

LAKE MANITOBA LAKE ST. MARTIN

OUTLET CHANNELS PROJECT

Wetland Compensation Plan

Questionnaire

General Information (Please provide your contact information)

Name

Community

Mailing Address

Phone Number

Email

Do you wish to self-identify as an Indigenous Person in Canada, such as First Nations, Metis or Inuit?

Yes

No

Manitoba welcomes responses from all to this questionnaire, including Indigenous individuals. Manitoba remains committed to meaningful and respectful Crown-Indigenous Consultation with Indigenous groups.

In addition to your responses, your personal information is being collected to be able to contact you for follow up if needed. Your responses will be collected and used to help support the provincial and federal environmental assessment process for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St Martin Outlet Channels Project and will inform the Crown-Indigenous Consultation process and project planning. Responses and information collected through this questionnaire will be protected by Manitoba Infrastructure but may be shared with other provincial and federal regulatory bodies to meet environmental regulatory requirements.

Overview of the Plan and Questionnaire

The Wetland Compensation Plan (the Plan) presented during consultation and engagement is considered draft and will not be finalized until input is obtained from potentially affected Indigenous groups and stakeholders. The Plan will be finalized once applicable feedback has been received, final design details are determined, and environmental approval conditions are available. This questionnaire is intended to be completed after reviewing the Plan. It is recommended that the report is read as a whole so that sections or parts should not be read out of context.

The Plan describes the process by which wetlands that will be affected through construction and operation of the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel (LMOC) Project will qualify for mitigation, monitoring and/or compensation of the wetland.

The objectives of the Plan are to:

- Outline the key findings of the wetland mapping and field investigations (WSP 2020) as they pertain to the determination of those wetlands that meet the criteria for compensation.
- Describe key steps for planning and development of restoration and enhancement wetland compensation projects.
- Describe follow-up and monitoring for wetland compensation projects and other wetland areas.

If no, please explain:

Wetland Compensation

5. Manitoba Infrastructure is exploring options to develop enhancement and/or restoration projects. This involves identifying suitable wetland habitat outside the Project Development Area. Is there an area or project that you think would be suitable for wetland enhancement, restoration and/or protection?

Please explain your project idea and identify the location, on the Figures 1 & 2, if possible:

Thank you for sharing your ideas. Manitoba Infrastructure may require additional information on this project idea, please identify if you consent to being contacted:

Yes

No

6. Manitoba Infrastructure is currently exploring options to protect, restore or enhance provincial Crown land in local and regional areas. Do you have concerns with this type of approach to mitigate the effects of wetland habitats that are potentially affected by the Project?

Yes

No

Please explain:

7. Manitoba Infrastructure is currently examining other projects in Manitoba that may have value for wetland enhancement or protection. Do you have concerns with this approach to mitigate the effects of wetland habitats that are potentially affected by the Project?

Yes

No

Please explain:

8. Please indicate how you feel Indigenous communities and groups and other public stakeholders should be included in the development and selection of wetland compensation projects.

Please explain:

Follow-up and Monitoring

9. The Plan (Section 4) identifies monitoring activities for water quality, sediment quality, aquatic habitat and groundwater that will occur with respect to wetlands potentially affected by the Project – as identified in relevant Project EMPs (e.g., Aquatic Effects Monitoring Plan, Surface Water Management Plan, Groundwater Management Plan, and Wildlife Monitoring Plan). What wetland qualities are important to you that you would like to see monitored?

10. Manitoba Infrastructure is working with a number of Indigenous groups and communities on the Project. Would you like to be involved in follow-up and monitoring activities with respect to wetlands in the Project area? If yes, please explain what aspect(s) of monitoring you are most interested in:

Conclusion

11. Are you concerned that further loss or alteration of wetlands due to the Project will affect your ability to practice traditional use activities (such as gathering medicinal plants and other plant species of cultural importance)?

Yes

No

Not applicable

If yes, please identify the changes and explain how your ability to practice traditional use activities is affected:

12. Are you concerned that the loss or alteration of wetlands due to the Project will have a negative impact on the health and socio-economic conditions (e.g. economy and culture) in the area?

