

Winter Motorized Recreation Management Plan in the South Peace

NE Roundtable

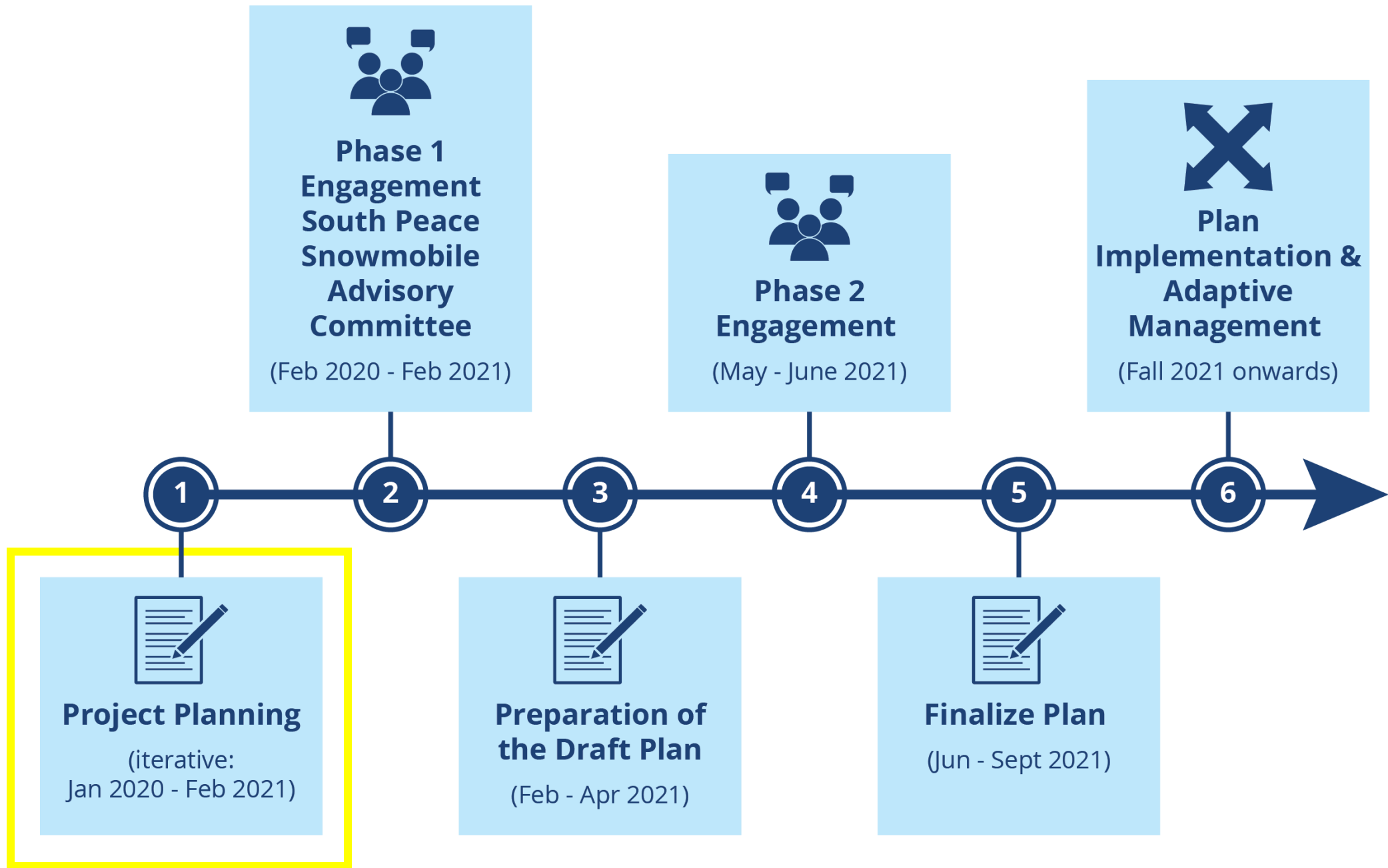
