

**ACTION PLAN IMPLEMENTATION STATUS UPDATE
REPORT TO THE EVALUATION COMMITTEE - AS OF MARCH 31, 2010**

TREATIES AND ABORIGINAL GOVERNMENT			
EVALUATION OF TREATY RELATED MEASURES IN BRITISH COLUMBIA (0803) AEC APPROVAL DATE: 15/09/2009			
PROJECT RECOMMENDATIONS	ACTION PLAN	EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	PROGRAM RESPONSE
<p>1. Design a renewed TRMs Initiative that is strategic, cost-effective, and meets the needs of BC First Nations involved in treaty negotiations.</p> <p>This should include eliminating the cost-sharing arrangements with the Government of BC for Tier 1 TRMs, streamlining administrative processes, and leveraging, where possible, existing federal, provincial and industry mechanisms to support TRMs objectives.</p> <p>TRMs should remain tied directly to the BC treaty process and support the broader treaty revitalization process.</p>	<p>Seek approval of adjustments to the TRMs Initiative including new TRM types that better meet the needs of negotiation tables in the BC treaty process; removal of the 50:50, project-by-project cost-sharing requirement with BC for Tier 1 TRMs, allowing Canada to partner more strategically with other provincial and federal initiatives; and, develop a more efficient and streamlined TRMs administrative process that is consistent with the Treasury Board Policy on Transfer Payments.</p>	<p>31/04/2010</p>	<p>Status: Complete</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2009:</p> <p>Revisions to TRM's initiative approved in February 2010.</p> <p>AES: Close</p>
<p>2. Engage the BCTC, the First Nations Summit, the Government of BC, and other relevant federal government departments on the design and implementation of a renewed TRMs Initiative. This should begin by revisiting Recommendation 16 of the 1991 BC Claims <i>Task Force Report</i>.</p>	<p>Continue engaging the Government of BC, the First Nations Summit, and other relevant federal departments in the design of a renewed TRMs Initiative.</p> <p>Engage in discussions with BCTC and First Nations Summit regarding: key findings of the TRMs Impact Evaluation, planned revisions to the TRMs Initiative, and issues related to the federal response to Recommendation 16 of the 1991 BC Claims Task Force Report.</p>	<p>31/01/2010</p>	<p>Status: Complete</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2009:</p> <p>Discussions held with BC First Nations Summit, and tripartite working group, including BCTC.</p> <p>AES: Close</p>

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<p>3. Implement a renewed TRMs Initiative in which First Nations negotiators have a greater degree of involvement in the selection and design of the TRMs activity. This should include improved communications about the full suite of TRMs tools available.</p>	<p>Implement a renewed TRMs Initiative with the following planned attributes:</p> <p>1. First Nations Negotiators will be involved in developing the TRM project at the recommendation stage of Tier 1 TRMs to ensure the TRM addresses the need identified by the negotiating table and is implementable by the First Nations.</p> <p>Note: Tier 2 TRMs will remain as currently designed, due to the requirement to have BC/Canada cost-sharing agreed to prior to the negotiation of the Tier 2 TRMs with a First Nation.</p> <p>2. Create a more open and transparent TRMs communication process for all parties in negotiations. For example, provide general TRMs information on the BCTC website, with a link to an INAC-administered webpage with TRMs-related information (such as program guidelines and criteria, tips, reporting requirement information).</p>	<p>01/05/2010</p> <p>02/06/2010</p>	<p>Status: IN PROGRESS</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2009:</p> <p>Anticipated date: July 2010</p> <p>Anticipated date of TRM</p> <p>Approval: July 2010</p> <p>AES: EPMRB to continue monitoring this action item</p>
<p>4. Promote a climate of information sharing and collaboration for TRMs in order to support the sharing of best practices and reduce duplication of effort.</p>	<p>1. Continue to encourage a more open and transparent TRMs communication process for all the parties in negotiations. TRMs information posted on the INAC website is also a viable option in this scenario.</p>	<p>30/06/2010</p>	<p>Status: IN PROGRESS</p> <p>Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2009:</p>

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	2. Subject to funding availability, Canada will explore forums in which First Nations, Canada and BC may participate in a roundtable/focus group.	30/04/ 2011 * every two years thereafter	Anticipated date of TRM approval: July 2010 ITEM #2: Still planned. AES: EPMRB to continue to monitor this action item
5. Design and implement a PM Strategy for the renewed TRMs Initiative that includes the collection of qualitative and quantitative data on results achievements. Data to support the PM Strategy should include feedback from First Nations through an annual TRMs survey similar to the federal negotiator survey currently undertaken.	1. Design and implement a PM Strategy, including performance indicators and logic model, to support renewal of the TRMs Initiative. 2. Both federal negotiators and First Nation negotiators will be asked to complete a regular periodic TRM assessment questionnaire and results will be used in annual TRMs Performance Assessment Reports.	01/04/2010 01/04/2011	Status: IN PROGRESS Update/Rationale: As of 31/03/2009: ITEM #1: Approval of PM strategy expected early in the fiscal year 2010-11. AES: Close ITEM #2: Still planned. AES: EPMRB to continue to monitor this action item