

Tilt Cove Exploration Drilling Program

Chapter 3: Engagement and Consultation

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3.0 ENGAGEMENT AND CONSULTATION

Suncor recognizes the importance of early and ongoing engagement with Indigenous groups and other stakeholders that continues over the life of the Project. Suncor is committed to this ongoing engagement to build mutually beneficial, long-term trusting relationships developed on the principles of respect, inclusion, transparency, and accountability.

3.1 Government Departments and Agencies

Regulatory stakeholders are typically engaged to confirm specific regulatory requirements / processes and/or data requests. Key items for discussion with government departments and agencies during preparation of the EIS included an overview of the project and the planned approach to the modeling aspects of the project. Government departments and agencies also participated in the review of the Project Description and EIS guidelines.

A log of Project-related consultation with government departments and agencies is provided in Table 3.1. Preparation of the EIS considered comments provided during these review processes and meetings.

Table 3.1 Communications with Government Department and Agencies

Date	Method	Purpose
IAAC		
April 4, 2019	Meeting	Project introduction with representatives from Suncor and Stantec. Request for comments, information, concerns, or questions regarding the project.
August 12, 2019	Incoming Letter	Overview of changes to Federal Legislation and implications for the Tilt Cove Exploration Drilling Project
March 27, 2020	Outgoing Email	Suncor indicated its intension to pause work on the project
April 14 th , 2020	Incoming Email	IACC acknowledged Suncor's communication to pause work on the project.
November 29, 2021	Email	Suncor indicated the intention to re-initiate work on the Tilt Cove Drilling Project in 2022. IACC responded with the agencies approach to considering extension requests.
December 1, 2021	Meeting online	EIS timeline extension discussion
January 6, 2022	Meeting online	Discussion on restart of EIS.
January 25, 2022	Meeting online	Further discussion on EIS restart
February 8, 2022	Meeting online	Discussion on process
March 27, 2022	Phone call	Update provided on proposed Tilt Cove Exploration Drilling Project
May 19, 2022	Meeting online	Suncor update delivered and discussion on project extension and process.
May 20, 2022	Incoming email	Updated contact list potentially impacted Indigenous groups related to the proposed project activities.
June 7, 2022	Meeting online	Meeting to discuss extension submission.
June 9, 2022	Email	Clarification on extension submission
June 22, 2022	Meeting online	Meeting to discuss extension request



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Table 3.1 Communications with Government Department and Agencies

Date	Method	Purpose
June 28, 2022	Outgoing email	Submission of Suncor Tilt Cove CEAA 2012 Extension Request
August 22, 2022	Incoming email	Approval of Suncor Tilt Cove CEAA 2012 Extension Request
September 8, 2022	Meeting	Draft EIS submission preparation discussed
September 15, 2022	Submission	Submission of a Draft EIS for Conformity review
October 20, 2022	Incoming email	Comments received from IAAC on Draft EIS conformity review
November 4, 2022	Meeting	Conformity review follow up meeting
December 4, 2022	Meeting	Discussed coordination of meetings with Federal authorities on Draft EIS early 2023.
January, 2023	Emails	Series of email (incoming / outgoing) on meeting scheduling
February 23, 2023	Incoming email	Check in on submission timing.
March 31, 2023	Incoming email	Check in on IAAC proponent portal
April 26, 2023	Meeting	Discussed submission of EIS.
C-NLOPB		
January 22, 2019	Meeting	Project introduction with representatives from Suncor and Stantec. Request for comments, information, concerns, or questions regarding the project.
June 17, 2019	FAAR	Federal Authority Advice Record (FAAR) on the Project Description received
June 28, 2019	Meeting	Project modelling approach (spill, sound, drill cuttings) and baseline data overview with representatives from Suncor, Stantec, RPS, JASCO, ECCC, DFO, CNLOPB and CEAA. Request for comments, information, concerns, or questions regarding the project
January 24, 2022	Meeting	Meeting to discuss EIS
June 17, 2022	Meeting	Meeting to discuss restart and the 2022 Workplan for the EIS
January 26, 2023	Meeting	Meeting to discuss EIS draft and comments
February 8, 2023	Meeting	Meeting to discuss scope of the EIS
February 9, 2023	Incoming email	Follow up from February 8 th meeting
DFO		
June 16, 2019	FAAR	FAAR on the Project Description received
June 28, 2019	Meeting	Project modelling approach (spill, sound, drill cuttings) and baseline data overview with representatives from Suncor, Stantec, RPS, JASCO, ECCC, C-NLOPB and CEAA. Request for comments, information, concerns, or questions regarding the project
February 28, 2022	Email	Gulf Region- FSC and communal-commercial fisheries data
February 28, 2022	Email	Newfoundland and Labrador Region - FSC and communal-commercial fisheries data
February 28, 2022	Email	Québec Region - FSC and communal-commercial fisheries data
March 2, 2022	Email	Maritimes Region - FSC and communal-commercial fisheries data
April 2022	Outgoing email	Requested new Research Vessel data
April 8, 2022	Outgoing email	Request for post season halibut survey locations.
April 8, 2022	Incoming email	Post season halibut surveys received



