









## Group 2 – Transmission Lines

Activity	Detail
	<p><b>Clearing and Access</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clearing and Access development                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Falling, raking and piling of trees</li> <li>* Installing/removing watercourse crossings</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Work area                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Pickle Lake to Pipestone</li> <li>* Pipestone to Kingfisher Lake First Nation</li> <li>* Pipestone to North Caribou Lake First Nation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p><b>Construction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Geotechnical (soil analysis) investigation by test pitting and drilling of boreholes</li> <li>• Tower foundation installation                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Excavating</li> <li>* Rock drilling</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Assembly of steel towers</li> <li>• Erection of assembled towers</li> <li>• Work area                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Pickle Lake to Pipestone</li> <li>* Pipestone to Kingfisher Lake First Nation</li> <li>* Pipestone to North Caribou Lake First Nation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p><b>Environment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In advance of and during construction activities watercourses and environmentally sensitive areas are flagged and monitored; focusing on erosion, sediment control and spill responses.</li> <li>• Migratory bird nest sweeps ahead of clearing and construction activities</li> <li>• Archeological assessments</li> <li>• Work area                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Pickle Lake to Pipestone</li> <li>* Pipestone to Kingfisher Lake First Nation</li> <li>* Pipestone to North Caribou Lake First Nation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

## Group 2 – Substations

Activity	Detail
	<p><b>Survey/Clearing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Setting Control points to start surveying</li> <li>• Flagging and inserting stakes in the ground to outline work area</li> <li>• Substations work area:                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* C (Ebane/Pipestone)</li> <li>* D (North Caribou Lake First Nation)</li> <li>* F (Bearskin Lake First Nation)</li> <li>* J (Kingfisher Lake First Nation)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p><b>Geotech</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Drill Boreholes at substation sites to determine soil properties, depth to rock</li> <li>• Substations work area:                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* D (North Caribou Lake First Nation)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
	<p><b>Construction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil and Foundation Construction.</li> <li>• Substations Work Area:                     <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* C (Ebane/Pipestone)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

**For more activity details visit the website at [www.valard-watay.com](http://www.valard-watay.com), or if you have any general inquiries about this newsletter, please contact Wataynikaneyap Power at [WatayInquiries@wataypower.ca](mailto:WatayInquiries@wataypower.ca).**

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## Valard is engaging with Participating First Nations to:

- \* Introduce Valard and their team; to learn more about community expectations and interests; as well as identify training, employment, and procurement and business opportunities.
- \* Share a community engagement questionnaire to better inform Valard's approach to engaging and working with communities.
- \* Discuss the access to cut trees along the Right-of-Way.
- \* Identify camp locations and services available to support work camps.
- \* Provide notification of upcoming employment opportunities, such as assembly positions.
- \* Continued to provide notification of the restart of engagement activities, which had been on hold due to limitations with COVID-19 safety measures, to understand each community's position regarding employment opportunities and associated travel.
- \* Review Covid-19 protocols with Participating First Nations and sign off after alignment with community.
- \* Participate in face to face meetings with communities while ensure that all attendees are following Valard, Community, and Ontario Health Service guidelines/protocols.
- \* Continue to meet with Participating First Nation communities to advance engagement, contract, and employment discussions.
- \* Participate in seasonal feasts with elders from Participating First Nations.
- \* Provide notification of upcoming work activities near each community.
- \* Provide notification of encounters with sensitive wildlife, such as Caribou sightings, to communities near the encounter.
- \* Provide notification of a Permit to Take Water, which is required for 2020/2021 winter road construction, to communities near the planned activities.
- \* Recruit and hire community members for assembly activities.

## Valard Indigenous Relations Team Introduction:

The Valard Indigenous Relations Team consists of the following members for the Wataynikaneyap Power Transmission Project and can be contacted at [Watay-IndigenousRelations@valard.com](mailto:Watay-IndigenousRelations@valard.com):

- \* **Marc Ouimet** - Director Indigenous Relations
- \* **Darrell Wawia** - Indigenous Relations Manager
- \* **Blaine Paul** - Indigenous and Stakeholders Relations Liaison
- \* **Maureen Budzinski** - Manager Indigenous Training & Apprenticeship

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## Health and Safety

- \* **Valard is following the most up to date medical advice provided by federal and provincial government in its own measures to help limit the spread of Covid-19.**
- \* Hazard analysis and control planning every day
- \* Fire Preparedness and Response — Field Compliance Monitoring
- \* Development, implementation and monitoring of safe work procedures including preparation for upcoming helicopter work activities
- \* Project onboarding, orientation and training/development
- \* Emergency preparedness and planning
- \* Joint Health and Safety Committee Involvement
- \* Security Protocols implementation and monitoring
- \* Fall Protection and Rescue Planning for tower climbing Best Practices
- \* ZERO medical aids or lost time injuries



## Employment Opportunities

### ASSEMBLERS

- \* Work at ground level in open excavations or at heights around heavy operating equipment and machinery
- \* Load/unload construction materials both mechanically and by hand
- \* Physically fit with the ability to lift a minimum of 50 lbs.
- \* Assist in the layout, assembly and fastening of components of powerline structures
- \* Operate all hand tools required to assemble towers which includes torque wrenches and saws
- \* Assist heavy equipment operators
- \* Able to work a minimum 20 days on with 8 days off in remote locations (Potential to working longer shifts may be required)
- \* Direct traffic at or near construction sites
- \* Ability to work in a team
- \* Ability to work in all weather conditions
- \* Camp accommodations will be provided by Valard
- \* Transportation will be provided from your home community to the camp accommodations and then at the end of your shift transportation will be provided back to your community by Valard

**Please forward resumes to: [watay-resumes@valard.com](mailto:watay-resumes@valard.com) and [projectjobs@oslp.ca](mailto:projectjobs@oslp.ca)**

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