



FNLGR Overview

First Nation Land Governance Registry

First Nation Land Governance Registry Project Update

Lands Advisory Board Annual General Meeting

August 28, 2024 – Halifax, NS

FNLGR Vision

First Nations
Governed

Service
Oriented

Trusted

Comprehensive

Sustainable

Land Register Information



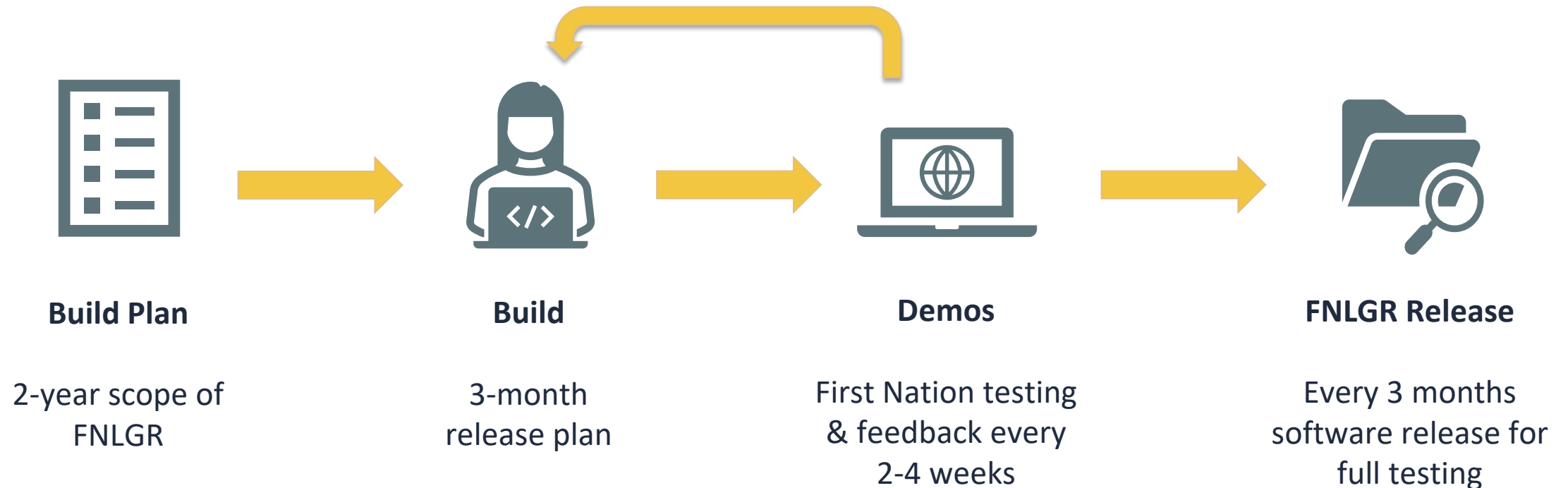
FNLGR High Level Timeline

		Today	Milestone: Registry Goes Live		Milestone: Registry Fully Built		
		Current Year	Year 2		Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
THEME		Build & Regulations	Build & Operations set up		Build & Transition	Transition	Transition
Build		Build IOC			Build FOC	Ongoing System Sustainment	
Testing		User Testing			User Testing		
Transition			Pilot Project	First Wave	Ongoing Transition of ready First Nations		
Regulations		Regulations Drafting		Approved			
Training			Strategy	Training Material		Deliver Training to Users	
Governance		Establish Governance		Set up Operations Staff			
Launch Activities		Operations set up and staffing		Funding Approved		Registry in Operation	
Funding		Current Funding				Operational Funding Required	

IOC: Initial Operating Capabilities
FOC: Fully Operational Capabilities

FNLGR Development Process

Collaborate to Build a Registry That Meets Your Needs



FNLGR – Built to Date

Release 1

- Onboard First Nation
- Create Land Office Administrator account
- Log in to Registry Portal
- Search for instruments

