

# MACKENZIE GAS PROJECT IMPACT FUND -MGPIF

1. Follows Joint Review Panel (JRP) & National Energy Board (NEB) decision
2. If JRP & NEB recommend 'yes' or 'yes with conditions'
3. If pipeline companies agree to go ahead
4. Federal Gov't will offer \$500 million MGPIF over 10 years
5. MGPIF for use in projects to ease social, cultural and economic impacts of MGP

# The Dehcho & the MGPIF

- Dehcho eligible for \$150m of MGPIF
- To access MGPIF meet 3 requirements
  1. Report on socio-economic conditions, MGP impacts and mitigations
  2. Develop a region investment plan
  3. Establish a regional corporation
    - MGPIF targeted at First Nation communities

# Dehcho First Nations & the MGPIF

- Dehcho First Nations (DFN) doing work to be eligible for MGPIF funding
- DFN's work on the MGPIF will not:
  1. Compromise the Dehcho Process
  2. Be seen as support for the MGP
- DFN completed report on human conditions and impacts
- DFN now developing a regional investment plan

# Dehcho Regional Investment Plan (RIP)

- DFN Regional Steering Committee directing development of the Investment Plan
- Lutra Associates Ltd. and Crosscurrents hired to write the Plan
- Plan developed from community plans, presentations to the JRP and NEB, agreements and assessments about social, cultural and economic impacts from the MGP

# Community Conversations

- DFN Steering Committee members & Lutra talking to Dehcho residents
- How should \$150 m be spent to ease social and cultural impacts from the MGP?
- Some communities, have field worker/ liaison/ organizing people
- Conversations taking place from January 14 to February 22
- Plan outline for Steering Committee end of February 2008

# Spending \$150 million

- 4 priorities identified in DFN's report on human conditions and impacts:
  1. Population & Employment
  2. Social & Community Wellness
  3. Traditional Culture
  4. Housing & Community Infrastructure
- Requirements also set down in MGPIF – conditions made worse or new issues due to MGP, no duplication, and regional approach

# How Would You Spend \$150 million

- Consider social and cultural change expected from the MGP – cost of living, dysfunctional behaviours, safety issues, quality of life, traditions, sense of place, etc.
- Who will be most negatively affected?
- How can the MGPIF be used by people to buffer negative effects of the MGP?