

Reserve Land and Environmental Management Program: Funding Sources and Formula

Saskatoon, Saskatchewan









Purpose

- The purpose of this presentation is to:
 - $\circ\;$ Walk you through the current funding formula step-by-step;
 - Look at a number of illustrative examples of how the funding formula is applied to different communities; and
 - $\circ\;$ Seek your feedback on ways to improve the funding formula.





The Current RLEMP Funding Formula

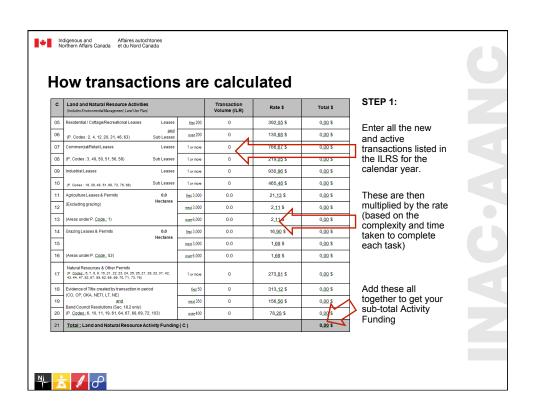
RLEMP Operational Funding is calculated using the following:

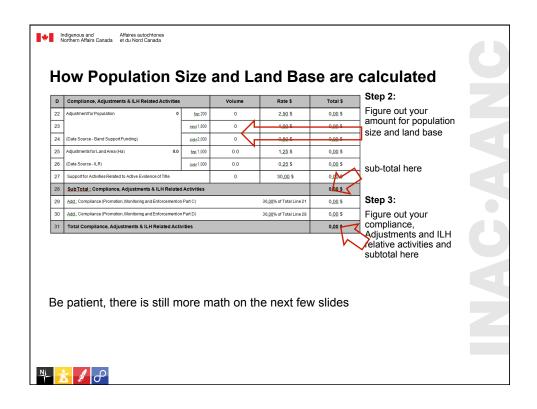
- The number and complexity of active instruments registered in the Indian Lands Registry System (e.g. permits and leases)
- 2. The population and land base of the First Nation
- 3. The level of authority that the First Nation has taken on:
 - o Training and Development 80% base funding
 - o Operational 100% base funding
 - o Additional funding for 53/60 First Nations
- 4. Funding for compliance and administration costs

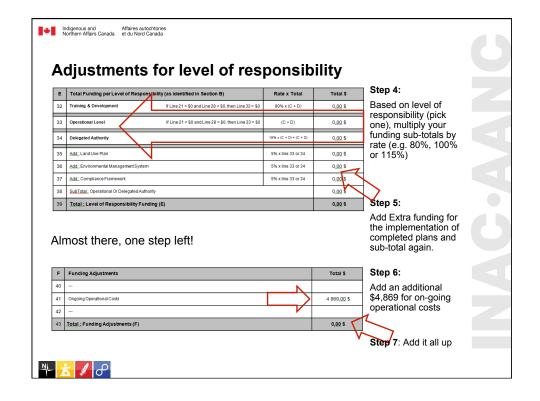
There is a cap for funding at each level of authority:

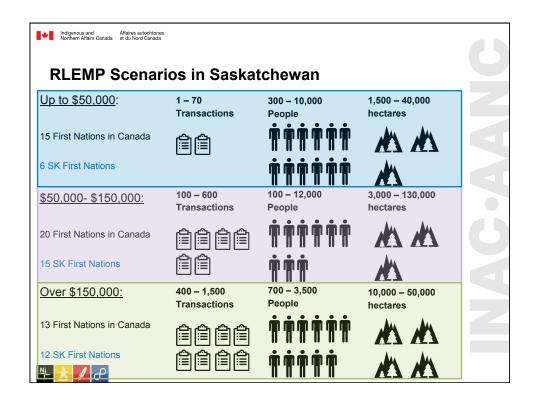
- · Training & Development: \$350,000
- · Operational: \$375,000
- Delegated Authority: \$400,000

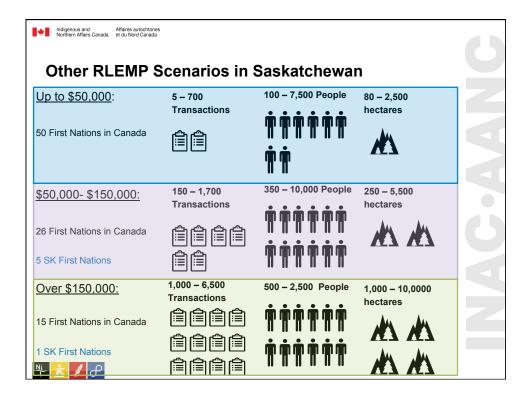














What we have heard so far...

- There is disparity in the funding provided to First Nations some get very little and others receive a lot.
- · The funding formula is inefficient to administer and difficult to explain
- Some First Nations do not receive enough funding to cover the costs of staff or supporting a land management office
- Some First Nations receive more than they would under FNLM
- Other land management activities that are not tied to transactions should be considered as part of the funding
- · It is unclear what funding is available for environment under the current formula



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Questions for Your Consideration

- · What parts of the current funding formula would you keep the same? Why?
- · What parts of the current funding formula would you change? How?
- What are the top 5 things that an improved funding formula should take into consideration to meet the needs of your community?





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