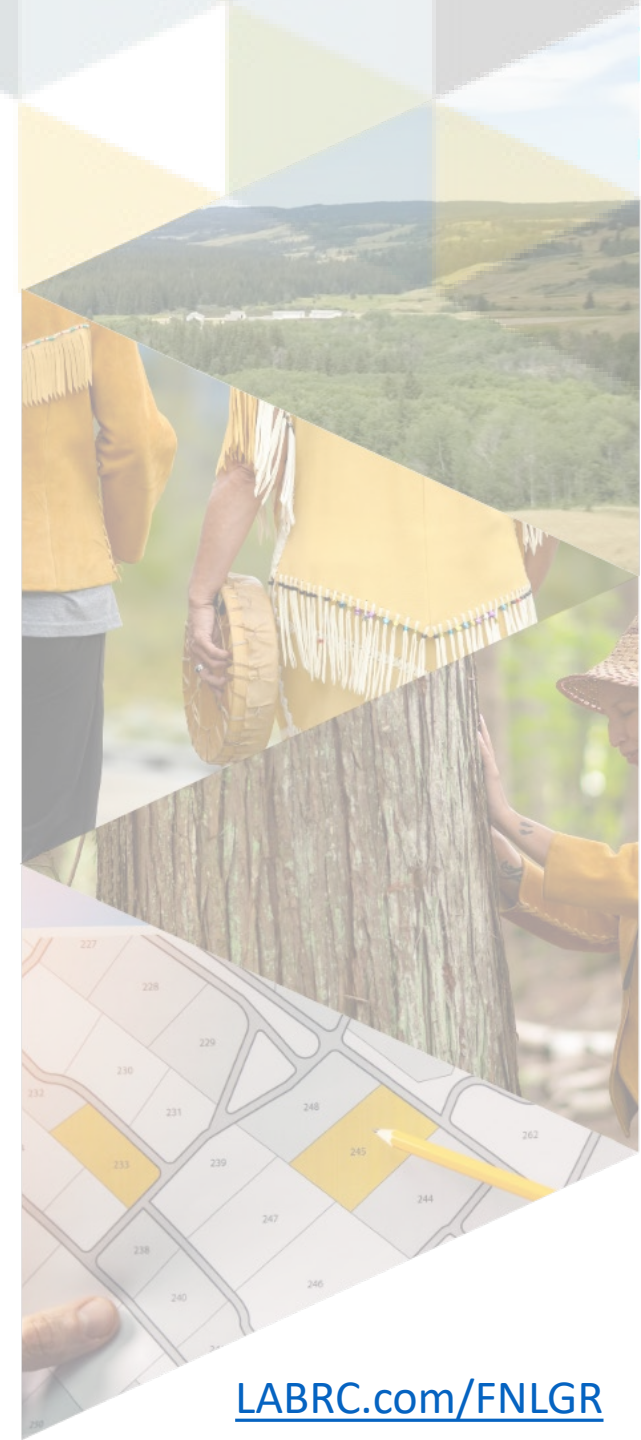
Release 2

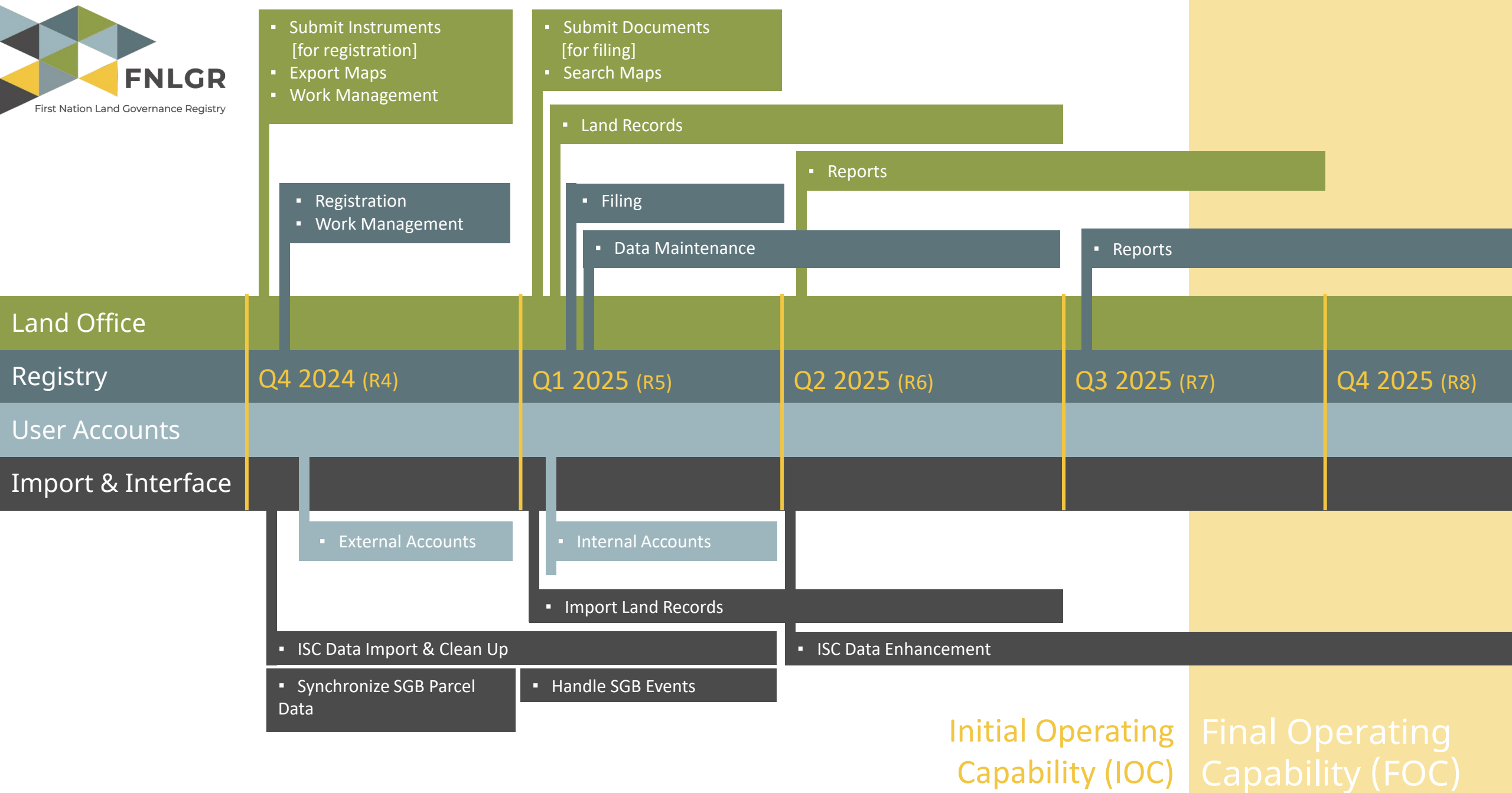
- Manage Land Office profile
- Create and manage Land Office Staff accounts
- Search for parcels
- View and export Parcel Abstract

Release 3

- 2-factor authentication for login
- Search for historic instruments
- Search for evidence of title
- Export search results
- View and export Reserve Abstract
- Show search results on map
- Create and submit applications

FNLGR Demo





Initial Operating
Capability (IOC)

Final Operating
Capability (FOC)

FNLGR First Nation Focus Group

RC Team	Brokenhead Ojibway Nation	Chippewas of Georgina Island	Chippewas of Rama First Nation	George Gordon First Nation	Kwantlen First Nation	Kwikwetlem First Nation
•Andrew Beynon •Leeanna Rhodes •Angie Derrickson •Rob Pinkerton •Kara Zemel •Dean Bear •Lise Steele •Leana Farlam •Hugh Benevides •Reuben Danakody •Alan Cunnane	Lac La Ronge Indian Band	Long Plain First Nation	Lower Nicola Indian Band	Madawaska Maliseet First Nation	Magnetawan First Nation	McLeod Lake Indian Band
RC Test Group	Membertou First Nation	Miawpukek Band	Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation	Moose Deer Point First Nation	Muskoday First Nation	Musqueam Indian Band
•Brittany Hall •Heather McIntyre •Joey Fulton •Katharina Trottier •Kiley Shebageget •Lise Steele	One Arrow First Nation	Opaskwayak Cree Nation	SAY - Aitchelitz First Nation	SAY - Skowkale First Nation	SAY - Yakwekwioose First Nation	Sheshegwaning First Nation
LTSA Team	Shuswap First Nation	Soohwahlie First Nation	Swan Lake First Nation	Tsawout First Nation	Tsleil-Waututh First Nation	Tzeachten First Nation
•Gregory Steves •Criag Utian •Peter Klemm •Vipin Thomas •Dave Rachman •Duncan Fraser •Eric Liu		We Wai Kai Nation	Westbank First Nation*	Whitecap Dakota Nation*	Williams Lake First Nation	

