



Agenda

Technical re-scoping session

October 1, 2026 – Chateau Nova

Project: Mackenzie Valley Highway (EA1213-01)

Developer: Government of the Northwest Territories

Purpose: The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (the Review Board) is hosting re-scoping sessions to engage on potential changes to the scope of assessment and Terms of Reference. The Review Board is doing this in response to the project scope change proposed by the Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT, the developer) in its [letter about the expansion of the proposed Mackenzie Valley Highway](#). The technical re-scoping session is an opportunity for parties and their technical experts to:

- validate existing items in the Terms of Reference, and
- share ideas, issues, concerns, questions and comments about how the extended route to Inuvik may change what should be required in the Terms of Reference.

The meeting will be hybrid, with the option to participate in-person and online. Parties and their technical advisors are encouraged to attend the technical session in person if they are able to. For those who wish to participate virtually, please join the following Zoom meeting:

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82121095089>

Meeting ID: 821 2109 5089

Additional short breaks may be announced as needed throughout the day. Coffee, tea, and light refreshments will be provided. Interpretation upon request (please let the Review Board know as soon as possible).

Thurs. October 1, 2026 – Chateau Nova, Caribou Room

Time	Topics	Organization
8:30-9:00	Coffee and Tea	
9:00-9:30	Opening remarks and introductions	Review Board staff
9:30-9:45	Presentation on the environmental assessment	
9:45-10:15	Overview of the project	GNWT
10:15-10:30	Break	
10:30-12:00	Scope of development - Route corridor - Existing Winter Road (widening, reclamation) - Water crossings, borrow sources, quarries, maintenance yards, work camps, staging areas, fuel storage, airstrips, barge landings - Relocation of Mackenzie Valley Fibre Line - Maintenance activities Other aspects of the Terms of Reference - Incorporation of Traditional Knowledge - Public engagement - Consideration of alternatives - Assessment methodology	All parties
12:00-1:00	Lunch (provided)	
1:00-2:30	Scope of issues (including geographic and temporal scope) - Key lines of inquiry - o Social and economic considerations - o Caribou, moose, wildlife - Subjects of note - o Culture, harvesting, country foods, land use, heritage - o Terrain, soil, permafrost - o Water, fish - o Air quality, noise, vegetation, biodiversity - o Birds, species at risk - Other - o Cumulative effects - o Effect of the environment on the project - o Accidents and malfunctions - o Follow-up and monitoring	All parties
2:30-2:45	Break	
2:45-4:45	Scope of issues continued	All parties
4:45-5:00	Wrap up - Summary and review of undertakings - Closing remarks - Closing prayer	Review Board staff