

The letter from the Temagami First Nations mentions a Broadband Scope of Work Proposal. This document has been labeled “Confidential” and “Not for Distribution” by the author. While this could be a subject for a discussion in Closed Session (239(2)(i)), due to the timing necessary to get the project started, rather than considering the document in its entirety, focusing on what Phase 1 would provide for the fee of \$7,500 plus expenses is considered to be prudent in the circumstances.

Phase 1 – Deliverables:

- i. Perform a “desktop” gap and needs analysis using publicly available resources and data.
- ii. Conduct site visits to identify visible telecommunications infrastructure in the communities. The study will focus on terrestrial-based services such as existing copper, coax and fibre plant. Buried services will be identified and/or assumed dependent on service markers and/or weather conditions. Mobile and fixed wireless services will be noted where feasible and to the extent service providers will supply information.
- iii. To the extent feasible, engage regional telecommunications service providers as a source of information.
- iv. Prepare, conduct and analyze community-based surveys with the assistance of the Prime Communities.
- v. Acquire data sets including Speed Test Data and other statistical information as might be feasible with the assistance of the Prime Communities.
- vi. Provide an overview of relevant regulatory matters that might have an impact on the project (ie: open access policy, basic service determination and potential access to new funding).
- vii. Prepare a consolidated report outlining the current status of regional connectivity, needs, infrastructure gaps, risk matrix and recommendations.
- viii. Prepare a high-level project budget based on the recommended methodologies.
- ix. Provide status updates to the Prime Communities’ project liaison.

This is provided in support of the resolution to ensure Council is aware of what is to be provided for the requested fee.