



Ready, Engaged and *Leading:*
Canada
& the Alaska Highway Gas Pipeline Project

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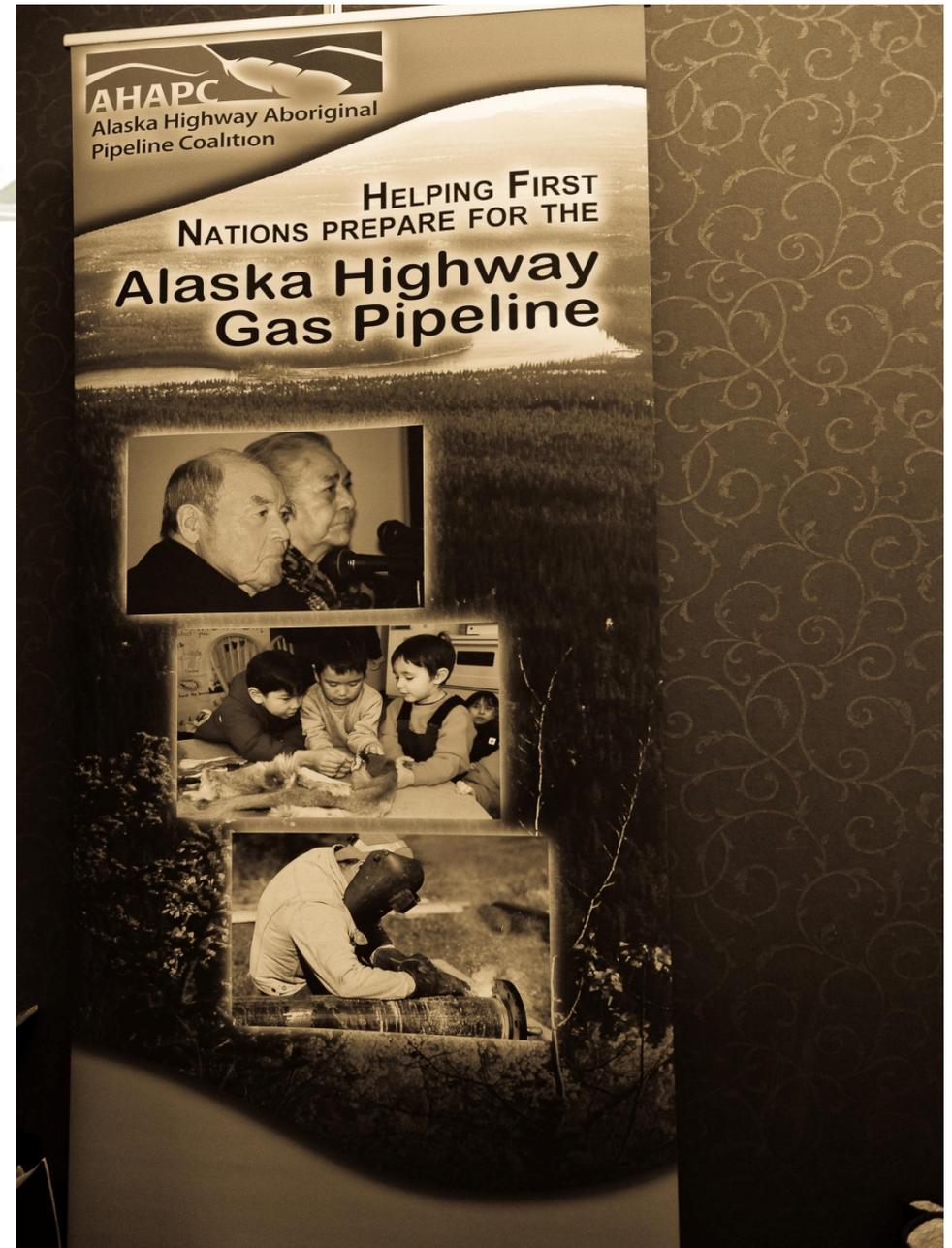
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Outline

- **Project**
 - Challenges
- **Canada**
 - Ready
 - Engaged
 - Leading
- **Next Steps**





Project: Challenges



- Commercial uncertainty
- Project the *same*...
 - Purpose
 - Footprint
 - Scope
- But -- context *different*...
 - Technology
 - Environmental expectations
 - Society's values
 - New market pressures





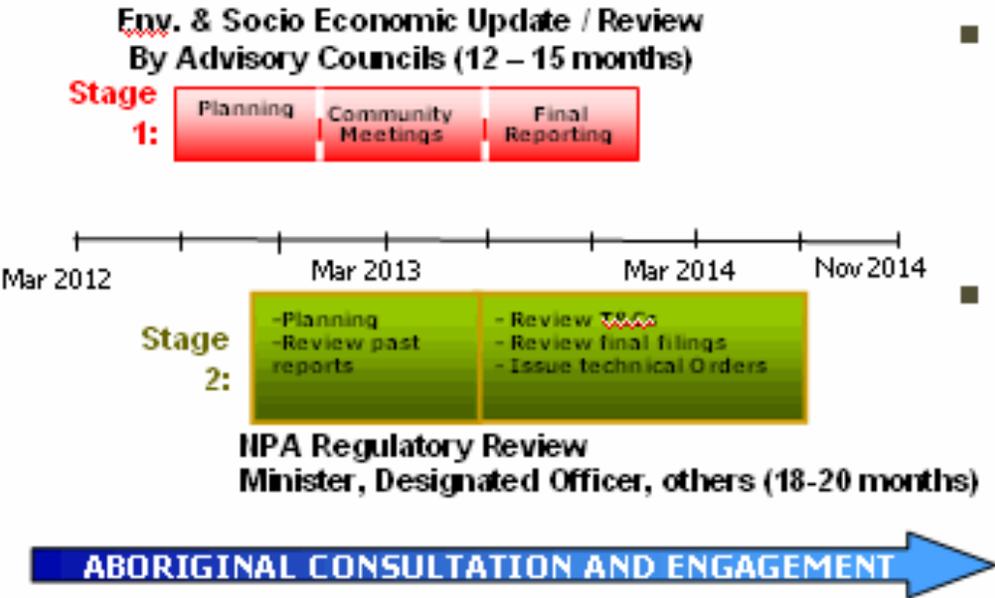
Canada: Ready

- **Existing Instruments**
 - Treaty, Act & Certificates
 - Yukon easement
- **Experienced Regulator**
 - Pre-Build/Stage 1 (1982)
 - Environmental assessment, 750 terms and conditions
- **Efficient Framework**
 - Single window model





