

Brief information on completion of the 1st stage of public consultations on materials of preliminary integrated environmental impact assessment of planned economic activity under Sakhalin-1 Project, Phase 2 Development

The first stage of public consultations on materials of preliminary integrated environmental impact assessment of planned economic activity under Sakhalin-1 Project, Phase 2 Development took place from 13 March through 11 April 2020.

Public consultations were conducted in accordance with the requirements of item 3.1 of Regulations on Environmental Impact Assessment of Planned Economic Activity and other Environmental Activities in the Russian Federation, approved by RF State Ecology Committee Order No. 372 of 16 May 2000 in the following municipalities and districts of Sakhalin Oblast and Khabarovsk Krai:

- Municipal entity Okha City District, Sakhalin Oblast;
- Municipal entity Nogliki City District, Sakhalin Oblast;
- Nikolaevsky Municipal District, Khabarovsk Krai;
- Ulchi Municipal District, Khabarovsk Krai

Interested public members could familiarize themselves with draft Technical Assignment on development of environmental impact assessment materials and overview of planned activity, which were available in municipal libraries and on ENL website - www.sakhalin-1.com.

During the first stage of public consultations, questionnaires were received from residents of the above municipalities, as well as written comments and suggestions from WWF-Russia experts and partner organizations. Detailed ENL feedback and responses to the comments and suggestions received are presented in the table:

No.	Comment	Response
	To supplement specified EIA methods with environmental engineering survey method and cumulative impact assessment.	<p>Undoubtedly, the results of environmental engineering survey (EES) shall be used when preparing EIA as an important source of relevant information. However, taking into account that integrated EIA is conducted at FEED stage, note shall be taken that to date, EES has not been fully completed yet, therefore, at this stage only available data will be used. In the meantime, all required EESs will be conducted in future in accordance with legal requirements, and their results will be used for Detailed Design and relevant EIA materials preparation.</p> <p>In terms of cumulative impact assessment, despite the fact that standard requirements for EIA materials content provided in the Attachment to State Ecology Committee Order No. 372 of 16 May 2000 do not include such a section, ENL takes no exception to add this section, the corresponding amendments will be made in Technical Assignment on conducting integrated EIA.</p>
	To specify that Local Self-Government Body (name) is organizing public consultations in conjugation with the Customer (name).	The specified remark will be added in the corresponding section of Technical Assignment.

	To bring the section "Composition and Content of EIA materials" in compliance with the Attachment to State Ecology Committee Order No. 372 of 16 May 2000.	The section of Technical Assignment "Composition and content of EIA materials" was generally developed in compliance with State Ecology Committee Order No. 372 of 16 May 2000, some sections were expanded and detailed taking into account the specifics of planned activity. For example, in accordance with above WWF Russia suggestion, the document will be supplemented with cumulative impact assessment section, which is not included in State Ecology Committee Order No. 372.
	To supplement item 5.8. "Special restrictions" as follows: - availability of subsoil users, water consumers, hunting users, forest users, etc.	Item 5.8 will be supplemented accordingly.
	Ensure EIA materials availability in Khabarovsk, where interested parties reside.	Integrated EIA materials will be placed on company's official Internet website, which will enable access for all interested parties, including the interested public members of Khabarovsk city. In the meantime, in the event of necessity to provide Integrated EIA materials in paper format, the company will consider available options for providing materials accordingly on individual basis upon request.
	To ensure mandatory placement of EIA materials in Internet in connection with possible restrictions on public events due to epidemiological situation and in line with best international standards and practices.	As mentioned above, the company ensures mandatory placement of Integrated EIA materials on its official Internet website to enable access for all interested parties to materials during public consultations.

Results of the 1st stage of public consultations:

The company enabled appropriate public notification related to planned activity, provided access to draft Technical Assignment on environmental impact assessment materials development and overview of planned activity, and provided the concerned public representatives with the opportunity to forward their comments and suggestions in accordance with the provisions of RF legislation.

No subject of disagreement between the public representatives and the Customer was identified. Interested public members provided their comments and suggestions on draft Technical Assignment. The required amendments were made to final Technical Assignment and taken into advisement for development of integrated Environmental Impact Assessment materials.