Yes

No

Please explain:

13. How would you like to receive information about the Plan and the Project?

Email

Mail

Website

All of the above

14. Was the information in the Plan presented in a manner that was easy to understand?

Yes

No

If no, please identify what information requires further clarification:

15. Do you have any general comments or questions?

Yes

No

If yes, please explain:

Thank you for your feedback. Please remember to include the maps with your questionnaire.

We want to hear from you.
Share your thoughts by highlighting or adding
sticky notes to the maps provided below.

Figure 1: Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel Area

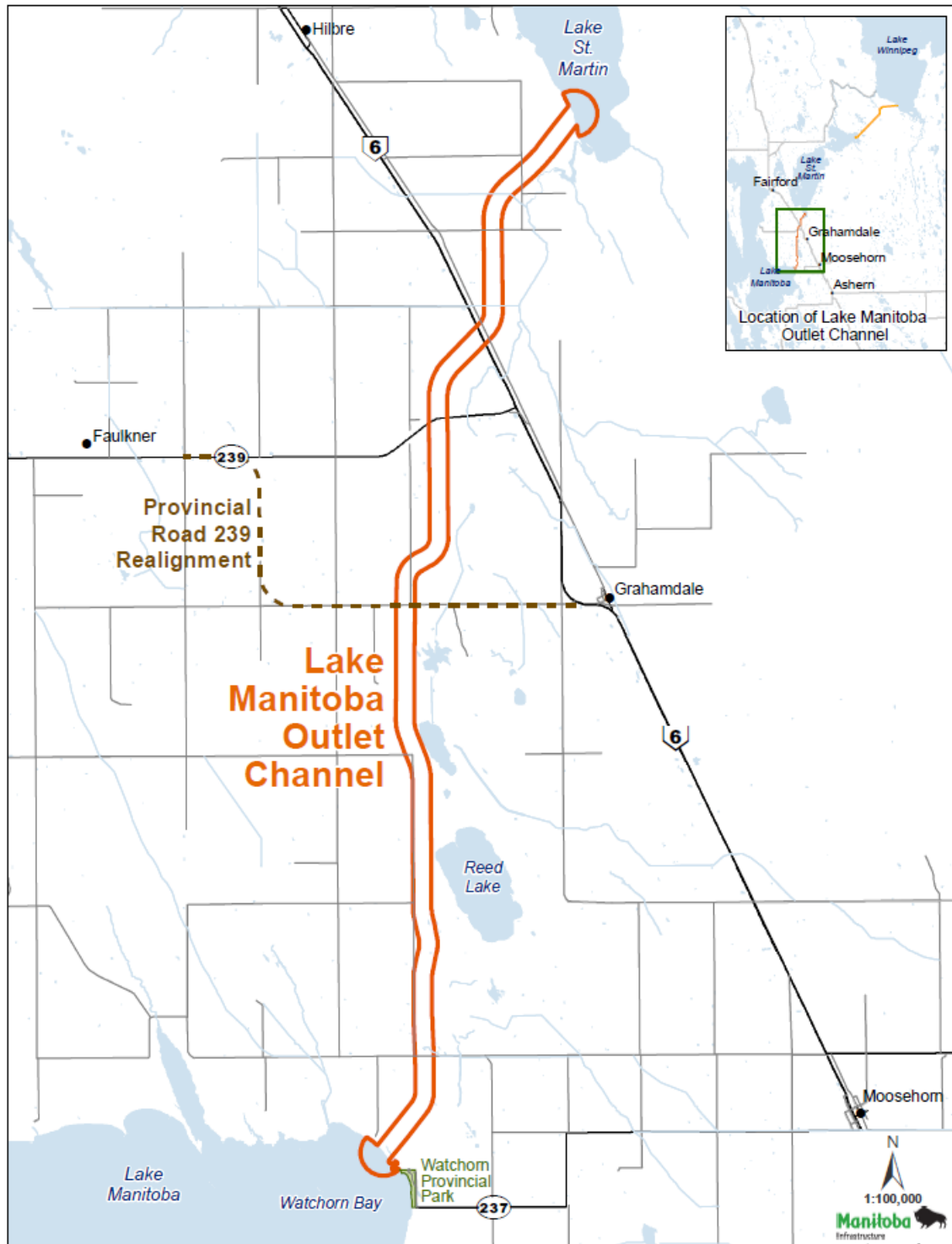


Figure 2: Map of Southern Manitoba