2024 Schedule



FNLGR First Nation Focus Group
- Demo available features - Present User Experience (UX) design testing outcomes - Invite participation in User Acceptance Testing (UAT)

	Schedule 2024	Topics
Session 15	January 24	FN Focus Group Meeting
Session 16	February 29	FN Focus Group Meeting
Session 17	May 2	FN Focus Group Meeting
Session 18	June 6	FN Focus Group Meeting
Webinar	July 11	All Signatories FNLGR Update
Session 19	August 15	FN Focus Group Meeting
AGM	August 28-29	LAB Annual General Meeting
Session 20	September 26	FN Focus Group Meeting
Session 21	October 24	FN Focus Group Meeting
Session 22	November 21	FN Focus Group Meeting
Webinar	December 12	All Signatories FNLGR Update

FNLGR Build and Transition Timeline

More information available as we progress from build plan to launch date



Capacity Building and Training

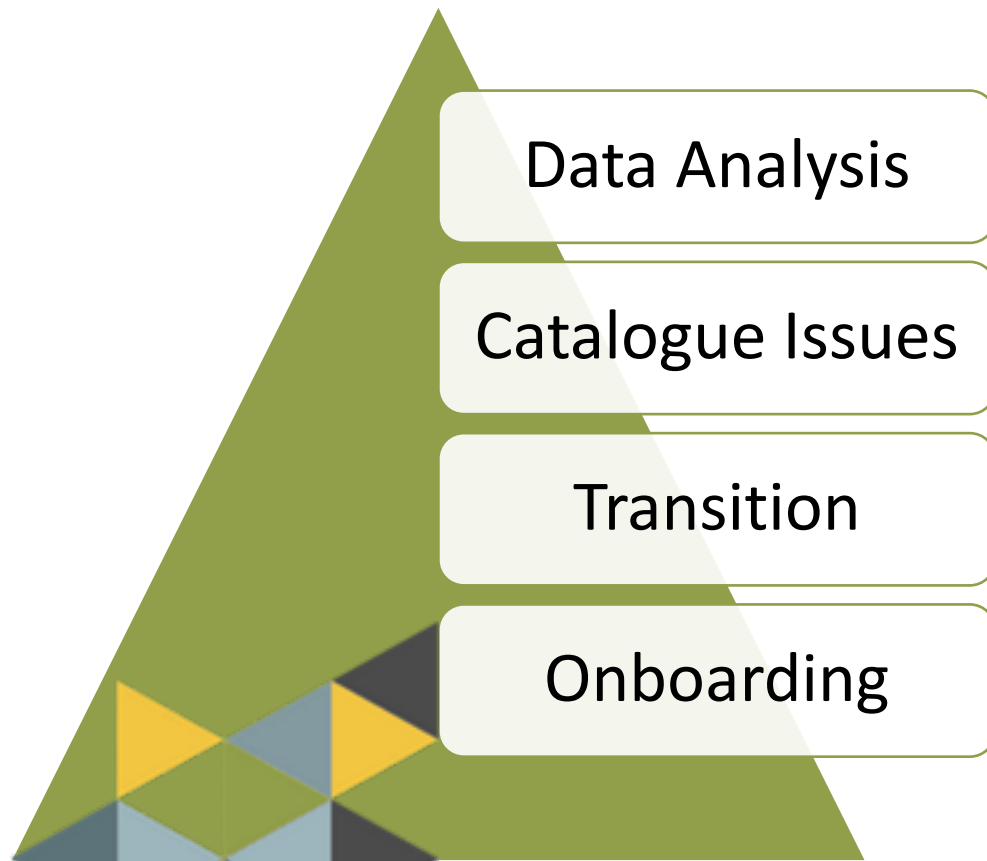
- Ongoing through operational funding
- RC will continue to support training needs
- Support First Nations as they effectively manage land registries
- RC will continue to fund legacy projects



