental Committee Meeting would be sent.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
21 July 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for sharing the public notice from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. The BNDN indicated the information would be forwarded to the appropriate contacts.
21 July 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and provided an update that the BNDN would be onboarding a new consultant to assist in navigating all environment aspects. The BNDN stated they would also reach back out with proposed meeting dates to workshop the BNDN comments and indicated that NexGen could provide materials for the BNDN team to review in advance or wait for the meeting if preferred.
21 July 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and provided a letter with the change in the BNDN representation for the roles as defined in the Benefit Agreement between the BNDN and NexGen.
24 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for the updates regarding the BNDN technical consultants and potential dates for a workshop to discuss the BNDN issues and concerns identified for the Draft EIS. NexGen explained the materials for the workshop would be the same as the slides that were included in the Environmental Committee meeting held on 5 July 2023 and the additional PDF sent out with the key mitigation and accommodation columns included. NexGen offered to resend the materials to the BNDN. NexGen noted the first workshop would be to discuss the issues and concerns table from Section 2 of the Draft EIS and advised that a subsequent workshop would be scheduled at a later date to discuss the comments submitted by the BNDN as part of the federal public review on the Draft EIS.
24 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and acknowledged receipt of the notice of change in the BNDN representation.
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the BNDN, the CRDN, the MN-S NR2, and the BRDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the BNDN's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of a BNDN representative to participate in the meeting and invited BNDN to reach out if there were any questions.

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28 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided the presentation, meeting summary, and the issues and concerns table to the BNDN from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 5 July 2023 for review. NexGen informed the BNDN that all the documents have been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site and also included a table of the action items. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any clarifications or corrections required or if there were any questions.
2 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and inquired if it was still preferred to complete the issues and concerns workshop during the Environmental Committee meeting planned for 15 August 2023. NexGen offered to extend the meeting to allow additional time to discuss other Environmental Committee updates, if needed. NexGen informed the BNDN that they were not yet in a position to workshop the BNDN public comment submission and NexGen's responses and indicated that this could be discussed further at the upcoming meeting. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
2 August 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed preference to complete the issues and concerns workshop during the Environmental Committee meeting planned for 15 August 2023 in response to NexGen's email. The BNDN indicated the appropriate the BNDN representatives would be present and informed. The BNDN also noted that the potential the BNDN candidate for the Caribou Workshop Group could potentially be finalized at the meeting and reminded NexGen of the change in the BNDN representation.
3 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for the 2 August 2023 email confirming preference to complete the issues and concerns workshop during the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 15 August 2023. NexGen noted the meeting would be extended to allow enough time to discuss everything and indicated the draft agenda would be circulated during the week of 7 August 2023. NexGen informed the BNDN that two WSP members would be joining the meeting to assist with the issues and concerns workshop. NexGen informed the BNDN it had been a pleasure working with the current BNDN representative and wished them the best.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN as a follow up to NexGen's 27 July 2023 email and inquired if there was a BNDN representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group. NexGen stated they were informed that there were a few suggested candidates and indicated that this could be discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 August 2023 if the BNDN required more time.
9 August 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and stated they would reach out to a potential the BNDN representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group and confirm their interest.
9 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked them for confirming that the BNDN would reach out to the potential BNDN representative who would be participating in the proposed 29 August 2023 meeting for the Caribou Working Group.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the draft agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 August 2023. NexGen stated a main priority for the Environmental Committee meeting would be to collaboratively review the issues and concerns table specific for the BNDN as part of the regulatory process for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the issues and concerns table for reference and review. NexGen proposed that the Environmental Committee continue to meet to share any updates related to ongoing 2023 priorities after the issues and concerns workshop and advised the meeting has been extended to ensure there would be enough time. NexGen expressed they looked forward to the meeting.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen advising that one representative would not be able to attend the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 August 2023.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and acknowledged that one of the BNDN representatives would not be able to attend the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 15 August 2023. NexGen stated that the meeting summary, actions, and presentation to the Environmental Committee members would be sent out after the meeting.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities.
14 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a review of 2023 Environmental Committee priorities and a workshop of the issues and concerns identified for the BNDN as part of the Draft EIS for the Project.

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29 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen stated the study would provide regional food data to compare or augment the assumptions used in the modelling for the Project EIS. NexGen indicated they have been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen acknowledged that the BNDN had a job posting out to recruit interviewers to assist with the regional Traditional Foods Study and that two interviewers have recently been recruited. NexGen noted the next step would be for the BNDN to schedule interview training with CanNorth, and once the training was complete, the interviews with community members would begin. NexGen informed the BNDN the goal was to have all community interviews completed by 15 December 2023 and advised that CanNorth would use the information gathered by the BNDN to inform the 2024 sampling program. NexGen indicated that a final report would be produced by CanNorth in the summer of 2024. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns about being able to complete the interview training and community interviews by 15 December 2023.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the BNDN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS had been uploaded to the BNDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked the BNDN for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the BNDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the BNDN to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the Final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures and technical review findings and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the BNDN and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and advised that NexGen was copied on the ENV correspondence to the Chief of the BNDN regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the BNDN Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator as per the terms of reference for the BNDN Benefit Agreement and as part of the ongoing discussions regarding collaboration on the regulatory process for the Project.
1 September 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BNDN to confirm receipt of the emails regarding the provincial Final EIS and if the SharePoint access was working as well as if there were any questions. The BNDN member was away and unavailable to take the call.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN to follow up on all of the correspondence that NexGen has been sending out regarding the provincial Final EIS. NexGen stated they wanted to confirm that all emails have been received and that the BNDN's SharePoint access to download a copy of the EIS and supporting documents worked. NexGen inquired if there were any questions prior to the public review period that would begin on 2 September 2023 and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.

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4 September 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and indicated they have not yet checked the SharePoint access to download the provincial Final EIS and supporting documentation and would reach back out to confirm in response to NexGen's 1 September 2023 email. The BNDN inquired if there were deliverables expected from the BNDN related to the provincial review period.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and thanked the BNDN for informing that they have not yet accessed the SharePoint site. NexGen requested for the BNDN to advise if they encounter any errors downloading a copy of the EIS and supporting documentation. NexGen also indicated the NexGen Vice President - Community would be reaching out to the BNDN later in the week of 4 September 2023 or during the week of 11 September 2023 to discuss deliverables from the BNDN for the provincial public review period. NexGen inquired if the timing would work for the BNDN.
5 September 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and confirmed they have accessed the SharePoint site. The BNDN stated they have not yet reviewed the EIS and indicated the week of 11 September 2023 would work to discuss the deliverables from the BNDN for the provincial public review period.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and acknowledged the week of 11 September 2023 would work better for the BNDN to discuss the deliverables from the BNDN for the provincial public review period.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Caribou Working Group and thanked the group for helping make the first meeting held on 29 August 2023 a success. NexGen attached the meeting minutes, presentation, and a visual charter for review as well as provided a link to the requested resources as a follow up to some of the action items. NexGen informed the Caribou Working Group that a placeholder for the workshop on 16 October 2023 had been sent out and noted that NexGen would also be inviting regulators as guests to the workshop. NexGen advised that additional information would be sent out closer to the date.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen also informed the BNDN that NexGen has recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS as well as continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen expressed they looked forward to collaborating with the BNDN Environmental Committee to address the BNDN public comments submitted as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen thanked the BNDN for the continued engagement throughout the federal EA and licensing processes for the Project and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
13 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the seed collection program that NexGen was working with Integral Ecology Group to conduct at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project that have been discussed in the Environmental Committee meetings. NexGen informed the BNDN that both NexGen's Environmental Team and Integral Ecology Group would be at the Rook I site between 2 October 2023 and 5 October 2023 for the program and inquired if a BNDN member would be interested in participating. NexGen stated that a day trip could be accommodated and requested for the BNDN to confirm a preferred date. NexGen noted the costs for involvement would be paid as per the Environmental Committee funding and advised that NexGen would be reaching out to Environmental Committees with other Nations to confirm interest in participation. NexGen also indicated that an Elder was welcome to join a BNDN member.

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15 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the issues and concerns table that has been updated to reflect the workshopping conducted during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 15 August 2023 and included a table outlining the changes made for reference. NexGen informed of the next steps for the BNDN and NexGen to prepare letters to the CNSC to endorse the responses and confirm the items have been agreed upon. NexGen stated that a draft letter documenting the process undertaken would be circulated for Environmental Committee review. NexGen thanked the BNDN for the collaborative and transparent approach with working through the regulatory processes for the Project and advised that an Environmental Committee subgroup meeting to continue the review of the BNDN public comments submitted as part of the federal EA process would be organized once the issues and concerns letter has been finalized.
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached a draft letter prepared for the BNDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the BNDN-NexGen Environmental Committee. NexGen also attached a copy of the completed issues and concerns summary table to accompany the letter to CNSC. NexGen welcomed any adjustments to the letterhead and invited the BNDN to reach out if there were any questions or clarification required.
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting and inquired if the BNDN would be available to meet on 7 November 2023 instead of 21 November 2023. NexGen also proposed for a longer meeting to review all of the updates and priorities going into 2024.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN regarding NexGen's visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10 to 12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the BNDN Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the documents from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 15 August 2023 and indicated that the documents have also been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen included a table of the action items for review and noted the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting was proposed to be scheduled on 7 November 2023.
30 October 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN emailed NexGen and requested to discuss questions regarding NexGen's proposed exploration drilling programs on 31 October 2023. The BNDN indicated the questions were surrounding the process for the new projects, the Environmental Committee letter for the CNSC from the Chief of the BNDN, and the communication process.
30 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and confirmed availability on 31 October 2023 to discuss the BNDN's questions. NexGen inquired if there was a time between 10:30 am and 12:00 pm that would work for the BNDN.
31 October 2023	Video conference	NexGen and the BNDN met to discuss NexGen's proposed exploration programs for 2024, as well as to discuss several topics relating to the BNDN Environmental Committee, including the letter regarding the issues and concerns validation, the communication and funding processes, and education and training initiatives.
31 October 2023	Email, incoming	The BNDN copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC providing a letter that confirms the issues and concerns identified by the BNDN in regards to the Project that could be addressed at this time have been resolved. The BNDN also informed the CNSC that processes have been developed to resolve concerns in the future.
2 November 2023	Email, incoming	The CNSC copied NexGen in an email to the BNDN thanking the BNDN for providing a support letter confirming that NexGen has satisfactorily addressed all of the BNDN's issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of federal EA requirements. The CNSC informed the BNDN that the CNSC would be in contact regarding next steps in the EA process and noted the letter would be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry once the Federal-Indigenous Review Team technical review was complete.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the proposed high-level agenda for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 7 November 2023 for review. NexGen indicated a copy of the presentation would also be distributed later on 6 November 2023 and stated that lunch would be provided for in-person attendees.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the presentation for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 7 November 2023 and noted printed copies would be available at the meeting.

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7 November 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BNDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a discussion of Implementation Committee updates and the Environmental Committee's 2023 priorities, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ongoing environmental monitoring programs; collaboration on licensing documents; community awareness updates; end land use planning; and key updates relating to the EA process.
7 November 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting. The key topics discussed were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> procedures for Indigenous knowledge; logistics for both the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee; education and training initiatives; planning for a site tour; and economic development and business opportunities.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the BNDN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the BNDN.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> education, training, and employment updates; community engagement updates; a summary of the June 2023 Community Information Sessions; and Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Chief of the BNDN providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the BNDN for the support through the provincial EA process.
20 December 2023	Letter, incoming	The CNSC emailed NexGen and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter requesting clarification regarding potential linkages between recent exploration activities at the Rook I site and the Project.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed that Rook I site exploration activities in question were required to inform Project design but do not represent development of the Project. In addition, the letter included a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies prior to submission of the exploration program permit application. NexGen confirmed that all activities being undertaken at the Rook I site are compliant with the <i>Nuclear Safety and Control Act</i> and the <i>Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012</i> . NexGen provided responses to each of the information requests from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN Chief providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
16 January 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
31 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the BNDN and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting in February 2024.
31 January 2024	Email, incoming	Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. emailed NexGen regarding the engagement update letter for the Project provided to the BNDN. The Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. requested to be included in the distribution list moving forward and thanked NexGen for the work being done for impacted communities.

Table B-3: Birch Narrows Dene Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
31 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. and thanked the Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. for the comments on the recent update letter for the Project. NexGen stated that Birch Narrows Dene Development Inc. would be included in the distribution list moving forward.
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the agenda and presentation for the quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2024 and listed the discussion items for review.
9 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN providing the presentation and meeting summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 7 November 2023 and indicated that all the documents have been uploaded to the BNDN–NexGen Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen also included a table of the action items, which was also available in the presentation.
12 February 2024	Email, incoming	A BNDN Environmental Committee member emailed NexGen and advised that they would not be attending the quarterly Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2024. The BNDN Environmental Committee member stated it was a pleasure working with NexGen and noted they have learned from being involved in engagements, Benefit Agreement negotiations, and implementation processes.
12 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN Chief expressing thanks for the meeting held during the week of 5 February 2024 to review the business and employment stats for 2023 for the BNDN and attached the 2023 Local Priority Area Contract Award Summary slide deck. NexGen requested for the BNDN Chief to confirm the community representatives who would be attending the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 13 February 2024.
13 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BNDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the regulatory approvals and public comment processes for the Project; ▪ an overview of ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a discussion on working in collaboration on federal licensing documents as well as end land use planning for the Project; and ▪ an overview of the 2024 exploration programs.
28 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Training Committee members and discussed the following key topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ university requirements for secondary school math and science; ▪ progress of the Export database; ▪ training to employment needs; and ▪ update on the completed, current, and upcoming training programs.

BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; IAAC = Impact Assessment Agency of Canada; ECCC = Environment and Climate Change Canada; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; UTM = Universal Transverse Mercator; VC = valued component.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
12 December 2016	Email exchange	NexGen and the BRDN exchanged emails to find a suitable time to meet in Saskatoon.
1 February 2017	In-person meeting	<p>Following an exchange of e-mails, a meeting was held in Saskatoon. NexGen provided an update presentation on exploration and Project development activities, including the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview and history of the Arrow deposit; ▪ highlights of metallurgical work; ▪ conceptual Project design; ▪ update on studies planned to support a future EA; and ▪ proposed 2017 activities, including baseline studies and engagement planning. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
3 February 2017	Email exchange	<p>NexGen and the BRDN exchanged emails expressing thanks for the meeting held on 1 February 2017. NexGen and the BRDN expressed hope that the meeting was the first of positive experiences to come. NexGen shared a copy of the presentation from the 1 February 2018 meeting and asked if there were any questions.</p> <p>The BRDN sent NexGen an email indicating interest in pursuing upcoming economic opportunities and outlined the BRDN's capabilities. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the email and suggested a visit in the BRDN in February or March 2017.</p>
16 October 2018	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen provided an update on exploration and Project development activities. The topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ company introduction and overview; ▪ description of the Project and the Arrow deposit; ▪ Preliminary Economic Assessment highlights and the current Pre-Feasibility Study; ▪ environmental baseline summary; ▪ community commitment to training and procurement; and ▪ commitment to engagement.
11 March 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent the BRDN a letter with a meeting request to the BRDN Chief and Council to attend a workshop on the Project Description on 27 March 2019 at the BRDN.
22 March 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BRDN to confirm that the Project workshop invitation was received. No response was received. A follow-up call was made on 25 March 2022 by NexGen with no response.
26 March 2019	Phone call, incoming	The BRDN called NexGen and explained that they had not received the Project workshop invitation but that the BRDN was excited to meet and continue to work with NexGen. The BRDN requested that the workshop be rescheduled to 8 April 2019, which NexGen confirmed would work.
4 April 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BRDN to notify them that a letter from the CNSC would be sent to the BRDN to state that NexGen has submitted the Rook I Project Description.
8 April 2019	In-person meeting	<p>NexGen met with the BRDN to present an overview of the information included in the Rook I Project Description, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
30 May 2019	Multiple methods	NexGen called the BRDN and left a message with reception to confirm if the notification letter had been received as registered mail confirmed delivery. The BRDN later confirmed receipt via text message.
4 June 2019	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen sent an invitation letter to a meeting on 18 June 2019 to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ further define the Terms of Reference for the establishment of a JWG; ▪ collaboratively define the Terms of Reference and requirements necessary to complete an IKTLU Study in the area around the Project; ▪ collaboratively undertake a Traditional Foods Study; ▪ develop a protocol to address and protect the proprietary nature of the information collected and its use by NexGen in the EA and related regulatory processes; and ▪ discuss framework and timeline for a Benefit Agreement.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
26 June 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session at the BRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ inform local communities of the nature of proposed activities for the Project; ▪ answer questions and receive initial feedback specific to the Project for consideration during the EA; ▪ initially identify VCs and local land use by community members in attendance; ▪ provide information about the EA process; and ▪ introduce NexGen and the Project to the broader community.
14 August 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met to discuss the Study Agreement, which includes capacity funding for a JWG, an IKTLU Study, and a community coordinator.
28 August 2019	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent the Study Agreement to the BRDN.
12 September 2019	Text exchange	NexGen and BRDN exchanged text messages regarding the review of the Study Agreement. The BRDN directed NexGen to contact a representative from the BRDN who will be executing the IKTLU Study and acting as the community coordinator.
19 September 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met to sign and execute the Study Agreement. The Study Agreement outlines a framework for working collaboratively to advance the EA of the Project and includes funding for an IKTLU Study, a dedicated community coordinator, and establishing a JWG.
19 September 2019	Multiple methods	NexGen and the BRDN exchanged text messages regarding arranging a meeting with the BRDN Chief and Council, the CNSC, and the ENV. The BRDN confirmed that meeting on 9 October 2019 in Meadow Lake would work. A follow-up email invitation was sent on 27 September 2019 to confirm the meeting details.
9 October 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen, the CNSC, and the BRDN met for a presentation. The presentation was facilitated by NexGen but was led by the CNSC to provide an overview of the CNSC's EA review process.
1 November 2019	In-person meeting	An introductory meeting for the JWG was held, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; and ▪ human health risk assessment.
5 December 2019	In-person meeting	A JWG meeting was held, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ introductions and logistics; ▪ review of the Project; ▪ EA overview; ▪ overview of baseline studies; ▪ Indigenous Knowledge in the EA; ▪ IKTLU Study; ▪ human health risk assessment; ▪ water assessment and management; and ▪ air and water pathways. <p>The meeting was held at Vermette Lake. After the meeting, Elders joined in the evening for supper and a discussion of the Project that included maps and images.</p>
19 December 2019	Email, incoming	The BRDN submitted the final draft of the BRDN IKTLU Study for the Project, as per the Study Agreement.
23 January 2020	In-person meeting	A tour of the Rook I site was held, followed by a presentation and meeting to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mineral Surface Lease Agreements; ▪ underground tailings management; ▪ caribou (mitigation and management); ▪ Traditional Land Use; and ▪ traffic studies.

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21 February 2020	In-person meeting	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ socio-economic assessment (approach and methods); ▪ community well-being; ▪ employment and training opportunities; ▪ business opportunities; ▪ caribou mitigation and management; and ▪ IKTLU Studies.
28 August 2020	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Project update; ▪ regulatory process update; ▪ review of JWG meetings; and ▪ key actions and commitments.
16 November 2020	Multiple methods	The BRDN emailed NexGen to notify that the planned community presentation for the Benefit Agreement on 19 November and 20 November 2020 was postponed due to COVID-19 cases in the community. The BRDN also called NexGen to discuss other options of presenting to the community.
11 December 2020	Video conference	The CNSC presented to the JWG on the following topics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of CNSC functions as a regulator; ▪ role in Indigenous engagement; ▪ EA; and ▪ radiation protection and compliance.
12 January 2021	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and noted a lockdown due to COVID-19 cases. The BRDN noted they would follow up to reschedule the next JWG meeting.
26 January 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted a revised date of 10 February 2021 for a JWG meeting.
10 February 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ modelling and the EA process; ▪ air quality model; ▪ surface water quality model; ▪ environmental risk assessment model; and ▪ future meeting topics. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
24 February 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ approach to alternative assessments; ▪ tailings alternatives; ▪ waste rock alternatives; ▪ site water management alternatives; and ▪ site layout optimization.
31 March 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ land stewardship through all Project phases; ▪ Informing the path forward; and ▪ EA updates. <p>Additionally, the BRDN JWG members presented to NexGen about the BRDN's history and current conditions and services, needs, and issues. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were requested, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.</p>
16 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a letter regarding the EA and a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and provided details on the upcoming Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program with an invitation for the BRDN to participate.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
26 April 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided the meeting minutes from the 31 March 2021 JWG meeting and requested that the BRDN share the minutes with the JWG members who participated in the meeting and circulate back to NexGen by 11 May 2021. NexGen requested that the BRDN confirm if any changes were required.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that as per an action item from the 31 March 2021 JWG meeting, NexGen had made updates to the presentation and provided the updated presentation as an attachment.</p>
29 April 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on the traffic study and accidents and malfunctions evaluation, including to review the bounding scenarios used in the evaluation; ▪ an overview of the EA methodology, focusing on pathway analysis and initiating discussions on how the Project could affect community well-being; and ▪ information and request for feedback on the Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan and Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting.</p>
29 April 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen exchanged emails with the BRDN regarding the BRDN identifying individuals to participate in the women's interviews. NexGen noted that representatives from InterGroup would be coordinating interviews. The BRDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the BRDN would reach out to the potential interviewees and notify NexGen to confirm once complete.
19 May 2021	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a letter to summarize the JWG engagement activities and noted that NexGen would provide similar letters moving forward. The following appendix was included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of questions to explore prior to the May 2021 JWG meeting.
20 May 2021	Email exchange	Representatives of NexGen and the BRDN exchanged emails regarding planning for the Women's interviews. InterGroup emailed the BRDN and advised that InterGroup would be leading the coordination for the Women's Interviews. InterGroup asked if the BRDN had any individuals in mind to participate and noted that NexGen hoped to start interviewing the following week. The BRDN emailed InterGroup and advised that the BRDN would get the names for the Women's Interviews as soon as possible and added that previous participants were no longer available.
27 May 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on EA methods, including a focus on pathway analysis related to the VCs and intermediate components; ▪ pathways for Indigenous land and resource use in the area of the Project and how the Project could affect Indigenous land and resource use; and ▪ continued discussions on community well-being. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting.</p>
1 June 2021	Email, incoming	Representatives of NexGen and the BRDN exchanged emails regarding the Women's interviews. InterGroup emailed the BRDN and inquired about the progress of the Women's Interviews. The BRDN responded on 8 June 2021 and noted there were too many names listed for the Women's Interviews. The BRDN highlighted certain people who would want to understand more about the proposed Project.
15 June 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted that an action item from the 31 March 2021 JWG meeting was to contact the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee to find out their proposed meeting schedule. NexGen confirmed they had been in contact with a member and that the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee had not yet received the required Order in Council in Regina. NexGen confirmed that the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee did have an approved budget for 2021/2022 and would arrange a meeting later in the year.
15 June 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted the attachment of an engagement update letter for review. NexGen also confirmed attachment of the May 2021 JWG summary document and noted this could be a useful tool to share with the local community.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
23 June 2021	Video conference	<p>The JWG met to discuss:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information on determining significance of residual adverse effects; ▪ information on confidence and uncertainty in predicting future conditions due to effects from the Project; ▪ information on monitoring and follow-up programs using the examples of socio-economics and land use; and ▪ how to present material in plain language. <p>Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting.</p>
28 June 2021	Email, outgoing	Representatives of NexGen emailed the BRDN and confirmed that the health and social services workshop was planned for 27 July 2021 and that NexGen was seeking two participants from the community who work in health or social services to attend the workshop.
30 June 2021	Email, outgoing	InterGroup emailed the BRDN to ask for an update on potential interview candidates for the Women's Interviews and noted that the desire is to have the interviews complete by 16 July 2021.
2 July 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted that NexGen had applied for a permit from the ENV to complete the work associated with the proposed Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen informed the BRDN that the ENV requested an engagement summary specific to the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program and that NexGen would be providing a summary of when information about the program was presented to and discussed with the BRDN.</p> <p>It was also noted by NexGen that the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program is a proactive initiative to trial caribou reclamation and mitigation methods at the Rook I site and that work for the program was anticipated to commence in mid-July 2021.</p>
5 July 2021	Email, incoming	InterGroup emailed the BRDN and requested a meeting to schedule Women's interviews for Project.
5 July 2021	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BRDN and discussed the summer student program, had a tour of Dillon and Michel Village, and received an update on the fire proximal to Dillon.
9 July 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and suggested 21 July 2021 for the next JWG meeting over Zoom. NexGen advised that the results from the EA were still being reviewed and suggested that the agenda for the next meeting would be the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update on EA activities; ▪ traditional and wage economies; and ▪ opportunities for community engagement.
12 July 2021	Email, outgoing	<p>Representatives of NexGen (InterGroup) emailed the BRDN and noted a date for the planned virtual workshop to discuss health and social services in the communities closest to the Project and outlined the objectives.</p> <p>InterGroup requested two participants from the community to attend the workshop, if possible.</p>
20 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested feedback on the accidents and malfunctions topic that was reviewed in the April 2021 JWG meeting, including the BRDN-edited maps showing potential environmentally sensitive areas along Highway 155 and Highway 955.
20 July 2021	Email, outgoing	InterGroup emailed the BRDN and noted the workshop for service providers to support the EIS for the Project was cancelled due to the wildfire situation in northern Saskatchewan. InterGroup noted they would consider planning another workshop in the fall.
20 July 2021	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen to clarify how to proceed to identify any environmentally sensitive areas along highways 155 and 955 and asked if data collection and monitoring was required.
20 July 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted that the BRDN did not need to complete any data collection or monitoring for the accidents and malfunctions information request; the purpose of the maps was to provide the BRDN an opportunity to show any additional sensitive areas known to the BRDN that should be considered as part of the traffic assessment.
21 July 2021	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and noted that the highway north of Green Lake is damaged, including over the bridges where the road is rough, and vehicles must slow down so as to not get damaged. The BRDN followed up on 23 July 2021 with the suggestion that more pullouts and safety stops be considered for Highway 155.

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27 July 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted attachment of the July 2021 engagement update letter for review to summarize the JWG engagement activities in June and to provide an outline for the upcoming activities. June 2021 and April 2021 JWG summary documents were also noted to be attached.
5 August 2021	Video conference	The JWG met to share information about traditional and wage economies and discuss community engagement opportunities, including a community information session in September 2021. Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.
11 August 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and inquired if the BRDN would prefer a site tour on 31 August 2021, rather than the previously proposed JWG meeting on 30 August 2021.
23 August 2021	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the JWG would like to visit the site on 30 August 2021.
30 August 2021	In-person meeting	The JWG met for a tour of the Rook I site. The main camp facilities and core processing facilities were toured as well as two drill rigs at the Arrow site. Additionally, the mine plan and Arrow deposit resource model were viewed in 3D software. Discussions during the tour focused on employment and contracting opportunities.
31 August 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during July to mid August 2021 and to share what was planned for engagement in September 2021. The following appendix was included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ List of themes being considered for the community information sessions.
1 September 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested contact details for the statistical researcher mentioned by the BRDN during the August 2021 JWG meeting. The information was subsequently provided by the BRDN.
9 September 2021	Email exchange	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted Omnia would be at the Rock I site for the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. NexGen asked if there was an Elder from the BRDN that could collaborate on the program. The BRDN subsequently expressed interest in learning more about the proposed program.
13 September 2021	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and provided the BRDN culture and customs presentation as requested by NexGen.
13 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and acknowledged receipt of the culture and customs presentation and advised that confirmation would be provided about whether 24 September 2021 would work for the team to schedule a JWG meeting.
14 September 2021	Text exchange	NexGen texted the BRDN that 24 September 2021 would not work for the next JWG meeting and asked if there was an alternative date. The BRDN suggested the meeting could be rescheduled to the following week.
17 September 2021	Video conference	Representatives from the BRDN, NexGen, and NexGen's subject matter expert (Omnia) met to discuss the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program. Omnia provided background information as to why and how the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program would be conducted at the Rook I site. Overall, a collaborative discussion about caribou occurred and, as an outcome of the meeting, the BRDN indicated they would be contacting a member about participating in the on-site portion of the program.
21 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided the vaccination policy and COVID-19 checklist for the Rook I site in advance of a BRDN member participating in the Caribou Linear Feature Reclamation and Mitigation Trial Program.
21 September 2021	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and requested clarification on what the BRDN would be presenting at the meeting on 27 September 2021.
22 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and responded to the request for clarification from the BRDN on what the BRDN would be presenting at the meeting on 27 September 2021. NexGen stated that the BRDN was welcome to present on any topic and suggested the BRDN culture, history, language, and Traditional Foods as possible topics.
23 September 2021	Multiple methods	The BRDN called NexGen and advised that the 27 September 2021 meeting would need to be rescheduled. A series of emails were subsequently exchanged, and a meeting date of 21 October 2021 was selected.
23 September 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to cancel the meeting invitation for the JWG meeting that was scheduled to take place at the NexGen Office on 27 September 2021 and stated that the meeting would be rescheduled and that an updated meeting invite would be sent.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
27 September 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and noted attachment of an engagement update letter to summarize engagement activities during late August and September 2021 and to share planned activities for October 2021.
21 October 2021	In-person meeting	The BRDN JWG members presented to NexGen on the BRDN history, culture, tradition, and spirituality and shared Traditional Foods, furs, crafts, knowledge, and stories. Draft meeting minutes were sent out after the meeting. No changes were required, and NexGen subsequently issued them as final meeting minutes.
26 October 2021	Email exchange	The BRDN emailed NexGen and requested a copy of the 5 August 2021 JWG meeting minutes. A copy of the minutes was subsequently provided by NexGen.
3 November 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the EIS to the CNSC and the ENV. NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.
5 November 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter and corresponding appendices summarizing engagement activities from August to October 2021 and to share a summary of the proposed activities for November 2021. The following appendices were included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ July/August 2021 JWG summary; ▪ March 2021 JWG summary; and ▪ May 2021 JWG summary (re-issued).
17 December 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and informed them that they were in the process of finalizing the EA results for the EIS and that they would like to present and discuss the results via discussions in a workshop format and proposed two workshops in early 2022. NexGen advised that the EA results workshops would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results and would be grouped by the themes of Air, Land, Water, and People to be presented over multiple workshops.
21 December 2021	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in November and December 2021 and stating proposed activities for January 2022. A copy of the community newsletter distributed to the local communities in November 2021 was also provided.
13 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and extended an invitation to the upcoming workshop planned for 3 February 2022 to present and discuss the EA results. NexGen advised this first workshop would be on air and land and would provide a high-level review of the VCs from baseline through to results. NexGen also confirmed the proposal to schedule an Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee meeting on 4 February 2022 and that NexGen would follow up with more details.
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the workshop scheduled for 3 February 2022 would need to be postponed due to recent positive COVID-19 cases and noted that an update would be provided regarding rescheduling. NexGen proposed that the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 4 February 2022 would be moved to a virtual platform.
26 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested clarification on the use of quotes from the BRDN IKTLU Study in the EIS. NexGen provided examples and advised that NexGen could follow up with a call to the BRDN on 31 January 2022 to confirm.
4 February 2022	Multiple methods	Following an exchange of emails, NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided additional examples as to how quotes from the BRDN's IKTLU Study would be edited for use in the EIS. Following a further exchange of phone calls and emails, the BRDN confirmed on 9 February 2022 that NexGen could use edited quotes from the BRDN IKTLU in the EIS, where required.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
4 February 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested confirmation regarding how the BRDN would like to present the IKTLU Study to the regulators as part of NexGen's EIS submission. NexGen outlined options for the BRDN to consider and advised that NexGen would be available to answer any questions and co-ordinate a meeting with the CNSC and/or the ENV if the BRDN had any questions about their policies and confidentiality processes.
1 March 2022	Email, exchange	The BRDN and NexGen exchanged emails to confirm dates for the next Environmental Committee meeting.
11 March 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing the engagement activities completed in January 2022 and February 2022 and outlining the upcoming engagement activities. NexGen also attached the March 2022 issue of the community newsletter as an appendix to the letter.
11 March 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen presented to the newly elected BRDN Chief and Council members to provide: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an overview of NexGen; ▪ an overview of the Study Agreement signed with the BRDN in 2019; ▪ an overview of the Benefit Agreement signed with the BRDN in 2020; and ▪ an overview of and status update on the Project.
21 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Chief of the BRDN and provided an attached letter describing changes to the NexGen Implementation Coordinator and the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee members. NexGen indicated that an Implementation Committee meeting would be scheduled and an introduction to the new NexGen team members would be made. NexGen also listed four BRDN roles and requested for confirmation of active members.
16 May 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the May 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a NexGen scholarship update; ▪ an introduction to a new NexGen team member; ▪ an update on the completed 2021 Rook I Field Program; ▪ information on Project jobs and opportunities; ▪ updates on Project advancement; ▪ contact information to learn more about the Project; and ▪ a word search.
25 June 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in the BRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the Draft EIS submitted to the provincial and federal regulators; and ▪ provide information about the Draft EIS regulatory review process and how members of the local priority area can be involved in the review.
4 July 2022	In-person meeting	The NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ share an overview of the Environmental Committee and its status; ▪ review the Terms of Reference and First Nation Monitor Technician role description; ▪ discuss utilizing subcommittees in the Environmental Committee; ▪ discuss the Environmental Committee initiative application; ▪ determine a meeting schedule and cadence for the Environmental Committee; ▪ discuss a status update on the transition from the JWG to the Environmental Committee and planning for an EA Results meeting; ▪ discuss the engagement opportunities for 2022 programs; and ▪ discuss future engagement opportunities for other upcoming work and programs.

