



CNSC Participant Funding Program Decision

Black River First Nation, Brokenhead Ojibway Nation, and Hollow Water First Nation Indigenous Knowledge Study in Relation to the *In Situ* Decommissioning of the Whiteshell Reactor #1 Project



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The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) has offered funding under its Participant Funding Program (PFP) for general matters of regulatory interest to Black River First Nation (BRFN), Brokenhead Ojibway Nation (BON), and Hollow Water First Nation (HWFN) to conduct an Indigenous Knowledge (IK) study in relation to the *In Situ* Decommissioning of the Whiteshell Reactor #1 Project.

The information gathered from the IK study will be considered as part of the environmental assessment review process and included in the relevant Commission member document in order to bring value-added information directly to the Commission.

Background

Participant funding for general matters of regulatory interest was made available by the CNSC to:

- enhance Indigenous and stakeholder participation in the CNSC’s environmental assessment and licensing processes
- help stakeholders bring valuable information to the Commission

A funding review committee (FRC), independent from the CNSC, was established to review the funding application received by the CNSC’s PFP administrator and to make recommendations on the allocation of funding to the applicant.

The FRC members were:

- Paul Scott, retired regional director of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency’s Vancouver office
- Steve Burgess, retired director of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency

The CNSC received one PFP application requesting \$125,073.60 and this was reviewed by the FRC.

Eligibility and funding criteria

For more information on participant funding and how it works, including details on eligibility and funding criteria, please read the [PFP guide](#).

CNSC participant funding decision

The CNSC carefully considered the FRC’s recommendations on the allocation of participant funding for BRFN, BON, and HWFN to undertake an IK study, and approved the reimbursement of up to \$125,073.60.

Applicant	Maximum amount of available funding
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Black River First Nation	\$125,073.60
Brokenhead Ojibway Nation	
Hollow Water First Nation	
Total	\$125,073.60

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