ICEO SUCCESS TO DATE

The Indigenous Clean Energy Opportunities (ICEO) process seeks collaboration between the Province and First Nations leadership, rights holders and organizations in a dialogue to position First Nations to fully participate in current and future opportunities in British Columbia's clean energy sector to improve their economic, environmental, social and cultural outcomes.

- ICEO was launched in November 2021. The province-wide virtual launch was hosted by FNLC and EMLI with over
 116 First Nation participants from approximately 90 communities and organizations across B.C.
- Following the launch, in early March, two workshops were held to hear from rights holders about which clean energy topics they saw as the top priorities for initial discussion under the ICEO. Facilitated by FNEMC, the March workshops were well attended with 52 First Nation representatives and 12 representatives from Indigenous organizations in attendance.
- The topics most discussed at the workshops were: Indigenous utilities; Indigenous infrastructure ownership; energy purchase agreements; capacity, employment, and training for clean energy-related opportunities; and standing committee or process on legislative, regulatory, and policy reform.

ICEO – ELECTRICITY TABLE

Proposed Scope

<u>Year I</u>: A knowledge and capacity building year to ensure all participants (rights holders, FNOs, EMLI) have common understanding of clean electricity sector. Activities for the year include delivering a series of knowledge presentations to support discussion on topics identified by FNEMC, EMLI, and the Electricity Table Advisory Group and informed by March 2022 workshops.

<u>Year 2</u>: Based on feedback and status of topics, develop sub-tables to engage in substantive policy discussions on I or 2 of the priority electricity topics.

Potential Year 2 Topics:

- Development/Regulation of Indigenous Utilities
- Indigenous ownership of electricity infrastructure
- Opportunities for EPAs with BC Hydro

Resources:

EMLI, FNEMC, Facilitator, Experts

Year I (2022/23)

Electricity 101

Electricity 101 sessions will include examples of projects and proposals from communities to build awareness of the costs and benefits.

Set up of Electricity Table Advisory Group*

*Given the scope and complexity of the Electricity topics, the Electricity Table Advisory Group (ETAG) will help FNEMC and EMLI prioritize and coordinate the work of the Table. ETAG will be comprised of First Nations communities/organizations with Subject Matter Expertise and non-First Nation counterparts.

Year 2 (2023/24)

Cont. Electricity 101

Based on discussion in Electricity 101, deeper dive and policy discussion on 1 or 2 topics (e.g., utilities)

In year 2, an emphasis will be placed on financial economic analysis of the opportunities.

ICEO – HYDROGEN MARKET OPPORTUNITIES TABLE

Proposed Scope	Year I (2022/23)	Year 2 (2023/24)
Year I: Market research for Indigenous participation in hydrogen and, potentially, RNG market opportunities and identifying next steps. Liaise and work with BC Hydrogen Office and Natural Resources Canada.	Co-develop study - Agreed upon study scope - Study - Findings - Presentation and next steps	Further steps or new topic?
Resources:	Tresentation and next steps	
EMLI, FNEMC, Facilitator, Experts		

ICEO – LEGISLATIVE STANDING TABLE

Proposed Scope	Year I (2022/23)	Year 2 (2023/24)
Table to bring forward legislative and regulatory changes coming forth from EMLI for discussion with Rights Holders on alignment with UNDRIP as per DRIPA Section 3 obligations. Rightsholders, First Nations leadership and/or the FNEMC also bring forward other legislative proposals for discussion.	 EMLI 2022/23 legislative initiatives for consideration: 100% Clean Electricity Delivery Standard Zero-Emissions Vehicle Act ZEV Standard for Medium- and Heavy-duty Vehicles GHG Reduction Standard Clean Transportation Action Plan 	TBD
Resources: EMLI, FNEMC, Facilitator, Experts	Topics and proposals may be brought forward by First Nations leadership and/or the FNEMC	