



overview

michelin project community panel



The Michelin Project Community Panel is an integral component of Aurora's Labrador community consultations, providing an opportunity for discussion of the proposed Michelin Project.

Since it was established in 2008, the Panel has been a forum for Aurora and community representatives to meet on a regular basis to discuss all aspects of the Michelin Project, as well as community ideas and concerns pertaining to the Project, allowing for more in-depth discussions and understanding than would be expected through other consultation events.

The project team can learn from the knowledge and experience of the community members. And community members can learn about uranium mining, milling and Aurora's plans for the Michelin Project as well as Aurora's community work.

The Panel's work is guided by these principles:

- To foster a high level of communication between Aurora and the people living and working in communities in the project area about the work of Aurora Energy on the Michelin Project
- To provide community members with an opportunity to meet regularly with representatives of Aurora who are involved in various decision-making processes
- To provide a way for community members to offer their knowledge and experience to Aurora and for Aurora to listen to their views and concerns
- To create a base of information and knowledge for Aurora to respond to community concerns and suggestions, and for Panel members to inform communities of Aurora's activities
- To provide a forum for representatives of various Provincial, Federal and Nunatsiavut Government departments, Innu Nation, and at times invited guests, to address the Panel on specific topics of community interest

Roles and Responsibilities

Aurora's Role

- Provide accurate, timely, clear and comprehensive information to Panel members
- Respond to requests for information from Panel members
- Distribute input received on the Project from the Panel and others to the project team
- Ensure that appropriate Aurora team members are present for discussions of specific issues in order to provide further information and clarification
- Be open, receptive, and give careful consideration to feedback and ideas received from Panel members



Panel Member's Role

- Consider any matters, issues or information referred to them by Aurora and provide feedback as requested
- Advise the organization they represent, as well as members of the community, and bring forward feedback, issues or comments from their meetings and consultations with communities to the Panel

Panel Members

Membership on the Panel includes a balance of interests including traditional and cultural lifestyle considerations. The Panel is meant to serve as a balanced, representative collection of community interests rather than a comprehensive group of all community interests. Interest groups and individuals not participating on the Panel are welcome to participate in other consultation activities and to direct their comments to the members of the Panel for inclusion on the agenda.

There are approximately 10 members on the Panel to allow for ease of discussion and meeting management. The Panel consists of representatives from each of the Nunatsiavut and Innu communities of Makkovik, Postville, Rigolet, Hopedale, Nain, Happy Valley - Goose Bay, North West River, Natuashish and Sheshatshiu. Membership aims to reflect gender diversity, as well as represent the following:

- Residents
- Business owners
- Hunters/fishers
- Community/Recreation interests (eg. community health nurse, coach)
- Educators (eg. teacher from local schools, school advisory councils)
- Students
- Community volunteers
- Elders
- Non-elected government representatives

Members of the community wishing to participate are asked to apply. Aurora will select Panel members and their alternates from the applications. Panel members will be selected based on their interest, occupation, experience, representation of others, availability, ability to travel, gender balance and location.

Two appointed Aurora team members attend all meetings - the Vice President, Labrador Affairs and Manager, Labrador Community Relations. Other guests will be invited for given topics of discussion as appropriate.



Commitment by Panel Members

By agreeing to sit on the Panel, members also commit to attending at least half of the regularly scheduled meetings, for a two year membership. There are usually six meetings per year. Meetings are usually held in a different coastal community on a rotating basis, taking into consideration weather constraints. The overall time commitment expected from Panel members, including attendance at meetings, as well as reviewing material, is anticipated to be an average of four hours per meeting, excluding travel.

Compensation and Costs

Aurora will cover the costs of operating the Panel, including holding meetings, transportation, circulating the meeting minutes and agenda, and other incidental expenses.

Panel members will receive \$150.00 per diem for meeting attendance, plus expenses.

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