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Date	Method	Purpose
April 11, 2022	Outgoing email	Request for post season crab survey locations.
April 11, 2022	Incoming email	Post season crab surveys received
April 13, 2022	Incoming email	New Research Vessel data received
March 1, 2022	Outgoing email	Requested new marine mammal data
March 2, 2022	Incoming email	Notified new marine mammal data not yet available for release
March 4, 2022	Incoming email	2022 Commercial fisheries data provided
January 18, 2023	Meeting	Discuss Suncor's responses to DFO comments on Draft EIS
ECCC		
June 14, 2019	FAAR	FAAR on the Project Description received
June 28, 2019	Meeting	Project modelling approach (spill, sound, drill cuttings) and baseline data overview with representatives from Suncor, Stantec, RPS, JASCO, DFO, C-NLOPB. Request for comments, information, concerns, or questions regarding the project
April 2022	Email (CWS)	Request for new migratory seabird data
April 5, 2022	Outgoing email	Request International Comprehensive Ocean-Atmosphere Data Set (ICOADS) wind/wave data
April 5, 2022	Incoming email	ICOADS wind/wave data received
April 11, 2022	Incoming email (CWS)	Migratory bird data received
January 19, 2023	Meeting	Discuss Suncor's responses to ECCC comments on Draft EIS
NRCan		
June 18, 2019	FAAR	FAAR on the Project Description received
June 20, 2019	Email	Invited to the June 28, 2019 Meeting but were unable to attend. Project modelling approach (spill, sound, drill cuttings) and baseline data overview with representatives from Suncor, Stantec, RPS, JASCO, DFO, ECCC, C-NLOPB and CEAA. Request for comments, information, concerns, or questions regarding the project
Indigenous Services Canada (ICS)		
February 1, 2023	Meeting	Discuss Suncor's responses to ECCC comments on Draft EIS
Transport Canada		
June 17, 2019	FAAR	FAAR on the Project Description received
DND		
June 14, 2019	FAAR	FAAR on the Project Description received
Health Canada		
June 3, 2019	FAAR	FAAR on the Project Description received

3.2 Indigenous Groups

Suncor recognizes the potential for the Project to interact with Indigenous interests and acknowledges the importance of engaging Indigenous organizations to provide Project information and obtain feedback on potential issues and concerns.



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Suncor recognizes that there are several Indigenous organizations in Atlantic Canada that hold commercial communal fishing licences for Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Organization (NAFO) Divisions that overlap the Project Area. However, none of the Indigenous organizations that hold the licences have confirmed current fishing activity in the area. There are currently no documented food, social and ceremonial (FSC) licences within or near the Project Area. However, Suncor acknowledges that species harvested for commercial or FSC purposes outside the Project Area may potentially interact with Project activities (planned or unplanned) during migration to traditional fishing grounds. These species may include species at risk and/or of cultural importance to Indigenous groups (e.g., Atlantic salmon). The list of Indigenous groups that may have a potential interest in the Project include groups and communities in Newfoundland and Labrador (NL), New Brunswick (NB), Prince Edward Island (PE), Nova Scotia (NS), and Québec (QC).

The EIS Guidelines (Section 5.1) specify that Suncor engage the following Indigenous groups:

Newfoundland and Labrador

- Labrador Inuit (Nunatsiavut Government)
- Labrador Innu (Innu Nation)
- NunatuKavut Community Council
- Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band
- Miawpukek Mi'kmamawey Mawi'omi (Miawpukek First Nation)

New Brunswick

- Mi'gmawe'l Tplu'taqnn Inc. (MTI), which represents the following Mi'kmaq First Nation groups:
 - Amlamgog (Fort Folly) First Nation
 - Natoaganeg (Eel Ground) First Nation
 - Oinpegitjoig (Pabineau) First Nation
 - Esgenoôpetitj First Nation
 - Tjipôgtôtjg (Buctouche) First Nation
 - L'nui Menikuk (Indian Island) First Nation
 - Ugpi'ganjig (Eel River Bar) First Nation
 - Metepnagiag Mi'kmaq Nation
 - Elsipogtog First Nation (represented by MTI in 2023)
- Wolastoqey Nation of New Brunswick (WNNB), which coordinates consultation with the following six Maliseet First Nations (letters were sent to individual communities; follow up occurred with the WNNB):
 - Kingsclear First Nation
 - Madawaska Maliseet First Nation
 - Oromocto First Nation
 - St. Mary's First Nation
 - Tobique First Nation
 - Woodstock First Nation
- Peskotomuhkati Nation at Skutik (Passamaquoddy)



