



How can I have my say?

The five-year review of the development assessment process which includes a review of the *Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act* (YESAA) is an open process that is currently underway. There will be several points at which you will have opportunities to comment, as you can see from the process chart overleaf. We will tell you when these events take place at www.yesaareview.ca and through advertising.

The review will be comprehensive and take several months to conduct and complete. It is essential that all participants and interested parties – including the public – have the opportunity to provide input. The review's timeline reflects this priority.

What is YESAA?

The *Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act* (YESAA) is a single assessment process for considering the potential effects a proposed development may have on the Yukon's environment, people, communities and economy.

YESAA was established after Chapter 12 of the Umbrella Final Agreement called for an assessment process that would apply to all Yukon lands: federal, territorial, First Nation and private. YESAA is federal legislation and was developed by the Council of Yukon First Nations (CYFN), the Government of Yukon and the Government of Canada. (The Umbrella Final Agreement is a framework for Yukon First Nations and federal/territorial governments in their negotiations to conclude land claims under Yukon First Nation Final Agreements.)

How is the review being organized?

The review process has three main phases.

Phase 1 – Information gathering and issues scoping

Phase 1 of the review will be the main opportunity for seeking and compiling views on the development assessment process and identifying issues that require further research and consideration. An independent contractor will be seeking input from the public during this phase. At the end of this phase, there will be an Issues Scoping Report which you will be able to see.

Phase 2 – Issues analysis

Phase 2 of the review will include additional research and analysis to address the issues identified in Phase 1. This phase will include the development of observations, conclusions and/or recommendations. We will provide an opportunity for people to comment on a draft Observations and Conclusions Report. At the end of this phase, you will be able to see the final Observations and Conclusions Report.

Phase 3 – Response

During Phase 3 of the review, the representatives of the three Parties (the Government of Canada, the Council of Yukon First Nations and the Government of Yukon), First Nations and YESAB will jointly consider the Observations and Conclusions Report.

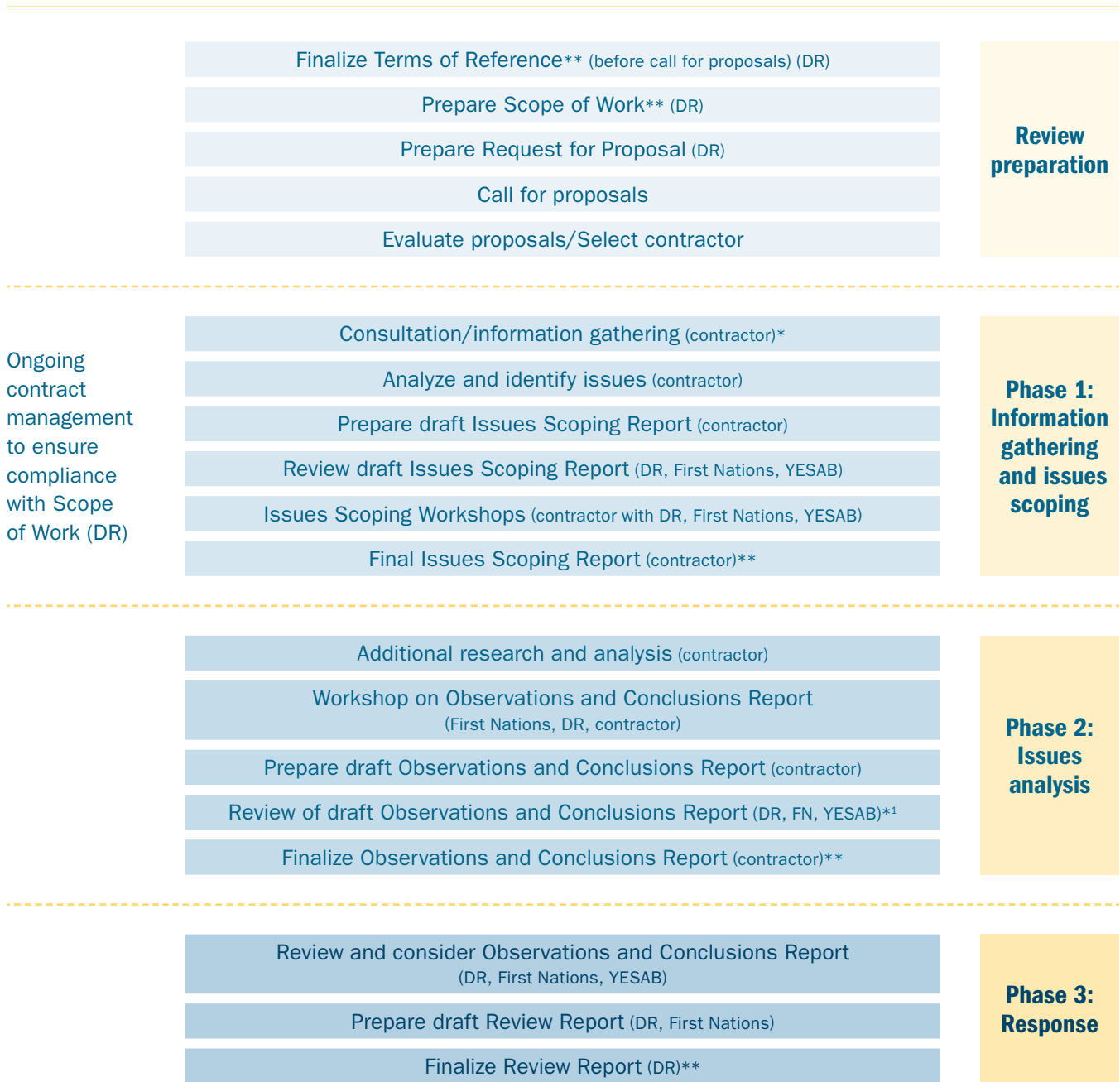
There will be a final Review Report that will include an implementation and follow-up schedule and will be publicly available.

An independent contractor will be engaged to complete Phases 1 and 2. The contractor's work is described in the Statement of Work Outline which you can see at www.yesaareview.ca.

What does the five-year review process look like?

This process chart shows how the five-year review of the *Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Act* (YESAA) is being carried out.

YESAA Five-year Review Process



Who does what?

DR = Designated Representatives

FN = First Nations

* Opportunity for public input

** Document will be publicly available

¹ All comments will be considered in the process of finalizing the Observations and Conclusions Report and in preparing the Review Report

What is happening now?

To keep up-to-date with what's happening in the review, visit www.yesaareview.ca.