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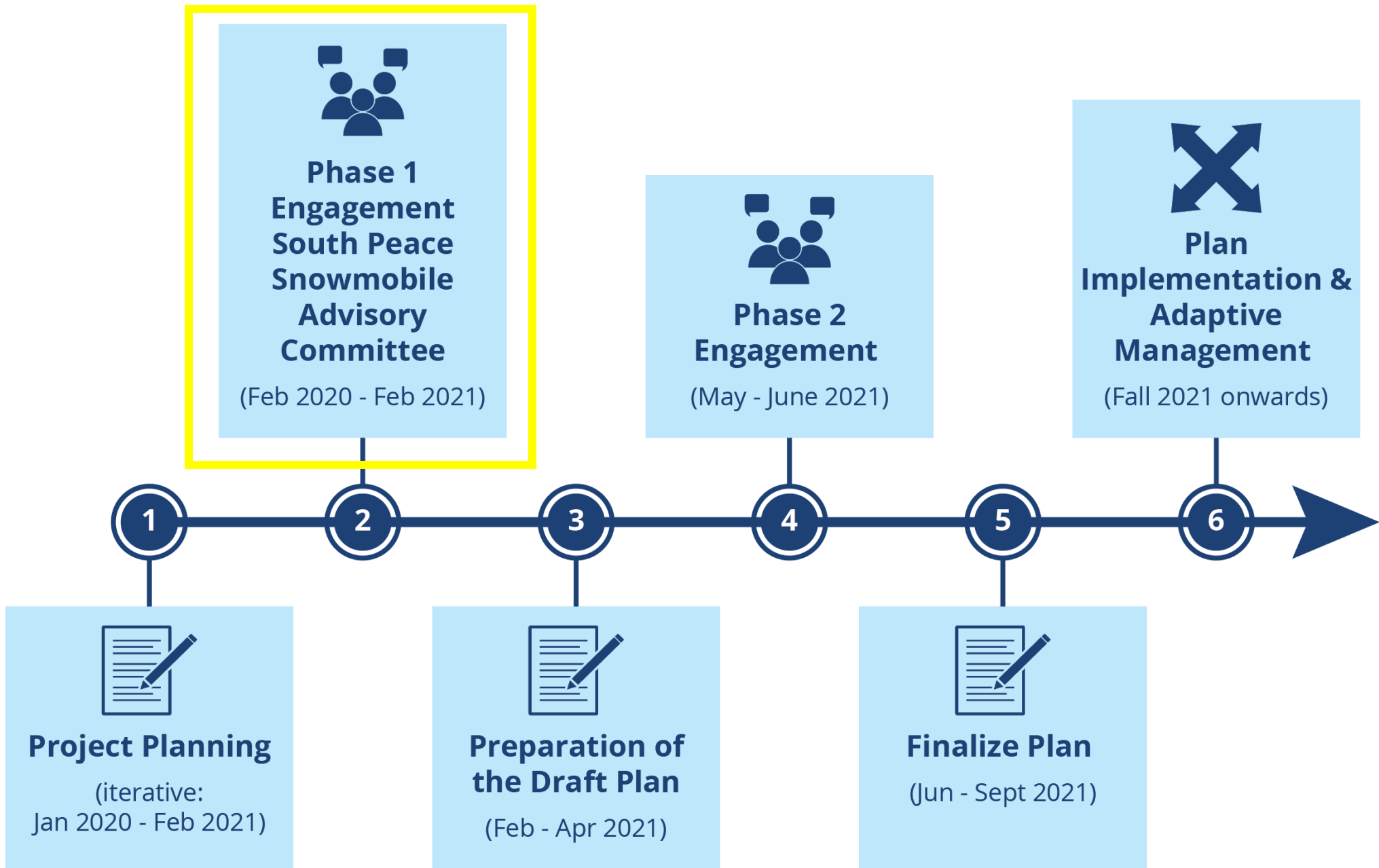


