



March 27, 2025

Notice of Proceeding

Mackenzie Valley Highway, Government of the Northwest Territories

RE: Fort Good Hope Community Session

Purpose

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is hosting a community session in Rádeyǫ́ Kó (Fort Good Hope) to provide an opportunity for community members to share their ideas, issues, concerns, questions and comments about the proposed Mackenzie Valley Highway Project to extend Highway #1 from Pehdzéh Kí (Wrigley) to Tulit'a (Tulita) and Tłego'hı́ (Norman Wells).^{1, 2}

This session is part of the analytical phase of this environmental assessment and is about information gathering. It is different from the public hearings that will happen in communities during the hearing phase.

Time and location

The Review Board will hold the Fort Good Hope community session in the K'ahsho Got'ine Community Hall on April 9, 2025, between 2 pm and 8 pm. The developer (Government of the Northwest Territories) will describe the proposed Mackenzie Valley Highway project around 2 pm and again at 5 pm, allowing people to join in the afternoon or evening. Review Board staff will facilitate the discussion.

All community members and parties are welcome.

Snacks and dinner will be provided.

Interpretation will be available. The Review Board encourages in-person whenever possible. To listen to the sessions virtually, please join the following Zoom meeting:

¹ Under Rule 65 of the [Rules of Procedure](#)

² Under Rule 21 of the [Rules of Procedure](#)



Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83523638520>

Meeting ID: 835 2363 8520

Focus of community sessions

The sessions will focus on community concerns and knowledge (including Indigenous Traditional Knowledge) about the proposed road's potential cultural, social, and environmental impacts, as well as mitigations to reduce or avoid those impacts. Audio recordings will be added to the public record.³

Direction on the Rules of Procedure: Review Board members at community sessions

As described in the *Rules of Procedure*, community sessions normally occur without Review Board members present. For this environmental assessment, the Review Board is varying the Rules so that Review Board members can attend the community sessions.⁴

Several Review Board members will be present as observers to listen to the evidence and positions raised by the Elders, Traditional Knowledge holders, parties and the public. Review Board members who do not attend in person will listen online or review the audio recordings of the sessions.

Contact information

The primary **contact** on behalf of the Review Board for the Mackenzie Valley Highway project is Senior Environmental Assessment Advisor Catherine Fairbairn (867-766-7054, cfairbairn@reviewboard.ca).

³ Parties who wish to raise issues related to information from the community sessions at the hearings should reference important evidence when preparing their interventions before the hearings, later in the EA process.

⁴ Under Rule 8 of the *Rules of Procedure*