Transition Budget

- \$5.2M has been identified to support the transition from FNLRS to FNLGR, data and survey fabric
- Project team will develop work plans for tracking registry errors/omissions
- Aligns with onboarding and training for Q2-2025

FNLGR Transition Pilot Project



- Launch begins with 5 First Nations from Focus Group
- Pilot will test and refine the transitional process
- A wide range of land transactions will be selected
- This phase requires dedication and commitment
- Anticipate longer timelines during the pilot phase
- Next phases may have smoother processes

FNLGR Regional Open Houses

SAVE THE DATE

Details will be circulated once venues and agenda have been confirmed.

BC Region

- Vancouver
- TBD (Jan 22-23, or Jan 29-30)

Prairie Region

- Edmonton
- TBD (Feb 05-06, or Feb 12-13)

Eastern Region

- Ottawa / Toronto
- TBD (Feb 26-27, or Mar 05-06)

FNLGR Financial Reporting – CURRENT FUNDING

Canada approved funding of \$35.3 million for the FNLGR over three fiscal years. Of the total amount, \$7.2 million is allocated to CIR/NRCan general operating expenses. Therefore, the actual Contribution Funding Agreement provides **\$28.1 million** to the RC/FNLGR over those fiscal years.

Contribution Funding Agreement 2023-2026

Cost Category	FY 2023/2024	FY 2024/2025	FY 2025/2026	Total
Registry Design & Build	5,218,935	5,379,424	4,607,759	15,206,117
FNLGR Setup	2,156,727	2,165,834	-	4,322,561
First Nations Transition	71,251	803,713	2,000,036	2,875,000
FNLGR Annual Ops	-	-	1,653,149	1,653,149
Registry Annual Ops	-	-	556,244	556,244
Total	7,446,913	8,348,971	8,817,188	24,613,072
Contingency	1,317,139	1,239,927	932,812	3,489,878
Grand Total	8,764,052	9,588,898	9,750,000	28,102,950

FNLGR Financial Reporting – 2023/2024 EXPENSES & AUDIT

Expenses Apr'23 - Jun'24



FIRST NATIONS LAND MANAGEMENT RESOURCE CENTRE INC.

Part D-1 Schedule by Class (Land Registry)
Year Ended March 31, 2024
(Unaudited)

	Annual Budget (Note 1)	Total Expended Year to Date	Balance Remaining
1. Salaries, Honoraria and Contract Positions	\$ 1,047,524	\$ -	\$ 1,047,524
2. Travel	127,775	-	127,775
3. Legal Services	241,020	-	241,020
4. Accounting Services	-	-	-
5. Other Professional Services	5,800,597	3,970,958	1,829,639
6. Surveys	-	-	-
7. First Nations Funding	-	-	-
8. Contingency	1,336,889	-	1,336,889
9. Verifier Fees	-	-	-
	8,553,805	3,970,958	4,582,847
10. Administration, Operations and Maintenance			
Audit, accounting and other professional fees	-	7,500	(7,500)
Automation	-	-	-
Bank charges and related fees	-	-	-
Communications	96,408	155	96,253
Equipment	44,528	-	44,528
Equipment leasing and maintenance	-	-	-
Insurance	-	-	-
Legal	-	-	-
Office	-	-	-
Rent and occupancy	17,811	694	17,117
Translation	51,500	-	51,500
Workshop meeting costs	-	-	-
	210,247	8,349	201,898
Total Fixed Transfer Payment Expenditures	\$ 8,764,052	\$ 3,979,307	\$ 4,784,745

FNLGR Financial Reporting – FUTURE FUNDING

After the \$35.3 million for the registry build and transition, the FNLGR's annual costs are estimated to decrease to between **\$5 million and \$7 million** per year, these costs will provide registry services to First Nations, FNLGR board, FNLGR staff and ongoing enhancements in partnership with the LTSA.