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Prince Edward Island

- L'Nuey, (formerly the Mi'kmaq Confederacy of PEI [MCPEI]) represents the following Mi'kmaq First Nations in consultation (letters were sent to individual communities; follow-up occurred with L'Nuey / MCPEI):
 - Abegweit First Nation
 - Lennox Island First Nation

Nova Scotia

Kwilmu'kw Maw-klusuaqn Negotiation Office (**KMKNO**), which represents the following 10 Mi'kmaq First Nations in Nova Scotia in consultation and engagement (letters were sent to individual communities; follow-up occurred with the KMKNO):

- Acadia First Nation
- Annapolis Valley First Nation
- Bear River First Nation
- Eskasoni First Nation
- Glooscap First Nation
- Paqtnkek Mi'kmaw Nation
- Pictou Landing First Nation
- Potlotek First Nation
- Wagmatcook First Nation
- We'koqmaq First Nation
- Sipekne'katik First Nation
- Membertou First Nation
- Millbrook First Nation

Québec

- Mi'gmawei Mawiomi Secretariat (MMS), which represents the following Mi'gmaq First Nation groups:
 - Micmas of Gesgapegiag
 - La Nation Micmac de Gespeg
 - Listuguj Mi'gmaq Government
- Première Nation de Ekuanitshit
- Première Nation de Nutashkuan

Suncor uses a variety of engagement methods to inform and involve identified Indigenous groups, such as:

- Written and visual communications (letters, emails)
- Phone calls
- Information updates and bulletins
- Face-to-face meetings and workshops

Figure 7-31 in Section 7.3 show the locations of the Indigenous communities. Community profiles for each of these Indigenous groups are also presented in Section 7.3.



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Suncor has notified, and will continue to notify, each of the identified Indigenous groups about key steps in the EIS development process and of opportunities to provide comments. Suncor initiated engagement with Indigenous groups in May 2019 to introduce the Project and inquire about potential interests and concerns as well as preferred methods of engagement. In July 2019, Suncor followed up on their initial request with a letter acknowledging and outlining the Indigenous interests and concerns that had been brought forward to date through various recent environmental assessments.

Three workshops were held in September across the Atlantic Region in St. John's, Moncton, and Quebec City. The workshops provided an opportunity information exchange and included but was not limited to the following topics: company information, Indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and communications. Indigenous groups were sent invitations to thisto the workshops in September 2019 to discuss their interests and concerns. The workshop proceedings were sent to all Indigenous groups following the workshops for comment. The details of the invitations and the attendance is documented in Section 3.2.1 (Tables 3.2 to 3.6).

Suncor was aware at the start of the project that they are one of several similar offshore exploration drilling projects at various stages in the environmental assessment process under CEAA 2012. Therefore, Suncor joined with other operators to collaborate on engagement, both during the workshops and follow up meetings, to help reduce multiple engagement requests on Indigenous groups in 2019 and 2020.

Suncor used a variety of engagement methods to inform and involve identified Indigenous groups, as requested and based on the preference of the Indigenous groups, such as:

- Written communications (letters, emails)
- Phone calls
- Face-to-face meetings and workshops

A description of engagement activities with Indigenous groups is presented below, followed by a summary of key issues and concerns raised by Indigenous groups in engagement workshops with Suncor and documented in previous EIS's (Table 3.7).

3.2.1 Summary of Engagement with Newfoundland and Labrador Indigenous Groups

A summary of engagement with NL Indigenous groups is provided in Table 3.2.



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Table 3.2 Summary of Engagement with NL Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
Labrador Inuit (Nunatsiavut Government)		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 10, 2019	Incoming email	Follow up to say unable to attend workshop.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to St. John's workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update communication on sightings of a sheen while the Terra Nova FPSO was on transit from the Terra Nova field to Conception Bay.
June 24, 2020	Outgoing email	Update to June 22, 2020 email, sheen no longer visible
June 28, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO in transit to Conception Bay
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
July 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO arrived in Conception Bay to retrieve the cover plate
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
Labrador Innu (Innu Nation)		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call; No answer. No voice mail option. Sent second email.	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 26, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at St. John's workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 23, 2019	Workshop Attendance St. John's	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.