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15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period which provides Indigenous Nations and Communities, members of the public, and government departments and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS.</p> <p>NexGen advised that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the BRDN leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.</p>
18 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and requested the BRDN invoice for technical capacity support. NexGen advised that the funding had been put aside to provide the BRDN with capacity funding for technical support for the review of the Draft EIS and noted that the funding was not a commitment in the Benefit Agreement but was in good faith to support the EA process.
20 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the Draft EIS documents from the CNSC had been uploaded to the BRDN-NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site to provide the BRDN's technical team easier access to the documents. NexGen identified the NexGen team members who could be contacted should there be any information requests.
28 July 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming or proposed engagement activities. NexGen also noted the attachment of the poster booklet created for the June 2022 community information sessions and a copy of the May 2022 community newsletter.
8 August 2022	In-person meeting	The BNDN, the BRDN, and NexGen met for a joint Environmental Committee meeting to discuss logistics for the 2022 engagement activities related to the baseline gamma survey, the woodland caribou field work, and the transition from JWGs to the Environmental Committee.
8 August 2022	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen following an Environmental Committee meeting and requested more information and a photo of the artifact found onsite near the Rook I camp.
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN regarding the field portion of the Linear Feature Regeneration Assessment that would be completed by Omnia at the Rook I site from 13 August 2022 to 27 August 2022 as discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022. NexGen expressed interest in arranging a tour to encourage discussion surrounding woodland caribou, the mitigation trials, and the field survey. NexGen noted that technical assistants were needed to assist in the field survey and requested to be informed if there were community members who would be interested in participating.</p> <p>NexGen also informed the BNDN and the BRDN of the baseline gamma survey of the Project area that was planned to be completed in the fall and advised that NexGen would be hiring four community members as technical assistants to support CanNorth with the survey and would be inviting an Elder to be present during the survey orientation. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to confirm if there were interested community members by 19 August 2022 and noted that a potential date range for the survey would be confirmed by 12 August 2022 or during the week of 15 August 2022. NexGen requested for the BNDN and the BRDN to relay NexGen's COVID-19 policy when recruiting community members for the field programs.</p>

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10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	<p>NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that CanNorth had completed a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment survey proximal to the Patterson Lake bridge on the access road to the Rook I exploration camp this summer. NexGen advised that the survey was conducted proactively as part of a continued focus on the health, safety, and environmental aspects of activities related to current and future exploration activities. NexGen noted that during this survey, CanNorth found one site away from any disturbed area, and NexGen attached a PDF document to outline the survey area and test locations, and to provide photos, including a photo of the one endscraper tool that was found.</p> <p>NexGen also noted that CanNorth was working with the Heritage Conservation Board of the Government of Saskatchewan to submit a Saskatchewan Archaeological Resource Record to summarize the findings and to provide recommendations. NexGen informed the BRDN that a meeting with the Heritage Conservation Board had been held to discuss NexGen's commitment to engage with local Indigenous Groups and to sharing the survey results as well as the regulatory process associated with the finding. NexGen advised availability to discuss the survey findings, as well as any feedback or suggestions from the BRDN.</p>
10 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that an email with additional details regarding the artifact found at the Rook I site had just been sent and welcomed questions or a meeting to discuss further.
11 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that Omnia had delayed the trip to begin the linear disturbance regeneration assessment until 16 August 2022. NexGen advised that there was an opportunity for a community member to assist with the field survey, if interested.
12 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BNDN and the BRDN providing the draft minutes from the joint Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 August 2022 for review and comments. NexGen also included the draft action items from the meeting and requested for the contacts and availability for the 2022 engagement opportunities.
18 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the Heritage Conservation Board had reviewed the report and recommendations submitted by CanNorth regarding the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment that was completed earlier in the summer. NexGen indicated that the Heritage Conservation Board had confirmed that the 30 m buffer around the site was acceptable and that the Heritage Resource Impact Assessment regulatory requirements have been satisfactorily completed. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out with any questions or comments.
22 August 2022	Newsletter	<p>NexGen distributed copies of the August 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the current Rook I site activities; ▪ a permitting status and update for the Project; ▪ information on the regulatory process for Project EA; ▪ a summary of how engagement activities informed the EA for the Project; and ▪ NexGen community program updates.
24 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that the CNSC planned to hold a webinar on 13 September 2022 to present an overview on the CNSC review process for the proposed NexGen Rook I and Denison Wheeler River Projects as well as to provide Project updates. NexGen included the link to register for the webinar.
1 September 2022	In-person meeting	<p>The NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee met to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ share a status update on the First Nation Monitor Technician (i.e., independent Indigenous Monitor) role; ▪ discuss the meeting summary template; ▪ discuss engagement updates and upcoming engagement opportunities for environmental programs at Rook I; and ▪ plan the Q4 / year-end Environmental Committee meeting.
8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Chief of the BRDN to confirm availability to meet at the NexGen office on 21 September 2022 and advised that the Chief of the BNDN would also be contacted to confirm availability to join the meeting.
8 September 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to provide potential dates for an Environmental Committee site tour of the Rook I site on 27 September 2022 or 28 September 2022. NexGen also suggested scheduling a meeting on 3 October 2022 or 4 October 2022 to discuss the EA results.

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29 September 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an engagement update letter summarizing completed engagement activities and a summary of upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided a PDF of the August 2022 community newsletter.
6 October 2022	Letter, incoming	NexGen received an email from the BRDN providing a letter of support to be included in the formal federal Draft EIS public review for NexGen's Project.
11 October 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the 2022 Summer Student and Scholarship Programs; ▪ a summary of the June 2022 community information sessions; ▪ a Project status update; ▪ an introduction to the Project website; and ▪ an update on education, training, and employment initiatives.
11 October 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided additional information on the Baseline Environmental Effects and the Traditional Foods Study Program planned to begin in 2023 that was discussed during the recent Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for a single point of contact from the BRDN community to discuss and coordinate engagement for the program.
1 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to follow up on the request for engagement on the baseline monitoring programs emailed on 11 October 2022. NexGen requested for confirmation on the BRDN contacts who would be involved and could assist in coordinating a meeting with CanNorth and NexGen to discuss the scopes.
8 November 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to follow-up on the proposed EA results meeting and expressed interest in still presenting the EA results to the BRDN Environmental Committee, Chief and Council, and community members. NexGen indicated that the meeting could be held virtually or in-person and requested for the BRDN to provide available meeting dates in early December 2022.
8 November 2022	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and indicated that the proposed NexGen-BRDN EA results meeting would be discussed with the Chief of the BRDN. The BRDN advised that they would reach back out to NexGen with a meeting date.
23 November 2022	In-person meeting	The NexGen and BRDN Environmental Committee met to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ discuss a Project update; ▪ share an update on the BRDN Implementation Committee activities; ▪ review the Environmental Committee's activities in 2022, including the Environmental Committee mandate; and ▪ discuss logistics and planning for 2023.
2 December 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 23 November 2022 for review and comments. NexGen indicated that the documents have been placed on the Environmental Committee SharePoint site and noted that the list of action items have also been included in the email. NexGen thanked the BRDN for a great meeting and looked forward to seeing everyone during the week of 5 December 2022.
6 December 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BRDN Environmental Committee and Chief and presented the results of the EA for the Project. The presentation focused on the Draft EIS and its four main themes of assessment and discussed the potential impacts to each, including: atmosphere, water, land, and people.
22 December 2022	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the December 2022 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the education and training initiatives; ▪ an update on environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives; ▪ a Project status update; and ▪ a Christmas message.
22 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the fall of 2022 and a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities leading into 2023. NexGen also attached a copy of the EA Results presentation and copies of the October 2022 and December 2022 community newsletters. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments and expressed that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement with the BRDN in 2023.

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22 February 2023	In-person meeting	The NexGen and the BRDN Environmental Committee met to discuss: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ a Project update; ▪ an overview of the baseline monitoring programs; and ▪ an introduction to the regional Traditional Foods Study.
22 February 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
24 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the Northern Technical Assistant that CanNorth was seeking for the upcoming winter water sampling program that was discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023. NexGen indicated that they would provide accommodations and meals for the duration of the program at the Rook I camp and that CanNorth would be providing compensation. NexGen indicated the program was tentatively scheduled to be conducted between 21 March 2023 and 28 March 2023 and requested to be informed by 10 March 2023 if the BRDN knew anyone who would be interested and qualify for the role. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions regarding the sampling program.
24 February 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Northern Technical Assistant that CanNorth was seeking for the upcoming winter water sampling program and indicated that they have shared the information with a BRDN councillor. The BRDN noted that they would look for an applicant best suited for the job opportunity and have the individual contact NexGen.
1 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and thanked them for sharing the posting for a Northern Technical Assistant. NexGen confirmed that the position has been filled and noted that the new Northern Technical Assistant would be assisting CanNorth with the upcoming March trip.
1 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the position for the Northern Technical Assistant and indicated that the candidate NexGen has hired was not from the BRDN. The BRDN inquired if NexGen required someone from the BRDN community and stated that they had someone for consideration.
3 March 2023	Email, incoming	NexGen emailed the BRDN to advise that NexGen could use the candidate that the BRDN would like to propose for the Northern Technical Assistant position for the Spring sampling trip occurring in late May 2023 or first week of June 2023. NexGen informed the BRDN that they hope to utilize Northern Technical Assistants from the entire local priority area throughout the year and would be alternating between communities. NexGen noted that these opportunities were brought forward to all primary Indigenous Groups and advised that the another primary Indigenous Group happened to respond back on 27 February 2023. NexGen thanked the BRDN for their response.
13 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BRDN as a follow up to the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023 and indicated that CanNorth would like to arrange a meeting to discuss the Traditional Foods Study in more detail. CanNorth stated that the BRDN could invite any representatives to attend who could help guide the design of the program and inquired if the BRDN would be available to meet early April 2023.
14 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided the presentation and summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 22 February 2023. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any clarifications or corrections required and advised that all documents have been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen stated that there was not enough time to review the entire presentation during the meeting and proposed to arrange a time for a follow-up breakout Environmental Committee meeting to discuss the issues and concerns validation for the Draft EIS. NexGen inquired when would work best for the BRDN to meet. NexGen also included a table of the action items for review.
16 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BRDN as a follow up to the 13 March 2023 email and informed the BRDN of the CanNorth team member who could assist with setting up the meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study when the BRDN is able to confirm a date.
16 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen and indicated that the BRDN would be in touch once a date has been confirmed for the meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study.
16 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen and inquired if the week of 4 April 2023 would work to schedule the meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study.
16 March 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BRDN and confirmed availability on 5 April 2023 or 6 April 2023 for a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth inquired if the BRDN would prefer to meet in person or online.

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16 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen to confirm that an in person or online meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study on 5 April 2023 or 6 April 2023 would work. The BRDN also offered to go to CanNorth for the meeting.
16 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and indicated the meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study could be virtual and noted that the BRDN could organize the meeting with another CanNorth team member during the week of 20 March 2023.
20 March 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to provide an engagement update letter summarizing engagement activities completed in the winter and to provide a summary of proposed or upcoming engagement activities for the spring. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or comments.
22 March 2023	Email, incoming	CanNorth emailed the BRDN to confirm availability between 4 April 2023 and 7 April 2023 for a virtual meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study and requested for the BRDN to confirm which date would work.
22 March 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen to confirm that any day from 4 April to 7 April 2023 for a meeting to discuss the regional Traditional Foods Study would work in response to CanNorth's email.
27 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to follow up on several BRDN invoices and to schedule an Environmental Committee breakout meeting. NexGen listed the invoices being requested from the BRDN to submit and indicated that NexGen would like to schedule a meeting to continue the discussion regarding NexGen's EA and EIS that was not covered during the 22 February 2023 Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen stated the focus of the meeting would be on the information included in the last Environmental Committee meeting presentation, the issues and concerns validation for the BRDN for the federal EA process, and to workshop and collaborate on the issues and concerns table with the BRDN. NexGen inquired when the BRDN would be available and proposed to arrange the meeting in mid-April 2023.
4 April 2023	Phone call	CanNorth and the BRDN had a phone call to discuss next steps for the regional Traditional Foods Study. It was agreed that the BRDN and CanNorth would draft a document for the BRDN Chief and Council to review and approve, and that the BRDN Community Liaison for the Study would be recruiting community members to join the interview team. The BRDN and CanNorth agreed that they would try to host the training at the end of April 2023 or beginning of May 2023.
11 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BRDN regarding the NexGen regional Traditional Foods Study and provided a summary of the questions that would be asked during the food study interview as a follow up to the discussion held during the week of 3 April 2023. CanNorth noted the questions may change based on community feedback.
11 April 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen acknowledging the summary of questions that would be asked during the regional Traditional Foods Study interview and the update on the Band Council Resolution wording.
14 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BRDN attaching the NexGen Traditional Foods Study. CanNorth indicated that the regional Traditional Foods Study summary could also be sent to the BRDN Chief and Council for review and stated that they would be happy to present to them. CanNorth provided the proposed compensation rates for the interviewers, interviewees, and the community liaison for the Project and advised that all payments would go through CanNorth. CanNorth invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
19 April 2023	Email, outgoing	CanNorth emailed the BRDN providing the list of foods that would be included in the regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire. CanNorth indicated they are providing the list for review and in advance of the training sessions.
19 April 2023	Email, outgoing	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen confirming satisfaction with the list of foods that would be included in the regional Foods Study questionnaire. The BRDN stated that they would advise if there were additional Dene food items that could be added to the list.
19 April 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed CanNorth and NexGen and indicated that elk and buffalo could be added to the list of foods for the regional Traditional Foods Study questionnaire.
21 April 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the April 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the education and training initiatives; ▪ regulatory process updates for the Project; and ▪ a summary of community engagement updates.

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27 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to connect the provincial and federal contacts from the CNSC and the ENV. NexGen indicated that they want to ensure that the BRDN, CNSC, and the ENV stay connected to take advantage of opportunities to meet and engage on the Project as well as keep each other up to date on community events and opportunities. NexGen indicated that the BRDN could reach out to the CNSC and the ENV for an introduction.
4 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the proposed draft agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 17 May 2023. NexGen indicated the agenda and presentation materials were aligned with the 2023 Environmental Committee priorities that have been identified for 2023 and indicated the slide deck would be provided for review prior to the meeting. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or proposed additions to the agenda.
4 May 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen thanking them for providing the proposed draft agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 17 May 2023.
10 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the schedule of the community information sessions about the Project planned for 12 June 2023 to 16 June 2023 in the local priority area communities. NexGen indicated the community information sessions would be a drop-in format with a series of poster stations staffed by NexGen staff who would be available to share information and answers. NexGen also shared the objectives of the community information sessions and noted that the staff of the CNSC and the ENV would be in attendance to explain their roles as regulatory agencies and to answer any questions from community members. NexGen stated the community information sessions would be open to all community members and members of the public and would be advertised through monthly radio announcements. NexGen indicated that posters would be created to share and post in the communities and that invitation cards would be mailed out. NexGen thanked the BRDN for helping confirm the dates and venues and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or additional information needed.
15 May 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the BRDN to discuss postponing the 17 May 2023 Environmental Committee meeting due to the ongoing wildfires affecting the northern communities. NexGen and the BRDN agreed to postpone the meeting to a later date.
19 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN forwarding the email from the CNSC regarding capacity funding available to Indigenous Groups and communities.
24 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN thanking them for the understanding about postponing the May 2023 Environmental Committee meeting and proposed to reschedule the meeting in late June 2023. NexGen inquired if the morning of 28 June 2023 would work for the BRDN and stated the agenda would remain as previously proposed. NexGen indicated that they would also like to discuss the issues and concerns table from the EIS in more detail and work with the Environmental Committee to validate responses for the federal EA process. NexGen stated they would also welcome any additional inputs or suggestions from the BRDN members. NexGen requested for the BRDN to confirm if the proposed date would work or suggest if there was an alternative date the BRDN would prefer. NexGen also reminded the BRDN that they were continuing to plan for the community information sessions in the local priority area and expressed they were looking forward to being in BRDN/Dillon on 15 June 2023.
9 June 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the June 2023 issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ information about the upcoming June 2023 community information sessions; ▪ education, training, and employment updates; and ▪ a summary of community updates and initiatives.
9 June 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also provided copies of NexGen's April 2023 and June 2023 community newsletters and a digital copy of the brochure and application form for the 2023 to 2024 NexGen Scholarship Program. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed they hope to see the BRDN at the upcoming community information sessions.

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15 June 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen held a community information session in Dillon and BRDN to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ update local communities on the Project and inform community members on the results of the EA conducted for the Project; ▪ share information about the EIS review process including when and how members of the public have had and will continue to have opportunities for ongoing involvement in the regulatory process; ▪ share an overview of the licensing and permitting required for the Project; ▪ share information on environmental monitoring, employment opportunities, and education and training initiatives; and ▪ answer questions and receive feedback specific to the Project and the EIS.
14 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a copy of the presentation for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled for 18 July 2023 for review. NexGen also attached a copy of the BRDN issues and concerns table summarizing the concerns identified for the BRDN as part of the Draft EIS and associated key mitigations and accommodations. NexGen stated they looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
18 July 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ discussion of Implementation Committee updates; ▪ ongoing environmental monitoring programs (specifically, a seed collection program); ▪ collaboration on licensing documents and other documents such as the Environment Protection Program and the Wildlife and Human Interactions Procedure; ▪ community awareness updates and information about learning on the land; and ▪ key updates on provincial approvals and the EA process.
18 July 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
20 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and shared the public notice received from the ENV regarding the Notice of Provincial Review of <i>The Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and from the CNSC regarding the Notice of the CNSC Capacity Funding Availability. NexGen included a brief overview of the notices and included links for additional information.
27 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a letter regarding the development of a Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project and the formation of a Caribou Working Group. NexGen proposed a regional approach to set up a Caribou Working Group to include representation from the BRDN, CRDN, MN-S NR2, and BNDN. NexGen also proposed to hold the first regional Caribou Working Group meeting on 29 August 2023 at the NexGen office in Saskatoon and encouraged the BRDN's participation. NexGen requested for confirmation of a BRDN representative to participate in the meeting and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the BRDN's interest in assisting NexGen with the fall groundwater sampling at the Project as discussed during the last Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen explained the sampling dates for the fall has been changed due to limited vehicle availability. NexGen informed the BRDN that NexGen would be heading to the Site on 21 August 2023 and begin groundwater sampling around 24 August 2023 returning to Saskatoon on 1 September 2023. NexGen noted that it would be unlikely that the sampling of the wells would be completed during the trip and provided three options for the BRDN to go to the site for consideration. NexGen apologized for the short notice on the change of schedule and indicated that the BRDN would need to come to site in a NexGen vehicle as per travel protocols. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out to discuss the groundwater sampling when the BRDN was in the Saskatoon office during the week of 14 August 2023 and advised that the BRDN would be compensated for their time through the Environmental Committee.
11 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the draft agenda for the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 August 2023. NexGen stated that a main priority for the Environmental Committee meeting would be to collaboratively review the issues and concerns table specific for the BRDN as part of the regulatory process for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the issues and concerns table for reference and review. NexGen proposed that the Environmental Committee continue to meet to share any updates related to ongoing 2023 priorities following the issues and concerns workshop and advised the meeting has been extended to ensure enough time. NexGen expressed they looked forward to the meeting.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and confirmed availability between 21 August 2023 and 24 August 2023 to assist NexGen with groundwater sampling at the Project. The BRDN requested for NexGen to provide the details.

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14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and acknowledged the BRDN's availability between 21 August 2023 and 24 August 2023 to assist with groundwater sampling for the Project. NexGen informed the BRDN that the air quality maintenance would be held between 21 August 2023 and 24 August 2023 and noted the groundwater sampling would occur from 24 August 2023 onwards. NexGen inquired if it would work better for the BRDN to arrive at camp on 24 August 2023 and leave on either 30 August 2023 or 1 September 2023. NexGen also advised that they would likely be back on site to finish sampling between 11 September 2023 and 15 September 2023 should the dates would work better for the BRDN. NexGen noted the required travel and camp stay information would be provided once the dates have been finalized.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and stated that they would not be available between 24 August 2023 and 1 September 2023 to assist with groundwater sampling at the Project.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and acknowledged that the BRDN would not be available between 14 August 2023 and 1 September 2023 to assist with groundwater sampling at the Project. NexGen indicated that the BRDN was welcome to come to site to help with the weather station setup and maintenance. NexGen stated they could pick up the BRDN on the way to site and that the BRDN should be able to travel home on 24 August 2023 with WSP. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions.
14 August 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions and expressed that NexGen looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting on 16 August 2023.
15 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and thanked the BRDN for the time to meet for the last Environmental Committee meeting held on 18 July 2023. NexGen attached the final presentation, meeting summary, Draft EIS issues and concerns table, and the request for funds form for the Environmental Committee. NexGen informed the BRDN that all of the documents have been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen also included a table of the action items for review and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or clarifications needed. NexGen looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 16 August 2023.
16 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting; key topics included a review of 2023 Environmental Committee priorities and a workshop of the issues and concerns identified for the BRDN as part of the Draft EIS for the Project.
29 August 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Rook I Project Woodland Caribou Working Group for a kick-off meeting to introduce the group members, establish a framework for how the Caribou Working Group would work together, and to provide an overview of Caribou in the context of the Project and what work has been completed to date.
29 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study that NexGen was working with the local priority area Indigenous Groups to complete. NexGen stated the study would provide regional food data to compare or augment the assumptions used in the modelling for the Project EIS. NexGen indicated they have been working with CanNorth to discuss adjustments to the timeline to create a well-informed sampling program that was developed based on interviews from all participating communities. NexGen acknowledged that the BRDN interview training was complete and that the community member interviews were progressing and were almost complete. NexGen informed the BRDN the goal was to have all community interviews completed by 15 December 2023 and advised that CanNorth would use the information gathered by the BRDN to inform the 2024 sampling program. NexGen indicated that a final report would be produced by CanNorth in the summer of 2024. NexGen advised that community liaisons could still encourage community members to submit fall hunting samples and noted that CanNorth would be providing additional information regarding the sample submission process and cost reimbursement. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.
29 August 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing an update on the community-based regional Traditional Foods Study for the Project.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the BRDN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also informed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS has been uploaded to the BRDN and NexGen Benefit Agreement SharePoint site and listed what was included in the upload. NexGen provided a progress update on the completion of responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions and welcomed the opportunity to share further updates and information at a future Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the continued collaboration throughout the provincial EA process.
31 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the BRDN and copied NexGen on the correspondence providing an attached letter inviting the BRDN to review and confirm the Duty to Consult Record for the proposed Project. The ENV also attached a copy of the Consultation Report that would be provided as part of the final EIS by NexGen as well as a copy of the ENV's technical review comments summarizing the expected impacts of the Project, proposed mitigation measures, and technical review findings and information for applying for a Fast Track Grant. The ENV stated that a hard copy of the Notice of Review Period, technical review comments, and Fast Track Grant Fact sheet would also be couriered to the BRDN and requested for any comments to be submitted to the ENV by 3 October 2023.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and advised that NexGen was copied on the ENV correspondence to the Chief of the BRDN regarding the review and confirmation of the Provincial Duty to Consult Record for the Project. NexGen attached a copy of the correspondence for the BRDN Environmental Committee members and Implementation Coordinator in alignment with the terms of reference for the BRDN Benefit Agreement and as part of the ongoing discussions regarding collaboration on the regulatory process for the Project.
1 September 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called and left a voicemail for the BRDN to follow up on the emails regarding the provincial Final EIS and if the SharePoint access was working as well as if there were any questions.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Caribou Working Group and thanked the group for helping make the first meeting held on 29 August 2023 a success. NexGen attached the meeting minutes, presentation, and a visual charter for review as well as provided a link to the requested resources as a follow up to some of the action items. NexGen informed the Caribou Working Group that a placeholder for the workshop on 16 October 2023 has been sent out and noted that NexGen would also be inviting regulators as guests to the workshop. NexGen advised that additional information would be sent out closer to the date.
11 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided an update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023. NexGen also informed the BRDN that they have recently submitted responses to the federal technical review comments received on the Draft EIS as well as continue to finalize responses to all public comments received through the federal EA review process. NexGen advised that the CNSC would be holding a public hearing prior to making an EA or licensing decision on the Project and noted that a hearing date has not yet been determined. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the continued engagement throughout the federal EA and licensing processes for the Project and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or concerns.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
13 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the seed collection program that NexGen was working with Integral Ecology Group to conduct at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project that have been discussed in the Environmental Committee meetings. NexGen informed the BRDN that both NexGen's Environmental Team and Integral Ecology Group would be at the Rook I site between 2 October 2023 and 5 October 2023 for the program and inquired if a BRDN member would be interested in participating. NexGen stated that a day trip could be accommodated and requested for the BRDN to confirm a preferred date. NexGen noted the costs for involvement would be paid as per the Environmental Committee funding and advised that NexGen would be reaching out to Environmental Committees with other Nations to confirm interest in participation. NexGen also indicated that an Elder was welcome to join a BRDN member.
14 September 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the update that the CNSC has confirmed the final licence application to prepare and construct the Project was complete and in compliance with all applicable CNSC requirements on 1 September 2023.
15 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the Issues and concerns table that has been updated to reflect the workshopping conducted during the Environmental Committee meeting held on 16 August 2023 and included a table outlining the changes made for reference. NexGen informed of the next steps for the BRDN and NexGen to prepare letters to the CNSC to endorse the responses and confirm the items have been agreed upon. NexGen stated that a draft letter documenting the process undertaken would be circulated for Environmental Committee review. NexGen thanked the BRDN for the collaborative and transparent approach with working through the regulatory processes and looked forward to continue working with the BRDN on initiatives for the Project.
27 September 2023	Text exchange	NexGen exchanged text messages with the BRDN regarding the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project between 2 October 2023 and 5 October 2023. NexGen inquired if the BRDN wanted to participate and the BRDN member confirmed unavailability to join. The BRDN suggested for NexGen to contact another BRDN member who may be available and provided the member's phone number to contact.
27 September 2023	Text exchange	NexGen exchanged text messages with a BRDN member regarding the seed collection program that would be conducted at the Rook I site for reclamation research for the Project between 2 October 2023 and 5 October 2023. NexGen noted that another BRDN member had recommended them and inquired if they wanted to participate and stated that NexGen could arrange travel to and from the site. The BRDN member confirmed unavailability to participate due to a conflict in schedule and thanked NexGen for the offer.
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached a draft letter prepared for the BRDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the BNDN-NexGen Environmental Committee. NexGen also attached a copy of the completed issues and concerns summary table to accompany the letter to the CNSC. NexGen welcomed any adjustments to the letterhead and invited the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or clarification required.
5 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting and inquired if the BRDN would be available to meet on 8 November 2023 instead of 15 November 2023. NexGen also proposed for a longer meeting to review all of the updates and priorities going into 2024.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding NexGen's visit to the high schools in the local priority area in October 2023 to conduct career information sessions with the students in Grades 10 to 12. NexGen indicated that three training institutions have been invited to share program information and welcomed the BRDN Leadership, Implementation Committee, and Environmental Committee to attend. NexGen provided the schedule of the visits for reference.
6 October 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the documents from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 16 August 2023 and indicated that the documents have also been uploaded to the Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen included a table of the action items for review and noted the next quarterly Environmental Committee meeting was proposed to be scheduled on 9 November 2023.
30 October 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the Project Woodland Caribou Working Group and the provincial and federal regulators for a workshop. Stantec presented the caribou offset options and gathered feedback to inform the draft Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan for the Project.

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1 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN to follow up on the draft letter prepared for the BRDN to send to the CNSC emailed on 5 October 2023. NexGen inquired if there were any questions or if the BRDN Chief has signed the letter.
2 November 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN copied NexGen in a correspondence to the ENV providing a letter of support for the Project.
2 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN Chief providing the draft letter prepared for the BRDN to send to the CNSC to provide confirmation that the issues and concerns validation process has been completed by the BRDN-NexGen Environmental Committee. NexGen invited the BRDN Chief to reach out if there were any questions.
3 November 2023	Email, incoming	The BRDN copied NexGen in an email to the CNSC providing a support letter confirming that NexGen has satisfactorily addressed all of the BRDN's issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of federal EA requirements.
3 November 2023	Email, incoming	The CNSC copied NexGen in an email to the BRDN thanking the BRDN for providing a support letter confirming that NexGen has satisfactorily addressed all of the BRDN's issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of federal EA requirements. The CNSC informed the BRDN that the CNSC would be in contact regarding next steps in the EA process and noted the letter would be posted to the Canadian Impact Assessment Registry once the Federal-Indigenous Review Team technical review was complete.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the high-level agenda for review for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 8 November 2023. NexGen indicated a copy of the presentation would also be distributed later on 6 November 2023 and noted lunch would be provided for in-person attendees.
6 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the presentation for the Q4 Environmental Committee meeting scheduled on 8 November 2023 for review and noted printed copies would be available at the meeting.
8 November 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the BRDN for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included a discussion of Implementation Committee updates and the EC's 2023 priorities, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ collaboration on licensing documents; ▪ community awareness updates; ▪ end land use planning; and ▪ key updates relating to the EA process.
8 November 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting. The key topics discussed were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ procedures for Indigenous knowledge; ▪ logistics for both the Implementation Committee and Environmental Committee; ▪ education and training initiatives; ▪ planning for a site tour; and ▪ economic development and business opportunities.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the BRDN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the BRDN.
8 November 2023	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen also attached a copy of the October 2023 newsletter.
9 November 2023	Newsletter	NexGen distributed copies of the October issue of the community newsletter to the local priority area. Topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ education, training, and employment updates; ▪ community engagement updates; ▪ a summary of the June 2023 Community Information Sessions; and ▪ Project regulatory process updates.
10 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the Chief of the BRDN providing a letter regarding the recent provincial Approval of the Project EA and thanked the BRDN for the support through the provincial EA process.

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20 December 2023	Letter, incoming	The CNSC emailed NexGen and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter requesting clarification regarding potential linkages between recent exploration activities at the Rook I site and the Project.
5 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the CNSC and copied the IAAC, ECCC, ENV, CRDN, MN-S, BNDN, and BRDN, providing a letter in response to CNSC's 20 December 2023 letter. The letter confirmed that Rook I site exploration activities in question were required to inform Project design but do not represent development of the Project. In addition, the letter included a summary of NexGen's engagement activities with Indigenous Groups and regulatory agencies prior to submission of the exploration program permit application. NexGen confirmed that all activities being undertaken at the Rook I site are compliant with the Nuclear Safety and Control Act and the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012. NexGen provided responses to each of the information requests from CNSC's letter.
10 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN Chief providing the monthly report delivered on the local radio stations to share updates on the Project EA, community engagement, business and contracting, employment and training, and Rook I site activities.
10 January 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Implementation Committee meeting.
22 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the proposed overnight tour of the Project site on 6 to 7 February 2024 discussed during the Implementation Committee meeting held on 10 January 2024. NexGen requested confirmation of how many BRDN members would be attending and if there were any food sensitivities to be aware of. NexGen also informed the BRDN of the logistics on 6 February 2024.
29 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and provided the proposed itinerary for the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024. NexGen also attached the visitor checklist for items that tour participants would need to bring.
30 January 2024	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 and informed NexGen of a BRDN member who would be attending with two other potential members.
31 January 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached an engagement update letter for the Project to summarize recently completed engagement activities and to share a summary of the upcoming and proposed engagement activities. NexGen noted that a 2023 'year-in-review' table summarizing the Project engagement activities between the BRDN and NexGen was also included in the letter. NexGen expressed looking forward to meeting at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting in February 2024.
1 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 and inquired if the two other potential members noted in the BRDN's 30 January 2024 email would be attending.
1 February 2024	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 and indicated that the BRDN was waiting for one member to confirm attendance at the tour.
1 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and attached presentation slides summarizing the existing baseline conditions at the Project site as a follow-up to an outstanding action item from a previous Environmental Committee meeting. NexGen requested for the BRDN to reach out if there were any questions or additional discussion needed. NexGen provided an update that the potential Environmental Committee meeting planned for 20 February 2024 was being looked into to confirm NexGen Environmental Committee members' availability.
1 February 2024	Email, incoming	The BRDN emailed NexGen regarding the presentation slides summarizing the existing baseline conditions at the Project site and requested to discuss the information further. The BRDN inquired if there was a time that would work for NexGen.
1 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN regarding the presentation slides summarizing the existing baseline conditions at the Project site and stated the information could potentially be discussed at the upcoming Environmental Committee meeting if there was time. NexGen indicated that a future date to meet could also be discussed during the Environmental Committee meeting.
5 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN and indicated that NexGen's Vice President, Community has recommended postponing the Project site tour planned for 6 to 7 February 2024 due to poor road conditions. NexGen stated the tour would be rescheduled soon.

