

Indigenous Ministerial Arrangements Regulations (IMARs)

Participant Funding Application Form

Please submit your completed application form by **Friday, September 26, 2025**, by email to imar-rama@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca. If you have an open IMARs Contribution Agreement in 2024-25, please ensure to submit final reporting requirements by email to imar-rama@nrcan-rncan.gc.ca to be eligible for a new Contribution Agreement in 2025-26.

1. Participant

Please provide the information of the participant.

Name of legal entity applying for funding:

Name of the contact person:

Mailing Address:

City/Town:

Province/Territory:

Postal Code:

Phone number:

Email:

2. Participant Type

a) Select the box that applies to the Participant.

Indigenous communities or governments;

Tribal Councils or entities that fulfill a similar function (e.g., general council);

National and regional Indigenous councils, and tribal organizations;

Indigenous (majority owned and controlled by Indigenous people) for-profit and not-for-profit organizations



3. Administrative Information

a) Partnerships

Are you submitting this Application Form in partnership with any other groups or organizations in order to maximize the use of resources? Yes No

If yes, describe the partnership and the organizations or groups involved and provide either a Band Council Resolution (BCR) or a Letter of Support from Leadership that make up the partnership:

b) Information about other government sources of funding

Has your group or organization applied for funds from any other government source(s) to participate in IMARs?
Yes No

If yes, identify the government source(s) and amount of funding the group or organization has received or will be receiving:

c) Conflict of Interest: Participation of Former Federal Public Servants

Will any former federal public servants be involved in your participation? Yes No

If yes, please provide name, position and involvement in this engagement process and/or when this individual was last employed in the Federal Public Service.

4. Participation

From April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026, Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) is providing funding under **three streams** to support engagement on the Indigenous Ministerial Arrangement Regulations. This approach remains flexible with Indigenous groups' engagement needs and processes.

Refer to Table 1 below and NRCan's website natural-resources.canada.ca/indigenous-regulations before selecting a **stream**.

Table 1: 2025-26 IMARs Participant Funding Streams

Stream 1	Stream 2	Stream 3
(Up to \$25,000)	(Up to \$35,000)	(Up to \$100,000)
Eligible Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel to and/or participate in NRCan-hosted sessions to discuss IMARs; Obtain professional services (e.g., legal or technical specialists, consultants); Other activities (e.g. build community capacity), upon approval, deemed necessary to ensure meaningful participation in the potential development of IMARs. 	Eligible Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Travel to and/or participate in NRCan-hosted sessions to discuss IMARs; Host session(s) and/or other form(s) of engagement (e.g. surveys, etc.) for less than 10 Indigenous groups OR for your own community and/or invite neighbouring groups; Obtain professional services (e.g., legal or technical specialists, consultants); Other activities (e.g. build community capacity), upon approval, deemed necessary to ensure meaningful participation in the potential development of IMARs. 	Eligible Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host large regional session(s) (minimum of 10 Indigenous groups invited); Obtain professional services (e.g., legal or technical specialists, consultants); Other activities (e.g. build community capacity), upon approval, deemed necessary to ensure meaningful participation in the potential development of IMARs.
Expected Commitments from Recipients: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend NRCan-hosted sessions Share a written submission Provide input to help inform the proposed regulations 	Expected Commitments from Recipients: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attend NRCan-hosted sessions Host session(s) and/or other form(s) of engagement (e.g. surveys, etc.) Share a written submission Provide input to help inform the proposed regulations Develop a Meeting Record/Summary for community-hosted meeting 	Expected Commitments from Recipients: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Host large regional session(s) Lead on coordination and facilitation of session Lead on communications with participants Provide input to help inform the proposed regulations Regular status update meetings with NRCan Develop a detailed Meeting Summary Share a written submission

5. Engagement Activities

Please select a stream and respond to the questions related to the stream you are applying for.

Stream:

For information on NRCan-hosted sessions, please refer to the IMARs Participant Funding Applicant Guide.

a) Stream 1: Up to \$25,000 for participation in NRCan-hosted sessions

i. Please describe your engagement approach, including supporting activities, deliverables and timeframes.

Please note, the following activities are expected for this stream:

- Attend NRCan-hosted sessions.
- Share a written submission.
- Provide input to help inform the proposed regulations.

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b) Stream 2: Up to \$35,000 to participate in NRCan-hosted sessions and host engagements for less than 10 Indigenous groups

i. Please describe your engagement approach, including supporting activities, deliverables and timeframes.

Please note, the following activities are expected for this stream:

- Attend NRCan-hosted sessions.
- Host session(s) and/or other form(s) of engagement (e.g. surveys, etc.).
- Share a written submission.
- Provide input to help inform the proposed regulations.
- Develop a Meeting Record/Summary for community-hosted meeting.