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Date	Method	Purpose
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to St. John's workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update communication on sightings of a sheen while the Terra Nova FPSO was on transit from the Terra Nova field to Conception Bay.
June 24, 2020	Outgoing email	Update to June 22, 2020 email, sheen no longer visible
June 28, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO in transit to Conception Bay
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
July 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO arrived in Conception Bay to retrieve the cover plate
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
NunatuKavut Community Council		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 30, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at St. John's workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 23, 2019	Workshop Attendance: St. John's	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to St. John's workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update communication on sightings of a sheen while the Terra Nova FPSO was on transit from the Terra Nova field to Conception Bay.
June 24, 2020	Outgoing email	Update to June 22, 2020 email, sheen no longer visible
June 28, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO in transit to Conception Bay
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
July 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO arrived in Conception Bay to retrieve the cover plate
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.



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Date	Method	Purpose
Qalipu Mi'kmaq First Nation Band		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 26, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at St. John's workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 23, 2019	Workshop Attendance: St. John's	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to St. John's workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update communication on sightings of a sheen while the Terra Nova FPSO was on transit from the Terra Nova field to Conception Bay.
June 24, 2020	Outgoing email	Update to June 22, 2020 email, sheen no longer visible
June 28, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO in transit to Conception Bay
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
July 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO arrived in Conception Bay to retrieve the cover plate.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
Miawpukek Mi'kmawey Mawi'omi (Miawpukek First Nation (MFN))		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 12, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed interest in attending St. John's workshop.
August 20, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed Miawpukek First Nation unable to attend workshops.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to St. John's workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.



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Date	Method	Purpose
August 20, 2019 – March, 2020	Email exchange	Series of emails seeking a date to meet with Miawpukek First Nation, meeting.
March 13, 2020	Outgoing email	In person meeting set for March 23, 2020 was cancelled due to COVID 19.
March 16, 2020	Incoming email	Confirmed receipt of cancellation
June 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update communication on sightings of a sheen while the Terra Nova FPSO was on transit from the Terra Nova field to Conception Bay.
June 24, 2020	Outgoing email	Update to June 22, 2020 email, sheen no longer visible
June 28, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO in transit to Conception Bay.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
July 22, 2020	Outgoing email	Update, the Terra Nova FPSO arrived in Conception Bay to retrieve the cover plate.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
January 31, 2023	Phone call	Conducted a phone conversation around the Project and discussed a potential meeting time, both virtual and a potential face-to-face.
February 7, 2023	Outgoing email	Follow up email providing a high-level summary of the project and ask for potential timing on both a virtual and face to face meeting
February 21, 2023	Phone call	Voice mail left to discuss potential timing for meeting.
March 21, 2023	Email	Introduction of new point of contact (Suncor) for follow-up
March 21/22, 2023	Phone call(s)	Voice mail left to discuss EIS
April 5, 2023	Phone call	Voice mail left to discuss EIS

3.2.2 Summary of Engagement with New Brunswick Indigenous Groups

A summary of engagement with the Mi'kmaq of NB is provided in Table 3.3.

Table 3.3 Summary of Engagement with NB Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
MTI		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 8, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Moncton workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.



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Date	Method	Purpose
September 25, 2019	Workshop Attendance: Moncton	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 6, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
October 19, 2020	Meeting online	Project Presentation delivered
November 3, 2020	Meeting online	Meeting held with MTI as a follow up to Oct. 19 th presentation.
November 6, 2020	Incoming email	Follow-up to Meeting on November 3, 2020.
November 6, 2020	Outgoing email	Confirmation for booking December 3 rd meeting.
December 3, 2020	Meeting online	Meeting held with MTI, discussed maximizing Indigenous Business Opportunities.
December 11, 2020	Meeting online	Meeting held with MTI. Mi'gmaq Rights Impact Assessment Framework was shared with Suncor.
February 09, 2021	Incoming email	Cancellation of Feb 09 meeting.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
August 2, 2022	Incoming email	Response to June 27 th letter.
December 19, 2022	Phone Call	Call to introduce new Suncor project team members.
December 19, 2022	Outgoing email	Follow and request for meeting.
December 21, 2022	Incoming email	Follow up on December 19 th email and request for meeting.
December 22, 2022	Outgoing email	Confirmed receipt of email.
January 6 th , 2023	Outgoing email	Follow up to schedule a meeting.
January 19, 2023	Incoming email	Confirmed meeting time.
January 20, 2023	Outgoing email	Reply confirmation.
January 24, 2023	Phone Call	Touch base to confirm meeting.
January 24, 2023	Incoming email	Meeting to be rescheduled.
January 27, 2023	Meeting	Meeting included introductions, a re-visit of past engagement on the project (2019/2020), overview of the proposed project, overview of MTI and the MRIA Framework.
February 3, 2023	Outgoing email	Follow up and request for another meeting.
February 6, 2023	Incoming email	February 7 meeting confirmation and request for slide deck.
February 6, 2023	Outgoing email	Response
February 7, 2023	Outgoing email	Slide deck from January 27, 2023, sent.
February 7, 2023	Meeting	General discussion on items covered and discussed in the January 27, 2023 meeting.
February 9, 2023	Email exchange	Email exchange about follow up meeting for late February.



