

Staff Report

Presented By: Alex Thompson, Strategic Initiatives Officer

Meeting Date: July 7, 2025

Subject: Town of Saugeen Shores Comments to IAAC on the Draft TISG

Attachment(s): Draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines Comments Submission
Plain Language Summary - Draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines

Recommendation

That Council endorse the Draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines Comments Submission on behalf of the Town of Saugeen Shores; and

That Council direct staff to submit the Town's comments to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada.

Report Summary

On June 12, 2025, the Town was notified that the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada published draft project documents, including the TISG and related plans. This report summarizes the comment period and proposes a submission for Council's consideration on behalf of Saugeen Shores.

Background/Analysis

The Town received notice on June 12, 2025, that the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) resumed the 180-day time limit for the planning phase under the *Impact Assessment Act* for the Bruce C Nuclear Project (the Project). On that same day, IAAC published the draft [Integrated Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines](#) (TISG), [Public Participation Plan](#), [Indigenous Engagement and Partnership Plan](#), [Impact Assessment Cooperation Plan](#), and [Permitting Plan](#) for the project.

As part of the planning phase in the integrated assessment process, IAAC and the CNSC invited Indigenous Nations, communities and the public (which municipalities are considered) to review and provide feedback on the draft TISG and the draft Public Participation Plan.

The draft TISG outlines the specific factors to be considered in the assessment of the project and provide direction to the proponent, Bruce Power, on the studies and information required in

its Impact Statement, as well in the licence application for a licence to prepare the site. The draft Public Participation Plan explains how the public will be engaged throughout the review process and provides details on how and when public participation opportunities will take place for each phase of the integrated assessment.

Once finalized, IAAC will post the plans to the Registry with the Notice of Commencement, marking the start of the Impact Statement phase.

Overview of the Draft TISG for the Bruce C Project

The draft Integrated Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines is a document prepared by the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada that outlines the information and studies required in the Proponent's (Bruce Power) Impact Statement. Relevant components of the TISG include:

- Project Description
- Description of Public Participation and Views
- Description of Engagement with Indigenous Nations and Communities
- Assessment Methodology
- Biophysical Environment
- Health, Social and Economic Conditions
- Indigenous Peoples
- Effects of Potential Accidents or Malfunctions
- Follow-up Program

Comments Submission on the Draft TISG and Public Participation Plan

Attached to this report is the proposed Town of Saugeen Shores draft Integrated Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines Comment Submission for Council consideration. The comments outline how the draft TISG reasserts the importance of identifying the baseline conditions, projected effects, and where appropriate, mitigation and enhancement measures of the Bruce C Project, with a particular focus on the areas of health, social and economic conditions for a locally impacted community, such as the Town.

Additional areas of comment include municipal participation in the Impact Assessment process, the selection of Valued Components, project activities to be considered in a cumulative effects assessment, emergency management preparedness, and follow-up programming.

Summary

The Town of Saugeen Shores appreciates the opportunity to be engaged and provide comments on the draft Integrated Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines and draft Public Participation Plan. The Town looks forward to continuing to actively engage in a meaningful way, with Bruce Power, IAAC and CNSC throughout the Impact Assessment process for the potential Bruce C project.

Linkages

- Strategic Plan Alignment: Pillar 1: Meeting the Needs of a Growing Community

- Business Plan Alignment: CAO Major Initiative

Financial Impacts/Source of Funding

No costs or revenue is associated with this report.

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