Ready: Regulatory Framework



- Issue: How to address data & information over 30 years?

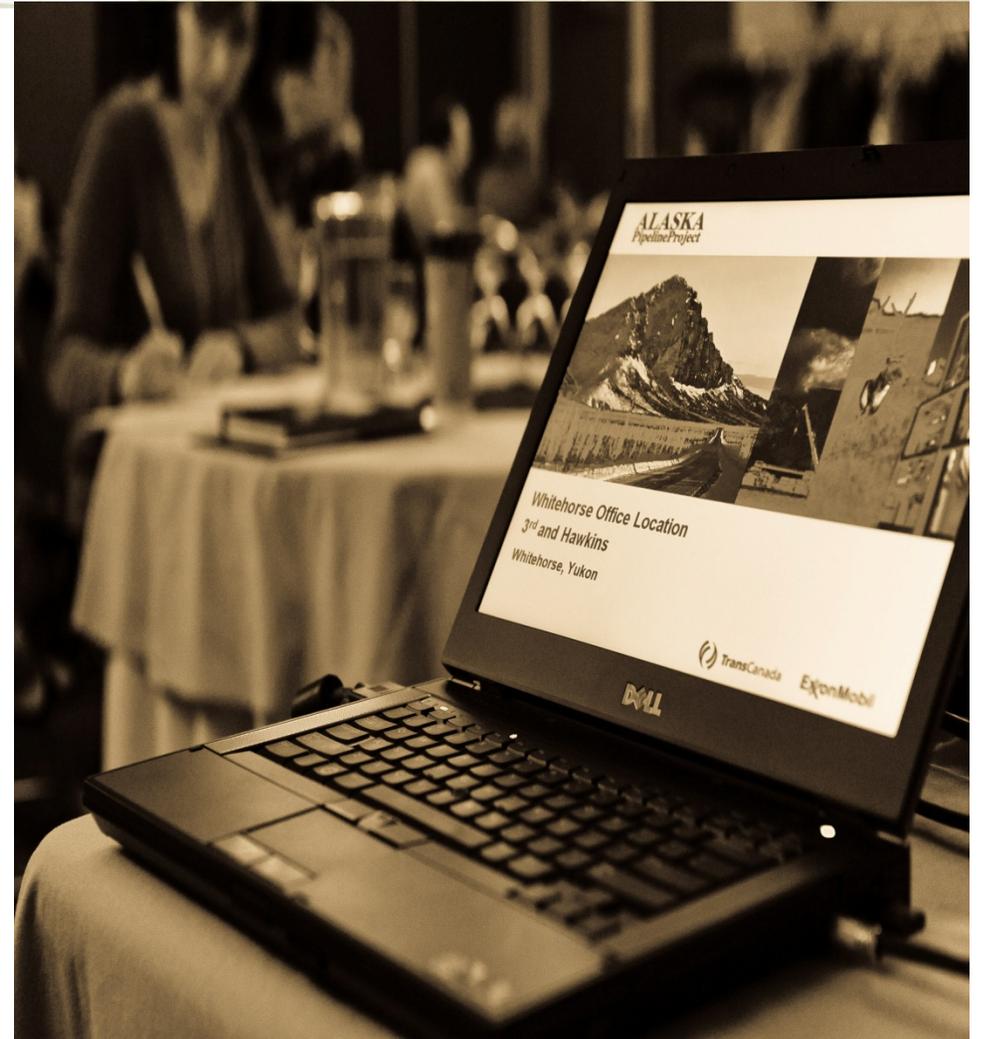
- Use:
 - Existing NPA legal model
 - Staged process:
 - public review
 - regulatory decisions





Canada: Engaged

- Diverse players
 - Industry
 - Public
- Government partners
 - First Nations
 - Yukon & British Columbia
 - United States & Alaska





Engaged: First Nations

- Moral and legal obligation to consult
- Relationship building along pipeline corridor
- Secure benefits & economic/social opportunities
- Integrate **Traditional Knowledge** in regulatory decision-making
- Build capacity for long-term community growth & self-sufficiency





Engaged: United States & Alaska

- Longstanding Treaty & relationship
- Inextricably linked markets
 - \$1.6 B of goods & services every day
 - Closest energy relationship in the world
 - Common energy market
- Shared values
 - Open markets
 - Environmental protection
 - Economic growth

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Canada: Leading



- Streamline pipeline regulation
- Invoke modern business practices
- Secure tangible outcomes





Leading: Outcomes

- Meet/exceed modern environmental & social economic standards
- Respect existing federal approvals
- Safe pipeline design/construction
- Maximum socio-economic benefit
- Duty to consult Aboriginal People is met
- Public engagement achieved





***Next Steps:* What's Ahead?**

- On-going preparations:
 - Regulatory process
 - Aboriginal consultations
 - International collaboration
 - Agency modernization
- Goal:
 - “unleash our natural resource advantage”





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