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Table 3.3 Summary of Engagement with NB Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
March 2, 2023	Outgoing email	Email to identify that current point of contact has been out of the office for the past number of weeks.
March 14, 2023	Incoming email	Touch base and confirmation of availability the week of March 14 th , 2023
March 14, 2023	Outgoing email	Confirmation of email receipt
March 21, 2023	Outgoing email	Meeting request sent for March 29, 2023
March 29, 2023	Meeting	Meeting included introduction of new point of contact (Suncor) and Assistant Impact Coordinator (MTI), discussions on the project and any questions, and discussions on engagement previous and looking forward between Suncor and MTI.
April 5, 2023	Outgoing email	Follow up and transfer of a past meeting record, as well as questions on work concerning commercial-communal fishery.
April 21, 2023	Outgoing email	Request for a meeting
April 25, 2023	Incoming email	Agreement to meet and provision of potential time frames.
April 27, 2023	Meeting	Discussion included, April 5 th email (commercial-communal fisheries), provision of advanced EIS copy the week of May 1 and next steps on continuous engagement plan, including recurring meetings.
Elsipogtog First Nation (Represented by MTI in 2023)		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
WNNB		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EIS's.
August 7, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Moncton workshop.



Table 3.3 Summary of Engagement with NB Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 25, 2019	Workshop Attendance: Moncton	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
Peskotomuhkati Nation at Skutik (Passamaquoddy)		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John’s, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 19, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Moncton workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 25, 2019	Workshop Attendance Moncton	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.

3.2.3 Summary of Engagement with Prince Edward Island Indigenous Group

A summary of engagement with the PEI Indigenous Group is provided in Table 3.4.



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Table 3.4 Summary of Engagement with PEI Indigenous Group

Date	Method	Purpose
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 13, 2019	Incoming email	Unable to attend workshop.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
September 9, 2020	Meeting online	Delivered presentation on project and development of the EIS
September 18, 2020	Meeting online	Introductions and informal discussion regarding engagement and relationship building opportunities.
November 4, 2020	Meeting online	Met with L'nuey and to discuss communication process within local nations and their ability to access Elders and youth for engagement.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.

3.2.4 Summary of Engagement with Nova Scotia Indigenous Groups

A summary of engagement with the Mi'kmaq of Nova Scotia is provided in Table 3.5.

Table 3.5 Summary of Engagement with NS Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
KMKNO		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 8, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Moncton workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.



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Table 3.5 Summary of Engagement with NS Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
September 25, 2019	Workshop Attendance: Moncton	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
June 29, 2022	Incoming email	Response to June 27 th letter.
Sipekne'katik First Nation		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
Millbrook First Nation		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call; no answer; no voice mail option; sent second email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.



Table 3.5 Summary of Engagement with NS Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
Membertou First Nation (Previous Engagement through KMKNO)		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 8, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Moncton workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 25, 2019	Workshop Attendance: Moncton	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.

3.2.5 Summary of Engagement with Québec Indigenous Groups

A summary of engagement with QC Indigenous groups is provided in Table 3.6.

Table 3.6 Summary of Engagement with QC Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
MMS		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.



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Table 3.6 Summary of Engagement with QC Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
August 31, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 15, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Québec City workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 25, 2019	Workshop Attendance: Moncton	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups. (Note – MMS representatives attended Moncton workshop).
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Moncton workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
La Première Nation des Innus de Ekuanitshit		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 16, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Québec City workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.
La Première Nation des Innus de Nutashkuan		
May 10, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments, preferred method of engagement and providing contacts for follow-up.



Table 3.6 Summary of Engagement with QC Indigenous Groups

Date	Method	Purpose
August 21, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided project update; invited Indigenous groups to a series of proposed workshops in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September and provided proposed agenda for feedback; outlined known issues of concern to Indigenous groups brought forward through previous exploration drilling EAs.
August 8, 2019	Incoming email	Confirmed attendance at Québec City workshop.
September 10, 2019	Outgoing email	Provided details of workshops and final agenda.
September 27, 2019	Workshop Attendance: Québec City	Information exchange and dialogue regarding the following topics: introduction to company, indigenous knowledge and social value, approach to the EIS, emergency preparedness and response, well control strategies, environmental monitoring, cumulative effects and ongoing communication with Indigenous groups.
November 11, 2019	Outgoing email	Follow-up to Québec City workshop – provided meeting summary and presentations.
June 29, 2020	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer portions of the Project including the EIS to 2021.
February 16, 2021	Outgoing email	Communicated decision to defer the EIS till 2022.
June 27, 2022	Outgoing email	Communicated restart of EIS, offer to discuss any aspects of the Project was communicated.

