

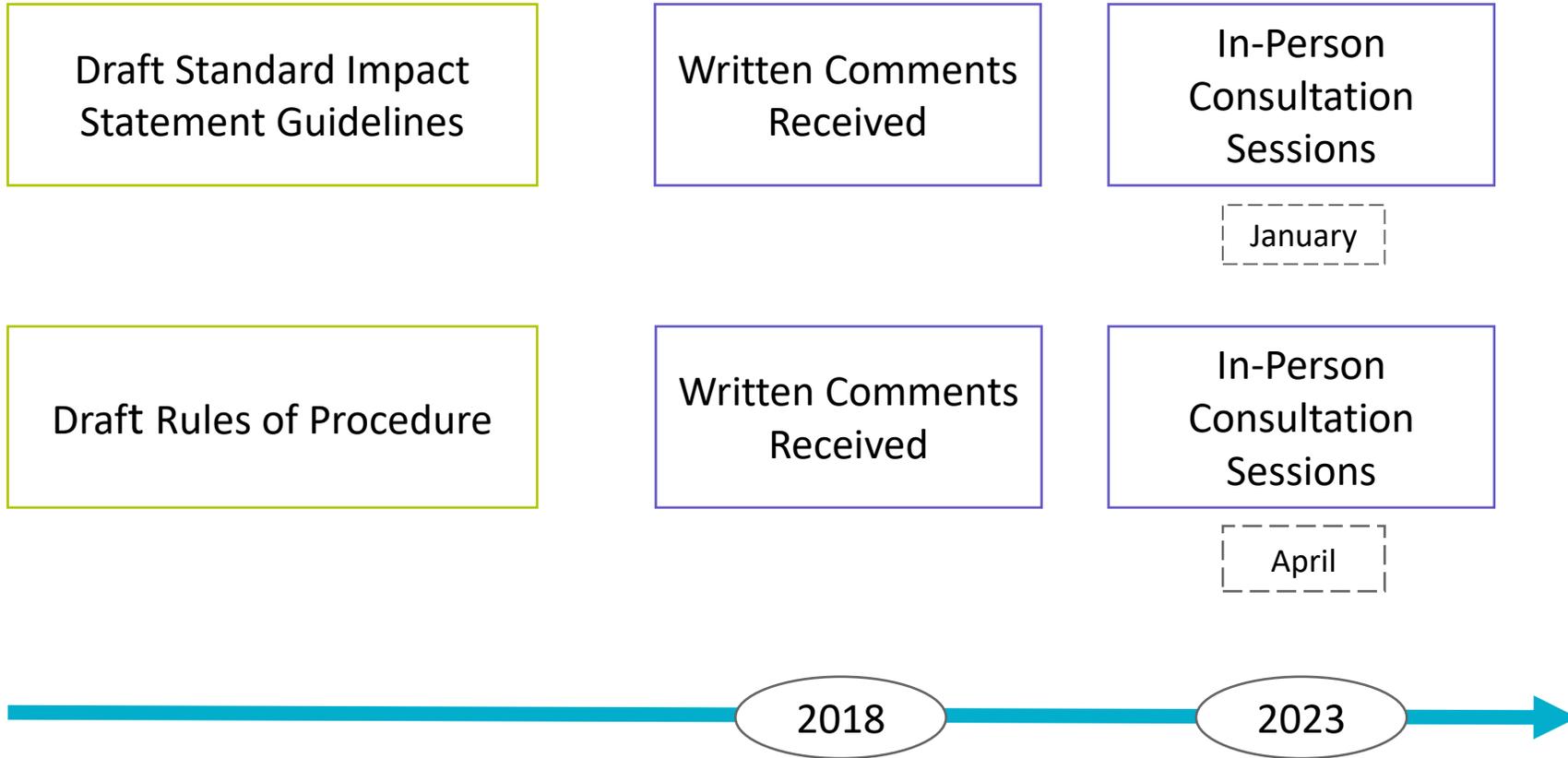
Session Objectives

Build knowledge and awareness around the Standard Impact Statement (IS) Guidelines development process

Provide an opportunity for stakeholders and rightsholders to give feedback

Gather input to inform the next iteration of the draft Standard IS Guidelines

Parallel Consultation Processes



Development of Key Themes

- Key themes are informed by:
 - Written comments received in 2018
 - Input during recent NIRB processes
 - Process changes since 2018
 - Similar work in other jurisdictions
- Key themes have been grouped for discussion

Core Principles



- Inuit and community involvement are to be woven throughout all themes
- Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit needs to inform all stages of the impact assessment
- The proponent must provide reasons for differences in conclusions
- Systems analysis (individual and collective impacts)



KEY THEME: INUIT QAUJIMAJATUQANGIT AND PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Thinking About Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit Holistically

- Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit is collected, managed and interpreted differently across Nunavut:
 - How is Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit being managed in your region?
 - How might the NIRB or proponents treat these differences?

Significance Determination

Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- Assessing the significance of potential impacts is the most important aspect of an Impact Statement and must involve potentially affected communities.
- The Proponent shall include how it considered different parties' views in determining the significance of potential impacts.
- The Proponent shall describe how Inuit Qaujimajatuqangit, well-being, and the values of potentially impacted communities are reflected in the determination of significance.

What do you like or appreciate?
What uncertainties or gaps remain?
What additional information or guidance is required?

Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- The impact assessment must describe:
 - Potential impacts and effects on individual valued components considered;
 - Potential impacts and changes to the valued components as they relate to or form systems (also referred to as collective impacts);
 - Significance of the predicted impact and reasoning for that determination;
 - Potential cumulative effects of the proposed project on the valued components and the systems identified;
 - Potential for transboundary effects;
 - Proposed mitigation measures to avoid, reduce, or offset predicted impacts; and
 - Predicted residual impacts after mitigation measures are applied.
- Proponents are expected to focus on assessing the impacts identified by communities as issues of concern, in addition to those with greater potential to cause residual impacts.

Key points from NIRB Discussion Document (continued):

- Health impact assessments related to Inuit shall include the following considerations: food security; perceived and real risk of contamination and effects of both on country food harvesting and alienation; a Population Health approach; Inuit determinants of health that go beyond the biophysical, and consider the mental, physical, and spiritual aspects of health

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Key points from NIRB Discussion Document:

- The Impact Statement shall include a discussion on global climate change.
- The Proponent must assess how potential climate change could affect valued components.
- Proponents shall demonstrate how climate change has been considered in the design and planning of the Project including the post-closure period.
- Assessments shall address uncertainty and indicate how areas impacted by development are expected to change over time and under different climate change conditions/models.

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Tentative Timeline

January 2023:

Consultations on the Draft
Standard IS Guidelines

February – April 2023:

Regional Community Consultations

June 2023:

Revised Draft Standard IS Guidelines
for Comment

October 2023:

NIRB Distributes Finalized
Standard IS Guidelines

A vibrant green aurora borealis (Northern Lights) illuminates a dark, starry night sky. Below the aurora, a rugged, rocky landscape is visible, with numerous large, light-colored rocks scattered across the foreground and middle ground. The overall scene is serene and majestic.

Thank you!