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9 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the BRDN providing the presentation and meeting summary from the Environmental Committee meeting held on 8 November 2023 and indicated that all the documents have been uploaded to the BRDN–NexGen Environmental Committee SharePoint site. NexGen included a table of the action items, which was also available in the presentation. NexGen looked forward to the Environmental Committee meeting on 20 February 2024 and stated the agenda and the presentation would be sent out early in the week of 19 February 2024.
20 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen and the BRDN met for an Environmental Committee meeting. Key topics included the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ an update on the regulatory approvals for the Project; ▪ an overview of ongoing environmental monitoring programs; ▪ a discussion on working in collaboration on Federal licensing documents as well as end land use planning for the Project; and ▪ an overview of the 2024 exploration programs.

BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; IAAC = Impact Assessment Agency of Canada; ECCC = Environment and Climate Change Canada; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; VC = valued component.

Table B-5: English River First Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
5 April 2016	In-person meeting	NexGen organized an information session to share information about the Project with the Chipewyan Prairie Industry Relations Corporation, the ERFN, the Métis Local 130 Métis Nation Region 1 #214, the Northern Settlement of Descharme Lake community council, and the Saskatchewan Ministry of Government Relations. NexGen introduced the Project and provided a summary of the work to date as well as an overview of the planned work to be completed in 2016. Community members raised concerns about the engagement and consultation processes to date. Additional discussions were focused on the safety of uranium mining, local employment and contracting, and traditional land use.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
30 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called and left a message with reception to confirm if the notification letter had been received as registered mail confirmed delivery and signature.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
14 July 2022	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the ERFN to advise that the Draft EIS for the Project has been posted on the CNSC's website and was available for the public review period and asked if there was an email address or contact information that the ERFN was willing to provide so that NexGen could share the link for the CNSC's website. The ERFN responded that they were a temporary receptionist and were unsure whose contact information to provide, and asked if NexGen could call back on 18 July 2022.
18 July 2022	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the ERFN as a follow up to the call made on 15 July 2022. NexGen informed the ERFN member that NexGen was calling to inquire if the ERFN would like to provide contact information so that NexGen could share an update about the Draft EIS submission. NexGen left a phone number for a different ERFN member to call back.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ERFN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and explained it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be available to support ENV through the process if requested and would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the ERFN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen updated the ERFN that they were in the final stages of completing responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC and noted what the next steps would be. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal Licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the ERFN to reach out if there were any questions.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ERFN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
1 February 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ERFN and provided an engagement update letter. NexGen advised the purpose of the letter was to share updates on the Project, including any updates on the EA process, to present a summary of the recent engagement activities completed, and to provide an outline of proposed upcoming engagement activities. NexGen invited the ERFN to reach out if there were any questions.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment; ERFN = English River First Nation.

Table B-6: Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
31 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called and left a message with administration to confirm if the notification letter had been received as registered mail did not confirm delivery.
6 June 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called and left a message with administration to confirm if the notification letter was received as registered mail did not confirm delivery.
12 July 2019	Email, outgoing	NexGen sent an email to confirm receipt of both the 3 May 2019 notification letter and executive summary of the Project Description in Dene and English.
18 July 2019	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen to provide contact information for further correspondence.
26 July 2019	Letter, incoming	The ACFN sent NexGen a letter to provide comments on the Project through the CNSC public comment period.
14 August 2019	Letter, incoming	<p>The ENV sent the ACFN a letter (copying NexGen) in response to a letter received on 26 July 2019 from the ACFN. The letter noted that commercial uses of resources, such as commercial trapping, are not subject to the province's Consultation Policy Framework.</p> <p>The province wished to determine if there is a duty to consult with the ACFN and expressed interest in knowing how the ACFN members are using the unoccupied land around the proposed Project for non-commercial activities. To that end, the following information was requested:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ locations within the Project area used by the community, both traditionally and currently, to hunt, fish, trap for food or carry out traditional uses; ▪ the presence of the ACFN traditional ceremonial or burial sites in the area that might be affected by the Project; and ▪ any other sites of cultural significance to the ACFN that the province should be made aware of.
20 August 2019	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen sent a letter to the ACFN in response to the letter received by the ACFN on 26 July 2019. NexGen extended an invitation to meet and indicated that at this time NexGen is not prepared to offer capacity funding for the ACFN's review of the Project Description.</p> <p>It was also noted that while the ACFN has a member with a trapline located in the N-22 Fur Block, the Project is in the N-19 Fur Block and NexGen has been and continues to engage with trappers of the N-19 Fur Block regarding traplines in proximity to the Project. NexGen extended an invitation to schedule a meeting between NexGen and representatives of the ACFN and provided a direct contact if there were any questions or if they would like to discuss further.</p>
3 December 2019	Letter, incoming	<p>A letter was received from the ACFN Dene Lands and Resource Management for information to respond to the letter dated 14 August 2019 from the ENV. The ACFN requested shape files of the proposed Project for insertion into software called Community Knowledge Keeper to generate a map of the Project in relation to the ACFN traditional use data and cultural protection areas. The ACFN noted that it is highly likely that there are gaps in the existing data record and that future traditional use studies may be required to fully assess the effects of the Project to the ACFN's Treaty Rights.</p> <p>The ACFN noted that Community Knowledge Keeper is used by proponents to send the Dene Lands and Resource Management proposed project notifications, project updates, shape files, and proposed applications for review. It was noted that if NexGen wishes to engage with Dene Lands and Resource Management using Community Knowledge Keeper, it could be set up for a one-time fee. The ACFN Dene Lands and Resource Management also noted that there are costs associated with consultation and engagement meetings and that funding is required from proponents to review project information and applications they submit to regulators. Scope of work with the costs are available to review prior to meetings.</p>
24 December 2019	Letter, outgoing	<p>NexGen responded to the letter dated 3 December 2019 from the ACFN to provide shapefiles for the area in the vicinity of the Project for the ACFN to respond to a letter sent by the ENV dated 14 August 2019.</p> <p>In addition, it was noted that publicly available information shows that the ACFN's traditional territory does not include the Project location; however, it was requested that NexGen is notified if there is additional information that indicates otherwise. In addition, NexGen again offered to meet with the ACFN.</p>

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
9 November 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the EIS to the CNSC and the ENV. NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.
16 November 2021	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and introduced the new regulatory and industry coordinator and requested any necessary background information such as an earlier Project description and supporting maps. The ACFN noted that they would be using Community Knowledge Keeper to review consultation submissions and conduct preliminary screenings of anticipated effects to the ACFN land use sites and areas and requested that NexGen use this platform in their consultations with the ACFN.
1 December 2021	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and followed up on the Project information request sent on 16 November 2021.
24 January 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and advised that the requested information that was previously provided to the ACFN in 2019 was attached for review and to please contact NexGen if there were any questions.
24 January 2022	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked them for providing the Project information requested.
14 March 2022	Voicemail, incoming	The ACFN left a voicemail for NexGen regarding a request for an update on the EIS submission.
14 March 2022	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the ACFN and provided an update that the EIS was planned to be submitted at the end of Q1 2022 in response to the ACFN's 14 March 2022 voicemail.
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and informed that the CNSC has completed its conformity review of NexGen's Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period, which provides Indigenous nations and communities, members of the public, and government departments and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen indicated that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen noted they looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project and invited the ACFN to contact NexGen if there were any questions.
27 October 2022	Email, incoming	The CNSC emailed NexGen and the ACFN regarding the ACFN's request for the NexGen engagement contact. The CNSC indicated that NexGen's Vice President – Community was copied on the email and was the engagement lead for the Project. The CNSC also inquired if the ACFN was planning to submit a funding application to cover consultation and engagement with the CNSC staff on the Project.
28 October 2022	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and provided a letter outlining the need for adequate consultation with the ACFN regarding the Project.
14 December 2022	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN, the CNSC, and the ENV providing a letter in response to the ACFN's letter sent on 28 October 2022. NexGen noted that they would be happy to meet to discuss the ACFN's letter further or any questions the ACFN may have on the Project.
14 December 2022	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and confirmed that the ACFN would be happy to discuss NexGen's letter sent on 14 December 2022 and requested for a meeting invite to be sent out for the week of 16 January 2023.
14 December 2022	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the ACFN and left a message requesting for a return phone call to discuss working together to set up a time that would work best for a meeting in response to the ACFN's 14 December 2022 email.
15 December 2022	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen to follow up on the email sent on 14 December 2022 requesting for a meeting invite for the week of 16 January 2023.
15 December 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN in response to the ACFN's email requesting for a meeting invite for the week of 16 January 2023. NexGen advised that a voicemail was left for the ACFN on 14 December 2022 to discuss the planning of the meeting prior to sending out a meeting invitation.

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15 December 2022	Email exchange	The ACFN emailed NexGen and requested for a meeting placeholder to be sent out as discussed on 15 December 2022. The ACFN informed NexGen that that they would send out a Zoom link and noted that 16 January 2023 or 17 January 2023 would work best. NexGen sent a meeting invite for 17 January 2023.
11 January 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen regarding the meeting scheduled for 17 January 2023 and advised that the meeting would need to be re-scheduled. The ACFN requested for NexGen to provide several dates of availability for consideration.
11 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and acknowledged that the meeting scheduled for 17 January 2023 would no longer work. NexGen indicated that alternate dates of availability would be provided to the ACFN.
17 January 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen to follow up on the 11 January 2023 NexGen email and inquired if a new proposed meeting date has been discussed.
17 January 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided a list of alternate dates for a meeting between 1 February 2023 and 3 February 2023. NexGen requested that the ACFN confirm which date would work.
17 January 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing a list of alternate meeting dates. The ACFN requested that a meeting be scheduled for 2 February 2023 at 10:00 am and noted that the ACFN would be waiting for NexGen's meeting invite.
2 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed ACFN to advise that the upcoming meeting to discuss the results of the EA would have to be postponed due to an unexpected incident requiring NexGen to be in the community on 2 February 2023. NexGen inquired if the ACFN could propose alternative dates during the week of 6 February 2023 or any subsequent available dates. NexGen thanked the ACFN for understanding and looked forward to meeting with the ACFN team.
2 February 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and acknowledged that the EA results meeting would have to be postponed. The ACFN informed NexGen that the week of 6 February 2023 would not work and proposed to meet on 13 February 2023, 14 February 2023, or 17 February 2023. The ACFN requested for NexGen to confirm which dates would work and looked forward to the discussion.
13 February 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and confirmed that the proposed meeting dates during the week of 13 February 2023 would not work. NexGen inquired if the ACFN would be available on 23 February 2023.
27 February 2023	Video conference	NexGen met with the ACFN to discuss engagement on the Project and the ACFN comment submission on the Draft EIS.
30 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and indicated that NexGen would like to set a date for the Project EA results review. NexGen inquired if the ACFN would be available on 12 April 2023 and requested for the ACFN to provide additional options if the proposed date does not work.
30 March 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and advised they were not available on 12 April 2023 for the Project EA results review. The ACFN stated that they would be available on 11 April 2023, 13 April 2023, or 14 April 2023 and inquired if any of the proposed dates would work for NexGen.
30 March 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN a Teams meeting invite for the EA results presentation scheduled for 13 April 2023.
13 April 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen providing a draft process agreement for review and indicated that there might be time to discuss the agreement during the meeting scheduled for 13 April 2023.
13 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN to thank the ACFN for sending the draft process agreement. NexGen advised the agreement would be reviewed and stated there might not be time to complete a detailed review the agreement prior to the EA Results presentation scheduled on 13 April 2023. NexGen proposed to schedule a separate meeting to discuss once the proposed agreement has been fully reviewed by the NexGen team.
13 April 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and agreed with NexGen's proposal to schedule a separate meeting to discuss the draft process agreement once it has been fully reviewed by the NexGen team.
13 April 2023	Video conference	NexGen met with the ACFN and presented the results of the EA completed for the Project.
13 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN providing the PDF of the EA results presentation held on 13 April 2023. NexGen requested for the ACFN to forward the presentation to the ACFN team members who participated in the meeting.

Table B-6: Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
8 May 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen requesting for an update on the draft process agreement and inquired if an initial meeting to review the proposed agreement could be arranged.
16 May 2023	Email, incoming	NexGen emailed the ACFN and indicated they would get back to the ACFN to provide an update on the draft process agreement in response to the ACFN's 8 May 2023 email.
23 May 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and requested for a status update on the proposed process agreement.
23 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and thanked them for providing the draft process agreement. NexGen proposed to work on an engagement agreement focusing more on the collaborative work being done with the ACFN in relation to specific non-Project exploration programs and the Project. NexGen indicated that a draft agreement specific to the ACFN would be created and sent for review.
23 May 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for the update on the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN advised they would wait for the draft agreement to review and inquired if NexGen had a timeline as to when the ACFN should receive the draft.
29 May 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen to follow up on the draft engagement agreement and inquired if NexGen had a timeline as to when the ACFN should receive the draft to review.
29 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and indicated they would attempt to provide the draft engagement agreement by 2 June 2023.
5 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and apologized for not providing the draft engagement agreement on 2 June 2023. NexGen informed the ACFN the draft agreement would be completed and provided on 6 June 2023.
5 June 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the status update of the draft engagement agreement.
6 June 2023	Email, incoming	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided the draft engagement agreement for review.
3 July 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and advised they have reviewed the proposed engagement agreement. The ACFN indicated there were aspects of the document they were aligned with and informed NexGen there were two areas that would need to be discussed prior to moving forward. The ACFN requested for NexGen to consider these two items and advise the ACFN how they would like to proceed.
11 July 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and followed up on the 3 July 2023 email.
11 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and advised that NexGen could call on 11 July 2023 or 12 July 2023 to discuss the draft engagement agreement. NexGen requested for the ACFN to confirm a date that would work.
11 July 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and confirmed preference for a Zoom call to discuss the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN stated they were available any time that would work for NexGen.
11 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and acknowledged the ACFN's availability for a call to discuss the draft engagement agreement. NexGen indicated a meeting invite for 12 July 2023 would be sent out.
12 July 2023	Video conference	NexGen met with the ACFN to discuss the draft engagement agreement and the two items raised by the ACFN.
31 July 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and followed up on the meeting held to discuss the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN stated that NexGen's counter to the draft agreement was expected and inquired if there was an anticipated date as to when the update would be communicated to the ACFN.
4 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and stated that NexGen would be reaching out during the week of 7 August 2023 to review the draft engagement agreement in response to the ACFN's 31 July 2023 email.
14 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and stated that NexGen is in the process of updating the draft engagement agreement as a follow up to NexGen's 4 August 2023 email. NexGen informed that an overview would be provided on how NexGen could address the items the ACFN had raised on the wording of the draft engagement agreement that was tabled and how NexGen could incorporate changes into the proposed agreement.
14 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and thanked them for the information on the overview that would be provided on how NexGen could address the ACFN's concerns with the draft engagement agreement. The ACFN looked forward to NexGen's response.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
30 August 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN emailed NexGen and inquired if there was an update on the draft engagement agreement as a follow up to NexGen's 14 August 2023 email.
30 August 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN providing NexGen's proposal to address the ACFN's concerns on the draft engagement agreement and stated it could be drafted into the agreement by NexGen once the five principles that were related to what was discussed on 12 July 2023 had been agreed upon. NexGen indicated they would be happy to meet with the ACFN and walk through the draft engagement agreement, if needed.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be available to support ENV through the process if requested and would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the ACFN. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen updated the ACFN that they were in the final stages of completing responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC and noted what the next steps would be. NexGen expressed they looked forward to scheduling a time to discuss the ACFN comments provided as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal Licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the ACFN to reach out if there were any questions.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
20 September 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN copied NexGen in an email to the ENV providing the fast-track grant application for public review of the provincial EIS for the proposed Project.
20 September 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV emailed the ACFN and NexGen providing the consultation letter to the ACFN and stated that the ENV Environmental Assessment and Stewardship Branch was requesting the ACFN's participation in the provincial consultation process for the environmental impact assessment of the Project. The ENV also attached information on how to apply for a Fast Track Grant for reference.
21 September 2023	Email, incoming	The ACFN copied NexGen in an email to the ENV inquiring if the ACFN could provide partial review of the provincial EIS for the proposed Project on 3 October 2023 and send additional comments on 8 October 2023.
22 September 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the ACFN and confirmed that the ACFN could provide partial comments on the impacts to the ACFN Treaty Rights on 3 October 2023 and send additional comments on 8 October 2023.
8 November 2023	Email, incoming	The ENV copied NexGen in an email to the ACFN providing a letter informing that the Minister of Environment has given NexGen approval to proceed with the proposed Project. The ENV also attached the Decision and Reasons for Decision for reference and stated that a hard copy would be mailed to the ACFN.
22 November 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN to follow up on the proposal to address the ACFN's concerns on the draft Engagement Agreement emailed on 30 August 2023.
19 December 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN to follow up on the proposal to address the ACFN's concerns on the draft Engagement Agreement and indicated that NexGen also wanted to focus on the issues and concerns the ACFN have noted on the Project. NexGen invited the ACFN to reach out to arrange a meeting to discuss.
23 January 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN to follow up on the NexGen email dated 19 December 2023 and inquired if the ACFN would be available to discuss the issues and concerns the ACFN have noted on the Project.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
1 February 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN and provided an engagement update letter. NexGen advised the purpose of the letter was to share updates on the Project, including any updates on the EA process, to present a summary of the recent engagement activities completed, and to provide an outline of proposed upcoming engagement activities. NexGen invited the ACFN to reach out if there were any questions.
21 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the ACFN as a follow-up on the NexGen email dated 23 January 2024 and invited the ACFN to reach out if there was interest or availability to discuss the issues and concerns the ACFN have noted on the Project.

ACFN = Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement.

Table B-7: Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resource

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
18 March 2019	Letter, incoming	The YNLR advised NexGen that the YNLR will be the sole point of contact for the BLDFN, FLDFN, Hatchet Lake Denesųliné First Nation, Stony Rapids, Wollaston Lake, Camsell Portage, and Uranium City in relation to all new and ongoing mining, milling, exploration, forestry, road building, and other industrial and non-industrial developments and activities for which a federal or provincial licensing permit, regulatory process, EA, or other approval is required. The YNLR directed NexGen to communicate solely with the YNLR in all related matters and provided contact information.
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
30 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the YNLR to confirm that the YNLR had received the notification letter dated 3 May 2019. The YNLR also confirmed that the BLDFN received a letter (registered mail also confirmed delivery).
4 July 2019	In-person meeting	An introductory meeting was held with the YNLR to discuss the scope of the Project and the work completed to date. Additionally, the background of the YNLR was discussed.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
13 September 2019	Voicemail, incoming	NexGen received a voicemail message from the YNLR requesting if NexGen is available to present to the Athabasca Groups represented by the YNLR. A meeting was subsequently scheduled for 3 October 2019.
3 October 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the YNLR, the FLDFN, and the BLDFN to present an update on the Project and an overview of the Rook I Project Description, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
15 April 2020	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss the EA process and submission of the EIS. NexGen also informed the YNLR that no drilling activities were planned during 2020. NexGen and the YNLR discussed engagement opportunities and traditional land use and agreed to have a follow-up conversation later to discuss more details.
28 April 2020	Video conference	NexGen and the YNLR met to discuss the traditional territory of the Athabasca Dene communities and the traditional land use in relation to the Project. The YNLR proposed supplementing the YNLR traditional land use database in the context of the Project to further evaluate potential effects from the Project. The YNLR stated they will prepare and share a proposal summary with NexGen.
21 May 2020	Letter, incoming	The YNLR proposed a Study Agreement with NexGen regarding the Project to complete an IKTLU Study.
5 June 2020	Letter, outgoing	NexGen responded to the letter from the YNLR dated 21 May 2020. NexGen stated that they had reviewed the proposal for the YNLR to complete an IKTLU Study. NexGen expressed their support for the Study subject to confirming the final scope, schedule, and budget.
10 August 2020	Email exchange	NexGen and the YNLR signed and executed a Study Funding Agreement in which the YNLR will undertake an IKTLU Study in relation to the Project on behalf of the Athabasca Denesųliné First Nations.
4 December 2020	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and provided the YNLR's interim report submission regarding the Study Funding Agreement and the Provision of Athabasca Denesųliné IKTLU Study for the Project. The YNLR noted that significant delays had been encountered due to COVID-19 cases and restrictions within communities. The YNLR stated they anticipate additional insights to be captured as the COVID-19 situation evolved and the YNLR was able to complete the work.
4 December 2020	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR to confirm receipt of the interim IKTLU Study and stated NexGen would begin reviewing the Study.
14 January 2021	Email, incoming	Following an e-mail exchange, the YNLR emailed NexGen and provided responses to NexGen's questions about the IKTLU Study and provided a higher resolution figure for the IKTLU Study. The YNLR informed NexGen that all YNLR communities were under lockdown again due to COVID-19 and that this has prevented the YNLR from conducting additional interviews.

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6 April 2021	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and advised that they anticipated interviews would be completed by end of April 2021 for the TKLUO Study.
4 May 2021	Email, incoming	Following an exchange of emails, the YNLR emailed NexGen and advised that the IKTLU Study was still being worked on and that an update would be provided in mid-May 2021.
8 October 2021	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR and the FLDFN to discuss the YNLR's IKTLU Study and how the information from the IKTLU Study will be used in NexGen's EIS as well as the options for submitting the IKTLU Study to the regulators.
4 November 2021	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and proposed a leadership meeting on 10 December 2021.
8 November 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR to confirm that the proposed leadership meeting on 10 December 2021 would work well and requested a time for the meeting.
9 November 2021	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided an update on NexGen's submission of the Project EIS to the CNSC and the ENV. NexGen advised that the EIS was now scheduled for submission in the first quarter of 2022, rather than the previously indicated submission date near the end of 2021.
17 December 2021	Email exchange	As follow up to a series of exchanged emails, NexGen emailed the YNLR to ask if the previously planned leadership meeting for 10 December 2021 had been rescheduled for a time in 2022. The YNLR emailed NexGen and inquired if 27 or 28 January 2022 would work for NexGen as a replacement date for the previously cancelled 10 December 2021 engagement and leadership meeting.
19 January 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss planning for an upcoming Leadership meeting on 27 January 2022.
27 January 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR, FLDFN, and BLDFN to provide an update presentation to Leadership. Presentation topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of the company; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ Project status update; and ▪ EA update. Following the presentation, discussion focused on the underground tailings management facility and mine plans, engagement opportunities, business and contracting opportunities related to the Project, and a potential site tour/visit to the Rook I site. NexGen and the YNLR agreed to meet soon to follow up on the action items and to discuss a potential engagement agreement between the YNLR and NexGen.
2 February 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and requested a meeting to discuss community engagement opportunities including potential dates and logistics, and potential agreements. The YNLR provided potential dates and times that would work for a meeting. The YNLR also noted that an update would be provided regarding how the YNLR would like the IKTLU Study communicated in the EIS.
11 February 2022	In-person meeting	NexGen and the YNLR met to review and discuss the action items from the leadership meeting and presentation on 27 January 2022, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ How the YNLR would like the IKTLU Study submitted to the regulators as part of the EIS submission. The YNLR indicated that a letter would be provided to NexGen to indicate the full report could be submitted. ▪ The local priority area and regional priority area for the Project and the engagement opportunities that YNLR communities would like to have. ▪ An Exploration or Engagement Agreement between the YNLR and NexGen. NexGen stated that an Engagement Agreement would be more suitable. The YNLR will provide a draft Engagement Agreement to NexGen in the coming weeks. ▪ Engagement opportunities in the communities that include community information sessions/open houses in the FLDFN and BLDFN, site visits/tours to the Rook I site, and community newsletters.
15 March 2022	Letter, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and provided a letter regarding the inclusion of the 'Athabasca Denesųin� Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study into the EIS.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
15 March 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR regarding the letter to include the 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study into the EIS. NexGen acknowledged receipt of the letter and noted they would reach out to the YNLR after the letter has been reviewed.
7 April 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss the letter received from the YNLR on 15 March 2022. NexGen and the YNLR discussed how the 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study will be shared with the regulators as part of the Draft EIS submission and how information from the study is incorporated and included in the Draft EIS.
12 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and inquired if 14 April 2022 would work to meet and discuss the YNLR IKTLU Study. NexGen requested for confirmation if an in-person meeting at the NexGen or the YNLR would be preferred.
12 April 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and confirmed that the proposed meeting time on 14 April 2022 would work and that a virtual meeting would work.
14 April 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss the Draft EIS and the inclusion of and reference to information from the YNLR December 2020 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study. During the meeting, NexGen shared examples of references in the Draft EIS to discuss with the YNLR. NexGen committed to providing additional examples from the 'social sections' of the Draft EIS, and the YNLR committed to reviewing the language in Section 3.2.1 of the Draft EIS to provide edits to NexGen for inclusion in the Draft EIS.
14 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR regarding the meeting held on 14 April 2022 and thanked the YNLR for providing feedback on the examples of how information from the 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study has been incorporated into NexGen's Draft EIS. NexGen attached a Word document containing the excerpt from Section 3 (Indigenous and Local Knowledge) of the Draft EIS that was discussed during the meeting for review and comments.
20 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and inquired if any edits were required to the Section 3 excerpt that had been previously provided on 14 April 2022 or if the YNLR required anything additional from NexGen to proceed with the request.
21 April 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and provided an edited copy of the Section 3 text as an attachment and thanked NexGen for the opportunity to complete revisions prior to the Draft EIS being submitted to the CNSC. The YNLR also advised that the 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study would include some figure updates and that the updated copy of the report would be sent to NexGen in the coming days.
21 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR acknowledging receipt of the edits to the Section 3 text and the update regarding the 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study.
26 April 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and advised of the attached revised 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' report, and requested the Study be included within the EIS for review by regulators and public.
26 April 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen regarding NexGen's interest in the Spring 2022 Newsletter. The YNLR informed NexGen of the cost for a full-page as well as a half-page entry and advised that the content would need to be submitted by 13 May 2022.
28 April 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and advised of the attached document providing further examples of how the YNLR 'Athabasca Denesųliné Traditional Knowledge, Land Use, and Occupancy Information for the Project Environmental Assessment' Study has been incorporated into NexGen's Draft EIS. The examples provided were from the 'people/social' sections of the Draft EIS.
2 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR, the CNSC, and the ENV, providing introductions for the three parties so that they could connect on the next steps for sharing the YNLR IKTLU Study for the Project. NexGen asked that the YNLR connect with the CNSC and the ENV to confirm and discuss the submission details regarding sharing the YNLR IKTLU Study as a public document as part of the Draft EIS submission.
16 May 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and advised of an attached submission for the Spring 2022 edition of the YNLR newsletter.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
15 July 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and informed that the CNSC has completed the conformity review of the Draft EIS for the Project. NexGen advised that the CNSC would accept comments on the Draft EIS during a 90-day public comment period, which provides Indigenous Nations and Communities, members of the public, and government departments and agencies an opportunity to submit their views in writing to the CNSC on the information presented in the Draft EIS. NexGen advised that the CNSC has requested that all written comments be submitted by 12 October 2022 and provided the website address where the CNSC public comment process for the Project could be found. NexGen expressed thanks to the YNLR leadership and community members for the collaborative approach that contributed to the development of the Draft EIS and noted that NexGen looked forward to continued engagement throughout the lifespan of the Project.
19 August 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen requesting shape files to support the Draft EIS analysis and indicated that the YNLR Environmental Specialist would follow up with additional details.
19 August 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen to confirm the request for the shapefiles to assist with the YNLR analysis of the Draft EIS. The YNLR requested the shapefiles for the Indigenous and Other Land and Resource Use local and regional study areas.
19 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and advised that the request for shapefiles has been directed to the NexGen EA team and that NexGen would reply back as soon as possible.
29 August 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen inquiring if there was a status update regarding the YNLR's request for shapefiles pertaining to the Draft EIS.
29 August 2022	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and attached a zipped file containing the Indigenous Land and Resource Use and Other Land and Resource Use shapefiles used in the Draft EIS. NexGen thanked the YNLR for reaching out with this request and encouraged the YNLR to continue to reach out with any additional requests or questions.
29 August 2022	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing the zipped file containing shapefiles used in the Draft EIS.
6 April 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR providing the finalized Engagement Agreement for counter signature and indicated that they were excited to formalize this process moving forward with the YNLR. NexGen requested an executed copy of the Engagement Agreement and stated that a meeting could be arranged in the coming weeks.
17 May 2023	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen providing the fully executed YNLR-NexGen Engagement Agreement. The YNLR stated they would reach out to NexGen soon to discuss an initial kick-off meeting in Saskatoon on 6 June 2023 or 8 June 2023 and looked forward to reviewing the draft press release regarding the agreement.
17 May 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and thanked them for sending the fully executed Engagement Agreement. NexGen stated they were excited to continue engaging with the YNLR communities and creating opportunities through the projects that NexGen was working on with the YNLR. NexGen indicated the draft press release would be sent to the YNLR once it has been reviewed and noted that 6 June 2023 or 8 June 2023 would work to schedule the initial kick off meeting. NexGen noted that they would be in touch to confirm a meeting time that would work best for the YNLR.
1 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR regarding the upcoming JWG meeting on 8 June 2023 and provided the draft meeting presentation for review and comments. NexGen stated that updates on the EA/regulatory process, the 2023 winter and summer field programs being conducted by NexGen, and the Engagement Agreement were all included in the presentation. NexGen offered to adjust or remove the Agreement slides if the YNLR preferred to lead on the section and have YNLR-based slides. NexGen invited the YNLR to reach out if there was anything urgent.
1 June 2023	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen regarding the draft meeting presentation for the upcoming JWG meeting on 8 June 2023 and provided comments and edits to the presentation for consideration. The YNLR invited NexGen to reach out if further discussion was required and expressed that the YNLR looked forward to the meeting.
5 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR regarding the upcoming JWG meeting scheduled on 8 June 2023 and provided the draft meeting presentation with the YNLR's comments incorporated. NexGen invited the YNLR to reach out if there were any other comments or questions and expressed that they looked forward to the meeting.