3.3 Indigenous Concerns and Interests

As outlined above, Suncor built their engagement topics and program on what is already known about prior discussions with Indigenous groups by offshore oil and gas operators also seeking authorization under CEAA 2012 during the same timeframe and a review of all submissions by Indigenous groups to other similar recent project assessments. Suncor also cooperated with other oil and gas operators that were planning engagement with Indigenous groups during the same timeframe to reduce consultation fatigue and avoid repetition. Suncor jointly organized and provided support for three all-day workshops for interested Indigenous groups in St. John's, Moncton and Québec City in September-October 2019. The agenda for the workshops was identical in each location, and included information-sharing as well as discussions about a broad range of issues, such as:

- Environmental monitoring
- Baseline data
- Oil spill modelling
- Emergency preparedness
- Oil Spill Response
- Well abandonment
- Management practices
- Cumulative effects
- Indigenous knowledge
- Compensation
- Ongoing communication and engagement



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During engagement with Indigenous groups, similar concerns began to emerge. Indigenous have the shared concerns generally about all of the proposed offshore exploration drilling projects. Those common concerns are outlined in detail in Table 3.7, along with Suncor’s proposed approach to addressing those concerns.

Table 3.7 Concerns Expressed by Indigenous Groups

<p>Atlantic Salmon (and other culturally important species):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Salmon are a cornerstone species for Indigenous communities in Atlantic Canada. Indigenous groups are concerned about potential impacts of exploration drilling (both operations and potential accidents) on Atlantic Salmon populations that may migrate and over-winter in the Project Area. These populations return to their natal rivers and streams where they could be harvested for traditional (FSC) purposes, although many Indigenous communities do not harvest for FSC purposes due to ecological concerns. Some of these populations are listed under SARA. • Other culturally important species of concern to Indigenous groups include American eel, swordfish, tuna, ground fish, lobster, crab, sea turtles, sharks and marine mammals. <p><i>Action / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suncor recognizes the social and cultural significance of salmon to Indigenous groups in Atlantic Canada, as well as the uncertainty associated with the known presence and activities of Atlantic salmon in the project areas. Suncor, along with other oil and gas companies, provide funding to the Environmental Studies Research Fund (ESRF) for studies related to environmental and social issues that support decision-making for oil and gas projects. The ESRF is currently funding an Atlantic salmon research project to answer the questions of concern to Indigenous groups and others. A summary of the study is below. The ESRF Atlantic salmon project is a large collaborative effort with the goal of understanding the potential interactions of Atlantic Salmon with offshore oil and gas activities in Eastern Canada. Indigenous partners include members of DFO’s Aboriginal Aquatic Resources and Oceans Management programs (AAROM) as well as the Nunatsiavut Government. Funding is provided to each group annually to support project related activities. The Unama’ki Institute of Natural Resources (UINR) coordinates Indigenous partner training, field sampling and has created a forum for sharing sampling strategies and challenges. Indigenous knowledge is used for selecting priority rivers and capturing salmon for tagging while respecting the vulnerability of Atlantic salmon populations. Dr. Shelley Denny is a member of the ESRF Atlantic salmon Steering Committee and the project lead for UINR. Levi Denny (UINR) is the Indigenous Research and Partnership Project Coordinator. A project update was given by Levi Denny at the AAROM science symposium (March 2, 2022) and the AAROM directors meeting (March 23, 2022). • ESRF hosted an Animal Care and Fish Surgical Tagging Course in October 2021 at the University of PEI (UPEI). Participants from nine Indigenous partner groups attended the course. The UPEI training course in combination with hands-on field training has significantly enhanced the capacity for telemetry fieldwork in Eastern Canada. The ESRF Atlantic salmon project tagged a total of 556 kelt and 2314 smolt from 38 rivers in 2021 and 2022. There is another field season planned for 2023 and publication will be in late 2024/ early 2025.
<p>Potential Impacts to Indigenous Fisheries:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Impacts from operations and potential incidents or spills that may result in adverse environmental effects on traditional, commercial and commercial communal fisheries. Questions were raised regarding the potential for operations to impact behaviours of Atlantic salmon and other species in the area -- related to underwater noise, light, vibration and changes to water quality. <p><i>Action / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suncor will continue to engage with Indigenous groups throughout the exploration drilling program and provide information related to operational activity and environmental monitoring. Suncor will develop a Fisheries Communication Plan with Indigenous groups prior to operations to ensure ongoing communication and opportunities for feedback during operations, and to inform Indigenous groups in the event of an emergency. • Suncor will continue to work with Indigenous fishers to reduce any potential impact on their ability to exercise their fishing rights.
<p>Cumulative Effects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is a perceived lack of a comprehensive approach to analyzing, understanding and addressing the potential for cumulative impacts of so many proposed projects in the same region on the environment, and on Indigenous communities. It is anticipated that the current Regional Assessment underway in Atlantic Canada will attempt to address cumulative effects on a broader level.



