

NEEDS FOR AND ALTERNATIVES TO (NFAT)**Manitoba Hydro Undertaking #68**

Manitoba Hydro to file a high level description or a matrix of each of the offsetting programs per the Adverse Effects Agreement.

Response:

As requested, the attached document provides a summary of the offsetting programs included in the Keeyask Adverse Effects Agreements with each of the Keeyask Cree Nations.

This document is an extract from the Final Argument submitted by the Keeyask Hydropower Limited Partnership at the conclusion of the Clean Environment Commission Hearings.

APPENDIX C

Summary of AEA Offsetting Programs

Keeyask Adverse Effects Agreements – Offsetting Programs

| Offsetting Program | Objective/Description of Program |
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| Tataskweyak Cree Nation (TCN) | |
| 3.2 (TCN) Keeyask Centre | To provide space and facilities, primarily related to accommodating staffing requirements and other functions, for the management and administration of the Offsetting Programs, but also including, without limitation, space for display cases, for fish processing and for other needs incidental to the management, administration and implementation of the Offsetting Programs. |
| 3.3 (TCN) Access | To provide Members with substitute opportunities to hunt, fish and trap for food and to carry out associated customs, practices and traditions integral to their distinctive cultural identity within the Split Lake Resource Management Area (SLRMA). The Access Program addresses the loss of meaningful opportunities to sustain TCN’s distinctive cultural identity on the waters of the Nelson River and on land within the SLRMA adjacent to the Nelson River. |
| 3.4 (TCN) Land Stewardship | To provide opportunities for TCN to show respect for the land in a manner consistent with traditional TCN values and to assist TCN in caring for the land within the SLRMA. |
| 3.5 (TCN) Healthy Food Fish | To provide opportunities for Members to continue to fish and to provide a supply of wholesome food fish to Members in order to replace fish which may no longer be available to Members as a result of increased methyl-mercury levels in fish caused by the Keeyask Project in the reach of the Nelson River between the Kelsey Generating Station dam and the Keeyask Generating Station dam. |
| 3.6 (TCN) Traditional Lifestyle Experience | To provide opportunities for young adult Members to experience a traditional lifestyle during one (1) cycle of seasonal activities on the land. |
| 3.7 (TCN) Traditional Knowledge Learning | To replace opportunities for members for traditional learning that will be lost due to development of the Keeyask Project. Has two parts, namely: (a) the opportunity for traditional learning created through the Access Program; and (b) opportunities for traditional learning provided for students primarily at, or through, the Keeyask Centre. |
| 3.8 (TCN) Cree Language | To strengthen the cultural identity of TCN and Members by creating an opportunity for adult Members to learn to speak Cree, or to improve their Cree language skills. |
| 3.9 (TCN) Traditional Foods | To provide opportunities for Members to gather and share traditional foods. This program is to be implemented and operated in conjunction with the Access Program, and will create opportunities for gathering and sharing traditional foods by resource harvesters, in keeping with the customs and traditions of TCN and members. |
| 3.10 (TCN) Museum & Oral Histories | To provide a substitute opportunity for TCN and Members to maintain the historical connection to the land that will be destroyed when the Keeyask Project is built |
| War Lake First Nation (WLFN) | |
| 3.2 (WLFN) Distribution Centre | To provide a building for War Lake on Reserve for space and facilities related to fish processing, storage and distribution. |

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| 3.3 (WLFN) Community Fish | To provide a supply of wholesome food fish to Members from War Lake and Atkinson Lake, in order to replace fish which may no longer be available to Members to consume as a result of risks of increased methyl-mercury levels caused by the Keeyask Project in fish in the reach of the Nelson River between the dam of the Kelsey Generating Station and the dam of the Keeyask Generating Station. |
| 3.4 (WLFN) Improved Access | To provide Members with substitute opportunities to fish and to carry out other customs, practices and traditions integral to their distinctive cultural identity in a vital part of their homeland. |
| 3.5 (WLFN) Traditional Learning / Lifestyle | To provide opportunities for young adult Members to experience a traditional program at Atkinson Lake. |
| 3.6 (WLFN) Cree Language | To strengthen the cultural identity to War Lake by creating an opportunity for adult Members to learn to speak Cree, or to improve Cree language skills. |
| 3.7 (WLFN) Museum and Oral Histories | To provide a substitute opportunity for War Lake and Members to maintain the historical connection to the land that will be destroyed when the Keeyask Project is built. |
| Fox Lake Cree Nation (FLCN) | |
| 3.2 (FLCN) Gathering Centre | To provide a permanent substantial presence for Fox Lake in the Gillam community from which Fox Lake will be able to administer and implement the Offsetting Programs to manage Keeyask Adverse Effects. It will provide space and facilities, staff areas, offices, storage areas and meeting room, all of which will be needed in order for FL to manage and administer the Offsetting Programs and accommodate citizens participating in such offsetting programs. |
| 3.3 (FLCN) Youth Wilderness Traditions | To provide opportunities for young adult Citizens to experience a traditional lifestyle over a year cycle of seasonal activities |
| 3.4 (FLCN) Cree Language | To strengthen the cultural identity of Fox lake and Citizens by creating an opportunity for adult Citizens to learn to speak Cree or to Improve their Cree language skills. |
| 3.5 (FLCN) Gravesite Restoration | To restore, re-consecrate and protect community gravesites in and around the Gillam area. |
| 3.6 (FLCN) Alternative Justice | To make a contribution towards the development of a program model that will provide an alternative method of resolving situations involving the justice system and Citizens. |
| 3.7 (FLCN) Crisis Centre & Wellness Counselling | To make a contribution towards the development and implementation of a wellness counseling program and the establishment of a crises shelter for Citizens. |
| 3.8 (FLCN) Lateral Violence & “Where do we go from here” | To host a series of discussions and workshops to assist Citizens to prepare to participate in the proposed Keeyask Project. The Lateral Violence component of the program is meant to address individual behaviours and attitudes in order to assist individual Citizens to identify and participate in the opportunities that are being made available in connection with the Keeyask Project. The “Where Do We Go From Here” component addresses similar manners but with respect to groups, such as families, in order that those groups may collectively maximize their participation associated with the Keeyask Project. |

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| 3.9 (FLCN) Alternative Resource Use | To provide opportunities for Citizen resource users, whose resource use area may experience Keeyask Adverse Effects, to access alternate resource areas, within the Fox Lake Resource Management Area, to pursue their traditional activities. |
| York Factory First Nation (YFFN) | |
| 3.2 (YFFN) Resource Access and Use: Objectives and General Description | (a) to offset some of the potential effects on resource harvesting and access caused by Keeyask Adverse Effects and to enhance York Factory's connection with the York Factory Resource Management Area (YFRMA), including at the Hudson Bay coast; (b) to enhance the traditions of harvesting and sharing country foods among Members, in order to strengthen community cohesion and help the community better cope with changes brought on by Keeyask Adverse Effects; and (c) to address the potential for mercury methylation in fish by replacing the domestic supply of fish currently taken from on-system lakes and rivers that have the potential to be affected by Keeyask Adverse Effects. |
| 3.3 (YFFN) Environmental Stewardship: Objectives and General Description | To provide York Factory with the capacity to monitor and assess potential environmental changes resulting from Keeyask Adverse Effects, including potential environmental changes resulting from implementation of Offsetting Programs. |
| 3.4 (YFFN) Cultural Sustainability: Objectives and General Description | To strengthen the cultural identity of Members in order to enhance York Factory's ability to deal with the potential changes brought about as a result of Keeyask Adverse Effects, including both environmental and social and cultural changes. |