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Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
7 June 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided the Saskatoon office-based job postings for Environmental Summer Student and Accounts Payable Summer Student. NexGen requested that the YNLR forward the postings to interested community members in Saskatoon who meet the education / experience requirements and included the application procedure.
8 June 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the YNLR met for a JWG kick off meeting. A high-level Project update and exploration program update was shared by NexGen, followed by a joint presentation of and discussion about the YNLR-NexGen Engagement Agreement.
12 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and thanked them for the JWG meeting held on 8 June 2023. NexGen provided responses to the YNLR questions regarding the Project EIS as a follow up to an action item from the JWG meeting. NexGen confirmed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS submission would be shared with the YNLR as soon as it had completed conformity review checks from the ENV. NexGen also informed the YNLR that there was no exact date for submission of the responses to the federal technical and public review comments to the CNSC and noted that NexGen was targeting having the submission to the CNSC completed in Q3 2023. NexGen explained that once the federal technical comment responses have been submitted, the CNSC would complete a 30-day conformance check which would be followed by a 60-day technical review period. NexGen indicated the responses to the federal public comments would be submitted in parallel with the federal Final EIS and advised that there was no planned submission date yet. NexGen noted that a confirmation from the CNSC that the technical review comments have been resolved was required before the federal Final EIS could be submitted. NexGen indicated that a focused JWG meeting could be arranged if there were any public review comments submitted by the YNLR that required discussion and requested for the YNLR to confirm if the information provided addressed the questions from the JWG meeting.
25 July 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and advised that NexGen was working on completing the minutes from the JWG meeting held on 8 June 2023. NexGen requested for confirmation of the YNLR JWG members' full names, titles, and communities.
1 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR advising that the ENV has completed its EA Technical Review for the Project and that NexGen has submitted the provincial Final EIS to the ENV. NexGen informed of the next steps under the provincial EA process and noted it was different from the federal EA public review process that occurred for the Draft EIS. NexGen stated they would be available to support ENV through the process if requested and would be happy to meet and discuss any questions regarding the provincial Final EIS or the provincial EA process with the YNLR. NexGen indicated the provincial Final EIS would be posted on the ENV's website for the commencement of the public review period and noted an updated link to the ENV website would be provided. NexGen also stated that a copy of the provincial Final EIS would be delivered to the YNLR on a USB drive on 1 September 2023 and listed the files included. NexGen updated the YNLR that they were in the final stages of completing responses to the federal technical and public review comments received on the Draft EIS through the federal EA review process with the CNSC and noted what the next steps would be. NexGen expressed they looked forward to scheduling a time to discuss the YNLR comments provided as part of the federal public review process. NexGen advised that they must also receive positive federal Licensing and provincial permitting decisions for the Project to be fully approved and for Construction to begin. NexGen invited the YNLR to reach out if there were any questions.
1 September 2023	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the YNLR to confirm receipt of the emails sent on 1 September 2023 regarding the provincial Final EIS and to see if there were any questions. NexGen confirmed that a copy of the provincial Final EIS and supporting documents would be provided on a USB drive to the YNLR. The YNLR confirmed the emails had been received and noted that the provincial Final EIS would be reviewed along with the YNLR JWG meeting minutes. NexGen indicated that the YNLR could reach out anytime if there were any questions.
1 September 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen dropped off a USB drive consisting of a copy of NexGen's provincial Final EIS and supporting documentation for the YNLR. NexGen left the USB drive with the YNLR's front reception.
5 September 2023	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided a link to the notification regarding the public review period for NexGen's provincial Final EIS that has been posted on the ENV website. NexGen also included the link to the ENV website where the EIS and supporting documentation could be downloaded.
1 November 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the YNLR met to plan and discuss logistics for the upcoming YNLR JWG Rook I site tour planned on 20 November 2023.

Table B-7: Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resource

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
20 November 2023	In-person meeting	NexGen and the YNLR JWG travelled to the Rook I site on 20 November 2023 and stayed overnight. On 21 November 2023, the JWG members toured the Rook I site, which included a tour of a drill site and the core processing facilities.
25 January 2024	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and followed up on the status of NexGen's responses to YNLR's comments on the EIS.
31 January 2024	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and requested a phone call to discuss NexGen's response to YNLR comments.
31 January 2024	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the YNLR following the email received from the YNLR earlier that day. NexGen stated they would like to meet with the YNLR to discuss the YNLR's issues and concerns relating to the Project and that a presentation was being prepared. NexGen and the YNLR agreed that NexGen would share the presentation with the YNLR for the YNLR to review prior to the meeting.
1 February 2024	Letter, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and provided an engagement update letter. NexGen advised the purpose of the letter was to share updates on the Project, including any updates on the EA process, to present a summary of the recent engagement activities completed, and to provide an outline of proposed upcoming engagement activities. NexGen invited the YNLR to reach out if there were any questions.
2 February 2024	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen expressing thanks for the engagement update letter emailed on 1 February 2024 and stated it would be reviewed.
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR providing the presentation material created to define how NexGen was working on validating issues and concerns. NexGen advised that the EA team would like to review the presentation with the YNLR during the week of 12 February 2024 and expressed interest in arranging a subsequent meeting to go over the issues and concerns validation. NexGen proposed to meet on 12 or 14 February 2024 and inquired if the dates would work for the YNLR.
8 February 2024	Email, incoming	The YNLR emailed NexGen and thanked NexGen for providing the presentation material created to define how NexGen was working on validating issues and concerns. The YNLR requested for NexGen to send out a meeting invite for 12 February 2024 to review the presentation and listed the YNLR staff who would be attending.
8 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR a calendar meeting invite for 12 February 2024 to review the process for validating issues and concerns as it relates to the Project. NexGen provided the meeting location and included a Microsoft Teams meeting link for the attendees attending virtually.
12 February 2024	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the YNLR to discuss updates on the regulatory process for the Project, including a collaborative process for discussing and validating the YNLR's issues and concerns on the Project.
15 February 2024	Email, outgoing	NexGen emailed the YNLR and expressed thanks for the meeting held on 12 February 2024 to discuss and confirm the path forward for the issues and concerns process. NexGen attached the issues and concerns table with the consolidated issues and concerns identified by the YNLR and NexGen's responses for review. NexGen indicated a meeting invite for 4 March 2024 would be sent out to discuss any comments the YNLR may have on the issues and concerns table and next steps. NexGen inquired if the proposed date would work or if the YNLR required additional time to complete the review.

YNLR = Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources; BLDFN = Black Lake Denesūliné First Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EA = Environmental Assessment; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; FLDFN = Fond du Lac Denesūliné First Nation; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; TKLUO = Traditional Knowledge, Land Use and Occupancy.

Table B-8: Black Lake Denesųłin  First Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
5 September 2019	Update meetings with leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
3 October 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the YNLR, the FLDFN, and the BLDFN to present an update on the Project and an overview of the Rook I Project Description, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
11 August 2020	Letter, incoming	The BLDFN sent NexGen a letter and advised NexGen that approval had been granted for the YNLR to communicate directly with NexGen regarding the IKTLU Study.
27 January 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR, the FLDFN, and the BLDFN to provide an update presentation to Leadership. Presentation topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of the company; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ Project status update; and ▪ EA update. <p>Following the presentation, discussion focused on the underground tailings management facility and mine plans, engagement opportunities, business and contracting opportunities related to the Project, and a potential site tour/visit to the Rook I Project site. NexGen and the YNLR agreed to meet soon to follow up on the action items and to discuss a potential engagement agreement between the YNLR and NexGen.</p>

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Table B-9: Fond du Lac Denesųliné First Nation

Communication Date	Communication Method	Communication Summary
3 May 2019	Letter, outgoing	NexGen sent a letter to provide notification of the commencement of the EA for the Project.
21 May 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen returned a call from the FLDFN from the same day. The FLDFN expressed interest in the Project and stated that their community should be consulted. The FLDFN confirmed receipt of the notification letter dated 3 May 2019.
20 June 2019	Phone call, outgoing	NexGen called the FLDFN to determine when the FLDFN would like to meet as they indicated they were planning to be in Saskatoon on 20 June 2019 and would be interested in meeting if schedules allowed.
21 June 2019	Text exchange	NexGen and the FLDFN exchanged texts in which the FLDFN indicated that they were not able to meet as previously proposed; however, they may be available to meet in the evening of 21 June 2019 (meeting was subsequently not held).
5 September 2019	Update meetings with leadership	The CNSC hosted a meeting for Indigenous leaders from northern Saskatchewan to provide an overview of the role of the CNSC and updates on CNSC regulated projects, including the Project.
3 October 2019	In-person meeting	NexGen met with the YNLR, the FLDFN, and the BLDFN to present an update on the Project and an overview of the Rook I Project Description, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ regulatory framework; ▪ Project information; ▪ existing environment; ▪ environmental interactions; and ▪ engagement.
27 November 2019	Video conference	NexGen met with the FLDFN to discuss a potential business opportunity and the power generation options for the Project.
8 October 2021	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR and the FLDFN to discuss the YNLR's IKTLU Study and how the information from the IKTLU Study will be used in NexGen's EIS as well as the options for submitting the IKTLU Study to the regulators.
27 January 2022	Video conference	NexGen met with the YNLR, the FLDFN, and the BLDFN to provide an update presentation to Leadership. Presentation topics included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ overview of the company; ▪ overview of the Project; ▪ Project status update; and ▪ EA update. <p>Meeting materials were provided by NexGen in advance of the meeting. Following the presentation, discussion focused on the underground tailings management facility and mine plans, engagement opportunities, business and contracting opportunities related to the Project, and a potential site tour/visit to the Rook I Project site. NexGen and the YNLR agreed to meet soon to follow up on the action items and to discuss a potential engagement agreement between the YNLR and NexGen.</p>

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APPENDIX C

Summary of Issues Identified
by Indigenous Groups

Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Definition
ACFN	Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation
BNDN	Birch Narrows Dene Nation
BRDN	Buffalo River Dene Nation
CNSC	Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
COPC	constituent of potential concern
CRDN	Clearwater River Dene Nation
DFO	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
ETP	effluent treatment plant
ID	identification
IKTLU	Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use
JWG	Joint Working Group
LPA	local priority area
LSA	local study area
MN-S	Métis Nation – Saskatchewan
MN-S NR2	Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Northern Region 2
NexGen	NexGen Energy Ltd.
Project	Rook I Project
RFD	reasonably foreseeable development
RSA	regional study area
STP	sewage treatment plant
TSD	Technical Support Document
UGTMF	underground tailings management facility
VC	valued component
YNLR	Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resources

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Table C-1 through Table C-6 present summaries of key issues and concerns raised by Indigenous Groups during engagement activities conducted during the Rook I Project (Project) Environmental Assessment (EA) process. Example sources of information include Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use (IKTLU) Studies, Joint Working Group (JWG) meetings with primary Indigenous Groups, and feedback received during community information sessions. The summary tables include issues and concerns raised by the Clearwater River Dene Nation (CRDN); Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (MN-S), including members of the MN-S Northern Region 2 (NR2); Birch Narrows Dene Nation (BNDN); Buffalo River Dene Nation (BRDN); Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation (ACFN); and Ya’thi Néné Lands and Resources (YNLR). Each issue or concern is represented by an issue statement, a summary response, a discussion of where and how the issue or concern was addressed in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS), and the key mitigations and accommodations proposed to address the issue or concern.

Identification, presentation, and due consideration of local Indigenous Groups’ input through the early and ongoing engagement processes has validated, informed, and influenced aspects of Project design and the EIS. The majority of issues and concerns have links to most or all of the sections within the EIS. For brevity, the most pertinent sections of the EIS that apply to the issue or concern are presented within the tables. For example, a potential concern related to effects of the Project to water quality may have links to Project design, the consideration of alternative means, hydrogeology, hydrology, water quality, and numerous environmental and human receptors. In consideration of this interconnected nature of the EIS, only the most relevant factors related to addressing the issue or concern are presented. This approach allows the reader to efficiently understand how the issue or concern was primarily addressed.

Table C-1: Summary of Issues and Concerns Received from the Clearwater River Dene Nation and Responses

Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	CRDN Key Interests and Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
CRDN-001	Engagement	Concern about how NexGen would balance engagement activities among communities and Indigenous Groups.	<p>Engagement with local Indigenous Groups is foundational to the responsible development of the Project. NexGen has always valued and respected the culture, interests, and aspirations of the communities where it operates and will continue to do so. NexGen established the LPA based on feedback from Indigenous Groups and communities to focus NexGen engagement on the communities who will be directly affected by the Project.</p> <p>A variety of engagement methods and activities have been implemented to monitor and validate NexGen's approach, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups and communities.</p> <p>Engagement with Indigenous Groups and communities will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan. Engagement programs will continue to evolve in collaboration with Indigenous Groups and communities and consider engagement approaches and protocols already developed or being developed. Engagement will continue to be tailored to the unique needs of each Indigenous Group, which includes regular evaluation to verify that the engagement program is meeting their needs.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.1.6 (Working with People)</p> <p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2B (Summary of Issues Identified by Indigenous Groups)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Signed Study Agreements with all four primary Indigenous Groups that, among other things, include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Develop a JWJG structure for each Indigenous Group to support the inclusion of Indigenous Knowledge into the EA process and to facilitate regular, ongoing engagement. ○ Explore special interest topics for each Indigenous Group. ○ Establish a Community Coordinator position in each Indigenous Group to act as the primary contact between NexGen and the Indigenous Group. ▪ Develop customized engagement strategies for Indigenous Groups and stakeholders. ▪ Implement an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program to share information on Project plans and activities. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements that include the establishment of an Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise.
CRDN-002	Engagement	Concern that NexGen would not conduct thorough engagement with Indigenous Groups.	<p>Engagement with local Indigenous Groups is foundational to the responsible development of the Project. NexGen has always valued and respected the culture, interests, and aspirations of the communities where it operates and will continue to do so.</p> <p>Engagement with Indigenous Groups began prior to commencement of the preparation of the EIS and has continued to the present; engagement will continue through all phases of the Project.</p> <p>A variety of engagement methods and activities have been implemented to monitor and validate NexGen's approach, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.1.6 (Working with People)</p> <p>Section 2 (Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2B (Summary of Issues Identified by Indigenous Groups)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As a foundational principle, NexGen acknowledges and values the community interests and aspirations of those potentially affected by the Project. NexGen fosters trusting relationships that facilitate collaboration and optimize benefits to Indigenous Groups and Project stakeholders by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ respecting the diverse cultures and perspectives of those with whom the Project interacts; ○ proactively and transparently engaging with Project-affected communities; ○ enhancing workers' awareness of the history, traditions, and rights of Indigenous Peoples; ○ supporting the economic participation of local communities; ○ seeking to provide opportunities resulting from Project benefits to local communities, especially opportunities with the ability to last beyond the Project lifespan; and ○ providing clear and timely information to those who have a direct interest in the Project. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements that include the establishment of an Implementation Committee and any necessary subcommittees to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan. Engagement programs have been and will continue to evolve in collaboration with Indigenous Groups and consider engagement approaches and protocols already developed by the communities. ▪ Engagement will continue to be tailored to the unique needs of each Indigenous Group, which includes regular evaluation to verify that the engagement program is meeting their needs.

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CRDN-003	Cumulative Effects	Concern about cumulative effects, especially with two proposed uranium mines in close proximity to Patterson Lake. Desire to understand the methods used for cumulative effects assessments and if the predicted results can be trusted.	<p>The EIS explains the methodology of how potential cumulative effects of the Project; previous, existing, and approved projects; and RFDs were assessed.</p> <p>The potential cumulative effects of the Project and RFDs were considered throughout the EIS. Individual disciplines (Sections 7, 9 to 11, and 13 to 19) further describe the assessment of potential cumulative effects specific to each discipline. These sections also describe the uncertainties associated with the assessment of cumulative effects, where appropriate.</p> <p>The RFD Case assessed the residual effects from the Project plus the effects from other previous, existing, approved, and future projects and activities. The rationale for completing or not completing an RFD Case is provided in each discipline section. In slight contrast to the effects analyses for the Base and Application cases, which are largely quantitative, the analysis for the RFD Case was quantitative where possible and qualitative where necessary, based on the information available. As a scenario within the RFD Case (where applicable), potential effects from climate change were considered within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.3.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.4.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change])</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water and Sediment Quality): Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.7.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.8.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.9.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.10.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.11.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The RFD Case includes the Base Case, Application Case, and RFDs. This case was used to identify and assess potential cumulative effects on VCs and intermediate components (i.e., relative to existing conditions) derived from the addition of the proposed Project and RFDs. For the purposes of the EA, RFDs are defined as projects and activities that fit any of the first three and both of the last two criteria from the list below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ are currently under regulatory review or have officially entered a formal regulatory application process; ○ have been publicly disclosed by other proponents; ○ may be induced by the Project; ○ have the potential to change the Project or the effects predictions; and ○ occur in the spatial assessment boundary defined by the VCs and intermediate components. ▪ A key criterion for selecting other projects to include in the EA for a discipline is that those projects must cause similar effects on the same VCs or intermediate components influenced by the Project (Hegmann et al. 1999). Accordingly, an RFD Case was not required for all VCs and intermediate components as it depended on whether or not effects from the RFDs would have the potential to overlap with the selected VCs and intermediate components within the spatial and temporal assessment boundaries defined for the Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Fission Patterson Lake South Project (i.e., another proposed uranium mine in close proximity to Patterson Lake) was deemed an RFD based on the criteria listed above.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	CRDN Key Interests and Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
CRDN-004	Project Information	The CRDN expressed a lack of understanding about Project Construction, Operations, and Closure phases. A desire to learn more about the Project as information became available was conveyed.	<p>Through a collaborative process, NexGen and the CRDN determined the appropriate methods for Project engagement, culminating in the Study Agreement signed in 2019. NexGen has been respectful in following the terms of the Study Agreement. For example, the Study Agreement included capacity funding for the CRDN to hire a Community Coordinator, with one of the key purposes of the role to work with NexGen to prepare and coordinate information packages and communications for Project-related engagement activities.</p> <p>Project information was provided during the engagement process and is detailed within the EIS.</p> <p>The EIS describes the Project phases and design components and activities, including the extraction process and the decommissioning and reclamation plans at Project Closure.</p> <p>NexGen is committed to continue meeting with the CRDN to ensure Project information is properly conveyed and understood.</p>	<p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.6.1.1 (Summary of Indigenous Engagement Activities)</p> <p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.4 (Project Components), Section 5.5 (Project Activities)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen and the CRDN collaboratively determined the appropriate methods for engagement, culminating in the Study Agreement signed in 2019. ▪ Through mechanisms such as the JWGs and June 2022 community information sessions, information on the Project was shared with the CRDN members, including discussion of activities conducted through each of the Construction, Operations, and Closure Phases. ▪ Additional communication methods were established based on feedback received from Indigenous Groups, including the CRDN, to promote understanding of the Project through the broader community. These included developing JWG summaries for Indigenous Groups to share with community members, developing and circulating Community Newsletters, and conducting radio announcements providing Project updates. ▪ Establish an Implementation Committee to provide a forum for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and communities. ▪ NexGen will continue to work with the CRDN to implement the best methods to convey Project information to the community and execute these methods accordingly.
CRDN-005	Community Well-Being	Potential for increased social and family issues due to an influx of workers and capital (i.e., gambling, drinking, substance abuse, and family violence).	Amplification of community issues from increased disposable income was considered in the EA through potential changes to societal and cultural well-being and health well-being, which were two of the measurement indicators for the community well-being VC.	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations) Table 19.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-04, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide employment readiness training for employees. ▪ Develop and implement human resource policies (e.g., employee and family assistance program) to assist workers in finding information and referral services for family-related resources, as required. ▪ Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. ▪ Establish an Implementation Committee to provide a forum for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and communities for effective management of Benefit Agreement commitments and for the early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise.
CRDN-006	Human Health	Concern about human health (e.g., cancer) and radiation risks for workers, and how these would be monitored.	<p>Uranium mines and mills are required to satisfy licence and permitting requirements from the CNSC and provincial authorities. For this reason, radiation risks for nuclear energy workers were not assessed within the EIS; rather, these risks are managed through the Radiation Protection Program and Health and Safety Program.</p> <p>The incremental radiation doses to all human receptors during the Project lifespan and the far-future projection were assessed.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.7 (Integrated Management System)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon), Section 15.8 (Monitoring, Follow-up, and Adaptive Management)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The management system approach for the Project would include a Radiation Protection Program to keep worker radiological exposures as low as reasonably achievable. The Radiation Protection Program would include dosimetry and contamination monitoring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Exposures to gamma radiation, long-lived radioactive dust, radon progeny, and radon gas would be routinely monitored for workers designated as nuclear energy workers. ○ Chemical, physical, or biological health and safety hazards encountered by workers during all phases of the Project would be monitored in accordance with established sample collection and analysis methods to quantify exposure and risk to workers and confirm the effectiveness of applicable controls. ▪ In addition, NexGen would implement the Environmental Protection Program, which would describe the processes required to monitor and characterize emissions from Project facilities and activities, monitor and characterize the quality of the environment to assess the effectiveness of mitigations, and to continually improve environmental protection performance throughout all Project phases.
CRDN-007	Access, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Increased development and access will result in increased competition from non-Indigenous recreational hunters and land users.	Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and effects from increased access and competition for resources was considered in the EA.	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations) Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-04, Section 16.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Use existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practiced. ▪ Identify Indigenous land users in Security Program supporting documentation and outline the process to allow continued access to areas of importance. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the province under the Institutional Control Program.

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CRDN-008	Country Foods, Community Well-Being	Concern about ability to harvest country foods and associated implications surrounding food security and community well-being.	<p>Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and changes in abundance and distribution was considered in the EA.</p> <p>The importance of traditional diets and food security for Indigenous Groups is acknowledged as an important component of community well-being. In the EA, country foods was considered in a secondary pathway related to the involvement in Project-related employment potentially reducing opportunities for resource harvesting, which could affect the amount of country foods in a traditional diet.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-03, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. ▪ Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. ▪ Work with local Indigenous Groups and communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
CRDN-009	Human Health, Harvested Resources	Potential for human health risk from consuming harvested resources (i.e., vegetation, animals, and fish) that may be contaminated.	<p>Emission and deposition of fugitive dust, radon, criteria air contaminants, and suspended solids as well as discharge of treated effluent and site runoff were assessed as potential effects that may adversely affect human health receptors through food ingestion.</p> <p>Emissions and effluent discharges will be in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions criteria established by regulators through provincial permitting and federal licensing processes.</p>	<p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, HH-02, HH-03, HH-04, Section 15.5.1.1 (Non-carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. ▪ Primarily use liquid natural gas for power generation, which generates lower emissions per unit of energy produced than diesel, for on-site power generation. ▪ Install and operate an ETP and a STP to reduce release of COPCs (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment and discharge treated effluent and treated sewage to Patterson Lake. ▪ Monitor treated effluent and treated sewage flow and quality. ▪ Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. ▪ Collect and monitor contact water to determine whether treatment is required prior to release to the environment. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). ▪ Implement a Project-specific Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a) that includes monitoring the quality of treated effluent prior to release to the environment. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring and adaptive management based on ambient air quality standards, and water quality monitoring and adaptive management if necessary.
CRDN-010	Noise, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Potential for loss of aesthetic appreciation due to noise disturbance.	<p>Key Project aspects such as an underground mining method and underground disposal of tailings reduce the amount of required infrastructure and equipment on surface. The reduced surface infrastructure results in a smaller footprint, and subsequently, smaller-sized surface equipment is required. These elements contribute to lower potential for the creation of noise disturbance.</p> <p>Changes to the quality of the Indigenous land use experience related to sensory disturbance was considered in the EA and was a measurement indicator for Indigenous land and resource use.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-03, Section 16.5.1.3.1 (Noise)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement procedures to reduce noise levels such as: enclosing or dampening equipment in process buildings where the total sound power level is expected to be more than approximately 80 A-weighted decibels, where feasible; and using noise suppression (i.e., mufflers) on vehicles and inspect regularly to make sure noise suppression systems are functioning properly. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements. ▪ Implement an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program that includes both engaging Indigenous land users to share Project information and address any issues as they arise and sharing environmental monitoring results with local communities. The program would include a Project feedback and grievance mechanism to record and action issues identified.

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CRDN-011	Surface Water, Fishing	Concern about Project effects on waterbodies affecting the ability to harvest fish, including commercial harvests.	<p>Changes to access and the area available for land and resource use were assessed in the EA and changes to the availability and quality of fish for harvesting were assessed in the pathway analyses. Both the access and the area available for land and resource use and availability of fish and wildlife for harvesting were measurement indicators in the assessment of Indigenous land and resource use and other land and resource use.</p> <p>NexGen is committed to maintaining diverse, open, and transparent two-way communication channels that build trust and confidence of local Indigenous Groups and the public; and monitoring and assessing against indicators and targets based on science and Indigenous and Local knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, ILU-02, Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Land and Resource Use), Section 16.5.1.2.1 (Fishing)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 17.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 17.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Other Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID OLU-01, OLU-03, Section 17.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 17.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement mitigations that avoid and limit effects on fish, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Install and operate an ETP and a STP to reduce release of COPCs (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment and discharge treated effluent and treated sewage to Patterson Lake. ○ To the extent practical, construct work areas to avoid critical or sensitive habitat (e.g., riparian zones) following best practices and regulatory requirements. ○ Install appropriate erosion and sediment control measures, as required. Regularly inspect erosion and sediment control measures to confirm they are functioning as planned, and perform any required maintenance, as needed. ○ Establish appropriate site drainage. ○ Apply DFO's <i>Measures to Avoid Causing Harm to Fish and Fish Habitat</i> (DFO 2019b) to minimize potential adverse effects on aquatic resources. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a). ▪ Implement a Project-specific Groundwater Protection and Monitoring Plan^(a). ▪ Implement Indigenous and Public Engagement Program to share information on Project plans and activities. The program would include a Project feedback and grievance mechanism to record and action issues identified. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise.
CRDN-012	Navigability	Project effects limiting the ability to travel along the waterways within the CRDN traditional territory.	For the EA, the changes in access to and areas available for Indigenous land and resource use was a measurement indicator and was assessed, including consideration for potential changes in access to waterways or surface water elevations because of the Project.	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ N/A
CRDN-013	Water Quality	Potential for Project effects on water quality in the region, especially Patterson Lake and the Clearwater River.	Several effects pathways assessed Project components/activities effects on local and regional waterbodies and watercourses. Primary effects pathways that were assessed included deposition of fugitive dust emissions on waterbodies, deposition of criteria air contaminant emissions on waterbodies, discharge of treated effluent, discharge of treated sewage, seepage from the waste rock storage areas during construction and Operations, and runoff and seepage from the waste rock storage areas and underground tailings management facility following Closure. In addition, a number of secondary pathways were considered in the EA.	<p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-04, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-08, SWQ-09, SWQ-10, Section 10.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. ▪ Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. ▪ Treat sewage to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. ▪ Monitor treated sewage flow and quality. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). ▪ Implement Project-specific monitoring programs (e.g., Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a), Environmental Monitoring Plan) that include ambient air monitoring, surface water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and adaptive management, if necessary. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Groundwater Protection and Monitoring Plan^(a). ▪ Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan and site water management procedures.

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CRDN-014	Water	Concern regarding the capture, management, and treatment of water, including high-water events.	<p>Through the Project design phases, NexGen has consolidated the surface infrastructure layout (i.e., buildings clustered together) to minimize the footprint, and subsequently, the volume of contact water requiring capture and/or treatment.</p> <p>The EIS describes the infrastructure, management, and treatment of water and effluent. The potential risks to the Project associated with major precipitation events were also assessed and determined that all scenarios had a low risk level.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.4.5 Site Water Management</p> <p>Section 22 (Effects of the Environment): Section 22.6.3 Major Precipitation Events</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Reduce fresh water consumption to minimize fresh surface water usage and withdrawals. ▪ Divert non-contact water to the extent practicable and allow for discharge directly to the receiving environment. Manage non-contact water that cannot be diverted away as contact water. ▪ Collect, capture, and contain contact water. Reuse contact water where possible. Treat and manage water quality relative to environmental release targets as required before release to the environment. ▪ To maintain channel integrity, both diversion ditches and collection ditches would be provided with erosion control measures reflective of ditch slopes and flows rates, where required. ▪ The Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would include processes for responding to and mitigating the effects of major precipitation events as required. In addition, site water management processes would be developed and implemented that include direction for monitoring effectiveness of site water management infrastructure. ▪ During Construction and Operations, a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan would be developed and periodically updated to reflect changing site-specific conditions and effects of major precipitation events on engineered cover systems for the potentially acid generating and non-potentially acid generating waste rock storage areas, as required.
CRDN-015	Safety, Tailings	Concern regarding the safety of storing tailings in the UGTMF.	<p>NexGen is dedicated to minimizing potential effects on the environment throughout all phases of the Project through incorporating proven best practices and designs around mine planning and tailings management.</p> <p>The safety of mine tailings storage on people and the environment was considered and assessed in the EIS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ potential for seepage from the UGTMF after Closure; ▪ potential for the Project to cause adverse effects on human health from various Project sources, including the UGTMF; ▪ potential accident and malfunction scenarios that could affect the UGTMF; and ▪ potential effects of a seismic event on the Project, including the UGTMF. 	<p>Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 8.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Groundwater Quantity and Quality), Pathway ID HG-04, Section 8.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 8.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 10 (Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-06, Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5.2 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-11, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-14, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-06, Section 15.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 15.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The design of the tailings transfer system would be completed in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.2 – 2020, Process Piping code. American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.3 is a mechanical code that deals mostly with mechanical safety to prevent sudden release of energy (e.g., pipe bursts). ▪ An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project and would include mitigation and emergency response measures related to the potential for a leak or spill associated with the tailings transfer pipe. ▪ Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. ▪ Apply binder to reduce permeability in backfill and tailings. ▪ Engineer the tailings geochemistry to control source concentrations. ▪ Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.

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				Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Section 21.6.6 (Bounding Scenario 4) Section 22 (Effects of the Environment): Section 22.6.7 (Seismic Events)	
CRDN-016	Wildlife	Potential for Project effects on moose (<i>Alces alces</i>) populations and moose habitat.	The assessment of potential Project effects on moose included the measurement indicators of habitat availability, habitat distribution, and survival and reproduction. Primary pathways assessed included habitat loss, habitat alteration, and sensory disturbance. A number of no pathways and secondary pathways were also assessed in the EA.	Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-01, W-02, W-03, W-04, W-05, W-06, W-07, W-08, W-09, W-10, W-11, W-12, W-13, W-14, W-15, W-16, W-18, W-19, W-20, W-21, W-22, W-23, W-24, W-25, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathway), Section 14.5.2.1 (Application Case)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing the use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including the existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement an Environmental Protection Program that includes no harassing, feeding, or approaching wildlife. ▪ Establish an Implementation Committee that will discuss the appropriate level of opportunity for the workforce to conduct land and resource use activities while on shift. ▪ Minimize areas of vegetation clearing and soil disturbance. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned.
CRDN-017	Access, Knowledge Transmission	Concern regarding limitation of access to land, including the effect that this may have on transferring traditional knowledge to younger generations.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practiced. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.

a) The name of this specific Project document has evolved since the development of this table; however, the function of, and processes considered in, this document are still covered within documents forming part of the Integrated Management System developed for the Project. The original document name has been retained for consistency with the table provided to the CRDN.

CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; CRDN = Clearwater River Dene Nation; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = environmental assessment; JWG = Joint Working Group; UGTMF = underground tailings management facility; VC = valued component; RFD = reasonably foreseeable development; LPA = local priority area; ETP = effluent treatment plant; STP = sewage treatment plant; COPC = constituent of potential concern; N/A = not applicable.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	MN-S Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
MN-S-001	Access; Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern that industrial activities may threaten freedoms, access to land, use of land, and ability to transmit traditional knowledge to younger generations	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints) Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Implement a chance find procedure during land clearing activities. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
MN-S-002	Vegetation; Wildlife	Potential effects of dust on vegetation and wildlife.	<p>Fugitive dust was assessed as potential effects may adversely change soil quality and affect the availability, distribution, and condition of vegetation.</p> <p>Sensory disturbance (e.g., dust) can alter wildlife movement and behaviour and adversely affect wildlife habitat availability and wildlife abundance and distribution.</p> <p>Fugitive dust emissions and associated constituents may cause changes in air, soil, and water quality, which can adversely affect wildlife health, survival, and reproduction through inhalation and ingestion of soil/water and food sources.</p>	<p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigation), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-04, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-03, W-10, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 14.5.1.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.2.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.3.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.4.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.5.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.6.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.7.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.8.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.9.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.10.1 (Application Case), Section 14.5.11.1 (Application Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Establish and enforce speed limits on site and access roads to reduce dust production. ▪ Limit vehicle speed on unpaved site roads to reduce fugitive dust during Construction and Operations. ▪ Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. ▪ Limit total suspended particulate emissions during Construction by enforcing a 25 km/h speed limit for heavy equipment involved in material movement and earthworks on the mine / mill terrace. This speed limit does not apply to site road traffic or the haul route from the headworks to the waste rock piles. ▪ Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes soil quality and ambient air monitoring. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	MN-S Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
MN-S-003	Cumulative Effects	Potential for cumulative effects from industrial projects (e.g., Fort McMurray area effects combined with Project effects).	<p>The EIS explains the methodology of how potential cumulative effects of the Project; previous, existing, and approved projects; and RFDs were assessed.</p> <p>The potential cumulative effects of the Project and RFDs were considered throughout the EIS. Individual disciplines (Sections 7, 9 to 11, and 13 to 19) further describe the assessment of potential cumulative effects specific to each discipline. These sections also describe the uncertainties associated with the assessment of cumulative effects, where appropriate.</p> <p>The RFD Case assessed the residual effects from the Project plus the effects from other previous, existing, approved, and future projects and activities. The rationale for completing or not completing an RFD Case is provided in each discipline section. In slight contrast to the effects analyses for the Base and Application cases, which are largely quantitative, the analysis for the RFD Case was quantitative where possible and qualitative where necessary, based on the information available. As a scenario within the RFD Case (where applicable), potential effects from climate change were considered within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.3.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.4.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change])</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water and Sediment Quality): Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.7.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.8.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.9.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.10.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.11.2, (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The RFD Case includes the Base Case, Application Case, and RFDs. This case was used to identify and assess potential cumulative effects on VCs and intermediate components (i.e., relative to existing conditions) derived from the addition of the proposed Project and RFDs. For the purposes of the EA, RFDs are defined as projects and activities that fit any of the first three and both of the last two criteria from the list below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ are currently under regulatory review or have officially entered a formal regulatory application process; ○ have been publicly disclosed by other proponents; ○ may be induced by the Project; ○ have the potential to change the Project or the effects predictions; and ○ occur in the spatial assessment boundary defined by the VCs and intermediate components. ▪ A key criterion for selecting other projects to include in the EA for a discipline is that those projects must cause similar effects on the same VCs or intermediate components influenced by the Project (Hegmann et al. 1999). Accordingly, an RFD Case was not required for all VCs and intermediate components as it depended on whether or not effects from the RFDs would have the potential to overlap with the selected VCs and intermediate components within the spatial and temporal assessment boundaries defined for the Project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Fission Patterson Lake South Project (i.e., another proposed uranium mine in close proximity to Patterson lake) was deemed an RFD based on the criteria listed above. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project.