Table 3.7 Concerns Expressed by Indigenous Groups

<p><i>Action / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suncor participated in the recent federal government Regional Assessment where a more regional and multi-faceted approach was taken to examining cumulative effects of multiple projects and interactions with other ocean users. Suncor has applied any applicable new learnings from the regional assessment to their exploration drilling project.
<p>Indigenous Knowledge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The EIS and Project implementation should consider and integrate Indigenous traditional and ecological knowledge regarding aquatic, nearshore and offshore environments. Indigenous groups recognize the complexity and sensitivity of gathering and applying or integrating Indigenous Knowledge in EIS and further, to operations – particularly in an area as geographically and culturally diverse as the Atlantic region. Many issues must be considered, for example, confidentiality and protection of information, where that information is managed and maintained, and by whom. <p><i>Action / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suncor recognizes the importance of considering Indigenous Knowledge in its operations. Suncor is supporting an Atlantic-wide Indigenous Knowledge study through the ESRF. The first phase of this project was completed and there is another phase in the planning stages. The report titled, “Laying the Groundwork: Enhancing Cross Cultural Understanding Through Two-Eyed Seeing.” This can be found on the ESRF website: (https://www.esrfunds.org/sites/esrfunds/files/pdf/ESRF222_Denny_et_al.pdf) Suncor will continue to monitor the status of this project and other developments in Indigenous knowledge to incorporate into operations.
<p>Environmental Impacts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In addition to concerns regarding potential impacts to fishing and fishing rights, Indigenous groups have concerns regarding effects of exploration drilling operations on the marine environment, including changes to water quality, fish and fish habitat, marine plants, migratory birds and marine mammals and increased contributions to atmospheric emissions contributing to climate change. <p><i>Actions / Mitigations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suncor will share the results of a follow up program, which would be developed if it is determined that sensitive environmental features are found during the pre-drilling survey.
<p>Lack of Original and Recent Baseline Studies:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous groups are concerned that the various EIS submitted for offshore exploration to date have relied solely on existing data and studies – some of them outdated. <p><i>Actions / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suncor has incorporated the most recent data available and studies published for the effects assessment into the EIS. Suncor has also incorporated results from their environmental effects monitoring program at the Terra Nova Project.
<p>Compensation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous groups understand that there are C-NLOPB guidelines in place for loss or damage to fishing gear and vessels, or in the case of an emergency. However, specific compensation concerns of Indigenous groups relate to the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Potential impacts on commercial - communal fisheries. The impacts on commercial communal fisheries would be different than a “regular” commercial licence because the licences are “owned” by the Band (community) itself, they are not transferrable, cannot be sold, and the profits are often used to sustain employment, programs and services, and community infrastructure Potential impacts on Food, Social and Cultural (FSC) fisheries, which may cause deeper social and cultural impacts within communities. <p><i>Actions / Mitigations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suncor would consider any damages to Indigenous fishing activity resulting from Suncor’s proposed offshore activities on a case-by-case basis and in consultation with Indigenous groups. Suncor follows the CNLOPB Compensation Guidelines Respecting Damages Relating to Offshore Petroleum Activity (C-NLOPB and CNSOPB 2017).



