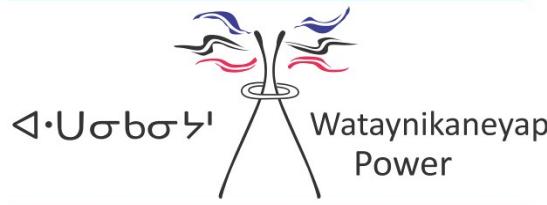




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Valard Construction, was selected by Wataynikaneyap Power to provide engineering, procurement and construction (EPC) solutions for the Wataynikaneyap Power Transmission Project in Northwestern Ontario, Canada.

The scope of work on the project consists of EPC services for more than 1,600 kilometers of transmission and distribution infrastructure ranging in voltage from 25 kV to 230 kV and 22 substations. Valard created this newsletter to provide regular updates on construction activities for the 24 First Nation communities.

Three-Month Lookahead – Field Activities Proposed schedule as of November 15, 2020 Period: November 1, 2020 to January 31, 2021 Note: Subject to change based on field conditions.

Group 3 – Transmission Lines

Activity	Detail
	Camp Mobilization and/or Installation <ul style="list-style-type: none">Constructed camp at Knox Lake, North Spirit Lake, Deer Lake, Poplar Hills
	Survey <ul style="list-style-type: none">Set survey control points (Starting activity of all survey operations)Measure existing powerline heightsLocate existing underground utilitiesWork area<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake* Deer Lake First Nation to North Spirit Lake First Nation and North to Sandy Lake First Nation

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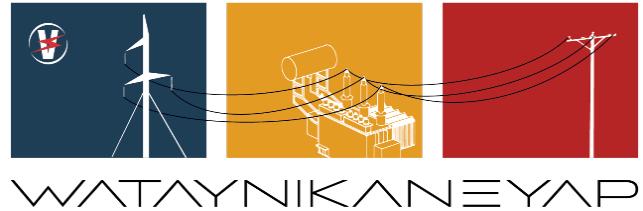
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Activity	Detail
	<p>Clearing and Access</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clearing and Access development<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Falling, raking, and piling of trees.* Burning of brush piles.* Delivery of Community firewood• Work area<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake, Sandy Lake, North Spirit Lake, Keewaywin, and Deer Lake
	<p>Construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tower foundation and anchor installation<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Excavating* Rock drilling• Assembly of steel towers in assembly yards and on ROW• Work area<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake
	<p>Environment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In advance of and during construction activities watercourses and environmentally sensitive areas are flagged and monitored; focusing on erosion, sediment control and spill responses• Migratory bird nest sweeps ahead of clearing and construction activities• Archeological assessments• Work area<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake* Deer Lake First Nation to North Spirit Lake First Nation and North to Sandy Lake First Nation

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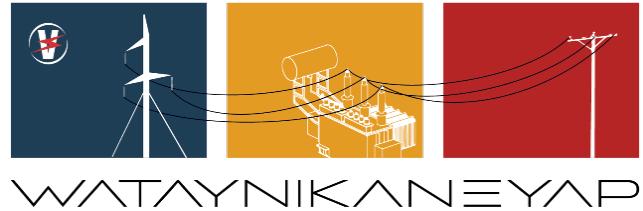
Group 3 – Substations

Activity	Detail
 A photograph showing a clearing in a forested area. Several orange survey stakes are marked on the ground, and a yellow excavator is visible in the background.	Substation Survey/ Clearing <ul style="list-style-type: none">Setting control points to start surveyingFlagging and inserting stakes in the ground to outline work areaClearing of substation area and access road developmentSubstations Work Area:<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake
 A photograph of a large, dark-colored piece of equipment, likely a transformer or generator, being transported on a flatbed trailer. The trailer is secured with yellow straps.	Substation Geotech <ul style="list-style-type: none">Geotechnical testing at ZW, ZV, VY, and TUDrill Boreholes at substation sites to determine soil properties, depth to rockSubstations Work Area:<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake* Poplar Hills* North Spirit Lake* Deer Lake
 A photograph showing a close-up of construction materials. It includes a wooden form, some blue pipes labeled '7.6' and '1.9m', and a layer of gravel or aggregate.	Substation Construction <ul style="list-style-type: none">Civil and foundation constructionSubstations Work Area:<ul style="list-style-type: none">* Red Lake

For more activity details visit the website at www.valard-watay.com, or if you have any general inquiries about this newsletter, please contact Wataynikaneyap Power at WatayInquiries@wataypower.ca.

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Valard is engaging with Participating First Nations to:

- * To learn more about community expectations and interests; as well as identify training, employment, and procurement and business opportunities.
- * Identify camp locations and services available to support work camps.
- * Provide notification of upcoming employment opportunities, such as assembly positions.
- * Continuing 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 ensuring 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.
- * 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 various available positions.
- * Shared additional temporary work space packages for review and sign off.
- * Continue to keep open lines of communications with Participating First Nations for community COVID-19 updates with regard to travel and quarantine directives.

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:

- * **Marc Ouimet** - Director Indigenous Relations
- * **Darrell Wawia** - Indigenous Relations Manager
- * **Terrance Bob** - Indigenous and Stakeholders Relations Liaison
- * **Maureen Budzinski** - Manager Indigenous Training & Apprenticeship
- * **Randal Courchene** - Indigenous and Stakeholders Relations Liaison

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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.**
- * Ongoing Covid-19 screening program, camp inspections, program audits and response drills
- * Hazard analysis and control planning every day
- * Development, implementation and monitoring of safe work procedures including preparation for upcoming helicopter work activities
- * Project onboarding, orientation and training/development of workers
- * Emergency preparedness and planning, mock emergency drills completed
- * Joint Health and Safety Committee Involvement
- * Promotion of project's A&D policy, MSSP and EAP
- * Security Protocols implementation and monitoring
- * Fall Protection and Rescue Planning for tower climbing Best Practices
- * Subcontractor safety support, onboarding, compliance observations, and audits



Employment Opportunities

- * Valard Construction invites members of the Participating First Nations to apply for the following positions:

Administrative Assistant

Assemblers

Class A Driver

Community Support Partner

Drafting Technician

Emergency Medical Responder

Environmental Monitor

Excavator Operator

Foundations Labourer

Fuel Truck Driver

General Foreperson/Construction Supervisor

Heavy Duty Technician

Journeyperson Automotive Service Technician

Prep/Ground Work Subforeperson

Primary Care Paramedic

Project Field QC

Project Safety Admin

Please forward resumes to: watay-resumes@valard.com and projectjobs@oslp.ca

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<https://www.facebook.com/watayproject>

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