

Navigating the IAP2 Spectrum

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About IAP2

- The International Association of Public Participation (IAP2)
- Seeks to promote and improve the practice of P2 worldwide
- IAP2 organizes and conducts activities to:
 - Serve the learning needs of members through events, publications, networking and communication technology
 - Advocate for effective P2 practices
 - Promote a results-oriented research agenda and use research to support educational and advocacy goals

IAP2 Wild Rose Chapter

Wild Rose's Vision: All Albertans have the opportunity to participate in decisions that affect their lives.

- Wild Rose's Purpose
 - To encourage the exchange of knowledge and experience among practitioners.
 - To improve the skills and professionalism of practitioners.
 - To promote the value and benefit of public participation.
 - To encourage the growth and development of the public participation field.

 - Wild Rose's Values
 - Participation
 - Inclusiveness
 - Transparency
 - Accountability
 - Openness
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IAP2 Core Values (Best Practices)

Public participation:

- believes those affected by the decision have a **right to be involved** in the decision-making process.
- includes the promise that the public's **contribution will influence the decision.**
- **promotes sustainable decisions** by recognizing and communicating the needs and interests of all participants, including decision makers.

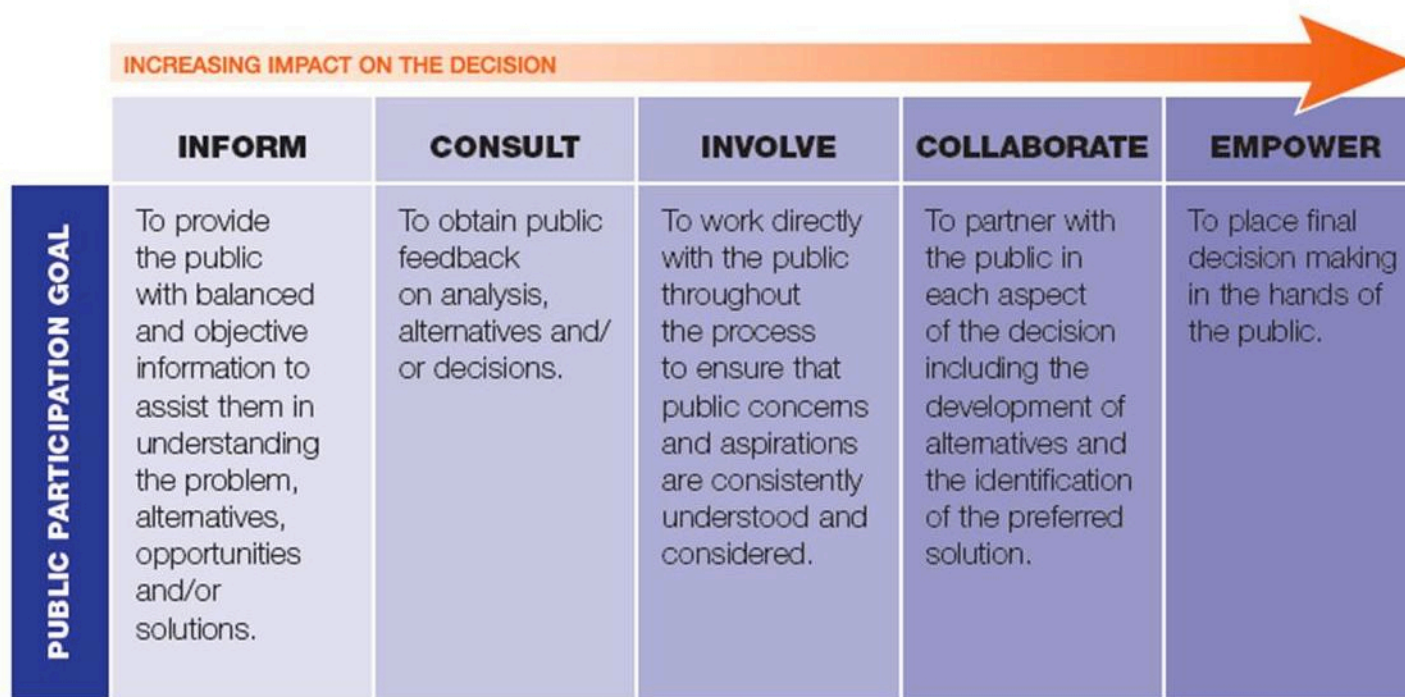
IAP2 Core Values (Best Practices)

Public participation:

- **seeks out and facilitates** the **involvement** of those potentially affected by or interested in a decision.
- **seeks input** from participants **in designing how they participate.**
- **provides** participants with the **information they need to participate in a meaningful way.**
- **communicates** to participants **how their input affected the decision.**

IAP2 Spectrum of Public Participation

IAP2'S PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SPECTRUM



Trying out the Spectrum

- Different circumstances call for different amounts of engagement.
- How much engagement would you want if the project was:
 - In your county, but far from your property
 - Near your home, increasing traffic on your road
 - Near your home, so that you could see, smell and hear the operations
 - On your land, with potential for significant impacts

Synergy on the Spectrum

- Inform
 - 'sending out' materials to stakeholders, notification
 - Only one part of the 'synergy process'
- Consult
 - Discussion - allows for stakeholder feedback
- Involve
 - Dialogue that addresses specific concerns, identifies and resolves issues

Synergy on the Spectrum

- Collaborate
 - Stakeholders work as a team to find new solutions to complex or large issues
 - WCS – Aurora Energy Working Group
- Empower
 - Decision-making is handed over to the community
 - Tay River Advisory Committee – TREE Fund

What are your stories?

When to Kick it up a Notch

- How do you know when it's time to move on to the next level?
 - The affect or impact of the project is significant
 - The issues & project are complex
 - There is a high level of distrust
 - There is a high potential for controversy
 - The community expectations for engagement are increasing

Questions, Comments and Discussion

Thank you!



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