Table 3.7 Concerns Expressed by Indigenous Groups

<p>Oil Spill Response:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A number of concerns have been expressed by Indigenous groups regarding the adequacy of oil spill response, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Concerns about oil reaching shoreline, impacting fisheries and traditional territories. - Companies need to demonstrate the accuracy of probability calculation and trajectories of oil spills. - Capping stacks – a capping stack should be located and maintained in Atlantic Canada. - How can Indigenous groups/communities be involved in oil spill response? - Concerns expressed regarding contamination or fish taint from an oil spill and how this impacts not only consumption, but also perception and cultural norms. <p><i>Actions / Mitigations:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suncor is building upon the previous efforts of the oil and gas industry to create capacity and awareness of industry and company standards to prevent and respond to an emergency. Suncor participated in three workshops with Indigenous groups where emergency preparedness and oil spill response was discussed in detail, including – management practices, oil spill modelling, capping stacks and other technology, and the oil spill response Incident Command System (ICS). • Suncor will have a comprehensive oil spill response plan in advance of any project activities. • To ensure Indigenous groups are informed of key milestones in operational activity during exploratory drilling, Suncor will develop a Fisheries Communications Plan in consultation with Indigenous groups that includes a protocol for communicating with Indigenous groups during operations in the event of an emergency.
<p>Environmental Monitoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous groups want to see monitoring and follow-up programs, including research and data collection related to impacts on Indigenous groups – e.g., fish and fish habitat, birds and marine mammals. • Indigenous groups would like to be involved with environmental monitoring; and, to be kept informed of results of environmental monitoring programs throughout the exploration drilling program, and in the event of an incident or spill that may result in adverse environmental effects. <p><i>Action / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suncor will share the results of a follow up program, which would be developed if it is determined that sensitive environmental features are found during the pre-drilling survey.
<p>Ongoing Communication and Engagement with Indigenous Groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous groups want to continue to be actively informed of key milestones and outcomes in the Project, and in the event of an incident or spill that may result in adverse environmental effects. <p><i>Action / Mitigation:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Suncor will develop a Fisheries Communication Plan in consultation with Indigenous groups prior to operations to outline a process and content for updates on key operational and other milestones during the drilling campaign, as well as outreach to Indigenous groups in the unlikely event of an emergency.

3.4 Planned Future Engagement with Indigenous Groups

Suncor will continue to engage with identified Indigenous groups during the EA process, pending authorization of the project, and throughout the operations phase of the project as outlined. Suncor will continue to provide project information and has expressed willingness to meet with interested Indigenous groups to discuss anything related to the project. Suncor will develop a Fisheries Communication Plan in consultation with Indigenous groups prior to the drilling program, which will provide a framework for communicating updates on key operational and other milestones as well as a process for emergency notifications.



3.5 Fisheries Stakeholders

Early and ongoing consultation with the fishing industry is a key form of mitigation of potential effects of the Project on the commercial fisheries. Suncor recognizes the importance of location and timing of fishing activities when scheduling meetings with identified potential fisheries stakeholders. The following is a list of initial fisheries stakeholders engaged, or to be engaged, for the Project:

- One Ocean
- Fish, Food and Allied Workers-Unifor (FFAW-Unifor)
- Ocean Choice International (OCI)
- Association of Seafood Producers (ASP)
- Canadian Association of Prawn Producers
- Atlantic Groundfish Council (AGC)

One Ocean, which acts as a liaison between the oil and gas and fishing industries, has developed a protocol that provides guidance on consultation approach. Following the initial reach out to fisheries stakeholders on the Project in May of 2019, updates were provided at One Ocean working group meetings.

Table 3.8 provides a summary of engagement with fisheries stakeholders.

Table 3.8 Summary of Engagement with Fisheries Stakeholders

Date	Method	Purpose
One Ocean		
January 31, 2019	Meeting	Suncor has started scoping work on the EL 1161 / Tilt Cove environmental assessment
May 7, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and to inquire on preferred method of engagement.
May 31, 2019	Meeting	Update that Project Description for the EA has been submitted to IAAC
October 22, 2019	Meeting	Update – Suncor is progressing the EIS
March 18, 2020	Meeting	Quick update on Project
June 23, 2020	Meeting	Update that Suncor decided to pause work on the EIS
January 19, 2022	Meeting	Update that Suncor has decided to restart work on the EIS in 2022
February 15, 2022	Meeting	Update on the status of the EIS and Suncor activities
December 6, 2022	Meeting	Update on the status of the EIS and Suncor activities
February 3, 2023	Meeting	Update on the status of the EIS and Suncor activities
March 28, 2023	Meeting	Update on the status of the EIS and Suncor activities
FFAW-Unifor		
May 9, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone Call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
February 17, 2023	Meeting	Meeting with Petroleum Liaison to discuss the Tilt Cove Project



Table 3.8 Summary of Engagement with Fisheries Stakeholders

Date	Method	Purpose
OCI		
May 9, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
ASP		
May 9, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
Canadian Association of Prawn Producers		
May 9, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Left message	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
AGC		
May 9, 2019	Email	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.
May 14, 2019	Phone call	Introduction of Project, seeking comments and providing contacts for follow-up.

3.6 Other Public Stakeholder Groups

Suncor will monitor activities and communications generated by these groups and others and will participate in local industry events as appropriate including supplier information sessions, seminars, and conferences.

3.7 References

C-NLOPB (Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board) and CNSOPB (Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board). 2017. Compensation Guidelines Respecting Damage Relating to Offshore Petroleum Activity. 20 pp. Available at: <https://www.cnlopb.ca/wp-content/uploads/guidelines/compgle.pdf>. Accessed: July 1, 2019.