Estimated Annual Operating Costs 2026-2029

Cost Category	FY 2026/2027	FY 2027/2028	FY 2028/2029	Total
Registry Design & Build	-	-	-	-
FNLGR Setup	-	-	-	-
First Nations Transition	1,150,000	925,000	325,000	2,400,000
FNLGR Annual Ops	1,751,829	2,244,528	2,244,528	6,240,886
Registry Annual Ops	2,325,298	2,274,892	2,274,892	6,875,083
Total	5,227,127	5,444,421	4,844,421	15,515,968
Contingency	731,798	762,219	678,219	2,172,236
Grand Total	5,958,925	6,206,640	5,522,640	17,688,204

FNLGR Financial Reporting - FEES

Federal Funding and Revenue Generation

- Federal funding is crucial for FNLGR
- Generating revenue is necessary for sustainability
- Most First Nation and member registry transactions will be fee-exempt

Fee Exemptions

- Members: individual or family residential transactions
- First Nation: Community services and public buildings
- First Nation development corporations: Housing for community members

FEES

Benefits of Charging Fees

- Ensures high-quality, responsive service
- Funds software upgrades, security improvements, and other enhancements

Comparison and Ongoing Federal Support

- FNLGR fees should be comparable to other land registries in Canada
- Ongoing federal funding will be needed, full cost recovery through fees is not possible due to FNLGR's small scale

Revenues from fees has not yet been finalized and depends on level of economic activity and number of transactions

Information Transfers from Canada (CIR & ISC)



ISC Data Transfer status

- Secured Signatory First Nations data from ISC (up to Dec 2023).
- Includes FNLRS Database and associated redacted/unredacted files.
- Information Sharing Agreement signed with ISC, ensuring secure and compliant data use.

SGB Data Transfer

- Acquired Geospatial Database from SGB for parcel related data.
- Developing a mapping solution for better data visualization and management.
- Integration services built to streamline parcel data creation and updates.

Legislative & Regulatory Matters

To ensure independence, autonomy and economic prosperity for First Nations through FNLGR, the LABRC is asserting the following key strategic regulatory and policy positions:

FA Amendments

- Amend FAFNLMA to remove First Nations lands from Canada's registry and transfer them to FNLGR.
- Amend the Framework Agreement to enforce FNLGR regulations and authorize the operation of the new registry.

Registry Regulations

- FNLGR regulations by LAB for Registry Operations:
 - Application for Registration
 - Registration of Interests
 - Registration of Plans
 - Effect of Registration
 - Application to Rescind Registration
 - Lands Added to or Removed from Reserve
 - General

Privacy & Security

- The Federal *Privacy Act* will not apply to the new FNLGR.
- FNLGR regulations authorize ongoing information transfer by Canada without additional agreements.
- FNLGR regulations ensure safe, secure, and legally compliant information transfer.
- Partnership with LTSA will establish advanced security controls that exceed Canada's current system.

