

Participating First Nations during Transmission System Construction



Wataynikaneyap Power is a licensed power transmission company majority-owned by a partnership of 24 First Nations, in partnership with Fortis Inc. and other private investors. The Participating First Nations (PFN) have set the expectations for meaningful participation and engagement, including capacity-building and benefits for future generations. Here is a lookback on the construction period (2019 - 2024):

PFN members worked

1.198
million hours

55

training programs organized by Opiikapawiin Services

\$650+

million spent with PFN businesses

9 PFN

apprentices enrolled with Valard*

953

PFN members worked on construction activities

Programs like...

Line Crew Ground Support

Environmental Monitoring

Mechanical Harvesting

Approx.

79

PFN joint ventures or partnerships had the opportunity to work on construction activities

In trades like...

Welder

Heavy Duty Equipment Operator

Powerline Technician

Electrician

That's

17% of

the total workforce

660 PFN trainees

17% of

students took more than one program to build on their skills

Businesses like...

Matting

Right of Way Clearing

Accommodations

Catering

37% of Valard's workforce on the project were First Nation

*The number of apprentices varied, but at a minimum there were nine apprentices working on the Project



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