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ii. Provide a list of Indigenous group(s) you plan to engage, including an estimated total of people to be engaged.

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- iii. OPTIONAL: If required, describe any additional assistance (informational materials, etc.) that would be required from NRCan to execute your engagement approach. NRCan will assess the feasibility of the assistance requested.

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c) Stream 3: Up to \$100,000 to host and facilitate regional session(s) with at least 10 Indigenous groups

- i. Please describe how you plan to engage Indigenous groups on Indigenous Ministerial Arrangements Regulations (IMARs), for the purposes of providing input to help inform the proposed regulations. Include supporting activities, deliverables and timeframes.

Please note, the following activities are expected for this stream:

- Host large regional session(s).
- Lead on coordination and facilitation of session.
- Lead on communications with participants.
- Provide input to help inform the proposed regulations.
- Regular status update meetings with NRCan.
- Develop a detailed Meeting Summary.
- Share a written submission.

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- ii. Describe your level of understanding and/or any prior experiences with IMARs and/or the CER regulatory process.



iii. Provide a list of Indigenous group(s) you plan to engage, including an estimated total of people to be engaged.

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- iv. OPTIONAL: If required, describe any additional assistance (informational materials, etc.) that would be required from NRCan to execute your engagement approach. NRCan will assess the feasibility of the assistance requested.

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Should you require additional space, please submit a separate document with this form.

6. Estimated Budget

Complete the following table with the estimated expenditures applicable to your proposal. The total amount should not exceed:

- **\$25,000 for Stream 1 proposals.**
- **\$35,000 for Stream 2 proposals.**
- **\$100,000 for Stream 3 proposals.**

Eligible Expenditures	Description	Amount
Travel expenses , including accommodation, meal allowances, and incidental allowances, based on National Joint Council rates . If attending a session hosted by NRCan, reimbursement for travel expenses will be limited to 2 representatives per session.		
Professional fees (including legal fees) Identify name, expertise and activities. Specify the daily or hourly rate and amount of time required.		
Salaries and wages If an employee of the applicant will coordinate or contribute to the Applicant's activities, provide the employee's name, his/her duties related to the IMARs engagement, the daily or hourly rate of the employee and amount of time required for the activities to be undertaken.		
Rental of office space/meeting rooms Specify the daily or hourly rate and amount of time required.		
Telecommunication charges		
Communication materials		
Hospitality, honoraria and ceremonial costs Identify the amount of the honoraria and the estimated number of recipients. The recipient to whom honoraria is provided cannot be in receipt of a salary or any other direct income for the activity for which an honorarium is claimed.		
Purchase, lease or rental of equipment (including monitoring equipment, computer/IT equipment and software), including all related and necessary costs		
GST, PST or HST, net of any tax rebate to which the recipient is entitled		
Overhead expenditures , provided that they are directly related to the conduct of IMARs work and can be attributed to it. Overhead expenditures may be included in the total project costs to a maximum of 15% of eligible expenditures. Overhead expenditures include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Administrative support provided directly to the project by the recipients employee(s), valued on the same basis as professional staff time • Heat, hydro and office operating costs (e.g. Internet, telephone) 		
Total Funding to Support Described Activities		

7. Supporting documents (where applicable)

Please complete the following table by listing the supporting documents that will be submitted with this form.

Supporting documentation can include:

- Documentation that shows confirmation and/or support if you are submitting a funding application on behalf of a partnership (e.g., a Band Council Resolution, Letter of Support, etc.)

NOTE: This documentation is only required if you selected “yes” for Question 3A on Page 2

Type of Supporting Document	Name of Supporting Document	Method of Submission (mail, email)	Date of submission

Should your funding application be successful, and a contribution agreement is fully signed, your organization can incur eligible expenses between April 1, 2025 and March 31, 2026. Your organization will be required to submit a final narrative report and a final financial report by May 31, 2026. The reporting templates with instructions will be provided to you. **Please note that no new Contribution Agreement for the following year can be signed until all final reports have been accepted by NRCan.**

Please note: All successful recipients are required to keep and maintain all receipts, invoices, and any other proof of expenses incurred over the duration of a contribution agreement.

8. Certification Declaration

I/we hereby certify that the information provided in the attached IMARs Participant Funding Application Form and all supporting documentation is true, accurate and complete. I/we understand that if any information provided in form is false or misleading, the Participant may be denied funding or may be required to reimburse all or part of funding received.

I agree that **the information provided in this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge.**

Given Name

Family Name

Title

Email

Signature

Date

(YYYY/MM/DD)

Name of person who is authorized to sign a contribution agreement should funding be awarded.

Given Name

Family Name

Title

Email

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no later than Friday, September 26, 2025.