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MN-S-004	Engagement	Lack of engagement to date with cabin owners and trappers in the areas around Patterson Lake.	<p>Engagement activities began prior to commencement of the EA process in 2019 and have continued to the present; engagement will continue through all phases of the Project.</p> <p>A variety of engagement methods and activities have been implemented to monitor and validate NexGen's approach, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups.</p> <p>The N-19 fur block overlaps the Project footprint and surrounding area. NexGen conducted a workshop on 9 July 2021 with members of the N-19 Trappers Association in La Loche. A second meeting was held on 28 February 2022.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.1.6 (Working with People)</p> <p>Section 2 (Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.5.4 (Public Engagement Methods), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2B (Summary of Issues Identified by Indigenous Groups), Appendix 2D (Summary of Public Engagement Activities)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The foundation for the Indigenous engagement program is built on knowledge of community values, a commitment to high standards, and an understanding of lessons learned from other existing uranium operations in northern Saskatchewan. A variety of engagement methods and activities have been and will continue to be implemented to monitor and validate NexGen's approach to Project development, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups. ▪ Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan. Engagement programs have been and will continue to evolve in collaboration with Indigenous Groups and consider engagement approaches and protocols already developed by the communities. Engagement will continue to be tailored to the unique needs of each Indigenous Group, which includes regular evaluation to verify that the engagement program is meeting their needs. ▪ Engagement to date has also included establishing relationships and meeting with representatives of the N-19 Trappers Association. Continued engagement with N-19 trappers would continue through the implementation of an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program to share information on Project plans and activities. ▪ Implement an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program that includes, among other activities, sharing monitoring results with local communities, engagement of trappers and Indigenous land users to share Project information and address any issues as they arise, and sharing of environmental monitoring results with local communities. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
MN-S-005	Engagement	Concern about not understanding the provided information and ability to provide meaningful feedback. Flexible scheduling would allow subject matter experts to attend meetings.	<p>As part of the Study Agreements signed with the MN-S, NexGen committed to providing capacity funding for the JWG engagement, the retention of technical support by the MN-S, and the completion of a self-directed IKTLU Study.</p> <p>The COVID-19 pandemic limited travel for all parties. In lieu of the ability to meet regularly in person, video conference calls with Indigenous Groups were conducted regularly.</p> <p>NexGen's engagement activities have continually evolved to promote the opportunity for effective information exchange and dialogue. This approach to engagement has been consistent since NexGen was formed and will remain a priority for the company throughout all phases of the Project.</p> <p>The engagement methods and activities developed for the Project include a built-in degree of flexibility in recognition of the differences between each of the Indigenous Groups. For example, JWG meeting summaries were created, in part, to provide information for Indigenous Groups who elected not to attend certain JWG meetings.</p>	<p>Section 2 (Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.5.6 (Engagement Challenges), Section 2.6.1.1 (Summary of Indigenous Engagement Activities), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2F (Public Engagement Materials)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consistent with NexGen's life cycle approach to engagement, ongoing planning and design will continue to consider feedback received through Project engagement activities. ▪ An objective of NexGen's Engagement Framework is to present opportunities for Indigenous Groups to provide comments and feedback. ▪ NexGen is committed to incorporating engagement feedback throughout the Project lifespan. This approach has been consistent through early engagement activities, has continued during the EA process, and will continue as more opportunities to share knowledge become available. ▪ NexGen's engagement program has and will continue to evolve through the lifespan of the Project, with specific engagement methods adapted to meet the changing needs of the Indigenous Groups. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise; and ○ the establishment of an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project.

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MN-S-006	Engagement	Ability to communicate Project information with broader community members.	<p>The engagement between NexGen and the MN-S, including multiple approaches used to convey information with the MN-S community members, was summarized in the EIS. Individualized Indigenous Group engagement for the MN-S is discussed. The EIS discusses how COVID-19 influenced the engagement program and discusses planned engagement activities with communities throughout the life of the Project.</p> <p>NexGen has honoured the MN-S request to conduct Project engagement through the MN-S while respectfully exploring means to keep the MN-S NR2 Locals and citizens informed, particularly of business, employment, and educational opportunities, as these were identified by the MN-S NR2 representatives as important.</p> <p>NexGen is committed to working with the MN-S and the MN-S NR2 representatives to verify that engagement information is reaching the MN-S NR2 citizens in the LPA and will continue to work on ways to assist the MN-S with Project engagement.</p> <p>Public materials created to assist Indigenous Groups with broader community engagement (e.g., JWG summaries) are discussed within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 2 (Engagement): Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.5.6 (Engagement Challenges), Section 2.6.1.1 (Summary of Indigenous Engagement Activities), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2F (Public Engagement Materials)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan. Engagement programs have been and will continue to evolve in collaboration with Indigenous Groups and consider engagement approaches and protocols already developed by the communities. Engagement will continue to be tailored to the unique needs of each Indigenous Group, which includes regular evaluation to verify that the engagement program is meeting their needs. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise; and ○ the establishment of an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project.
MN-S-007	Community Well-Being	Potential negative effects of increased incomes and employment schedules (i.e., shift work) on community well-being (e.g., family dynamics and mental health).	<p>Amplification of community issues from increased disposable income was considered in the EA through potential changes to societal and cultural well-being and health well-being, which were two of the measurement indicators for the community well-being VC.</p> <p>The effect of time spent of workers away from their communities and families participating in the worker rotation system was considered in the assessment through changes to social adaptability.</p>	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints) Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-02, CWB-04, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways), Section 19.4.4 (Primary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Provide employment readiness training for employees. ▪ Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. ▪ Develop and implement human resource policies (e.g., employee and family assistance program) to assist workers in finding information and referral services for family-related resources, as required. ▪ Establish an Implementation Committee to provide a forum for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and communities for effective management of Benefit Agreement commitments and the early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to address both recruitment and retention barriers. ▪ Provide dedicated space for Elders to be available to support employees to assist with employee retention. ▪ Implement an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program to effectively engage with communities on Project activities, effects, mitigation, and monitoring to keep people informed and provide opportunities to provide feedback for continual improvement through a grievance mechanism. ▪ Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements, including funding and human resources to support initiatives related, but not limited, to culture, traditional values, employment, training, and economic development.
MN-S-008	Education and Training	Developing education, training, and business opportunities for community members to facilitate employment at the Project.	<p>Maximizing value in a way that makes a lasting, positive impact environmentally, socially, and economically is fundamental to NexGen's approach. NexGen will continue to prioritize training, employment, and business opportunities for the local communities closest to the Project.</p> <p>Employment, income, and training opportunities was assessed as an effects pathway for the economy VC.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.2.1 (Purpose of the Rook I Project and Justification)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 18.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Economy), Pathway ID E-01, Section 18.4.1 (Beneficial Pathways), Section 18.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement a tailored local workforce recruitment strategy to confirm that the LPA residents are fully aware of and understand access to Project employment opportunities. ▪ Work with relevant training institutions to facilitate delivery of certified and accredited training and recruitment programs for construction and mining-related skills targeted at employment opportunities for the LPA residents and continue to provide scholarship and summer student opportunities. ▪ Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to address both recruitment and retention barriers. ▪ Use best efforts to provide qualified local residents with a first preference for employment and training opportunities. ▪ Establish a mentoring program to support long-term participation of the LPA residents in the Project workforce. ▪ Prioritize advancement of qualified local residents into increasingly senior positions. ▪ Set a long-term aspirational target of 75% of the Project's workforce being composed of the LPA residents. ▪ Design procurement practices to increase involvement of local businesses within the LSA and RSA including providing information to communities on the size and timing of contracting opportunities.

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maintain ongoing communication with employees and contractors about future workforce and contracting needs and the schedule for Closure. ▪ Implement a workforce transition plan to address reduction in employment and training opportunities during Closure. ▪ Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements related to employment and training.
MN-S-009	Accidents, Traffic	Potential for accidents and spillage of materials due to increased traffic from the Project.	The potential for accidental spills (i.e., uranium concentrate/radioactivity and chemical spills) into the environment (i.e., to air, land, or water) due to traffic accidents were assessed in the EIS.	<p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Section 21.6.3 (Bounding Scenario 1 (Traffic Accident [Uranium Concentrate and Radioactivity])), Section 21.6.4 (Bounding Scenario 2 (Traffic Accident [Chemical]))</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Upgrades to the existing access road from Highway 955 are planned to improve the safety of the road and limit the potential for accidents occurring during the Project lifespan. ▪ The current bridge design and capacity (5.7 m deck width, weight limit of 50 t) is suitable for use by most heavy equipment and traffic, including trucks transporting the uranium concentrate. The bridge is fitted with metal guards approximately 0.15 m high to guard the driver across the deck. ▪ Use of the existing access road alignment would limit the potential for interaction between spills and the surface water environment. The existing road alignment minimizes the number of water features crossed and is set back from waterbodies and watercourses. ▪ Speed limits would be in place for the access road and Clearwater River Bridge crossing to reduce the potential for speed to contribute to or worsen the outcome of a potential accident scenario. ▪ Potentially unsafe road conditions that could contribute to a traffic accident scenario (e.g., icy road conditions) would be addressed as quickly as possible (e.g., through snow removal, sanding), and if necessary, a no-travel order would be issued. ▪ Relevant staff or contractors would receive training on how to drive safely on site and on the access road, on defensive driving techniques, and on how to respond to emergency situations, such as an accident or spill. ▪ Any spill, release, or emergency that may harm the environment or pose a risk to public health or safety would be reported immediately and managed and remediated in accordance with Saskatchewan's <i>Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and <i>The Saskatchewan Environmental Code</i> (Government of Saskatchewan 2014b). ▪ The clean-up, treatment, and disposal of contaminated material, including affected soils and sediment associated with a potential spill, would be handled by a certified specialized subcontractor. The spill would be cleaned up immediately and access to the affected area would be restricted, and fenced off if feasible, to limit access to the area by people and wildlife. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements. ▪ An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project.
MN-S-010	Long-term effects	Potential for Project effects that may persist through time and across the region.	<p>Duration of effects occurring beyond Closure was assessed in the EIS as the far-future scenario. The far-future scenario is applicable for groundwater and surface water quality intermediate components and to the fish and fish habitat and human health VCs.</p> <p>In addition to the far-future scenario, effects on terrain and soils and vegetation associated with permanent features (e.g., waste rock storage areas) are also predicted to be permanent.</p> <p>Environmental assessment predictions about future conditions have a level of uncertainty that cannot be reduced to zero; therefore, monitoring and follow-up programs are implemented to verify predicted effects, evaluate the effectiveness of mitigation, and to measure compliance with permit conditions and statutory requirements.</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.4.2. (Temporal Boundaries)</p> <p>Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water and Sediment Quality): Section 10.5.1.2 (Regional Surface Water Quality Model), Section 10.5.3.2 (Far-Future Projection)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.1 (Approach), Section 11.5.2 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 12 (Terrain and Soils): Section 12.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.1 (Application Case), Section 13.5.2.1 (Application Case), Section 13.5.3.1 (Application Case),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. ▪ Include engineered source control layering in the potentially acid generating waste rock storage area. ▪ Install engineered cover system on potentially acid generating and non-potentially acid generating waste rock storages area during reclamation. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together); ○ optimizing the use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ maximizing water diversion away from site facilities through design and the establishment of berms and grading. ▪ Implement the following monitoring measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ environmental assessment follow-up monitoring, including regulatory compliance monitoring and follow-up monitoring; ○ independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment; and ○ NexGen's adaptive management process (as described in the Integrated Management System Manual).

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				<p>Section 13.5.4.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs): Section 23.5 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management), Appendix 23A (Summary of Project Environmental Design Features and Mitigation Measures), Appendix 23B (Environmental Assessment Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs Proposed for the Project)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements, including funding and human resources to support initiatives related, but not limited, to culture, traditional values, employment, training, and economic development. Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project.
MN-S-011	Monitoring, Engagement	Lack of confidence in environmental monitoring data accuracy. The importance of communication of results was conveyed.	<p>NexGen's values and internal policies such as the Code of Ethics support a transparent, honest, and respectful approach to dialogue and communication with local Indigenous Groups.</p> <p>Environmental monitoring programs were proposed for each discipline throughout the EIS, and the approach for adaptive management and for communicating results were outlined.</p> <p>In addition to regulatory compliance monitoring and follow-up monitoring, NexGen will have independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.1.2 (NexGen Vision, Values, and Approach)</p> <p>Section 2 (Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2B (Summary of Issues Identified by Indigenous Groups)</p> <p>Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs): Section 23.5 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management), Appendix 23A (Summary of Project Environmental Design Features and Mitigation Measures), Appendix 23B (Environmental Assessment Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs Proposed for the Project)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The foundation for the Indigenous engagement program is built on knowledge of community values, a commitment to high standards, and an understanding of lessons learned from other existing uranium operations in northern Saskatchewan. A variety of engagement methods and activities have been implemented to monitor and validate NexGen's approach, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups. Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan. Engagement programs have been and will continue to evolve in collaboration with Indigenous Groups and consider engagement approaches and protocols already developed by the communities. Engagement will continue to be tailored to the unique needs of each Indigenous Group, which includes regular evaluation to verify that the engagement program is meeting their needs. Implement the following monitoring measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> environmental assessment follow-up monitoring, including regulatory compliance monitoring and follow-up monitoring; independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment; and NexGen's adaptive management process (as described in the Integrated Management System Manual). Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
MN-S-012	Community Well-Being	Potential for increased social, family issues due to an influx of workers/capital (i.e., gambling, drinking, substance abuse, and family violence).	Amplification of community issues from increased disposable income was considered in the EA through potential changes to societal and cultural well-being and health well-being, which were two of the measurement indicators for the community well-being VC.	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations) Table 19.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-04, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide employment readiness training for employees. Develop and implement human resource policies (e.g., employee and family assistance program) to assist workers in finding information and referral services for family-related resources, as required. Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements, including funding and human resources to support initiatives related, but not limited, to culture, traditional values, employment, training, and economic development.
MN-S-013	Community Well-Being	Concern about potential effects on community well-being due to market conditions resulting in Project shutdown.	Potential decline in contracting, employment, and income opportunities resulting in adverse effects on quality of life was assessed in the EIS as an effects pathway.	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Table 19.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-06 Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement a workforce transition plan to address reduction in employment and training opportunities during Closure. Work with local communities to maintain a local business registry. Maintain ongoing communication with employees and contractors about future workforce and contracting needs and the schedule for Decommissioning and Reclamation (i.e., Closure). Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements, including funding and human resources to support initiatives related, but not limited, to culture, traditional values, employment, training, and economic development.
MN-S-014	Human Health, Fish	Safety of consuming fish from Patterson Lake.	Emission and deposition of fugitive dust, radon, criteria air contaminants, and suspended solids as well as discharge of treated effluent and site runoff were assessed as potential	<p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, HH-02, HH-03, HH-04,</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use.

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			effects that may adversely affect human health receptors through food ingestion.	Section 15.5.1.1 (Non-carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily use liquid natural gas for power generation, which generates lower emissions per unit of energy produced than diesel, for on-site power generation. Install and operate an effluent treatment plant and a sewage treatment plant to reduce release of constituents of potential concern (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment and discharge treated effluent and treated sewage to Patterson Lake. Monitor treated effluent and treated sewage flow and quality. Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Collect and monitor contact water to determine whether treatment is required prior to release to the environment. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). Implement a Project-specific Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a) that includes monitoring the quality of treated effluent prior to release to the environment. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring and adaptive management based on ambient air quality standards, and water quality monitoring and adaptive management if necessary. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
MN-S-015	Monitoring, Human Health	Monitoring of radiation exposure and cancer rates for workers and community members.	<p>Uranium mines and mills are required to satisfy licence and permitting requirements from the CNSC and provincial authorities. Radiation risks for nuclear energy workers were not assessed within the EIS as their health is managed through the Radiation Protection Program and Health and Safety Program.</p> <p>The incremental radiation doses to all human receptors during the Project lifespan and the far-future projection were assessed.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.7 (Integrated Management System)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon), Section 15.8 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The management system approach for the Project would include a Radiation Protection Program to keep worker radiological exposures as low as reasonably achievable. The Radiation Protection Program would include dosimetry and contamination monitoring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposures to gamma radiation, long-lived radioactive dust, radon progeny, and radon gas would be routinely monitored for workers designated as nuclear energy workers. Chemical, physical, or biological health and safety hazards encountered by workers during all phases of the Project would be monitored in accordance with established sample collection and analysis methods to quantify exposure and risk to workers and confirm the effectiveness of applicable controls. In addition, NexGen would implement the Environmental Protection Program, which would describe the processes required to monitor and characterize emissions from Project facilities and activities, monitor and characterize the quality of the environment to assess the effectiveness of mitigations, and to continually improve environmental protection performance throughout all Project phases. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project.
MN-S-016	Country Foods, Community Well-Being, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern regarding effects on the ability to harvest country foods and implications surrounding food security and community well-being.	<p>Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and changes in abundance and distribution was considered in the EA.</p> <p>The importance of traditional diets and food security for Indigenous Groups is acknowledged as an important component of community well-being. In the EA, country foods was considered in a secondary pathway related to the involvement in Project-related employment potentially reducing opportunities for resource harvesting, which could affect the amount of country foods in a traditional diet.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-03, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; storing tailings underground; and designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. Work with local Indigenous Groups and communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities. Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.

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MN-S-017	Employment	The importance of prioritization of local community members for business and employment opportunities was conveyed.	<p>Maximizing value to all stakeholders in a way that makes a lasting, positive impact environmentally, socially, and economically is fundamental to NexGen's approach. NexGen will continue to prioritize training, employment, and business opportunities for the local communities closest to the Project.</p> <p>Employment, income, and training opportunities was assessed in the EIS as an effects pathway for the economy VC.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.2.1 (Purpose of the Rook I Project and Justification)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 18.4-1 (Effects Pathways for Economy), Pathway ID E-01, Section 18.4.1 (Beneficial Pathways), Section 18.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement a tailored local workforce recruitment strategy to confirm that the LPA residents are fully aware of and understand access to Project employment opportunities. Work with relevant training institutions to facilitate delivery of certified and accredited training and recruitment programs for construction and mining-related skills targeted at employment opportunities for the LPA residents and continue to provide scholarship and summer student opportunities. Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to address both recruitment and retention barriers. Use best efforts to provide qualified local residents with a first preference for employment and training opportunities. Prioritize advancement of qualified local residents into increasingly senior positions. Set a long-term aspirational target of 75% of the Project's workforce being composed of the LPA residents. Maintain ongoing communication with employees and contractors about future workforce and contracting needs and the schedule for Closure. Establish a mentoring program to support long-term participation of the LPA residents in the Project workforce. Implement a workforce transition plan to address reduction in employment and training opportunities during Closure. Design procurement practices to increase involvement of local businesses within the LSA and RSA including providing information to communities on the size and timing of contracting opportunities. Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements related to employment and training.
MN-S-018	Water Quality	Concern about decreased water quality resulting from the Project, especially in Patterson Lake and Clearwater River.	<p>Several effects pathways assessed Project components/activities effects on local and regional waterbodies and watercourses. Primary effects pathways that were assessed included deposition of fugitive dust emissions on waterbodies, deposition of criteria air contaminant emissions on waterbodies, discharge of treated effluent, discharge of treated sewage, seepage from the waste rock storage areas during construction and Operations, and runoff and seepage from the waste rock storage areas and underground tailings management facility following Closure. In addition, a number of secondary pathways were considered in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-04, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-08, SWQ-09, SWQ-10, Section 10.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. Treat sewage to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. Monitor treated sewage flow and quality. Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). Implement Project-specific monitoring programs (e.g., Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a), Environmental Monitoring Plan) that includes ambient air monitoring, surface water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and adaptive management, if necessary. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement Groundwater Protection and Monitoring Plan^(a). Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan and site water management procedures. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
MN-S-019	Indigenous and Local Knowledge	Use of Métis Knowledge in the EA, and concerns about how confidentiality and Métis ownership of the information will be maintained.	<p>Indigenous and Local Knowledge were used throughout the EIS and respected the Study Agreements made with each community regarding appropriate sharing and acknowledgement of ownership.</p> <p>Available sources of Indigenous and Local Knowledge were shared with the EA discipline leads for their review and incorporation into their respective assessments.</p>	<p>Section 3 (Indigenous and Local Knowledge): Section 3.3.2 (Study Agreements), Section 3.6.1 (Guiding Principles), Section 3.6.2 (Approach and Methods)</p>	<p>The following principles have guided the identification of Indigenous Knowledge and the way it would be utilized throughout the Project lifespan (BC EAO 2020; IAAC 2020a,b,c; GNWT n.d.):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish and maintain collaborative relationships: A collaborative approach is required to support the involvement of Indigenous Groups throughout all phases of the Project. Early engagement with Indigenous Groups promotes meaningful and ongoing dialogue and a better understanding of the context of any Indigenous Knowledge that is provided. Only Indigenous Groups and Indigenous Knowledge holders (e.g., Elders) are positioned to share their Indigenous Knowledge. Adhere to community-based protocols: Indigenous Groups will establish acceptable ground rules for engagement regarding the gathering, use, and management of Indigenous Knowledge. Community protocols and procedures should be understood, respected, and followed. Understand and respect the value of Indigenous Knowledge: Indigenous Knowledge and Western science are equally valued as distinct ways of knowing that can both inform the EA. Indigenous Knowledge should be viewed as complementary and influential information alongside Western science and considered throughout all phases of the EA. It should be examined in the same way as other evidence, including by looking at its relevance and keeping it in full context, and be given full and fair consideration of the information provided. Confirm informed consent: Indigenous Knowledge is to be used with appropriate permission and according to the governance, laws, policies, and practices of each Indigenous Group. The collection and use of Indigenous Knowledge requires informed consent from Indigenous Groups and individuals

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					<p>sharing their knowledge and their ongoing, active participation. Formal agreements are put in place to prevent the unauthorized disclosure of Indigenous Knowledge and to confirm consent is explicit and not assumed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Respect local ownership and control: The Indigenous Groups' principles of ownership, control, access, and possession as they relate to Indigenous Knowledge are to be respected. Indigenous Groups retain inherent rights to their Indigenous Knowledge, cultural practices, and traditions, even when this information is being shared. Indigenous Knowledge is under the authority and control of each Indigenous Group, and each community makes decisions on who can use it and how it can be used. Protect sensitive Indigenous Knowledge: Indigenous Groups will determine whether to share their Indigenous Knowledge and what aspects of that knowledge they wish to share in confidence. Privileged and/or confidential information is to be protected, and there must be a clear understanding and agreement on its storage, use, and release.
MN-S-020	Air Quality, Surface Water Quality	Potential for pollution to be generated by the Project.	<p>The potential effects of the Project on air quality were assessed. Ambient air concentrations of selected air contaminants to be emitted from the Project were included as measurement indicators.</p> <p>The potential effects of the Project on surface water quality in Patterson Lake and downstream waterbodies and watercourses were assessed. The concentrations of water quality constituents were included as measurement indicators and included in the residual effects assessment.</p> <p>Where changes to air quality and water quality could affect other VCs and intermediate components, the results of Air Quality and Surface Water Quality were incorporated into these other discipline assessments (e.g., vegetation, fish and fish habitat, Indigenous land and resource use).</p>	<p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change): Section 7.2.2.2 (Valued Components, Intermediate Components, and Measurement Indicators), Section 7.2.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 7.2-10 (Potential Effects Pathways for Air Quality), Pathway ID AQ-01, AQ-02, Section 7.2.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-04, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-07, SWQ-08, SWQ-09, SWQ-10, SWQ-11, SWQ-12, Section 10.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 10.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily use liquified natural gas, which generates lower emissions per unit of energy produced than diesel, for on-site power generation. Evaluate opportunities to reduce fuel combustion requirements of infrastructure and equipment, to the extent practical, during detailed design. Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. Recover heat from the liquified natural gas power plant exhaust and use to heat other process and ancillary buildings, to the extent practical. Use pollution control technology on process plant exhaust stacks with preventative maintenance and stack testing, as well as adaptive management, if necessary. Use Tier 4 diesel mobile equipment for underground operations, whenever practical, with applicable mine ventilation airflow rates specified by Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology, when available. Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. Limit idling of vehicles and equipment to the extent practical. Limit vehicle speed on unpaved site roads to reduce fugitive dust during Construction and Operations. Develop a site-specific effluent treatment plant to treat constituents of potential concern to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. Treat sewage to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. Monitor treated sewage flow and quality. Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Install engineered cover system on potentially acid generating and non-potentially acid generating waste rock storage areas. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
MN-S-021	Safety, Tailings	Concern about the safety of tailings stored underground in the UGTMF and the possible effects of the tailings on the health of people living in the regional area.	<p>NexGen is dedicated to minimizing potential effects on the environment throughout all phases of the Project through incorporating proven best practices and designs around mine planning and tailings management.</p> <p>The safety of mine tailings storage on people and the environment was considered and assessed in the EIS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> potential for seepage from the UGTMF after Closure; 	<p>Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 8.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Groundwater Quantity and Quality), Pathway ID HG-04, Section 8.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 8.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 10 (Water Quality and Sediment Quality):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The design of the tailings transfer system would be completed in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.2 - 2020, Process Piping code. American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.3 is a mechanical code that deals mostly with mechanical safety to prevent sudden release of energy (e.g., pipe bursts). An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project and would include mitigation and emergency response measures related to the potential for a leak or spill associated with the tailings transfer pipe. Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Apply binder to reduce permeability in backfill and tailings.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ potential for the Project to cause adverse effects on human health from various Project sources, including the UGTMF; ▪ potential accident and malfunction scenarios that could affect the UGTMF; and ▪ potential effects of a seismic event on the Project, including the UGTMF. 	<p>Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-06, Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5.2 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-11, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-14, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-06, Section 15.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 15.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Section 21.6.6 (Bounding Scenario 4)</p> <p>Section 22 (Effects of the Environment): Section 22.6.7 (Seismic Events)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Engineer the tailings geochemistry to control source concentrations. ▪ Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.

a) The name of this specific Project document has evolved since the development of this table; however, the function of, and processes considered in, this document are still covered within documents forming part of the Integrated Management System developed for the Project. The original document name has been retained for consistency with the table provided to the MN-S and MN-S NR2.

MN-S = Métis Nation – Saskatchewan; NR2 = Northern Region 2; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = Environmental Assessment; JWG = Joint Working Group; UGTMF = underground tailings management facility; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; VC = valued component; RFD = reasonably foreseeable development; LPA = local priority area; LSA = local study area; RSA = regional study area.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	BNDN Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
BNDN-001	Access, Hunting, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern about potential for loss of access to the land on lease areas, especially to Patterson Lake and surrounding areas, including the BNDN members' ability to hunt and travel on land and transfer traditional knowledge to younger generations.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Work with the BNDN throughout the Project lifespan to identify any areas of cultural or environmental importance. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
BNDN-002	Indigenous Land and Resource Use, Air Quality, Water Quality, Wildlife, Environmental Risk Assessment	Potential effects of radon emissions from the Project on food sources, wildlife, and water. Concern was also expressed about how radon emissions will be controlled and monitored.	<p>Uranium mines and mills are required to satisfy licence and permitting requirements from the CNSC and provincial authorities.</p> <p>Protecting the health and safety of workers and the environment is of paramount importance to NexGen. Assessments are used to confirm the Project design basis and inform the controls required to protect workers from radiological hazards and keep radiological exposures as low as reasonably achievable. Dose assessments will be submitted to the CNSC and other regulatory agencies in support of the licence application and other regulatory approvals. The management system approach for the Project would include a Radiation Protection Program, including dosimetry and contamination monitoring.</p> <p>The potential effects of radon gas were considered in the EIS including in the air quality, water quality, terrain and soils, vegetation, wildlife and wildlife habitat, and human health discipline sections.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.7 (Integrated Management System)</p> <p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Appendix 7A (Air Dispersion Modelling Report), Section 7A.2.2.7 (Radon Emission)</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.2.8.2.1 (Surface Water Quality Constituents of Potential Concern)</p> <p>Section 12 (Terrain and Soils): Section 12.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 12.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Terrain and Soils), Pathway ID TS-03, TS-10, Section 12.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 12.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-04, V-12, Section 13.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-21, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. ▪ Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. ▪ Limit vehicle speed on unpaved site roads to reduce fugitive dust during Construction and Operations. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring and adaptive management based on ambient air quality standards. ▪ In addition, NexGen would implement the Environmental Protection Program, which would describe the processes required to monitor and characterize emissions from Project facilities and activities, monitor and characterize the quality of the environment to assess the effectiveness of mitigations, and to continually improve environmental protection performance throughout all Project phases.

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				Section 15.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon), Section 15.8 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)	
BNDN-003	Community Well-Being, Employment, Training	Developing appropriate metrics for measuring and assessing positive Project outcomes for workers when communities have a younger population composition that may be unable to participate in workforce.	<p>Project-related employment and income were used as measurement indicators in the Economy assessment. Enhancing the participation of local Indigenous and non-Indigenous individuals in employment, income, education, and training opportunities was used as an assessment endpoint.</p> <p>Educational well-being and economic well-being were used as measurement indicators in the Community Well-Being assessment.</p> <p>Feedback provided by Indigenous Groups during engagement, including recommendations, were considered in the development of monitoring and follow-up activities. In addition, it is planned that ongoing feedback from Indigenous Groups on the effectiveness of mitigations would be considered when updating monitoring programs and management plans.</p>	<p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.2.1 (Incorporation of Indigenous and Local Knowledge), Section 18.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 18.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Economy), Pathway ID E-01, Section 18.4.1 (Beneficial Pathways), Section 18.4.3 (Secondary Pathways), Section 18.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.8 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement monitoring and follow-up programs to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ monitor progress on achieving employment and contracting targets and identify opportunities to improve employment and contracting outcomes; ○ maintain ongoing communication and dialogue with local communities to identify and resolve issues; ○ evaluate the overall well-being of local communities; and ○ contribute to the overall continual improvement of the Project. ▪ It is anticipated that the Project's Mineral Surface Lease Agreement would include a Human Resources Development Agreement and a rolling Annual Human Resources Development Plan that would require reporting on efforts to meet socio-economic commitments. The mining operations report would include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ total employment and employment of residents of the RSA; ○ employment by sex and Indigenous identity; ○ total wages (i.e., in dollars) and percentage of the total wages for residents of the RSA; ○ external training partnerships and in-house employee development; ○ northern procurement volumes (i.e., in dollars) and percentages of total procurement; and ○ community involvement including school awards, scholarships, outreach, and information sharing with northern residents. ▪ NexGen also committed to establishing an Implementation Committee with each primary Indigenous Group. Each Implementation Committee is expected or expected to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ require an annual written report on all activities identified within the Benefit Agreement; and ○ organize and host an annual community meeting to provide a summary of the activities undertaken to address the commitments in the Benefit Agreements, including a summary of the environmental, cultural, economic, training, employment, and business development initiatives undertaken.
BNDN-004	Engagement	Concern about the potential for exclusion of land users and interested individuals located in communities farther from the Project.	<p>Engagement with local Indigenous Groups is foundational to the responsible development of the Project. NexGen has always valued and respected the culture, interests, and aspirations of the communities where it operates and will continue to do so.</p> <p>Engagement with Indigenous Groups began prior to commencement of the preparation of the EIS and has continued to the present; engagement will continue through all phases of the Project.</p> <p>A variety of engagement methods and activities have been implemented to monitor and validate NexGen's approach, with the goals of achieving the objectives of the engagement program and optimizing Project outcomes for Indigenous Groups.</p> <p>Identification of members of the public and groups for engagement was primarily based on proximity to the Project, potential interaction with the Project (i.e., potential to experience direct or indirect effects), and expressed or potential interest in the Project. Identification was conducted through a combination of NexGen engagement team members' extended history and familiarity with local communities and activities within the region, knowledge and relationships built through early engagement activities, establishment of the LPA,</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.1.6 (Working with People)</p> <p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2B (Summary of Issues Identified by Indigenous Groups)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ As a foundational principle, NexGen acknowledges and values the community interests and aspirations of those potentially affected by the Project. NexGen fosters trusting relationships that facilitate collaboration and optimize benefits to Indigenous Groups and Project stakeholders by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ respecting the diverse cultures and perspectives of those with whom the Project interacts; ○ proactively and transparently engaging with Project-affected communities; ○ enhancing workers' awareness of the history, traditions, and rights of Indigenous Peoples; ○ supporting the economic participation of local communities; ○ seeking to provide opportunities resulting from Project benefits to local communities, especially opportunities with the ability to last beyond the Project lifespan; and ○ providing clear and timely information to those who have a direct interest in the Project. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements that include the establishment of an Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan. Engagement programs have been and will continue to evolve in collaboration with Indigenous Groups and consider engagement approaches and protocols already developed by the communities. Engagement will continue to be tailored to the unique needs of each Indigenous Group, which includes regular evaluation to verify that the engagement program is meeting their needs.