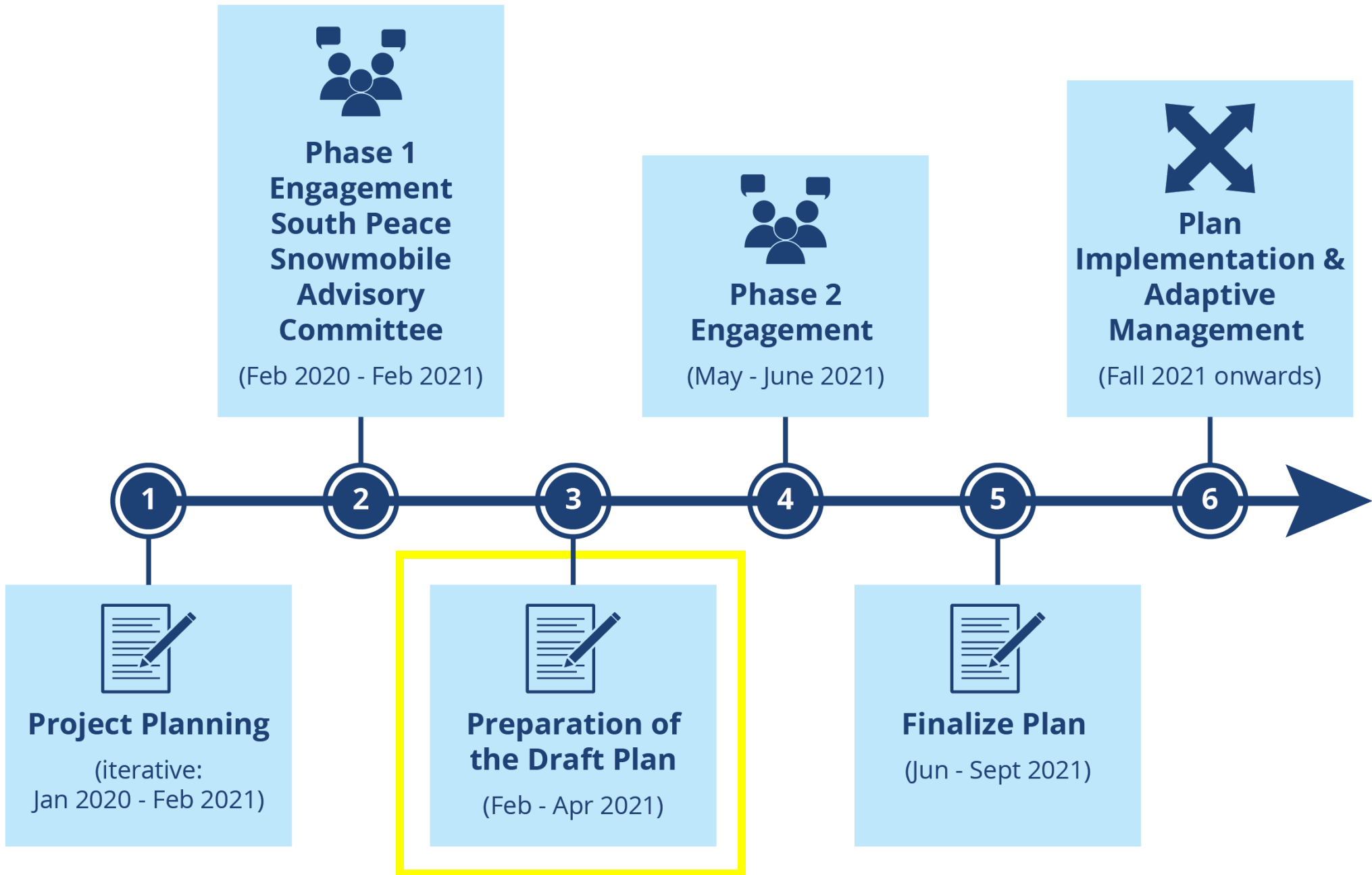
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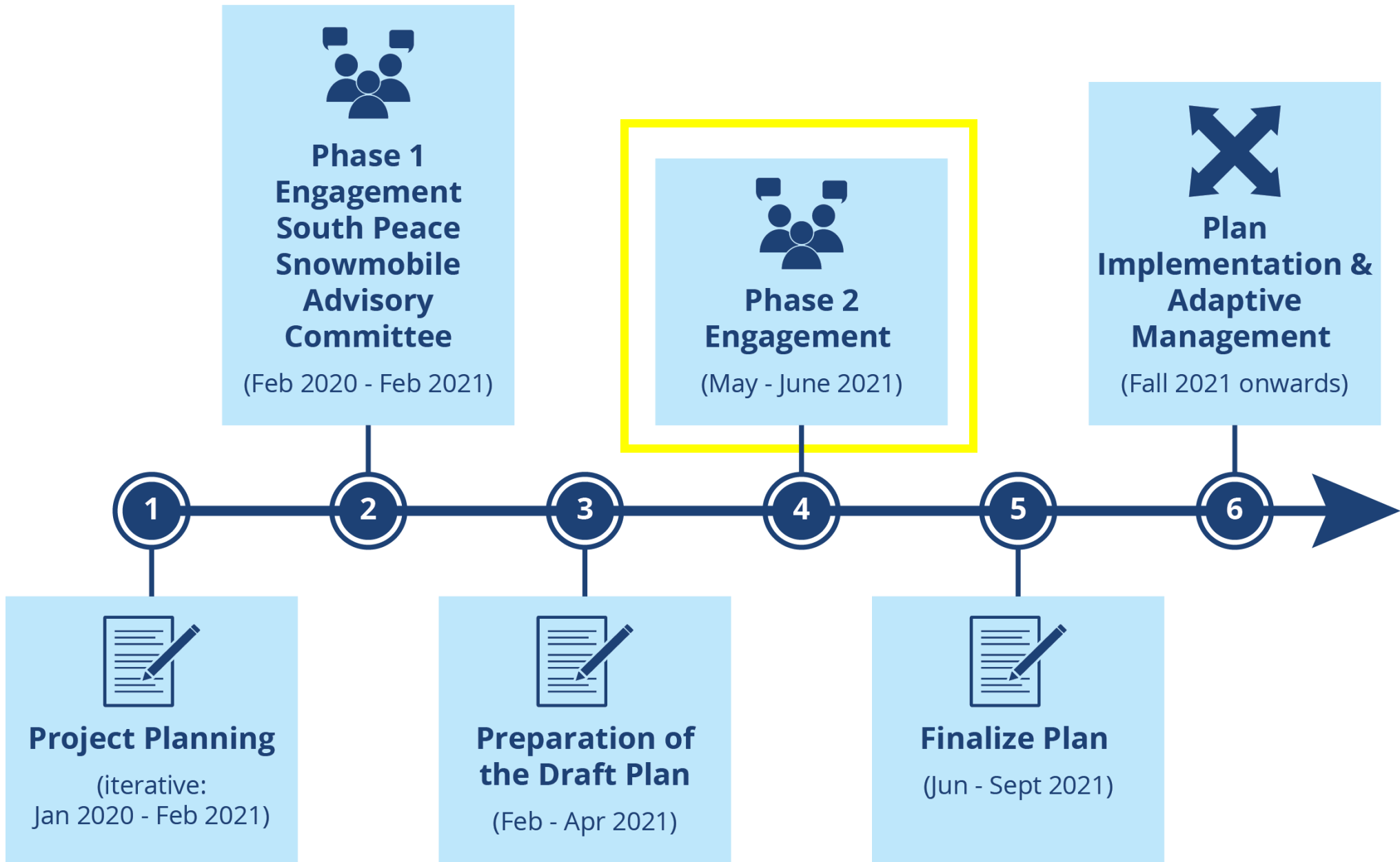
- 1) Overview of the Planning Process
- 2) Details of Draft Management Plan
- 3) Introduction to proposed management areas
- 4) Ways to get involved