FNLGR Organization Establishment and Progress Goals

Establish FNLGR
with initial
board and staff

Advance
technology build
and draft
legislation

Objectives

Establish
FNLGR
organization
with board
and staff

Build
capacity for
registry
operations

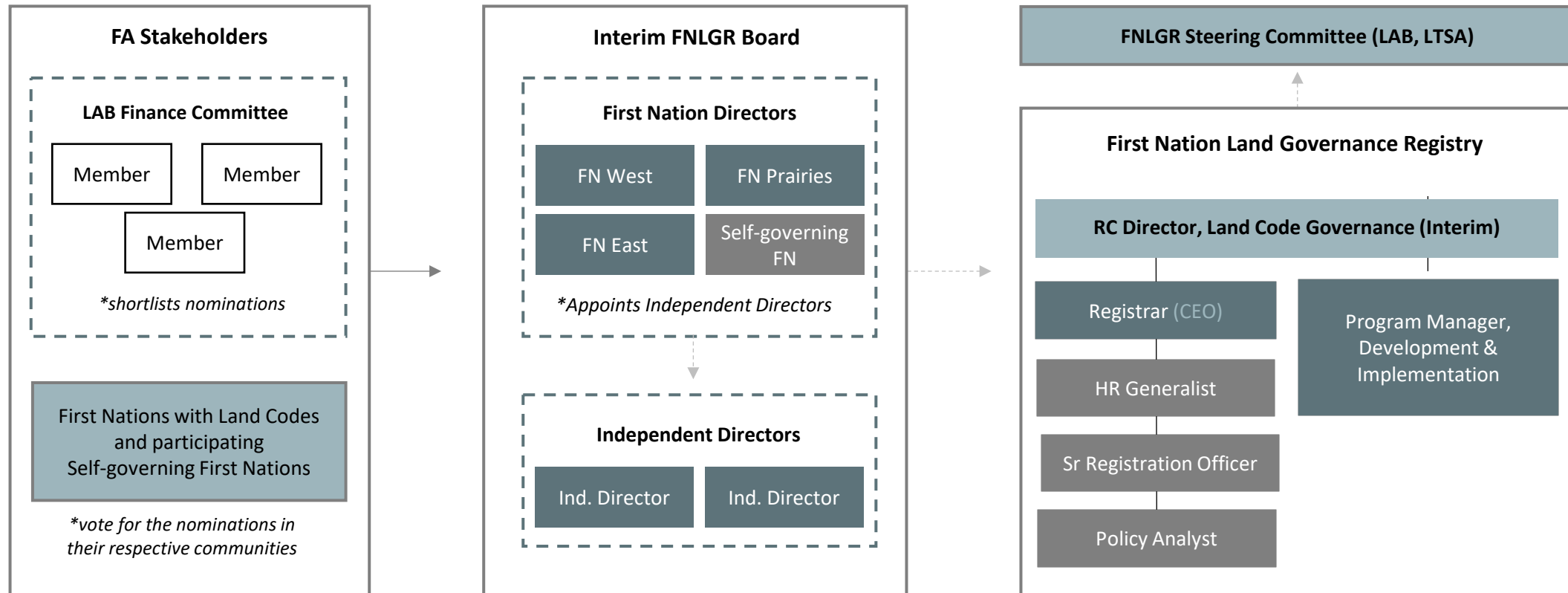
Draft
regulatory
framework
changes

Engage with
First Nations
and
stakeholders

Demonstrate
commitment
to leadership
and
governments

Continue
technology
build with
First Nations'
input

FNLGR Interim Organization and Staffing



FNLGR Board of Directors - QUALIFICATIONS



Understanding of First Nation Governance

- Deep comprehension of First Nation governance structures, traditions, and legal frameworks is imperative

Legal and Regulatory Expertise

- Candidates should demonstrate robust legal and regulatory expertise in land governance matters

Stakeholder Engagement

- Proven ability to engage stakeholders effectively and foster collaboration among diverse groups

Strategic Vision and Commitment

- Strategic vision and commitment to the long-term objectives of the FNLGR are crucial

Diversity and Inclusion

- Dedication to promoting diversity and inclusion within the Board to ensure representation from various First Nation communities and backgrounds

Navigating Complex Challenges

- Navigate complex governance challenges and advance the collective interests of Indigenous communities in sustainable land management

FNLGR Board of Directors - NOMINATION PROCESS



Open Call for Nominations

- Open nominations from stakeholders: First Nation signatories, Self-Government communities, organizations, and land governance experts.

Nomination Package Submission

- Nominees submit resume, letter of intent, and letters of support.

Evaluation and Shortlisting

- LAB Finance Committee evaluates and shortlists based on criteria.

Final Selection by Framework Agreement Leadership

- Final selection by vote of Framework Agreement leadership.

Public Announcement of Interim Board Members

- LAB Finance Committee announces selected interim Board members.

2024 Resolution on First Nation Land Governance Registry



The Lands Advisory Board (LAB) are authorized by Signatory First Nations to:

1. Continue working with First Nations and stakeholders to build the FNLGR for land code and self-governing First Nations.
2. Proceed with FNLGR governance mobilization by establishing the nomination and selection process for the FNLGR Board of Directors, projected to be complete by year-end.
3. Receive data transfer and information sharing from Indigenous Services Canada.
4. Establish clear regulations to ensure the FNLGR adequately protects the privacy and security of information for Signatory First Nations.

Thank You



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