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			introductions or identification by Indigenous Groups and regulators, and expressed interest by the public.		
BNDN-005	Engagement	Time and budget (i.e., capacity) restrictions affecting the BNDN community member participation in community knowledge collection.	<p>As part of the Study Agreements, NexGen committed to providing capacity funding for the primary Indigenous Groups, including the BNDN. Through the Study Agreements, the BNDN formally shared Indigenous Knowledge to inform the EA for the Project.</p> <p>NexGen's engagement activities have continually evolved to promote the opportunity for effective information exchange and dialogue. This approach to engagement has been consistent since NexGen was formed and will remain a priority for the company throughout all phases of the Project. The engagement methods and activities developed for the Project include a built-in degree of flexibility in recognition of the differences between each of the Indigenous Groups.</p>	<p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2.1 (Study Agreements), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2F (Public Engagement Materials)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Each Study Agreement commits NexGen to providing capacity funding for the JWG engagement, the retention of technical support by the Indigenous Group, and the completion of a self-directed IKTLU Study. ▪ The COVID-19 pandemic limited travel for all parties. In lieu of the ability to meet regularly in person, video conference calls were conducted regularly with Indigenous Groups. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
BNDN-006	Cumulative Effects	Concern regarding cumulative effects from multiple industrial projects within the BNDN territory.	<p>The EIS explains the methodology of how potential cumulative effects of the Project; previous, existing, and approved projects; and RFDs were assessed.</p> <p>The potential cumulative effects of the Project and RFDs were considered throughout the EIS. Individual disciplines (Sections 7, 9 to 11, and 13 to 19) further describe the assessment of potential cumulative effects specific to each discipline. These sections also describe the uncertainties associated with the assessment of cumulative effects, where appropriate.</p> <p>The RFD Case assessed the residual effects from the Project plus the effects from other previous, existing, approved, and future projects and activities. The rationale for completing or not completing an RFD Case is provided in each discipline section. In slight contrast to the effects analyses for the Base and Application cases, which are largely quantitative, the analysis for the RFD Case was quantitative where possible and qualitative where necessary, based on the information available. As a scenario within the RFD Case (where applicable), potential effects from climate change were considered within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.3.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.4.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change])</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.7.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.8.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.9.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.10.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.11.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The RFD Case includes the Base Case, Application Case, and RFDs. This case was used to identify and assess potential cumulative effects on VCs and intermediate components (i.e., relative to existing conditions) derived from the addition of the proposed Project and RFDs. For the purposes of the EA, RFDs are defined as projects and activities that fit any of the first three and both of the last two criteria from the list below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ are currently under regulatory review or have officially entered a formal regulatory application process; ○ have been publicly disclosed by other proponents; ○ may be induced by the Project; ○ have the potential to change the Project or the effects predictions; and ○ occur in the spatial assessment boundary defined by the VCs and intermediate components. ▪ A key criterion for selecting other projects to include in the EA for a discipline is that those projects must cause similar effects on the same VCs or intermediate components influenced by the Project (Hegmann et al. 1999). Accordingly, an RFD Case was not required for all VCs and intermediate components as it depended on whether or not effects from the RFDs would have the potential to overlap with the selected VCs and intermediate components within the spatial and temporal assessment boundaries defined for the Project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Fission Patterson Lake South Project (i.e., another proposed uranium mine in close proximity to Patterson lake) was deemed an RFD based on the criteria listed above.

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				<p>Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p>	
BNDN-007	Human Health	Concern about increased potential for human health risks due to effects from the proposed Project and from existing mines/exploration projects within the BNDN territory.	<p>Uranium mines and mills are required to satisfy licence and permitting requirements from the CNSC and provincial authorities. Radiation risks for nuclear energy workers were not assessed within the EIS as their health is managed through the Radiation Protection Program and Health and Safety Program.</p> <p>The incremental radiation doses to all human receptors during the Project lifespan and the far-future projection were assessed.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.7 (Integrated Management System)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01 Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon), Section 15.8 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The management system approach for the Project would include a Radiation Protection Program to keep worker radiological exposures as low as reasonably achievable. The Radiation Protection Program would include dosimetry and contamination monitoring: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Exposures to gamma radiation, long-lived radioactive dust, radon progeny, and radon gas would be routinely monitored for workers designated as nuclear energy workers. ○ Chemical, physical, or biological health and safety hazards encountered by workers during all phases of the Project would be monitored in accordance with established sample collection and analysis methods to quantify exposure and risk to workers and confirm the effectiveness of applicable controls. ▪ In addition, NexGen would implement the Environmental Protection Program, which would describe the processes required to monitor and characterize emissions from Project facilities and activities, monitor and characterize the quality of the environment to assess the effectiveness of mitigations, and to continually improve environmental protection performance throughout all Project phases.
BNDN-008	Employment, Training	Concern about how NexGen will balance business, employment, and training opportunities among communities and Indigenous Groups.	<p>Maximizing value to all stakeholders in a way that makes a lasting, positive impact environmentally, socially, and economically is fundamental to NexGen's approach. NexGen will continue to prioritize training, employment, and business opportunities for the local communities closest to the Project.</p> <p>Employment, income, and training opportunities was assessed as an effects pathway for the economy VC. The Project is expected to provide positive benefits for education, training, and business opportunities.</p> <p>Monitoring is proposed to verify that employment, business, education, and training opportunities are maximized for local communities. It is anticipated that the Project's Mineral Surface Lease Agreement would include a Human Resources Development Agreement and a rolling Annual Human Resources Development Plan that would require reporting on efforts to meet socio-economic commitments.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.2.1 (Purpose of the Rook I Project and Justification for Development)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 18.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Economy), Pathway ID E-01, E-02, Section 18.4.1 (Beneficial Pathways), Section 18.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 18.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement a tailored local workforce recruitment strategy to confirm that the LPA residents are fully aware of and understand access to Project employment opportunities. ▪ Work with relevant training institutions to facilitate delivery of certified and accredited training and recruitment programs for construction and mining-related skills targeted at employment opportunities for LPA residents and continue to provide scholarship and summer student opportunities. ▪ Use best efforts to provide qualified local residents with a first preference for employment and training opportunities. ▪ Establish a mentoring program to support long-term participation of the LPA residents in the Project workforce. ▪ Prioritize advancement of qualified local residents into increasingly senior positions. ▪ Set a long-term aspirational target of 75% of the Project's workforce being composed of the LPA residents. ▪ Maintain ongoing communication with employees and contractors about future workforce and contracting needs and the schedule for Closure. ▪ Develop and maintain a business opportunities workplan that describes the steps NexGen and each primary Indigenous Group would take to achieve the desired outcomes of the respective Benefit Agreement. ▪ Provide advance notice of business opportunities. ▪ Work with local communities to maintain a local business registry. ▪ Pre-qualify each Indigenous business listed in the business registry and provide feedback to any Indigenous business that does not successfully pre-qualify. ▪ Develop and implement a single source process and a preferred competitive bid process to facilitate the success of capable and suitably qualified Indigenous businesses. ▪ Establish a long-term aspirational target of 30% of external spending being awarded to the LPA and regional (i.e., Northern Saskatchewan Administration District) businesses. ▪ Implement provisions of Benefit Agreements related to employment and training.
BNDN-009	Accidents and Spills	Concern about the procedures that would be used in the event	NexGen's management system approach follows a Plan-Do-Check-Act continual improvement cycle. The "Do" component of	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.7 (Integrated Management System)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen's hierarchy of controls was applied in the hazard identification process to prevent, eliminate, and reduce hazards and mitigate the risks associated with the identified hazard scenarios. This

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		of a spill into the environment (air, land, or water).	<p>the management system includes controls to mitigate risk, carry out work safely, and efficiently verify that processes (e.g., procedures) and outcomes conform to requirements.</p> <p>NexGen's objectives for risk management are to reduce all health, safety, and environmental risks to acceptable levels and to keep radiological exposures to workers and the environment as low as reasonably achievable. Risks are assessed for likelihood and consequence and managed through the application of controls. Controls are implemented to mitigate hazards and the associated risks identified through risk assessment processes, and to lower the risks to acceptable levels. The controls applied are specific to the nature and commensurate with the level of the risk. Controls are documented, tracked, and routinely evaluated for effectiveness as outlined in the Integrated Management System Manual.</p> <p>Uranium mines and mills are required to satisfy licence and permitting requirements from the CNSC and provincial authorities, which include the protection of the environment.</p> <p>Potential accident and malfunction scenarios, including transportation risks, are assessed in the EIS. Five of the scenarios were determined to be low risk overall. The acid plant tail gas scrubber failure scenario was assessed to be low to moderate risk. Given that the risk would be managed to be as low as reasonably practicable, this risk was deemed to be tolerable, and no further mitigation was deemed necessary.</p>	<p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.2.3 (Risk Management and Controls), Section 21.6 (Assessment of Accidents and Malfunctions)</p>	<p>hierarchy was applied to the Project design through the integration of engineering solutions that eliminated or substituted the hazard first, before considering the application of other potential controls.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mitigation actions were identified for each hazard scenario and included prevention measures that would minimize the probability of the scenarios occurring, as well as control measures to mitigate the severity from an accident or malfunction or transportation scenario.
BNDN-010	Uranium	Uranium's potential to harm the environment.	<p>The potential interactions between uranium and the environment were considered in pathway analyses or in assessments for multiple environmental disciplines.</p>	<p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change): Section 7.2.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 7.2-10 (Potential Effects Pathways for Air Quality), Pathway ID AQ-01, AQ-02, Section 7.2.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 7.2.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p> <p>Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 8.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Hydrogeology), Pathway ID HG-02, HG-03, HG-04, Section 8.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 8.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-07, SWQ-08, SWQ-09, SWQ-11, SWQ-12, Section 10.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 10.4.2, (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, F-07, F-13, Section 11.4.2 (Secondary Pathways),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Isolate mine workings from groundwater inflows that could occur through high permeability strata (i.e., Cretaceous sandstone) with a hydrostatic liner in the shaft. Design, maintain, and monitor a mine dewatering system to manage the flow of groundwater inflow. Install and operate an effluent treatment plant and a sewage treatment plant to reduce release of constituents of potential concern (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment and discharge treated effluent and treated sewage to Patterson Lake. Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Implement an Environmental Code of Practice that defines actions levels and documents steps to be taken to mitigate elevated concentrations of chemical and radiological constituents in treated effluent discharge to acceptable levels. Implement Project-specific monitoring programs (e.g., Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a), Environmental Monitoring Plan) that includes monitoring treated effluent, surface water quality and sediment quality and applying adaptive management if necessary. Implement a Project-specific Waste Management Program and a Project-specific Conventional Waste Management Plan. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program and a Project-specific Groundwater Protection and Monitoring Plan^(a) that includes monitoring and adaptive management, if necessary.

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				<p>Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p> <p>Section 12 (Terrain and Soils): Section 12.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 12.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Terrain and Soils), TS-03, TS-04, TS-07, Section 12.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-04, V-09, V-10, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-10, W-11, W-12, W-13, W-14, W-20, W-21, W-22, W-23, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, HH-02, HH-03, HH-04, HH-05, HH-06, Section 15.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 15.5 (Risk Assessment)</p>	
BNDN-011	Community Well-Being	Potential that higher incomes resulting from the Project may result in substance abuse issues (e.g., drinking) within the community.	Amplification of community issues from increased disposable income was considered in the EA through potential changes to societal and cultural well-being and health well-being, which were two of the measurement indicators for the community well-being VC.	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations) Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-04, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide employment readiness training for employees. Develop and implement human resource policies (e.g., employee and family assistance program) to assist workers in finding information and referral services for family-related resources, as required. Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. Establish an Implementation Committee to provide a forum for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and communities for effective management of Benefit Agreement commitments and the early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise.
BNDN-012	Wildlife, noise	Concern that wildlife behaviour may be disturbed by traffic.	Sensory disturbances such as noise, light, dust, smell, and traffic were assessed in the EA through changes to wildlife habitat availability and wildlife abundance and distribution.	<p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-03, Section 14.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 14.5.1 (Woodland Caribou), Section 14.5.2 (Moose), Section 14.5.3 (Grey Wolf), Section 14.5.4 (Black Bear), Section 14.5.5 (Beaver), Section 14.5.6 (Little Brown Myotis), Section 14.5.7 (Olive-Sided Flycatcher), Section 14.5.8 (Rusty Blackbird), Section 14.5.9 (Common Goldeneye), Section 14.5.10 (Mallard), Section 14.5.11 (Canadian Toad)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enclose or dampen equipment in process buildings where the total sound power level is expected to be more than approximately 80 A-weighted decibels, where feasible. Use and maintain noise suppression (i.e., mufflers) on vehicles and inspect regularly to make sure they are functioning properly. Where practical, maintain overflight altitudes of greater than 300 m above ground level. Limit idling of vehicles and equipment to the extent practical. Limit light pollution to the extent practical for built infrastructure. Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. Implement an Environmental Protection Program that includes no harassing, feeding, or approaching wildlife. If sensitive species are confirmed in the Project footprint, apply activity restriction guidelines for sensitive species established by the Government of Saskatchewan (ENV 2017) to the Project as required. Work with government and Indigenous communities to develop caribou mitigation and offsetting actions. Implement an Environmental Protection Program with restricted activity periods to limit effects on denning animals and nesting migratory birds during sensitive time periods (e.g., per Nesting Zone

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					<p>B6 [ECCC 2019] guidelines and <i>the Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994</i>). If sensitive periods cannot be avoided, apply pre-clearance surveys and buffers, as required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.
BNDN-013	Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern about increased development and industrial activity leading to increased competition with non-Indigenous recreational land users.	Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and effects from increased access and competition for resources was considered in the EA.	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use):</p> <p>Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints),</p> <p>Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-04,</p> <p>Section 16.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. Use existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing. Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. Identify Indigenous land users in Security Program supporting documentation and outline the process to allow continued access to areas of importance. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.
BNDN-014	Indigenous Land and Resource Use, wildlife, fish	Concern about Project effects on the ability to harvest country foods such as caribou (<i>Rangifer tarandus caribou</i>), moose, deer, fish, birds, and other game within the BNDN territory.	<p>Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and changes in abundance and distribution was considered in the EA.</p> <p>The importance of traditional diets and food security for Indigenous Groups is acknowledged as an important component of community well-being. In the EA, country foods was considered in a secondary pathway related to the involvement in Project-related employment potentially reducing opportunities for resource harvesting, which could affect the amount of country foods in a traditional diet.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use):</p> <p>Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints),</p> <p>Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02,</p> <p>Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways),</p> <p>Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being):</p> <p>Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints),</p> <p>Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-03,</p> <p>Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; storing tailings underground; and designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. Work with local Indigenous Groups and communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities. Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
BNDN-015	Wildlife	Potential effects on species that are trapped by the BNDN members, including marten (<i>Martes americana</i>), lynx (<i>Lynx canadensis</i>), wolf (<i>Canis lupus</i>), mink (<i>Neovison vison</i>), squirrel (<i>Tamiasciurus hudsonicus</i> / <i>Glaucomys sabrinus</i>), fisher (<i>Pekania pennanti</i>), beaver (<i>Castor canadensis</i>), and muskrat (<i>Ondatra zibethicus</i>).	Changes to the availability wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and changes in abundance and distribution was considered in the EA.	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use):</p> <p>Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints),</p> <p>Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02,</p> <p>Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways),</p> <p>Section 16.5.1.2.3 (Hunting and Trapping)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. Use existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing. Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. Implement Benefit Agreements including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	BNDN Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
BNDN-016	Waste management, reclamation	Concern regarding waste management and reclamation.	To the extent practicable, waste streams will be minimized and segregated at the source of generation to optimize recycling and reuse, handling, processing, and disposal. NexGen's preliminary objective for Closure is to design the landscape to allow for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities, and for functional self sustaining, locally common ecosystems on the reclaimed landscape as soon as practical. Monitoring would be performed during Closure to confirm that closure objectives have been met, the Project site is safe and stable, and ecological conditions are appropriate to transfer the land to the Province of Saskatchewan.	Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.4.6 (Conventional Waste Management), Section 5.5.3 (Decommissioning and Reclamation [Closure])	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement a Project-specific Waste Management Program and a Project-specific Conventional Waste Management Plan. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.
BNDN-017	Water Quality, radiation	Concern about the possible effects the Project may have on the water quality of Patterson Lake (including radiation) and connected waterways.	Several effects pathways assessed Project components/activities effects on local and regional waterbodies and watercourses. Primary effects pathways that were assessed included deposition of fugitive dust emissions on waterbodies, deposition of criteria air contaminant emissions on waterbodies, discharge of treated effluent, discharge of treated sewage, seepage from the waste rock storage areas during construction and Operations, and runoff and seepage from the waste rock storage areas and underground tailings management facility following Closure. In addition, a number of secondary pathways were considered in the EA.	Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-04, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-08, SWQ-09, SWQ-10, Section 10.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. Treat sewage to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. Monitor treated sewage flow and quality. Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). Implement Project-specific monitoring programs (e.g., Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a), Environmental Monitoring Plan) that includes ambient air monitoring, surface water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and adaptive management, if necessary. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement Groundwater Protection and Monitoring Plan^(a). Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan and site water management procedures.
BNDN-018	Tailings	Concern was expressed about the stability and safety of tailings stored in the UGTMF.	NexGen is dedicated to minimizing potential effects on the environment throughout all phases of the Project through incorporating proven best practices and designs around mine planning and tailings management. The safety of mine tailings storage on people and the environment was considered and assessed in the EIS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> potential for seepage from the UGTMF after Closure; potential for the Project to cause adverse effects on human health from various Project sources, including the UGTMF; potential accident and malfunction scenarios that could affect the UGTMF; and potential effects of a seismic event on the Project, including the UGTMF. 	Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 8.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Hydrogeology), Pathway ID HG-04, Section 8.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 8.5.1 (Application Case) Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-06, Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case) Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5.2 (Application Case) Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-11, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways) Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-14, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The design of the tailings transfer system would be completed in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.2 - 2020, Process Piping code. American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.3 is a mechanical code that deals mostly with mechanical safety to prevent sudden release of energy (e.g., pipe bursts). An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project and would include mitigation and emergency response measures related to the potential for a leak or spill associated with the tailings transfer pipe. Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Apply binder to reduce permeability in backfill and tailings. Engineer the tailings geochemistry to control source concentrations. Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	BNDN Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
				Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-06, Section 15.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 15.5.1 (Application Case) Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Section 21.6.6 (Bounding Scenario 4) Section 22 (Assessment of Effects of the Environment on the Project): Section 22.6.7 (Seismic Events)	

a) The name of this specific Project document has evolved since the development of this table; however, the function of, and processes considered in, this document are still covered within documents forming part of the Integrated Management System developed for the Project. The original document name has been retained for consistency with the table provided to the BNDN.
 BNDN = Birch Narrows Dene Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = Environmental Assessment; RFD = reasonably foreseeable development; RSA = regional study area; VC = valued component; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; JWG = Joint Working Group; LPA = local priority area; UGTMF = underground tailings management facility.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	BRDN Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
BRDN-001	Access, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Project access limitations to lands and resources, and implications this would cause to transmitting traditional knowledge to younger generations.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
BRDN-002	Air Quality, Cumulative Effects	Concern about cumulative effects from industry degrading air quality.	The EA conducted a detailed and comprehensive assessment of all potential effects from the Project and other previous, existing, and RFDs, if applicable, on-air quality.	<p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Developments)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Primarily use liquified natural gas, which generates lower emissions per unit of energy produced than diesel, for on-site power generation. ▪ Evaluate opportunities to reduce fuel combustion requirements of infrastructure and equipment, to the extent practical, during detailed design. ▪ Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. ▪ Recover heat from the liquified natural gas power plant exhaust and use to heat other process and ancillary buildings, to the extent practical. ▪ Use pollution control technology on process plant exhaust stacks with preventative maintenance and stack testing, as well as adaptive management, if necessary. ▪ Use Tier 4 diesel mobile equipment for underground operations, whenever practical, with applicable mine ventilation airflow rates specified by Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology, when available. ▪ Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. ▪ Limit idling of vehicles and equipment to the extent practical. ▪ Limit vehicle speed on unpaved site roads to reduce fugitive dust during Construction and Operations. ▪ Use and maintain emissions control devices on combustion-based equipment. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring.
BRDN-003	Cumulative Effects	Concern about cumulative effects from industry (e.g., the Project, Fort McMurray oil sands developments) on human health and the environment.	<p>The EIS explains the methodology of how potential cumulative effects of the Project; previous, existing, and approved projects; and RFDs were assessed.</p> <p>The potential cumulative effects of the Project and RFDs were considered throughout the EIS. Individual disciplines (Sections 7, 9 to 11, and 13 to 19) further describe the assessment of potential cumulative effects specific to each discipline. These sections also describe the uncertainties associated with the assessment of cumulative effects, where appropriate.</p> <p>The RFD Case assessed the residual effects from the Project plus the effects from other previous, existing, approved, and future projects and activities. The rationale for completing or</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.3.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.4.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change])</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality):</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The RFD Case includes the Base Case, Application Case, and RFDs. This case was used to identify and assess potential cumulative effects on VCs and intermediate components (i.e., relative to existing conditions) derived from the addition of the proposed Project and RFDs. For the purposes of the EA, RFDs are defined as projects and activities that fit any of the first three and both of the last two criteria from the list below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ are currently under regulatory review or have officially entered a formal regulatory application process; ○ have been publicly disclosed by other proponents; ○ may be induced by the Project; ○ have the potential to change the Project or the effects predictions; and ○ occur in the spatial assessment boundary defined by the VCs and intermediate components. ▪ A key criterion for selecting other projects to include in the EA for a discipline is that those projects must cause similar effects on the same VCs or intermediate components influenced by the Project (Hegmann et al. 1999). Accordingly, an RFD Case was not required for all VCs and intermediate components as it depended on whether or not effects from the RFDs would have the potential to

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			<p>not completing an RFD Case is provided in each discipline section. In slight contrast to the effects analyses for the Base and Application cases, which are largely quantitative, the analysis for the RFD Case was quantitative where possible and qualitative where necessary, based on the information available. As a scenario within the RFD Case (where applicable), potential effects from climate change were considered within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.7.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.8.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.9.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.10.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.11.2, (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p>	<p>overlap with the selected VCs and intermediate components within the spatial and temporal assessment boundaries defined for the Project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The Fission Patterson Lake South Project (i.e., another proposed uranium mine in close proximity to Patterson lake) was deemed an RFD based on the criteria listed above.
BRDN-004	Engagement	Time and budget (i.e., capacity) restrictions affecting the BRDN community member participation in community knowledge collection.	<p>As part of the Study Agreements signed with the BRDN, NexGen committed to providing capacity funding for the JWG engagement, the retention of technical support by the Indigenous Group, and the completion of a self-directed IKTLU Study.</p> <p>The COVID-19 pandemic limited travel for all parties. In lieu of the ability to meet regularly in person, video conference calls with Indigenous Groups were conducted regularly.</p> <p>NexGen's engagement activities have continually evolved to promote the opportunity for effective information exchange and dialogue. This approach to engagement has been consistent</p>	<p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.5.6 (Engagement Challenges), Section 2.6.1.1 (Summary of Indigenous Engagement Activities), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Appendix 2F (Public Engagement Materials)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consistent with NexGen's life cycle approach to engagement, ongoing planning and design will continue to consider feedback received through Project engagement activities. ▪ An objective of NexGen's Engagement Framework is to present opportunities for Indigenous Groups to provide comments and feedback. ▪ NexGen is committed to incorporating engagement feedback throughout the Project lifespan. This approach has been consistent through early engagement activities, has continued during the EA process, and will continue as more opportunities to share knowledge become available.

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			<p>since NexGen was formed and will remain a priority for the company throughout all phases of the Project.</p> <p>The engagement methods and activities developed for the Project include a built-in degree of flexibility in recognition of the differences between each of the Indigenous Groups. For example, JWG meeting summaries were created, in part, to provide information for Indigenous Groups who elected not to attend certain JWG meetings.</p>		
BRDN-005	Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern about cumulative access restrictions within the BRDN traditional territory.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
BRDN-006	Health and Safety	Concern about who will be liable for local road infrastructure.	The maintenance of public roadways is not a NexGen responsibility; however, NexGen would work with the Government of Saskatchewan, as required, to hold discussions on provincial road use for planning purposes. It is expected that routine maintenance by the Government of Saskatchewan along Highway 955 would be revised, as may be required, to accommodate increased traffic volumes.	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), CWB-07, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ NexGen is committed to open and ongoing dialogue to inform decisions made by the Province, including the potential role NexGen may play in assisting the Ministry of Highways with its road-monitoring and follow-up maintenance responsibilities.
BRDN-007	Accidents and Malfunctions	Concern about safety of truck transportation, including the number of trucks on the road, and spill response.	The potential for accidental spills into the environment (i.e., to air, land, or water) due to traffic accidents, resulting in uranium concentrate/radioactivity and chemical spills, were assessed in the EIS.	<p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6 (Assessment of Accidents and Malfunctions), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Bounding Scenario 1, Bounding Scenario 2, Section 21.6.3 (Bounding Scenario 1: Traffic Accident [Uranium Concentrate and Radioactivity]), Section 21.6.4 (Bounding Scenario 2: Traffic Accident [Chemical])</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Upgrades to the existing access road from Highway 955 are planned to improve the safety of the road and limit the potential for accidents occurring during the Project lifespan. Changes to the existing road alignment are not planned; however, the road would be widened (i.e., surface width of 8 m) to support increased traffic volume and heavy vehicle/equipment use and allow for two-way traffic travel. ▪ The current bridge design and capacity (5.7 m deck width, weight limit of 50 t) is suitable for use by most heavy equipment and traffic, including trucks transporting the uranium concentrate. The bridge is fitted with metal guards approximately 0.15 m high to guard the driver across the deck. ▪ Speed limits would be in place for the access road and Clearwater River Bridge crossing (respectively) to reduce the potential for speed to contribute to or worsen the outcome of a potential accident scenario. ▪ Potentially unsafe road conditions that could contribute to a traffic accident scenario (e.g., icy road conditions) would be addressed as quickly as possible (e.g., through snow removal, sanding), and if necessary, a no-travel order would be issued. ▪ Signage would be used to warn drivers of the approaching Clearwater River bridge crossing, the reduced speed limit, the one-way traffic travel in place for the bridge, and other safety considerations (e.g., narrow road, bridge ices before road).

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relevant staff or contractors would receive training on how to drive safely on site and on the access road, on defensive driving techniques, and on how to respond to emergency situations, such as an accident or spill. Any spill, release, or emergency that may harm the environment or pose a risk to public health or safety would be reported immediately, and managed and remediated in accordance with Saskatchewan's <i>Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and <i>The Saskatchewan Environmental Code (Government of Saskatchewan 2014b)</i>. The clean-up, treatment, and disposal of contaminated material, including affected soils and sediment associated with a potential release of uranium concentrate, would be handled by a certified specialized subcontractor. The spill would be cleaned up immediately and access to the affected area would be restricted, and fenced off if feasible, to limit access to the area by people and wildlife. Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project. These programs would include consideration of spill and emergency response processes that would be implemented in the event of an accidental release to the Clearwater River.
BRDN-008	Environmental Monitoring	Desire for adequate environmental monitoring to be conducted for the Project.	<p>Environmental monitoring programs were proposed for each discipline throughout the EIS, and the approach for adaptive management and for communicating results were outlined.</p> <p>In addition to regulatory compliance and follow-up monitoring, NexGen will have independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment.</p>	<p>Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs):</p> <p>Section 23.5 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management),</p> <p>Appendix 23A (Summary of Project Environmental Design Features and Mitigation Measures),</p> <p>Appendix 23B (Environmental Assessment Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs Proposed for the Project)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the following monitoring measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> environmental assessment follow-up monitoring, including regulatory compliance monitoring and follow-up monitoring; independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment; and NexGen's adaptive management process (as described in the Integrated Management System Manual). Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project.
BRDN-009	Community Well-Being	Concern about potential for increased mental health, social, or family issues due to an influx of workers/capital (gambling, drinking, substance abuse, family violence).	Amplification of community issues from increased disposable income was considered in the EA through potential changes to societal and cultural well-being and health well-being, which were two of the measurement indicators for the community well-being VC.	<p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being):</p> <p>Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints),</p> <p>Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-04,</p> <p>Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide employment readiness training for employees. Provide dedicated space for Elders to be available to support Indigenous employees to assist with employee retention. Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to address both recruitment and retention barriers. Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. Develop and implement human resource policies (e.g., employee and family assistance program) to assist workers in finding information and referral services for family-related resources, as required. Establish an Implementation Committee to provide a forum for regular communication and information exchange between NexGen and communities for effective management of Benefit Agreement commitments and for the early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise.
BRDN-010	Traffic, Roads, Air Quality	Concern about Project traffic on road conditions (specifically from Buffalo turnoff to Dillon), including dust.	<p>The maintenance of public roadways is not a NexGen responsibility; however, NexGen would work with the Government of Saskatchewan, as required, to hold discussions on provincial road use for planning purposes.</p> <p>Potential Project effects from the transportation of materials and other road uses on local road infrastructure was assessed in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change):</p> <p>Section 7.2.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 7.2-10 (Potential Effects Pathways for Air Quality), Pathway ID AQ-01, AQ-02,</p> <p>Section 7.2.4.3 (Primary Pathways),</p> <p>Section 7.2.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-07, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. NexGen is committed to open and ongoing dialogue to inform decisions made by the Province, including the potential role NexGen may play in assisting the Ministry of Highways with its road-monitoring and follow-up-maintenance responsibilities. Develop a Ground Transportation Emergency Response Plan to address traffic safety on the access road, including education of workers (e.g., staff contractors). Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring.

