

LAKE MANITOBA LAKE ST. MARTIN

OUTLET CHANNELS PROJECT

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Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the current status on the Lake Manitoba and Lake St. Martin Outlet Channels Project?

Manitoba Infrastructure (MI) submitted the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for review to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (IAAC) and Manitoba Conservation and Climate on August 30, 2019.

MI has responded to technical information requests and is currently working towards public information request responses. Ongoing consultation is taking place with affected Indigenous communities and stakeholders.

2. When will construction on the Outlet Channels Project begin?

The Outlet Channels Project is currently being designed and can only begin once necessary environmental authorizations and licences have been obtained. Construction of the channels is anticipated to begin in 2021. Construction of the Outlet Channels Project is currently planned to occur over a three to four-year period.

3. Will I be able to use my land prior to the start of construction?

The Manitoba government continues to work with landowners who are impacted by expropriation of land required for the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel. Possession dates have been extended for some landowners to accommodate their concerns.

4. When will my fences be moved, if required?

Manitoba Infrastructure will be responsible for relocating fences prior to the start of construction. Individual landowners will be contacted directly to ensure advance notice is provided before this work is scheduled to occur.

5. Where will construction begin?

A preliminary construction sequencing plan is presently under development for the Outlet Channels Project and will be provided in the preliminary engineering channel design report once it is complete. A brief high level overview of the general construction plan is provided in the [Sediment Management Plan](#).

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6. How will I access my land during construction?

If required, landowner access will be in place during construction.

7. Can I drive large farm equipment across the bridges and water control structure? Will vehicles and ATVs be restricted on the channel banks?

The Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel will have a total of four bridge crossings located at Township Line Road, Carne Ridge Road / PR 239, PTH 6 and Iverson Road. New bridges will be constructed to accommodate the crossing of farming equipment.

Access to Outlet Channels Project infrastructure including the outlet channel as well as the inlet, outlet and water control structure, will be restricted post-construction. Infrastructure that poses a hazard or presents a security risk, will be fenced and will include the water control structure (excluding the Iverson Road bridge crossing).

Additional information on proposed access control measures is provided in the [Access Management Plan](#).

8. Who will be responsible for managing weeds along the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel?

The Manitoba government is responsible for weed management along the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel Right of Way. For more information, please see the [Revegetation Management Plan](#).