



Annual Work Plan and Budget (Core Funding) for 2023/24

Mandate

- The purpose of the Board is to resolve matters in dispute relating to access to Gwich'in lands, Sahtu lands and Tâîchô lands, and the waters overlying those lands, and Inuvialuit lands and non-designated land.

Board Operations

Board Meetings

- The 2023/24 combined budget for Board meetings (\$112,500) and training (\$45,100) is \$157,600.
- Budget includes four meetings and each meeting will have a training component. Two of the meetings will be for three days and two will be for four days. Allowances have been made for travel and related costs for members living outside of Yellowknife. Also included in the training budget is the cost of professional trainers.
- This is not a significant change from previous years' budgets.
- Costs could increase significantly if an application comes before the Board.

Staff

- 2023/24 budget is \$74,000.
- One part-time employee
- Costs could increase significantly if an application comes before the Board.

Ongoing Operational Costs

- 2023/24 budget is \$126,300
- Costs could increase significantly if an application comes before the Board.

Planned Activities

Development of a Two-Year Strategic Plan

Description

- The initial five-year plan lapsed at the end of the fiscal year 2019/20. Faced with only a one-year funding agreement no long-term plan was developed. We are currently in the second year of a five-year funding agreement and are also in the second year of a two-year strategic plan developed with a view to be able to proficiently deliver on the SRB's mandate.

Project Activities

- Meetings of the SRB's Finance and Planning Committee to develop the plan and present to the SRB Board in stages for approval.
- Review of the SRB's mission, vision, and values.
- Review and revise the previous SRB's environmental scan.
- Review the SRB's goals, objectives, and strategies
- The project would be completed in year one and reviewed.

Outputs and Deliverables

- The process will provide an establish, written, and Board approved plan for the upcoming years.
- Timelines will be established by the Board. (Presumably in conjunction with the development of the next budget cycle).

Partners

- Funding from the Federal Government.
- Federal funding dispersed through the Territorial Government.

Budget

- Honoraria of \$13,000 annually.
- Budget includes preparing all submissions required by the funders.
- Above is included in the overall Honoraria line of the attached budget.

Board Training

Description

- Training provided to staff and Board members to maintain Board competency and proficiency.
- Annually at the June, October, and January Board meetings training topics from a Board established list of prioritized topics.
- Annually at the April Board meeting dispute resolution exercises.
- Overall, the training is geared to enabling the Board to proficiently deliver on the SRB's mandate.
- Monthly member presentations of relevant readings.

Project Activities (training topics)

- Addressing the legal requirement of consultation with Aboriginal Peoples of Canada in NWT SRB decision-making processes in the context of s. 35 of the Constitution Act, including such concepts as meaningful consultation and reconciliation.
- Hearing simulation training.
- Dispute resolution training.

Outputs and Deliverables

- Four training sessions annually.

- 1.5 days of training at the June and January Board meetings.
- 2.5 days of training at the October and April meetings.
- Periodic Zoom sessions with members presenting summations from selected readings.

Partners

- Funding from the Federal Government.
- Federal funding dispersed through the Territorial Government.

Budget

- Honoraria of \$23,500.
- Professional fees and travel costs of \$21,600 to deliver the training.
- \$14,000 for Board accommodations and meals (travel costs are covered under Board meetings which occur on the same trip).

Board and Committee Meetings

Description

- Business meetings in Yellowknife.
- Committee meetings preparing proposals for the Board's consideration.
- Overall, the meetings are geared to ensuring the Board is meeting the SRB's mandate.

Project Activities

- Meeting as a Board to ensure core capacity and administrative requirement are being met and maintained.
- Progressively working through the growth and development of the SRB.

Outputs and Deliverables

- Four face-to-face Board business meetings annually.
- Meetings are scheduled annually for April, June, October, and January.
- Committee meetings periodically as required. May be face-to-face, via conference calls, or via Zoom etc.

Partners

- Funding from the Federal Government.
- Federal funding dispersed through the Territorial Government.

Budget

- Honoraria of \$32,600.
- Travel and other Board costs of \$34,000.

Proposed Budget

NWT Surface Rights Board							
Statement of Operations for 2021/22 and							
Budgets for 2022/23 and 2023/24							
		2021/22 Actuals		2022/23 Budget		2023/24 Budget	
		\$		\$		\$	
REVENUE							
	GNWT Contribution Agreement		317,645		328,010		349,244
	Transferred to Deferred Revenue		(156,573)		0		0
	Funds Carried Forward from Prior Year		51,117		31,675		124,898
	Other Sources (Interest etc.)		205		0		0
	TOTAL		212,394		359,685		474,142
EXPENSES							
	Application Processing		0		0		111,292
	Advertising and external communications		0				0
	Board						
	Travel and other costs		368		55,580		51,550
	Honoraria, Board Meetings and Analytical		30,161		66,500		60,950
	Honoraria, Training and Professional Development		5,700	36,229	24,455	146,535	23,500
	Information tech, comp, website		1,972		11,500		13,500
	Insurance and misc		2,421		6,000		6,000
	Interest and bank charges		550		1,000		1,000
	Office and other supplies		10,184		3,000		3,000
	Professional Fees		61,867		75,600		76,100
	Rent		28,122		30,400		35,400
	Staff Travel		0		4,950		4,950
	Telephone, fax, and internet		3,514		8,700		12,900
	Wages and Benefits		67,535		72,000		74,000
	TOTALS		212,394		359,685		474,142
	SURPLUS/(LOSS)		0		0		0