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BRDN-011	Wildlife, Human Health, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern about Project effects on wildlife health and subsequent human health concerns from harvesting and consuming wildlife.	Emission and deposition of fugitive dust, radon, criteria air contaminants, and suspended solids as well as discharge of treated effluent and site runoff were assessed as potential effects that may adversely affect wildlife health and human health receptors through food ingestion.	Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-10, W-11, W-12, W-13, W-14, W-20, W-22, W-23, W-24, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways) Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, HH-02, HH-03, HH-04, Section 15.5.1.1 (Non-carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. Primarily use liquid natural gas for power generation, which generates lower emissions per unit of energy produced than diesel, for on-site power generation. Install and operate an effluent treatment plant and a sewage treatment plant to reduce release of constituents of potential concern (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment and discharge treated effluent and treated sewage to Patterson Lake. Monitor treated effluent and treated sewage flow and quality. Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Collect and monitor contact water to determine whether treatment is required prior to release to the environment. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). Implement a Project-specific Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a) that includes monitoring the quality of treated effluent prior to release to the environment. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring and adaptive management based on ambient air quality standards, and water quality monitoring and adaptive management if necessary.
BRDN-012	Surface Water Quality	Project effects on water quality.	Several effects pathways assessed Project components/activities effects on local and regional waterbodies and watercourses. Primary effects pathways that were assessed included deposition of fugitive dust emissions on waterbodies, deposition of criteria air contaminant emissions on waterbodies, discharge of treated effluent, discharge of treated sewage, seepage from the waste rock storage areas during construction and Operations, and runoff and seepage from the waste rock storage areas and underground tailings management facility following Closure. In addition, a number of secondary pathways were considered in the EA.	Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-04, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-08, SWQ-09, SWQ-10, Section 10.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. Treat sewage to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. Monitor treated sewage flow and quality. Implement a Project-specific Industrial Air Source Environmental Protection Plan^(a). Implement Project-specific monitoring programs (e.g., Effluent Monitoring Plan^(a), Environmental Monitoring Plan) that includes ambient air monitoring, surface water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and adaptive management, if necessary. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement Groundwater Protection and Monitoring Plan^(a). Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan and site water management procedures.
BRDN-013	Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concerns regarding increased development and industrial activity leading to increased competition with non-Indigenous recreational land-users.	Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and effects from increased access and competition for resources was considered in the EA.	Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-04, Section 16.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. Use existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing. Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. Identify Indigenous land users in Security Program supporting documentation and outline the process to allow continued access to areas of importance. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.

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BRDN-014	Noise, Traffic	Concern about noise from Project activities, including vehicle traffic.	<p>Sound levels were included as measurement indicators and noise from Project activities during Construction, Operations, and Decommissioning and Reclamation (i.e., Closure), including vehicle traffic, was assessed in the EA.</p> <p>Changes to the quality of the Indigenous land use experience related to sensory disturbance was considered in the EA and was a measurement indicator for Indigenous land and resource use.</p>	<p>Section 07 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change): Section 7.3.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 7.3-8 (Potential Effects Pathways for Noise), Pathway ID N-01, N-02</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-03, Section 16.5.1.3.1 (Noise)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install noise dampening structures in power plant generator facilities; install silencers in surface and underground large vent fans. Maintain roads to minimize ruts and consequently reduce noise emissions from vehicles. Implement a Project-specific Health and Safety Program. Implement procedures to reduce noise levels such as: enclosing or dampening equipment in process buildings where the total sound power level is expected to be more than approximately 80 A-weighted decibels, where feasible; and using noise suppression (i.e., mufflers) on vehicles and inspect regularly to make sure noise suppression systems are functioning properly. Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements. Implement an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program that includes both engaging Indigenous land users to share Project information and address any issues as they arise and sharing environmental monitoring results with local communities. The program would include a Project feedback and grievance mechanism to record and action issues identified.
BRDN-015	Project Information	The importance of conveying information to community members about the potential for exposure to mine radiation exhaust and factors related to radiation safety was conveyed.	<p>NexGen values and internal policies such as the Code of Ethics support a transparent, honest, and respectful approach to dialogue and communication with local Indigenous Groups.</p> <p>As engagement is a dynamic process, continual evaluation and adjustment of the approaches to meet engagement needs is embedded in the NexGen engagement framework. A key goal is to implement and evaluate the engagement framework, respond to feedback, and adapt, as required. NexGen has worked and will continue to work with Indigenous Groups and the local communities to understand issues and is committed to meaningfully addressing issues.</p> <p>NexGen is working with local Indigenous Groups to implement independent environmental monitoring. Indigenous monitors would report openly and without restriction to Indigenous Group community members on the performance of the Project.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.1.6 (Working with People)</p> <p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3.1 (NexGen Standards), Section 2.7.2 (Continuing to Work to Understand Interests and Address Issues)</p> <p>Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring, and Follow-Up Programs): Section 23.5.2 (Indigenous Monitoring)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> NexGen commits to providing funding for the life of the Project for a full-time independent Indigenous Monitor from each primary Indigenous Group, and to provide unrestricted environmental monitoring opportunities, including independent environmental sampling related to the Project, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific policies.
BRDN-016	Water Quality, Fish	Potential Project effects on water quality (especially Patterson Lake), affecting fish and fish habitat.	<p>Fish habitat availability, habitat distribution, and survival and reproduction were all measurement indicators in the EA and effects on fish and fish habitat as a result of changes to water quality were assessed.</p>	<p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, F-07, F-13, F-14, F-15, F-16, Section 11.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 11.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install engineered cover of compacted clean material and growth medium layer on potentially acid generating waste rock storage area and install growth medium cover on non-potentially acid generating waste rock storage area. Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Apply binder to reduce permeability in backfill and tailings. Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Confirm discharge meets water quality discharge criteria prior to release to the environment. Develop a site-specific effluent treatment plant and a sewage treatment plant to reduce release of constituents of potential concern (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment. Collect contact water, monitor, and treat where necessary. Monitor treated effluent and treated sewage flow and quality. Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes monitoring in the vicinity of the Project, as required, in accordance with licence requirements and the federal Mineral and Diamond Mining Effluent Regulations to monitor the potential effects of Project discharges on water and sediment quality, and on the fish population and benthic invertebrate community. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.

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BRDN-017	Water Quality, Fishing	Potential Project effects on water quality affecting subsistence and commercial fishing by the BRDN.	For the EA, changes to the availability and quality of fish, for harvesting were included in the pathway analysis.	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.5.1.2.1 (Fishing)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Table 17.9 (Key Findings)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement mitigations that avoid and limit effects on fish (Section 11.4, Project Interactions and Mitigations). ▪ Implement Indigenous and Public Engagement Program to share information on Project plans and activities. The program would include a Project feedback and grievance mechanism to record and action issues identified. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements including the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.
BRDN-018	Country Foods, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concerns about the ability to harvest country foods and implications surrounding food security and community well-being.	<p>Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use, and changes in abundance and distribution was considered in the EA.</p> <p>The importance of traditional diets and food security for Indigenous Groups is acknowledged as an important component of community well-being. In the EA, country foods was considered in a secondary pathway related to the involvement in Project-related employment potentially reducing opportunities for resource harvesting, which could affect the amount of country foods in a traditional diet.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-03, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. ▪ Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. ▪ Work with local Indigenous Groups and communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities. ▪ Implement Benefit Agreements, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ funding and human resources to support community-related initiatives including but not limited to cultural and traditional values; and ○ the establishment of the Implementation Committee to communicate regularly and to reach early resolution of issues and/or disputes that may arise. ▪ Establish an Environmental Committee to monitor environmental performance of the Project. ▪ Provide funding for full-time independent Indigenous Monitors to enable unrestricted environmental monitoring, subject to the Indigenous Monitor complying with appropriate health and safety and other reasonable site-specific requirements.

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BRDN-019	Waterfowl, Harvesting	Concern about decline in fowl population available for harvest.	Two species of waterfowl (common goldeneye [<i>Bucephala clangula</i>] and mallard [<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>]) were selected as VCs and assessed in the EA.	Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-01, W-02, W-03, W-05, W-09, W-10, W-12, W-13, W-14, W-15, W-20, W-21, W-22, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 14.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 14.5.9 (Common Goldeneye), Section 14.5.10 (Mallard)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Site access road between gatehouse and mine terrace realigned during Project design to avoid a wetland. ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing the use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including the existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Minimize areas of vegetation clearing and soil disturbance. ▪ To the extent practical, work in sensitive areas (i.e., erosive soils, wetland features, and fish habitats) would be scheduled to avoid periods that may result in high flow volumes and/or increase erosion and sedimentation (e.g., spring freshet). ▪ Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. ▪ Install and operate an effluent treatment plant to reduce release of constituents of potential concern (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment and discharge treated effluent to Patterson Lake. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Adhere to the Federal Policy on Wetland Conservation (Government of Canada 1991) to have no net loss of wetland functions. ▪ Advance a regional Traditional Foods Study in collaboration with Indigenous Groups in the local priority area. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.

a) The name of this specific Project document has evolved since the development of this table; however, the function of, and processes considered in, this document are still covered within documents forming part of the Integrated Management System developed for the Project. The original document name has been retained for consistency with the table provided to the BRDN.

BRDN = Buffalo River Dene Nation; JWG = Joint Working Group; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = Environmental Assessment; VC = valued component; RFD = reasonably foreseeable development; VC = valued component; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use.

Table C-5: Summary of Issues and Concerns Received from the Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation and Responses

Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	ACFN Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
ACFN-001	Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Concern regarding impacts to rights to hunt, trap, and fish.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations) Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. ▪ Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. ▪ Work with primary Indigenous Groups and local communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities. ▪ Environmental monitoring results will be shared with Indigenous Groups through engagement and ongoing communication channels.
ACFN-002	Knowledge Transmission	Concern that industrial activities may threaten ability to transfer traditional knowledge to younger generations.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 Design Objectives and Guiding Principles</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. ▪ Implement a chance find procedure during land clearing activities. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practiced. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Environmental monitoring results will be shared with Indigenous Groups through ongoing communication channels.
ACFN-003	Cumulative Effects	Concern regarding cumulative effects from multiple industrial projects within the ACFN territory.	<p>The EIS explains the methodology of how potential cumulative effects of the Project; previous, existing, and approved projects; and RFDs were assessed.</p> <p>The potential cumulative effects of the Project and RFDs were considered throughout the EIS. Individual disciplines (Sections 7, 9 to 11, and 13 to 19) further describe the assessment of potential cumulative effects specific to each discipline. These sections also describe the uncertainties associated with the assessment of cumulative effects, where appropriate.</p> <p>The RFD Case assessed the residual effects from the Project plus the effects from other previous, existing, approved, and future projects and activities. The rationale for completing or not completing an RFD Case is provided in each discipline section. In slight contrast to the effects analyses for the Base and Application cases, which are largely quantitative, the analysis for the RFD Case was quantitative where possible and qualitative where necessary, based on the information available. As a scenario within the RFD Case (where applicable), potential</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.3.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.4.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change])</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The RFD Case includes the Base Case, Application Case, and RFDs. This case was used to identify and assess potential cumulative effects on VCs and intermediate components (i.e., relative to existing conditions) derived from the addition of the proposed Project and RFDs. For the purposes of the EA, RFDs are defined as projects and activities that fit any of the first three and both of the last two criteria from the list below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ are currently under regulatory review or have officially entered a formal regulatory application process; ○ have been publicly disclosed by other proponents; ○ may be induced by the Project; ○ have the potential to change the Project or the effects predictions; and ○ occur in the spatial assessment boundary defined by the VCs and intermediate components. ▪ A key criterion for selecting other projects to include in the EA for a discipline is that those projects must cause similar effects on the same VCs or intermediate components influenced by the Project (Hegmann et al. 1999). Accordingly, an RFD Case was not required for all VCs and intermediate components as it depended on whether or not effects from the RFDs would have the potential to overlap with the selected VCs and intermediate components within the spatial and temporal assessment boundaries defined for the Project. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Fission Patterson Lake South Project (i.e., another proposed uranium mine in close proximity to Patterson lake) was deemed an RFD based on the criteria listed above.

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			<p>effects from climate change were considered within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 13.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.7.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.8.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.9.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.10.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.11.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p>	
ACFN-004	Navigability	Concern about change in navigability of waterways.	<p>Stream channel parameters was a measurement indicator used in the EA, and changes to stream channel parameters influence the use of the river for navigation.</p> <p>Changes in access to and areas available for Indigenous land and resource use was also a measurement indicator and was assessed, including consideration for potential changes in access to waterways or surface water elevations because of the Project.</p>	<p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.2.2.1 (Valued Components and Intermediate Components), Section 9.2.2.2 (Measurement Indicators), Section 9.3 (Existing Conditions), Section 9.3.3 (Surface Water Uses), Section 9.3.6 (Stream Channel Parameters), Section 9.5 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 9.5-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Hydrology), Pathway ID H-03, H-04, H-05, H-07, Section 9.5.1 (No Pathways), Section 9.5.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 9.6 (Residual Effects Analysis), Section 9.6.1 (Application Case), Section 9.6.1.3 (Stream Channel Parameters), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change]), Section 9.6.3.3 (Stream Channel Parameters)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recycle and reuse of process water to reduce fresh water intake and release to Patterson Lake, to the extent practical. ▪ Adhere to guidance from regulators such as DFO as to the allowable rate and timing of water withdrawals from the point of supply. ▪ Confirm discharge meets water quality discharge criteria prior to release to the environment. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ As part of reclamation activities, complete contouring of disturbed areas to minimize erosion, re-establish drainage, and encourage the growth of vegetation. ▪ Monitor flows before and after Construction at the outlet of Patterson Lake to quantify the change of flow and its effects to the aquatic environment. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program and a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan. ▪ Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the province under the Institutional Control Program.

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				Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Land and Resource Use)	
ACFN-005	Vegetation	Concern about invasive species.	The potential effects of the Project on vegetation resulting from the possible introduction of invasive species were assessed in the EA. NexGen is dedicated to minimizing potential effects on the environment throughout all phases of the Project through incorporating proven best practices.	Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.2.2.2 (Measurement Indicators), Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-07, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 13.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Use native species or non-aggressive, non-native species appropriate for the conditions for revegetation. ▪ Inspect construction equipment prior to arriving at site and clean, if required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Utilize maintenance shop to support cleaning, once constructed and as required. ▪ Procure clean construction materials and procure seed mixes that work to avoid the introduction of noxious weeds. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program that includes actions to prevent, detect, control (i.e., remove), and monitor areas with prohibited, noxious, and nuisance weed / invasive species (e.g., along the access road, airstrip, and loading or staging site), following best practice guidance.
ACFN-006	Vegetation; Reclamation	Concern about effectiveness of Project reclamation on vegetation species (i.e., lichens, mosses) and traditional use plant species.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Direct loss, alteration, and fragmentation of upland, wetland, and riparian ecosystems and traditional use plants as a result of the Project was assessed. Habitat availability, habitat distribution, and changes to the availability and quality of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting were used as measurement indicators in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 (Design Objectives and Guiding Principles), Appendix 5A (Conceptual Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan), Section 5A6 (Land Reclamation) (New)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-01, Section 13.5 (Residual Effects Analysis), Section 13.5.1 (Upland Ecosystems), Section 13.5.1.1 (Application Case), Section 13.5.1.1.1 (Ecosystem Availability), Section 13.5.2 (Wetland Ecosystems), Section 13.5.2.1 (Application Case), Section 13.5.2.1.1 (Ecosystem Availability), Section 13.5.3 (Riparian Ecosystems), Section 13.5.3.1 (Application Case), Section 13.5.3.1.1 (Ecosystem Availability), Section 13.5.4 (Traditional Use Plant Species), Section 13.5.4.1 (Application Case), Section 13.5.4.1.1 (Habitat Availability), Section 13.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Minimize areas of vegetation clearing and soil disturbance. ▪ Minimize steepness and length of slopes of disturbed areas and stockpiled soils. ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Environmental monitoring results will be shared with Indigenous Groups through ongoing communication channels.
ACFN-007	Engagement	Concern that the ACFN were inaccurately classified as an 'other Indigenous Group' and excluded from the local priority area, resulting in lesser engagement between NexGen and the ACFN than between NexGen and the	Transparent discussion and meaningful collaboration are at the core of NexGen's approach to Indigenous, regulatory, and public engagement. Encouraging progressive, broader thinking balanced with technical competence and a deep and abiding respect for the local Indigenous Peoples' and communities' understanding of the local area, site specifics, and industry best practice, is key in this approach.	Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.4.1 (Identification of Indigenous Groups for Engagement), Section 2.5 (Engagement Approach), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.5.2.2 (Indigenous Group Engagement Methods Summary), Table 2.5-2 (Summary of Other Indigenous Group Engagement Methods),	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan.

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		local priority area Indigenous Groups.	<p>NexGen maintains a formal engagement framework based on organizational governance policies and the incorporation of both provincial and federal regulatory requirements. The engagement framework includes a process for Indigenous Group and stakeholder identification as well as collaborative approaches to engage in a manner that is preferred by members of these groups. Using the criteria established in the engagement framework, NexGen maintains that the categorization of the ACFN as an 'other Indigenous Group' is appropriate as the Project is not expected to result in direct adverse effects to the ACFN.</p> <p>Several factors were considered when determining the potential for the Project to affect Indigenous Groups including the proximity of the Project to Indigenous communities; Indigenous Group traditional and current land uses; potential Project effects on health and safety, the environment, and any potential or established Aboriginal or treaty rights and related interests of Indigenous Groups; and the scope of the requests to participate in the EA process communicated to Indigenous Groups by the ENV and the CNSC. An analysis of these factors showed that minimal adverse effects would be experienced by the ACFN, including potential effects to ACFN land and resource use.</p> <p>For the reasons stated above, NexGen maintains that the designation of the ACFN as an other Indigenous Groups is appropriate. However, NexGen has always valued and respected the culture, interests, and aspirations of the communities where it operates, with a focus on Saskatchewan's north. NexGen looks forward to continued engagement with the ACFN on this basis.</p>	Section 2.6 (Engagement Summary), Section 2.6.1.1 (Summary of Indigenous Engagement Activities), Table 2.6-2 (Summary of Other Indigenous Group Key Engagement Activities), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Table 2A-6 (Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation)	
ACFN-008	Wildlife	Concern about adequate monitoring of wildlife habitat availability and wildlife habitat quality	<p>Environmental monitoring programs were proposed for each discipline throughout the EIS, and the approaches for adaptive management and for communicating results were outlined.</p> <p>In addition to regulatory compliance and follow-up monitoring, NexGen will have independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment.</p>	Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs): Section 23.5 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management), Appendix 23A (Summary of Project Environmental Design Features and Mitigation Measures), Appendix 23B (Environmental Assessment Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs Proposed for the Project)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement the following monitoring measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ environmental assessment follow-up monitoring, including regulatory compliance monitoring and follow-up monitoring; ○ independent Indigenous monitoring by the primary Indigenous Groups to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment; and ○ NexGen's adaptive management process (as described in the Integrated Management System Manual).

ACFN = Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = Environmental Assessment; ENV = Saskatchewan Ministry of Environment; DFO = Fisheries and Oceans Canada; TSD = Technical Supporting Document; RFD = reasonably foreseeable development; VC = valued component; N/A = not applicable.

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Issue ID	Topic (or Theme)	YNLR Key Interests or Concerns	Summary of Response	Where Interest or Concern is Reflected in the EIS	Key Mitigations and Accommodations
YNLR-001	Employment and procurement opportunities	Promoting economic opportunities for Athabasca Basin communities during all phases of the Project lifespan.	<p>Maximizing value to all stakeholders in a way that makes a lasting, positive impact environmentally, socially, and economically is fundamental to NexGen's approach.</p> <p>Economic opportunities for community members were considered and assessed in the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 1 (Introduction): Section 1.2.1 (Purpose of the Rook I Project and Justification for Development)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 18.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Economy), Pathway ID E-01, E-02, Section 18.4.1 (Beneficial Pathways), Section 18.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. Provide advance notice of business opportunities. Design procurement practices to increase involvement of local businesses within the LSA and RSA including providing information to communities on the size and timing of contracting opportunities. Maintain ongoing communication with employees and contractors about future workforce and contracting needs and the schedule for Closure. Implement a workforce transition plan to address reduction in employment and training opportunities during Closure.
YNLR-002	Water Quality	Concern regarding the potential for Project activities to lead to groundwater and surface water contamination within the Athabasca Basin, including far-future effects.	<p>Several effects pathways assessed Project components/activities effects on local and regional waterbodies and watercourses. Primary effects pathways that were assessed included deposition of fugitive dust emissions on waterbodies, discharge of criteria air contaminant emissions on waterbodies, discharge of treated effluent, discharge of treated sewage, seepage from the waste rock storage areas during construction and Operations, and runoff and seepage from the waste rock storage areas and underground tailings management facility following Closure. In addition, a number of secondary pathways were considered in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.4.2. (Temporal Boundaries)</p> <p>Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.4 (Project interactions and Mitigations), Table 8.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Hydrogeology), Pathway ID HG-02, HG-03, HG-04, Section 8.5.1 (Application Case)</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Adverse Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-01, SWQ-02, SWQ-03, SWQ-04, SWQ-05, SWQ-06, SWQ-09, SWQ-10, Section 10.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case), Section 10.5.1.2 (Regional Surface Water Quality Model), Section 10.5.3.2 (Far-Future Projection)</p> <p>Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs): Section 23.5 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management), Appendix 23A (Summary of Project Environmental Design Features and Mitigation Measures), Appendix 23B (Environmental Assessment Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs Proposed for the Project)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Include engineered source control layering in the potentially acid generating waste rock storage area. Install engineered cover system on potentially acid generating and non-potentially acid generating waste rock storages area during reclamation. Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Monitor treated effluent flow and quality. Treat sewage to appropriate release limits in accordance with provincial standards and licence/permit conditions. Implement a Project-specific Effluent and Emissions Plan. Implement Project-specific monitoring programs (e.g., Effluent and Emissions Plan, Environmental Monitoring Plan) that include ambient air monitoring, surface water quality monitoring, sediment quality monitoring and adaptive management, if necessary. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan and site water management procedures.
YNLR-003	Noise, Traffic	Concern about potential noise disturbances, including noise from traffic, affecting people and wildlife.	<p>Key Project aspects such as an underground mining method and underground disposal of tailings reduce the amount of required infrastructure and equipment on surface. The reduced surface infrastructure results in a smaller footprint, and subsequently, smaller-sized surface equipment is required. These elements contribute to lower potential for the creation of noise disturbance.</p> <p>Sound levels were included as measurement indicators and noise from Project activities during Construction, Operations, and Decommissioning and Reclamation (i.e., Closure), including vehicle traffic, was assessed in the EA.</p> <p>Sensory disturbances such as noise, light, dust, smell, and traffic were assessed in the EA through changes to wildlife habitat availability and wildlife abundance and distribution.</p> <p>Changes to the quality of the Indigenous land use and other land use experience related to sensory disturbance</p>	<p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change): Section 7.3.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 7.3-8 (Potential Effects Pathways for Noise), Pathway ID N-01, N-02</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-03, Section 14.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 14.5.1 (Woodland Caribou), Section 14.5.2 (Moose), Section 14.5.3 (Grey Wolf), Section 14.5.4 (Black Bear), Section 14.5.5 (Beaver), Section 14.5.6 (Little Brown Myotis), Section 14.5.7 (Olive-Sided Flycatcher), Section 14.5.8 (Rusty Blackbird), Section 14.5.9 (Common Goldeneye), Section 14.5.10 (Mallard),</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement procedures to reduce noise levels such as: enclosing or dampening equipment in process buildings where the total sound power level is expected to be more than approximately 80 A-weighted decibels, where feasible; and using noise suppression (i.e., mufflers) on vehicles and inspect regularly to make sure noise suppression systems are functioning properly. Maintain roads to minimize ruts and consequently reduce noise emissions from vehicles. Where practical, maintain overflight altitudes of greater than 300 m above ground level. Limit idling of vehicles and equipment to the extent practical. Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. If sensitive species are confirmed in the Project footprint, apply activity restriction guidelines for sensitive species established by the Government of Saskatchewan (ENV 2017) to the Project as required. Implement an Environmental Protection Program with restricted activity periods to limit effects on denning animals and nesting migratory birds during sensitive time periods (e.g., per Nesting Zone B6 [ECCC 2019] guidelines and the <i>Migratory Birds Convention Act, 1994</i>). If sensitive periods cannot be avoided, apply pre-clearance surveys and buffers, as required. Implement a Project-specific Health and Safety Program.

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			represented measurement indicators considered within the EA.	<p>Section 14.5.11 (Canadian Toad)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-03, Section 16.5.1.3.1 (Noise)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 17.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 17.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Other Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID OLU-02, Section 17.5.1.2 (Quality of the Resource Use Experience)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. Implement an Indigenous and Public Engagement Program that includes both engaging Indigenous land users to share Project information and address any issues as they arise and sharing environmental monitoring results with local communities. The program would include a Project feedback and grievance mechanism to record and action issues identified.
YNLR-004	Access, Indigenous Land and Resource Use	Potential effects on community members' ability to access traditional lands and resources, and the ability to utilize those resources.	<p>One of NexGen's preliminary decommissioning and reclamation objectives for the Project is to establish a closure landscape that would be accessible for unrestricted traditional use by Indigenous Groups and local communities.</p> <p>Changes to access to and area available for Indigenous land and resource use was assessed as an effects pathway and was a measurement indicator in the EA. Continued ability to participate in Indigenous land and resource use activities was included as an assessment endpoint, which considered the importance of intergenerational transmission of knowledge.</p>	<p>Section 5 (Project Description): Section 5.3.2 (Design Objectives and Guiding Principles)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-01, Section 16.5.1.1 (Access to and Area Available for Indigenous Land and Resource Use)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; storing tailings underground; and designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. Share the results of environmental monitoring with Indigenous Groups using regular communication channels.
YNLR-005	Engagement	Concern that the YNLR was not categorized correctly for Project engagement, which could result in lack of opportunity to provide input into the Project development process.	<p>Transparent discussion and meaningful collaboration are at the core of NexGen's approach to Indigenous, regulatory, and public engagement. Encouraging progressive, broader thinking balanced with technical competence and a deep and abiding respect for the local Indigenous Peoples' and communities' understanding of the local area, site specifics, and industry best practice, is key in this approach.</p> <p>NexGen maintains a formal engagement framework based on organizational governance policies and the incorporation of both provincial and federal regulatory requirements. The engagement framework includes a process for Indigenous Group and stakeholder identification as well as collaborative approaches to engage in a manner that is preferred by members of these groups. Using the criteria established in the engagement framework, NexGen maintains that the categorization of the YNLR as an 'other Indigenous Group' is appropriate as the Project is not expected to result in direct adverse effects to the YNLR.</p> <p>Several factors were considered when determining the potential for the Project to affect Indigenous Groups</p>	<p>Section 2 (Indigenous, Regulatory, and Public Engagement): Section 2.3 (Engagement Framework), Section 2.4.1 (Identification of Indigenous Groups for Engagement), Section 2.5 (Engagement Approach), Section 2.5.2 (Indigenous Engagement Methods), Section 2.5.2.2 (Indigenous Group Engagement Methods Summary), Table 2.5-2 (Summary of Other Indigenous Group Engagement Methods), Section 2.6 (Engagement Summary), Section 2.6.1.1 (Summary of Indigenous Engagement Activities), Table 2.6-2 (Summary of Other Indigenous Group Key Engagement Activities), Appendix 2A (Summary of Indigenous Group Engagement Activities), Table 2A-7 (Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resource), Table 2A-8 (Black Lake Denesų́łíné First Nation), Table 2A-9 (Fond du Lac Denesų́łíné First Nation)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.3.3.5 (Athabasca Denesų́łíné)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engagement with Indigenous Groups will continue to take place throughout the Project lifespan including through formalized agreements (e.g., Study Agreements, Study Funding Agreements, Engagement Agreements) that, among other things, include the creation of Joint Working Groups to support the inclusion of Indigenous and Traditional Knowledge in NexGen's regulatory application materials and to promote Indigenous participation in engagement regarding the Project

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			<p>including the proximity of the Project to Indigenous communities; Indigenous Group traditional and current land uses; potential Project effects on health and safety, the environment, and any potential or established Aboriginal or treaty rights and related interests of Indigenous Groups; and the scope of the requests to participate in the EA process communicated to Indigenous Groups by the ENV and CNSC. An analysis of these factors showed that minimal adverse effects would be experienced by the YNLR, including potential effects to the YNLR land and resource use.</p> <p>As part of the evaluation of the potential of the Project to affect the YNLR, NexGen reviewed the IKTLU Study completed by the YNLR for the Project (Draft EIS TSD VI: YNLR). The IKTLU Study showed that traditional activities including big game, small game, furbearer, plant, and fish harvesting occur northeast of the LSA while overnight sites exist to the north and east of the LSAs for all VCs. In addition to information presented within the IKTLU, no YNLR traditional land use activities within the VC LSAs were identified through engagement activities conducted between NexGen and the YNLR.</p> <p>For the reasons stated above, NexGen maintains that the designation of the YNLR as an other Indigenous Groups is appropriate. However, NexGen has always valued and respected the culture, interests, and aspirations of the communities where it operates, with a focus on Saskatchewan's north. Aspects of the Project are constantly evaluated with the goal to advance economic benefits and opportunities with local communities, drive economic capacity building, and support entrepreneurs across the province while minimizing potential Project effects. NexGen looks forward to continued engagement with the YNLR on this basis.</p>		
YNLR-006	Wildlife, Mitigation	Concern about Project effects to woodland caribou.	The assessment of potential Project effects on woodland caribou included the measurement indicators of habitat availability, habitat distribution, and survival and reproduction. Primary pathways assessed included habitat loss, habitat alteration, and sensory disturbance. A number of no pathways and secondary pathways were also assessed in the EA.	<p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-01, W-02, W-03, W-04, W-05, W-06, W-07, W-08, W-09, W-10, W-11, W-12, W-13, W-14, W-15, W-16, W-18, W-19, W-20, W-21, W-22, W-23, W-24, W-25, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 14.5.1.1 (Application Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing the use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including the existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement an Environmental Protection Program that includes no harassing, feeding, or approaching wildlife. ▪ Minimize areas of vegetation clearing and soil disturbance. ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required.
YNLR-007	Monitoring	Concern that Project monitoring programs will not meet necessary requirements to protect people and the environment.	<p>Environmental monitoring programs were proposed for each discipline throughout the EIS, and the approaches for adaptive management and for communicating results were outlined.</p> <p>In addition to regulatory compliance and follow-up monitoring, NexGen will have independent Indigenous monitoring to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment.</p>	<p>Section 23 (Summary of Mitigation, Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs): Section 23.5 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management), Appendix 23A (Summary of Project Environmental Design Features and Mitigation Measures), Appendix 23B (Environmental Assessment Monitoring and Follow-Up Programs Proposed for the Project)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Implement the following monitoring measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ environmental assessment follow-up monitoring, including regulatory compliance monitoring and follow-up monitoring; ○ independent Indigenous monitoring by the primary Indigenous Groups to verify Project performance and determine if mitigations and controls are effective in protecting the receiving environment; and ○ NexGen's adaptive management process (as described in the Integrated Management System Manual).