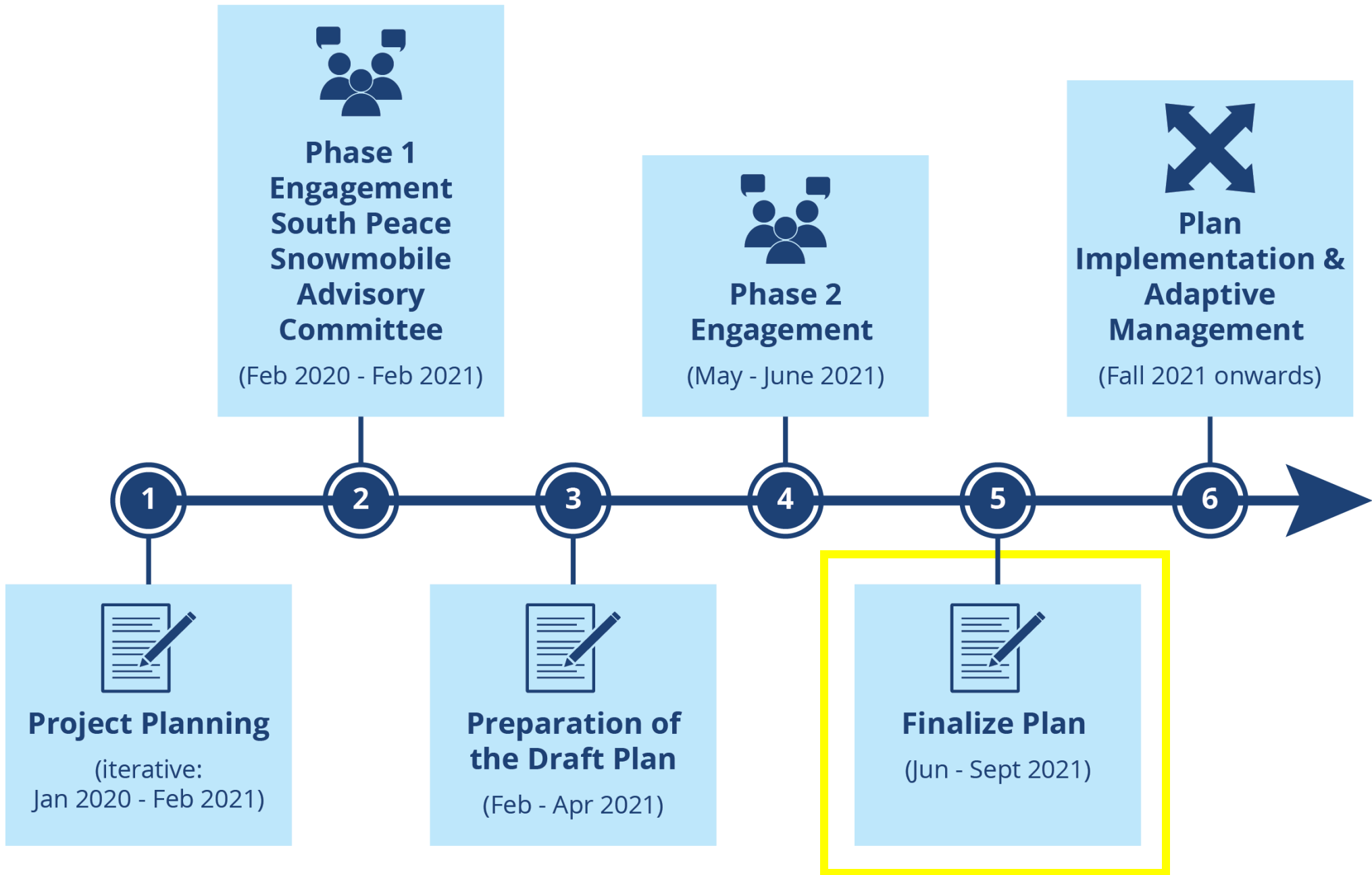


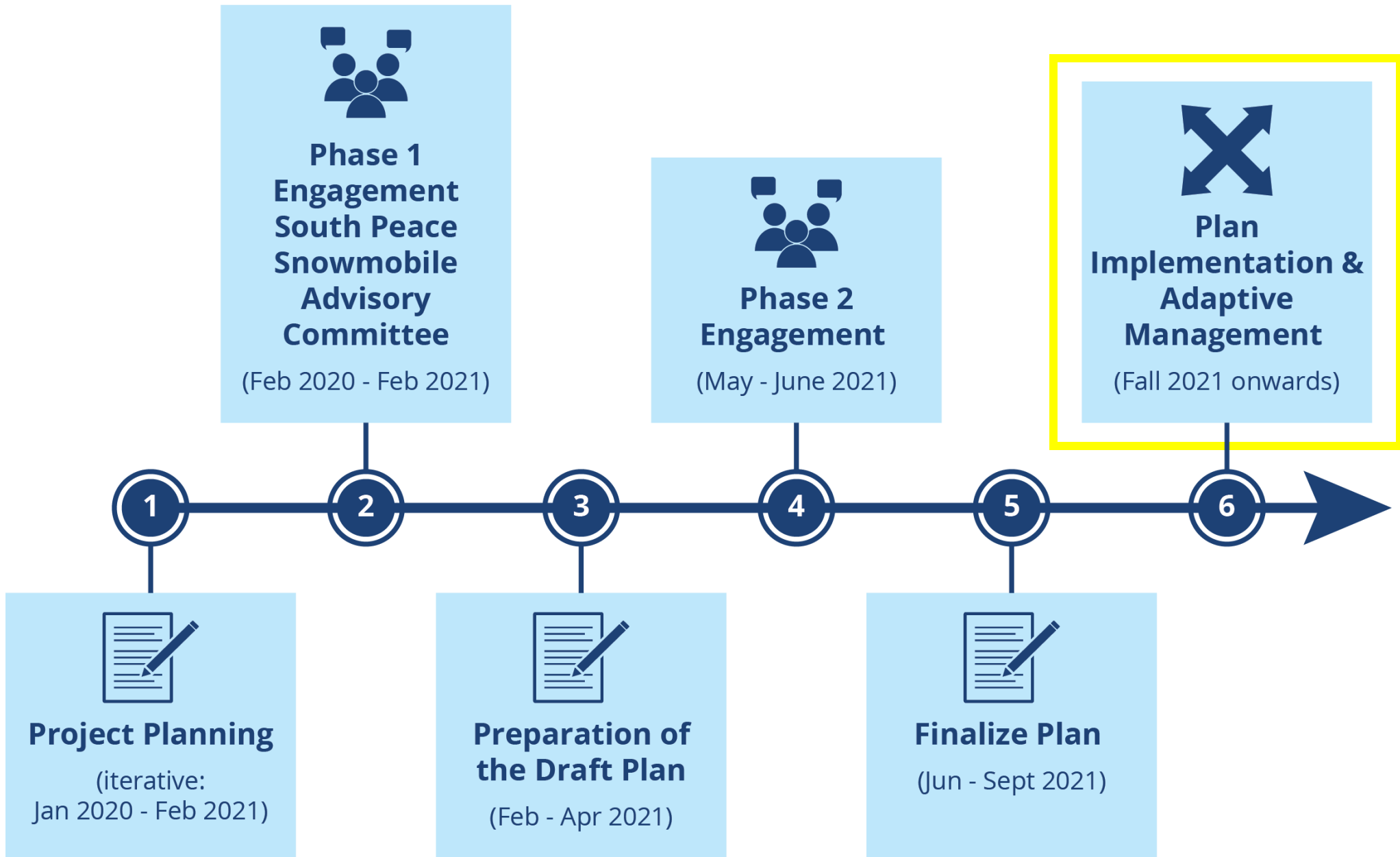












Why Manage Winter Motorized Recreation?

Displace caribou – Winter motorized recreation can push caribou out of optimal or more optimal habitat and into less optimal habitat.

Disturb caribou – The noise from winter motorized recreation and human presence can disturb caribou which results in greater energy expenditure and / or increased stress hormones.

Increased predation – Winter motorized recreation creates hard packed linear disturbances that allow predators to move through the landscape more efficiently in the winter which can provide access to caribou range and increase predation.



Clause 37 of the Intergovernmental Partnership Agreement

Shared Recovery Objective:

“...immediately stabilizing and expeditiously growing the population of the Central Group to levels that are self-sustaining and support traditional aboriginal harvesting activities, consistent with existing Aboriginal and Treaty rights.”

- Collaborative design and implementation process with Partnership Agreement Parties
- Consultation with First Nations, Technical Experts, Local Government and Snowmobile Sector
- Closures, enhancements, and other measures consistent with similar plans in BC



Management Plan Objectives

Primary objective:

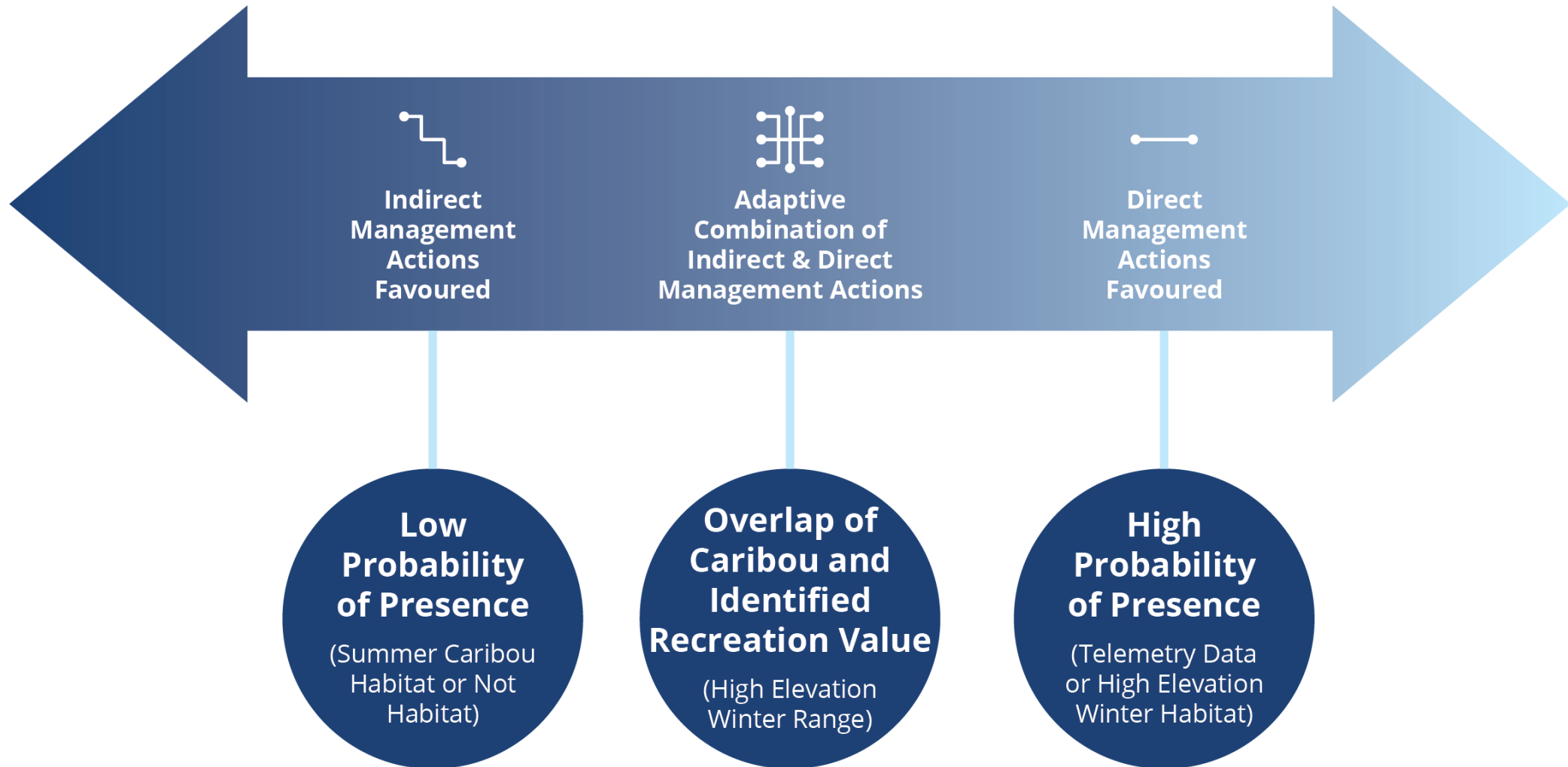
- Manage winter motorized recreation in a manner that supports the achievement of the Shared Recovery Objective.

Secondary objectives (where they do not conflict/ detract from the primary objective):

- Maintain use of the highest value and most unique winter motorized recreation areas and a diverse mix of winter motorized recreation opportunities in the region.
- Support the development or enhancement of winter motorized recreation destinations in areas that likely represent a low risk to caribou recovery, in order to support the region's winter motorized recreation visitor economy.



Indirect and Direct Management Actions



Web Map Session





WHERE CAN I VIEW THE DRAFT PLAN?

Please go to **engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou/** to review the plan and other important information about the project.

OR

Printed copies can be picked up at the following Government of BC office locations:

**FrontCounter BC
Fort St. John
100-10003 110
Avenue
Fort St. John, BC
V1J 6M7**

**FrontCounter BC
Dawson Creek
9000 17th Street
Dawson Creek, BC
V1G 1A5**

**FrontCounter BC
Mackenzie
1 Cicada Road
Mackenzie, BC
V0J 2C0**



HOW CAN I SHARE MY INPUT?

1. Online survey here: **engage.gov.bc.ca/caribou/**
2. Email written submissions to: **caribou.recovery@gov.bc.ca**
3. Mail written submissions to: **Caribou Recovery Program
PO Box 9546 Stn Prov Govt
Victoria, B.C. V8W 9C5**



WHEN DOES THE ENGAGEMENT PERIOD CLOSE?

July 14, 2021 at 4:00 pm (PST)



Questions and Discussion



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