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YNLR-008	Traffic Safety; Wildlife	Concern about increased traffic between La Loche and the Project impacting safety to humans and wildlife.	<p>Potential effects to people and the environment from increased traffic have been evaluated throughout the EIS.</p> <p>Sensory disturbances such as noise, light, dust, smell, and traffic were assessed in the EA through changes to wildlife habitat availability and wildlife abundance and distribution.</p> <p>The assessments of direct and indirect effects of traffic on Indigenous land and resource use, other land and resource use, and community well-being were assessed in the EA.</p> <p>The potential for accidental spills (i.e., uranium concentrate/radioactivity and chemical spills) into the environment (i.e., to air, land, or water) due to traffic accidents were assessed in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-03, W-10, W-18, W-24, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 14.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 14.5.1 (Woodland Caribou), Section 14.5.2 (Moose), Section 14.5.3 (Grey Wolf), Section 14.5.4 (Black Bear), Section 14.5.6 (Little Brown Myotis), Section 14.5.7 (Olive-Sided Flycatcher), Section 14.5.8 (Rusty Blackbird), Section 14.5.9 (Common Goldeneye), Section 14.5.10 (Mallard), Section 14.5.11 (Canadian Toad)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural Heritage and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.4 (Project interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, ILU-03, ILU-05 Section 16.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 16.5 (Residual Effects Analysis), Section 16.5.1.2.3, (Hunting and Trapping), Section 16.5.1.3.1 (Noise), Section 16.5.1.3.3 (Air Quality), Section 16.5.1.3.5 (Safety)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 17.4-1 (Potential Effects and Mitigations), Pathway ID OLU-02, OLU-03, OLU-04, Section 17.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 17.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 17.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 17.5 (Residual Effects Analysis), Section 17.5.1.2 (Quality of the Resource Use Experience)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-2 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-07, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Bounding Scenario 1, Bounding Scenario 2, Section 21.6.3 (Bounding Scenario 1: Traffic Accident [Uranium Concentrate and Radioactivity]), Section 21.6.4 (Bounding Scenario 2: Traffic Accident [Chemical])</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Maintain roads to minimize ruts and consequently reduce noise emissions from vehicles. ▪ Educate Project workers (e.g., staff and contractors) on traffic safety, including consideration of the safety of other non-Project users of the roads. ▪ Hold discussions, as required, with the Government of Saskatchewan on provincial road use, maintenance, and upgrades to inform provincial planning purposes. ▪ Develop and implement a pre-Construction communications process to raise public awareness in communities of potential Project opportunities and effects. ▪ Upgrades to the existing access road from Highway 955 are planned to improve the safety of the road and limit the potential for accidents occurring during the Project lifespan. ▪ The current bridge design and capacity (5.7 m deck width, weight limit of 50 t) is suitable for use by most heavy equipment and traffic, including trucks transporting the uranium concentrate. The bridge is fitted with metal guards approximately 0.15 m high to guard the driver across the deck. ▪ Use of the existing access road alignment would limit the potential for interaction between spills and the surface water environment. The existing road alignment minimizes the number of water features crossed and is set back from waterbodies and watercourses. ▪ Speed limits would be in place for the access road and Clearwater River Bridge crossing to reduce the potential for speed to contribute to or worsen the outcome of a potential accident scenario. ▪ Potentially unsafe road conditions that could contribute to a traffic accident scenario (e.g., icy road conditions) would be addressed as quickly as possible (e.g., through snow removal, sanding), and if necessary, a no-travel order would be issued. ▪ Relevant staff or contractors would receive training on how to drive safely on site and on the access road, on defensive driving techniques, and on how to respond to emergency situations, such as an accident or spill. ▪ Any spill, release, or emergency that may harm the environment or pose a risk to public health or safety would be reported immediately and managed and remediated in accordance with Saskatchewan's <i>Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and <i>The Saskatchewan Environmental Code</i> (Government of Saskatchewan 2014b). ▪ The clean-up, treatment, and disposal of contaminated material, including affected soils and sediment associated with a potential spill, would be handled by a certified specialized subcontractor. The spill would be cleaned up immediately and access to the affected area would be restricted, and fenced off if feasible, to limit access to the area by people and wildlife. ▪ Any spill, release, or emergency that may harm the environment or pose a risk to public health or safety would be reported immediately, and managed and remediated in accordance with Saskatchewan's <i>Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010</i> and <i>The Saskatchewan Environmental Code</i>. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Health and Safety Program. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program, which includes the following mitigation measures to minimize the risk of injury or mortality to people and wildlife: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ advising staff, contractors, and visitors to take all reasonable precautions to avoid wildlife collisions; ○ providing wildlife with the rights-of-way; ○ identifying wildlife use areas and movement corridors/crossings along the access road; and ○ providing appropriate signage in high wildlife use areas (including consideration of Canadian toad); ○ maintaining gaps in the road berms and snowbanks to facilitate wildlife crossing and escape routes; ○ stopping and reporting/communicating when wildlife is observed on or adjacent to the road and allow animals to move away before continuing to drive; and ○ reporting any wildlife collisions observed along any road immediately adjusting speed limit in accordance with conditions (e.g., wildlife use of road, road conditions, grade, weather, and loads on vehicle). ▪ Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. ▪ Develop a Ground Transportation Emergency Response Plan to mitigate safety risks related to the transportation of materials and equipment to and from the Project site.

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					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop an Emergency Response Plan for the transportation of uranium concentrate from the Project site. NexGen is committed to open and ongoing dialogue to inform decisions made by the Province, including the potential role NexGen may play in assisting the Ministry of Highways with its road-monitoring and follow up maintenance responsibilities.
YNLR-009	Traffic, Air	Concern about decreased air quality from the Project, including effects from local roads.	<p>The potential effects of the Project on air quality were assessed. Ambient air concentrations of selected air contaminants to be emitted from the Project were included as measurement indicators.</p> <p>Emission and deposition of fugitive dust, radon, criteria air contaminants, and suspended solids were assessed as potential effects that may adversely affect wildlife health and human health receptors through food ingestion.</p> <p>Potential Project effects from the transportation of materials and other road uses on local road infrastructure was assessed in the EA.</p>	<p>Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise and Climate Change): Section 7.2 (Air Quality), Section 7.2.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 7.2-10 (Potential Effects Pathways for Air Quality), Pathway ID AQ-01, AQ-02, Section 7.2.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 7.2.5 (Residual Effects Analysis)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-10, W-11, W-12, W-13, W-14, W-20, W-22, W-23, W-24, Section 14.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-01, HH-02, HH-03, HH-04, Section 15.5.1.1 (Non-carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.2 (Carcinogens), Section 15.5.1.3 (Radionuclides and Radon)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Primarily use liquified natural gas, which generates lower emissions per unit of energy produced than diesel, for on-site power generation. Evaluate opportunities to reduce fuel combustion requirements of infrastructure and equipment, to the extent practical, during detailed design. Optimize haul routes to reduce fuel consumption and emissions from equipment. Recover heat from the liquified natural gas power plant exhaust and use to heat other process and ancillary buildings, to the extent practical. Use pollution control technology on process plant exhaust stacks with preventative maintenance and stack testing, as well as adaptive management, if necessary. Use Tier 4 diesel mobile equipment for underground operations, whenever practical, with applicable mine ventilation airflow rates specified by Canada Centre for Mineral and Energy Technology, when available. Apply water and/or suppressants to site roads, access road, and airstrip, as necessary. Use dust suppressants that minimize environmental risk and are government-approved for use. Limit idling of vehicles and equipment to the extent practical. Limit vehicle speed on unpaved site roads to reduce fugitive dust during Construction and Operations. Use and maintain emissions control devices on combustion-based equipment. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes ambient air monitoring.
YNLR-010	Wildlife, Indigenous land and resource use	Concern about increased harvest pressure on wildlife due to work camps and increased human presence.	Changes in wildlife abundance and distribution was considered in the EA and the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use.	<p>Section 14 (Wildlife): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-09, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathway)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-04, Section 16.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access. Do not allow hunting by employees in areas within the Project footprint. Use existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing. Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. Identify Indigenous land users in Security Program supporting documentation and outline the process to allow continued access to areas of importance. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. Additional measures to minimize Project effects and promote ways to improve wildlife habitat and fish habitat will be discussed with Indigenous Groups throughout the Project lifespan through both the Environmental Committees established with the primary Indigenous Groups and other engagement activities
YNLR-011	Wildlife	Concern about increased human-wildlife interactions.	Potential increases in human-wildlife interactions due to attractants at the Project site affecting wildlife survival and reproduction was evaluated in the EA.	<p>Section 14 (Wildlife): Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-19, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collect domestic (e.g., food) and industrial (e.g., used oil and lubricants) waste and temporarily store in wildlife-proof containers, incinerate on site, transport off site for recycling, or dispose of at a licensed disposal facility, as appropriate. Implement a Project-specific Conventional Waste Management Plan. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program, which includes processes for the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> prohibition against feeding wildlife; lined site runoff ponds either fenced or fit with animal egress matting or ramps; and other measures for deterring wildlife from site where needed for human and wildlife protection.
YNLR-012	Fish, Indigenous land and	Concern about increased harvest pressure on fish (especially in	Public access affecting fish survival was considered in the EA and the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for	Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Install a gate at the site entrance (i.e., gatehouse) to control public access.

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	resource use Mitigation	Patterson Lake) due to work camps and increased human presence.	harvesting was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use.	Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-12, Section 11.4.2 (Secondary Pathways) Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-04, Section 16.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing. Transport employees and contractors to site by aircraft, or by bus from La Loche until the on-site airstrip is operational, to limit the opportunity for people to fish along the access road for the Project. Implement a Security Program to provide safe and coordinated access via the access road to locations where other land and resource use is practised. Identify Indigenous land users in Security Program supporting documentation and outline the process to allow continued access to areas of importance. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan with government and Indigenous communities to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. Work with primary Indigenous Groups and local communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities.
YNLR-013	Water Quality; Fish; Monitoring	Concern about Project blasting activity effects on fish and fish habitat in Patterson Lake.	The potential for Project blasting activities to affect fish survival was considered in the EA.	Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-18, Section 11.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 11.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management) TSD X (Vibration Effects Analysis Report)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement DFO's <i>Measures to Avoid Causing Harm to Fish and Fish Habitat</i> (DFO 2019b) to minimize potential adverse effects on aquatic resources. Follow DFO's <i>Guidelines for the Use of Explosives in or Near Canadian Fisheries Waters</i> (Wright and Hopky 1998) for setback distances from Patterson Lake. If setback distances are approached, develop site specific operating mitigations in consultation with DFO. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program.
YNLR-014	Fish; Monitoring	Concern regarding Project effects to fish and fish habitat as a result of changes to water quality.	Fish habitat availability, habitat distribution, and survival and reproduction were all measurement indicators in the EA and effects on fish and fish habitat as a result of changes to water quality were assessed.	Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, F-07, F-13, F-14, F-15, F-16, Section 11.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 11.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5 (Residual Effects Analysis), Section 11.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To the extent practical, construct work areas to avoid critical or sensitive habitat (e.g., riparian zones) following best practices and regulatory requirements. Install appropriate erosion and sediment control measures, as required. Regularly inspect erosion and sediment control measures to confirm they are functioning as planned, and perform any required maintenance, as needed. Establish appropriate site drainage. Apply DFO's <i>Measures to Avoid Causing Harm to Fish and Fish Habitat</i> (DFO 2019) to minimize potential adverse effects on aquatic resources. Install engineered cover of compacted clean material and growth medium layer on potentially acid generating waste rock storage area and install growth medium cover on non-potentially acid generating waste rock storage area. Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Apply binder to reduce permeability in backfill and tailings. Collect, store, and routinely monitor contact water to confirm discharge water meets water quality criteria appropriate for release. Confirm discharge meets water quality discharge criteria prior to release to the environment. Develop a site-specific effluent treatment plant and a sewage treatment plant to reduce release of constituents of potential concern (e.g., major ions, metals, radionuclides) to the environment. Collect contact water, monitor, and treat where necessary. Monitor treated effluent and treated sewage flow and quality. Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes monitoring in the vicinity of the Project, as required, in accordance with licence requirements and the federal Mineral and Diamond Mining Effluent Regulations to monitor the potential effects of Project discharges on water and sediment quality, and on the fish population and benthic invertebrate community. Develop and implement a Preliminary Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program.
YNLR-015	Cumulative Effects	Concern about cumulative effects resulting from the Project and other developments.	The EIS explains the methodology of how potential cumulative effects of the Project; previous, existing, and approved projects; and RFDs were assessed. The potential cumulative effects of the Project and RFDs were considered throughout the EIS. Individual disciplines (Sections 7, 9 to 11, and 13 to 19) further describe the	Section 6 (Environmental Assessment Approach and Methods): Section 6.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case) Section 7 (Air Quality, Noise, and Climate Change): Section 7.2.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.3.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 7.4.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The RFD Case includes the Base Case, Application Case, and RFDs. This case was used to identify and assess potential cumulative effects on VCs and intermediate components (i.e., relative to existing conditions) derived from the addition of the proposed Project and RFDs. For the purposes of the EA, RFDs are defined as projects and activities that fit any of the first three and both of the last two criteria from the list below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> are currently under regulatory review or have officially entered a formal regulatory application process;

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			<p>assessment of potential cumulative effects specific to each discipline. These sections also describe the uncertainties associated with the assessment of cumulative effects, where appropriate.</p> <p>The RFD Case assessed the residual effects from the Project plus the effects from other previous, existing, approved, and future projects and activities. The rationale for completing or not completing an RFD Case is provided in each discipline section. In slight contrast to the effects analyses for the Base and Application cases, which are largely quantitative, the analysis for the RFD Case was quantitative where possible and qualitative where necessary, based on the information available. As a scenario within the RFD Case (where applicable), potential effects from climate change were considered within the EIS.</p>	<p>Section 9 (Hydrology): Section 9.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 9.6.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case [including Climate Change])</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 13.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.5.1.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.2.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.3.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.4.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.6.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.7.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.8.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.9.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.10.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 14.5.11.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 17 (Other Land and Resource Use): Section 17.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 18 (Economy): Section 18.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o have been publicly disclosed by other proponents; o may be induced by the Project; o have the potential to change the Project or the effects predictions; and o occur in the spatial assessment boundary defined by the VCs and intermediate components. ▪ A key criterion for selecting other projects to include in the EA for a discipline is that those projects must cause similar effects on the same VCs or intermediate components influenced by the Project (Hegmann et al. 1999). Accordingly, an RFD Case was not required for all VCs and intermediate components as it depended on whether or not effects from the RFDs would have the potential to overlap with the selected VCs and intermediate components within the spatial and temporal assessment boundaries defined for the Project. o The Fission Patterson Lake South Project (i.e., another proposed uranium mine in close proximity to Patterson Lake) was deemed an RFD based on the criteria listed above.
YNLR-016	Soils	Concern about contamination of soils from Project effects.	Project effects on soils were assessed in the EA. The assessment considered all Project phases, including after the Decommissioning and Reclamation Phase (i.e., Closure).	<p>Section 12 (Soils and Terrain): Section 12.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 12.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Terrain and Soils), Pathway ID TS-01, TS-03, TS-04, TS-07, TS-10, TS-11, Section 12.4.1 (No Pathways), Section 12.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 12.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 12.5 (Residual Effects Analysis) Section 12.5.1.3 Soil Quality</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: ▪ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together); o optimizing the use of cleared areas for Project activity; o using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; o storing tailings underground; and o maximizing water diversion away from site facilities through design and the establishment of berms and grading.

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				<p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Section 21.6.3 (Bounding Scenario 1 (Traffic Accident [Uranium Concentrate and Radioactivity])), Section 21.6.4 (Bounding Scenario 2 (Traffic Accident [Chemical]))</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use clearing equipment that minimizes surface disturbance, soil compaction, and topsoil loss (e.g., equipment with low ground pressure tracks or tires, blade shoes, and brushes), where feasible. Minimize steepness and length of slopes of disturbed areas and stockpiled soils. Limit vehicle speed on unpaved site roads to reduce fugitive dust during Construction and Operations. Evaluate opportunities to reduce fuel combustion requirements of infrastructure and equipment, to the extent practical, during detailed design. Use and maintain emissions control devices on combustion-based equipment. Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. Restore and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been removed. Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the province under the Institutional Control Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes soil quality and ambient air monitoring Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program. Implement a Project-specific Mine Waste Management Plan and site water management procedures. Any spill, release, or emergency that may harm the environment or pose a risk to public health or safety would be reported immediately and managed and remediated in accordance with Saskatchewan's Environmental Management and Protection Act, 2010 and The Saskatchewan Environmental Code (Government of Saskatchewan 2014b). The clean-up, treatment, and disposal of contaminated material, including affected soils and sediment associated with a potential spill, would be handled by a certified specialized subcontractor. The spill would be cleaned up immediately and access to the affected area would be restricted, and fenced off if feasible, to limit access to the area by people and wildlife. An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project.
YNLR-017	Water Quality; Cumulative Effects; Contaminants	Concern about long-term water quality effects associated with tailings from both the Project and the Fission Patterson Lake Property.	<p>NexGen is dedicated to minimizing potential effects on the environment throughout all phases of the Project through incorporating proven best practices and designs around mine planning and tailings management.</p> <p>The safety of mine tailings storage on people and the environment was considered and assessed in the EIS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> potential for seepage from the UGTMF after Closure; potential for the Project to cause adverse effects on human health from various Project sources, including the UGTMF; potential accident and malfunction scenarios that could affect the UGTMF; and potential effects of a seismic event on the Project, including the UGTMF. <p>Where applicable, effects from the proposed tailings management facility for the Fission Patterson Lake South Property were considered within the RFD Case assessments for the EA.</p>	<p>Section 8 (Hydrogeology): Section 8.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 8.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Hydrogeology), Pathway ID HG-04, Section 8.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 8.5.1 (Application Case), Section 8.5.1.2 (Groundwater Quality)</p> <p>Section 10 (Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality): Section 10.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 10.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Surface Water Quality and Sediment Quality), Pathway ID SWQ-06, Section 10.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 10.5.1 (Application Case), Section 10.5.1.2.3 (Trace Metals), Section 10.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case), Section 10.5.2.2.3 (Trace Metals)</p> <p>Section 11 (Fish and Fish Habitat): Section 11.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 11.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Fish and Fish Habitat), Pathway ID F-01, Section 11.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 11.5.2 (Application Case), Section 11.5.3 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-11, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The design of the tailings transfer system would be completed in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.2 - 2020, Process Piping code. American Society of Mechanical Engineers B31.3 is a mechanical code that deals mostly with mechanical safety to prevent sudden release of energy (e.g., pipe bursts). Use engineered cemented paste backfill and tailings to control source concentrations. Apply binder to reduce permeability in backfill and tailings. Engineer the tailings geochemistry to control source concentrations. Develop and implement a Detailed Decommissioning and Reclamation Plan to decommission and transfer the site to the Province under the Institutional Control Program. Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program and a Project-specific Environmental Monitoring Plan that includes adaptive management, if necessary. An Environmental Protection Program and an Emergency Preparedness and Response Program would be implemented for the Project and would include mitigation and emergency response measures related to the potential for a leak or spill associated with the tailings transfer pipe.

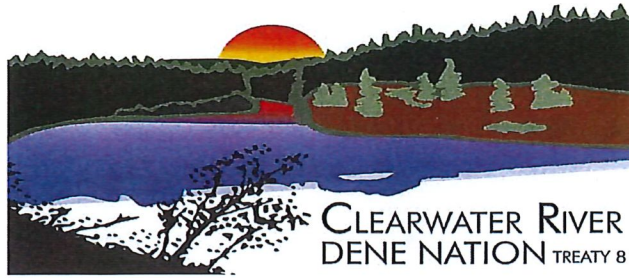
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				<p>Section 14 (Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat): Section 14.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 14.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat), Pathway ID W-14, Section 14.4.2 (Secondary Pathways)</p> <p>Section 15 (Human Health): Section 15.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 15.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Human Health), Pathway ID HH-06, Section 15.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 15.5.1 (Application Case), Section 15.5.2 (Reasonably Foreseeable Development Case)</p> <p>Section 21 (Accidents and Malfunctions): Section 21.6.2 (Selection of Bounding Scenarios), Table 21.6-2 (Bounding Scenarios Considered in the Accidents and Malfunctions Assessment and Associated Mitigations), Bounding Scenario 4, Section 21.6.6 (Bounding Scenario 4)</p> <p>Section 22 (Assessment of Effects of the Environment on the Project): Section 22.6.7 (Seismic Events)</p>	
YNLR-018	Vegetation	Concern about introduction of invasive species from increased human presence	The potential effects of the Project on vegetation resulting from the potential introduction of invasive species were assessed in the EA. NexGen is dedicated to minimizing potential effects on the environment throughout all phases of the Project through incorporating proven best practices.	<p>Section 13 (Vegetation): Section 13.2.2.2 (Measurement Indicators), Section 13.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 13.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Vegetation), Pathway ID V-07, Section 13.4.2 (Secondary Pathways), Section 13.7 (Monitoring, Follow-Up, and Adaptive Management)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Use native species or non-aggressive, non-native species appropriate for the conditions for revegetation. ▪ Inspect construction equipment prior to arriving at site and clean, if required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Utilize maintenance shop to support cleaning, once constructed and as required. ▪ Procure clean construction materials and procure seed mixes that work to avoid the introduction of noxious weeds. ▪ Implement a Project-specific Environmental Protection Program that includes actions to prevent, detect, control (i.e., remove), and monitor areas with prohibited, noxious, and nuisance weed / invasive species (e.g., along the access road, airstrip, and loading or staging site), following best practice guidance.
YNLR-019	Environment; Traditional Economy; Indigenous land and resource use	Concern about the long-term productivity of the land, including its ability to produce high-quality Traditional Foods resources.	<p>Changes to the availability of fish, plants, and wildlife for harvesting, which considered resource availability, distribution, and quality, was a measurement indicator for assessing potential effects on Indigenous land and resource use.</p> <p>Opportunities for resource harvesting that could affect the amount of country foods in a traditional diet was considered in the assessment of community well-being.</p>	<p>Section 16 (Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use): Section 16.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 16.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 16.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Cultural and Heritage Resources and Indigenous Land and Resource Use), Pathway ID ILU-02, Section 16.4.3 (Primary Pathways), Section 16.5.1.2 (Availability of Fish, Plants, and Wildlife for Harvesting)</p> <p>Section 19 (Community Well-Being): Section 19.2.2 (Valued Components, Measurement Indicators, and Assessment Endpoints), Section 19.4 (Project Interactions and Mitigations), Table 19.4-1 (Potential Effects Pathways for Community Well-Being), Pathway ID CWB-03, Section 19.4.3 (Secondary Pathways)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Limit the Project footprint to the extent practical using practices such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ optimizing use of cleared areas for Project activity; ○ using existing road infrastructure, including existing access road and bridge crossing; ○ storing tailings underground; and ○ designing an efficient infrastructure footprint (i.e., buildings clustered together). ▪ Implement progressive reclamation and revegetation of disturbed areas no longer required. ▪ Reclaim and revegetate areas where non-permanent Project facilities have been decommissioned. ▪ Work with local communities to develop culturally sensitive employment policies to facilitate involvement in resource harvesting activities. ▪ Support and promote Indigenous community participation and employment in the traditional economy. ▪ Work with primary Indigenous Groups and local communities to develop fishing policies that consider both fisheries protection and traditional use activities. ▪ Implement Environmental Protection Program and Caribou Mitigation and Offsetting Plan.

YNLR = Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resource; CNSC = Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission; EIS = Environmental Impact Statement; EA = Environmental Assessment; RFD = reasonably foreseeable development; VC = valued component; DFO = Fisheries and Oceans Canada; TSD = Technical Supporting Document; UGTMF = underground tailings management facility; IKTLU = Indigenous Knowledge and Traditional Land Use; LSA = local study area; RSA = regional study area; N/A = not applicable.

ATTACHMENT C-1

Indigenous Group Issues and
Concerns Validation Letters



September 22, 2023

Nicole Frigault
Environmental Assessment Specialist, Technical Support Branch
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

RE: Rook I Project – Issues and Concerns Validation

Dear Nicole,

On behalf of the Clearwater River Dene Nation (CRDN) and a primary community stakeholder, please accept this letter as our formal notice that the manner in which NexGen has responded to our issues and concerns raised during Rook I Project (Project) development and environmental assessment (EA) process has been accepted by the CRDN. In addition, the CRDN through our community consultative working approach confirms that all issues and concerns identified at this time have been reviewed and resolved, and for issues and concerns that can only be addressed during the Project lifespan, NexGen and CRDN have developed a meaningful approach to ensure collective resolution methods are in place through our established and recognized working process.

Considering our mutual commitments of the engagement activities completed to date, the CRDN have conveyed to NexGen issues and concerns associated with the proposed Project and its development, where and as applicable. Engagement between NexGen and the CRDN has been ongoing since early Project exploration activities and continued through Project design, and during conduct of the EA by NexGen, which has provided CRDN opportunities to convey our issues and concerns to NexGen, and for NexGen to address them. In addition, during the EA process, representatives of the CRDN participated in the technical review of NexGen's Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) conducted by the Federal-Indigenous Review Team (FIRT). In parallel to the CNSC-led FIRT process, the CRDN have continued to meaningfully engage directly with NexGen by jointly participating in committees formed in connection with the Project and its ongoing EA, which have provided additional opportunities to convey our issues and concerns.

I would also like to mention, NexGen and CRDN have sought to understand proactively and transparently, with collaborate efforts, resolve issues and concerns as they have been raised. It is our understanding that as part of the Federal EA process the CNSC requires confirmation of the process undertaken by CRDN and NexGen to identify, discuss, and resolve key issues and concerns in relation to the Project. By way of this letter, CRDN is confirming that this process has been completed for the purpose of the Federal EA process.

As noted above, CRDN and NexGen have invested countless committed years proactively to address issues and concerns related to the Project as they have arisen, since 2013. To support the Federal EA requirement to validate that issues and concerns have been adequately captured and addressed, NexGen and the CRDN completed a validation process through the Environmental Committee established under the Impact Benefit Agreement between CRDN and NexGen. As part of this process through the Environmental Committee, a

consolidated list of issues and concerns, along with NexGen's response and the mutually agreed upon key accommodations and mitigations that either have been or will be implemented to resolve the issues and concerns, underwent review through a series of meetings and activities undertaken by the Environmental Committee. Final validation of the consolidated list of issues and concerns, responses provided by NexGen, and mutually agreed upon key mitigations and accommodations occurred during an online workshop conducted between NexGen and CRDN on 25 April 2023. The final issues and concerns documentation resulting from this validation workshop has been provided as an attachment to this cover letter. CRDN's understanding is that this documentation will also be provided within NexGen's Final EIS submission to the CNSC.

In context of our solidified community support, CRDN is completely satisfied that NexGen has addressed or responded to all of CRDN's issues and concerns in a manner acceptable inclusively within the CRDN community and members. Accordingly, through this letter, we formally acknowledge and confirm to the CNSC that the way in which NexGen has addressed or responded to the CRDN's key issues and concerns has been accepted by CRDN.

Should you require further information on this item and file, please contact our Engagement Lead Camm Willier at: cammer7@shaw.ca and on cell at (403) 505-6319.

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January 23, 2024

Nicole Frigault
Environmental Assessment Specialist, Technical Support Branch
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

RE: Rook I Project – Issues and Concerns Validation

Dear Nicole,

On behalf of the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Northern Region 2 and the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan (collectively, the “MN-S”), please accept this letter as our formal notice that the manner in which NexGen has responded to our issues and concerns raised during Rook I Project (Project) development and environmental assessment (EA) process has been accepted by the MN-S.

Engagement between NexGen and the MN-S has been ongoing since early Project exploration activities and has continued throughout the conduct of the EA by NexGen, which has provided the MN-S opportunities to convey our issues and concerns to NexGen, and for NexGen to address these issues and concerns. In addition, during the EA process, representatives appointed by the MN-S participated in the technical review of NexGen’s Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) conducted by the Federal-Indigenous Review Team (FIRT). In parallel to the CNSC-led FIRT process, the MN-S have continued to meaningfully engage directly with NexGen by jointly participating in committees formed in connection with the Project and its ongoing EA, which have provided additional opportunities to convey our issues and concerns.

In June 2023, the MN-S and NexGen signed an Impact Benefit Agreement (IBA) with respect to the Project. Under this IBA, the MN-S and NexGen jointly participate in committees formed in connection with the Project and its ongoing EA, which have provided additional opportunities to convey our issues and concerns and review NexGen responses. Specific to the issues and concerns table, NexGen and the MN-S completed a validation process through the Environmental Committee established under the IBA. As part of this process, NexGen provided a consolidated list of issues and concerns, along with their responses and proposed key accommodations and mitigations that either have been or will be implemented to resolve the issues and concerns, for the MN-S review. The MN-S reviewed and provided feedback on this consolidated list, and this feedback was incorporated by NexGen into a finalized issues and concerns table reflective of the mutually agreed upon key accommodations and mitigations that either have been or will be implemented to resolve the issues and concerns. Final validation of the consolidated list of issues and concerns, responses provided by NexGen, and mutually agreed upon key mitigations and accommodations occurred during an Environmental Committee meeting on 15 December 2023. The final issues and concerns documentation resulting from this validation workshop has been provided as an attachment to this cover letter, and it is the MN-S’ understanding that this documentation will also be provided within NexGen’s Final EIS submission to the CNSC.

As part of the Federal EA process, it is the MN-S’ understanding that the CNSC requires confirmation of the process undertaken by the MN-S and NexGen to identify, discuss, and resolve key issues and concerns in relation to the Project. The MN-S is satisfied that NexGen has addressed or responded to all of the MN-S’ issues and concerns in a manner acceptable to the Métis Nation – Saskatchewan Northern Region 2

community. We confirm that all issues and concerns that can be addressed at this time have been resolved, and for issues and concerns that can only be addressed during the Project lifespan, NexGen and the MN-S have developed the necessary approaches and methods to resolve these concerns at the appropriate time in the future. Accordingly, through this letter, we formally acknowledge and confirm to the CNSC that the way in which NexGen has addressed or responded to the MN-S' key issues and concerns has been accepted by the MN-S.

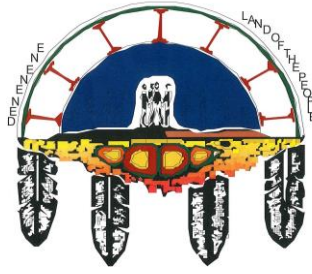
Should you require further information on this item and file, please contact Brent Laroque, Director of Environment, Métis Nation – Saskatchewan. blaroque@mns.work

Thank you,



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October 29, 2023

Nicole Frigault
Environmental Assessment Specialist, Technical Support Branch
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

RE: Rook I Project – Issues and Concerns Validation

Dear Ms. Frigault,

On behalf of the Birch Narrows Dene Nation (BNDN), please accept this letter as BNDN's formal notice that NexGen has responded to our issues and concerns raised during advancement of the Rook I Project (Project) and through the environmental assessment (EA) process conducted for the Project.

NexGen and the BNDN continue to meaningfully engage throughout the EA process for the Project. During engagement activities with NexGen, we have had the opportunity to share issues and concerns identified by the BNDN with respect to the Project and the ongoing EA process. In 2021, the BNDN and NexGen signed a Mutual Benefit Agreement (MBA) with respect to the Project; under this MBA, the BNDN and NexGen jointly participate in committees formed in connection with the Project and its ongoing EA, which have provided additional opportunities to convey our issues and concerns and have NexGen respond to them.

The Environmental Committee, established under the MBA, completed a review and validation process to address the issues and concerns identified by the BNDN with respect to the Project; this process was completed to satisfy the Federal EA validation requirement. As part of this process through the Environmental Committee, a consolidated list of issues and concerns, along with NexGen's responses and the mutually agreed upon key accommodations and mitigations that either have been or will be implemented to resolve the issues and concerns, underwent review through a series of meetings and activities undertaken by the Environmental Committee. Final validation of the consolidated list of issues and concerns, responses provided by NexGen, and mutually agreed upon key mitigations and accommodations occurred during an in-person workshop conducted between NexGen and the BNDN on 15 August 2023. The final issues and concerns documentation resulting from this validation workshop has been provided as an attachment to this cover letter. BNDN's understanding is that this documentation will also be provided within NexGen's Final EIS submission to the CNSC.

Please consider this letter as confirmation that the BNDN and NexGen have collaboratively identified, discussed, and resolved the issues and concerns identified by BNDN with respect to the Project. We confirm that all issues and concerns that can be addressed at this time have been resolved, and for issues and concerns that can only be addressed during the Project lifespan, NexGen and BNDN have developed the necessary approaches and methods to resolve these concerns at the appropriate times in the future.

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Chief Jonathon Sylvestre

Cc: BNDN Council Elect

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Nicole Frigault
Environmental Assessment Specialist, Technical Support Branch
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RE: Rook I Project – Issues and Concerns Validation

Dear Nicole,

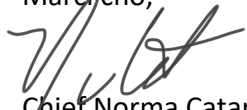
On behalf of the Buffalo River Dene Nation (BRDN) please consider this letter as notice that the BRDN and NexGen have collaboratively identified, discussed, and resolved the issues and concerns identified by BRDN with respect to the Rook I Project (Project). The manner in which NexGen has responded to our issues and concerns raised during Rook I Project (Project) development and environmental assessment (EA) process is accepted by the BRDN.

The Environmental Committee, established under the Impact Benefit Agreement (IBA) signed by BRDN and NexGen in 2020 and consisting of both BRDN and NexGen representatives, held a series of meetings related to validating the issues and concerns identified by BRDN. As part of this process, NexGen provided a consolidated list of issues and concerns, along with their responses and proposed key accommodations and mitigations that either have been or will be implemented to resolve the issues and concerns. An in-person meeting was held on 16 August 2023 to complete the final validation of the consolidated list of issues and concerns, responses provided by NexGen, and mutually agreed upon key mitigations and accommodations. The final issues and concerns documentation resulting from this validation workshop is attached to this cover letter, and we understand that this documentation will also be provided within NexGen's Final EIS submission to the CNSC.

It is BRDN's understanding that the CNSC requires confirmation of the process undertaken by BRDN and NexGen to identify, discuss, and resolve key issues and concerns in relation to the Project as part of Federal EA requirements. The BRDN is satisfied that NexGen has addressed or responded to all of BRDN's issues and concerns in a manner acceptable to the BRDN community. We confirm that all issues and concerns that can be addressed at this time have been resolved, and for issues and concerns that can only be addressed during the Project lifespan, NexGen and BRDN have developed the necessary approaches and methods to resolve these concerns at the appropriate time in the

future. Accordingly, through this letter, we formally acknowledge and confirm to the CNSC that the way in which NexGen has addressed or responded to the BRDN's key issues and concerns has been accepted by BRDN.

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Buffalo River Dene Nation

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