

Extended Project Timeline: Sioux Lookout Regional Recreation Centre

Date / Period	Milestone / Activity
May 2024	Study kickoff: Launch of Tourism Diversification & Infrastructure Enhancement Study (Deloitte) through FedNor & Destination Northern Ontario
July 2024	Community engagement begins: Open house, public survey, Indigenous and sector-specific consultations
Sept–Nov 2024	Analysis of survey results, identification of priority recreation infrastructure gaps, and tourism potential
November 2024	Completion of standalone Pool Feasibility Study (included in broader infrastructure plan)
February 2025	Final report delivered: Recommendations for investment in recreation and sport infrastructure, including economic impact

Phase II: Local Business Case, Site Planning & Partnership Development

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March–May 2025	Council reviews Deloitte findings; Municipality considers next steps for a regional recreation centre
Summer–Fall 2025	A building condition assessment is completed to evaluate the current recreation centre and identify areas in need of repair or upgrade.
Q4 2025	A retrofit analysis study is completed to compare the benefits and challenges of renovating the existing facility versus constructing a new recreation centre.

Q1–Q3 2026	Preliminary discussions with potential funders, Indigenous partners, and major sponsors
Q1–Q3 2026	Formal Site Identification Process: Evaluation of municipal lands and servicing potential
Q4 2026 – Q4 2027	User Needs Assessment & Program Planning: Inclusive engagement with youth, seniors, Indigenous partners, health orgs
Q4 2027	Business Case Development: Operating model, revenue strategy, lifecycle costing, and staffing scenarios
End of 2028	Council decision point: Review of business model, site report, and partnership commitments to determine whether to proceed

Phase III: Detailed Design & Capital Campaign (Pending Council Direction)

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Q1–Q4 2029	Architectural Design & Pre-development Phase: Schematic and detailed design of facility, in consultation with community and regional users
2029–2030	Capital Fundraising Campaign Launched: Public-private fundraising, naming rights, grant applications, and donor outreach
2030–2031	Funding applications to NOHFC, FedNor, Infrastructure Canada, Indigenous Services Canada, and corporate partners

Phase IV: Construction & Opening (Subject to Funding)

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Late 2031–2032	Construction Begins: Site preparation and construction of the multi-use recreation
2035 (Target)	Grand Opening of Sioux Lookout’s new Regional Recreation Centre

Key Objectives Throughout the Timeline

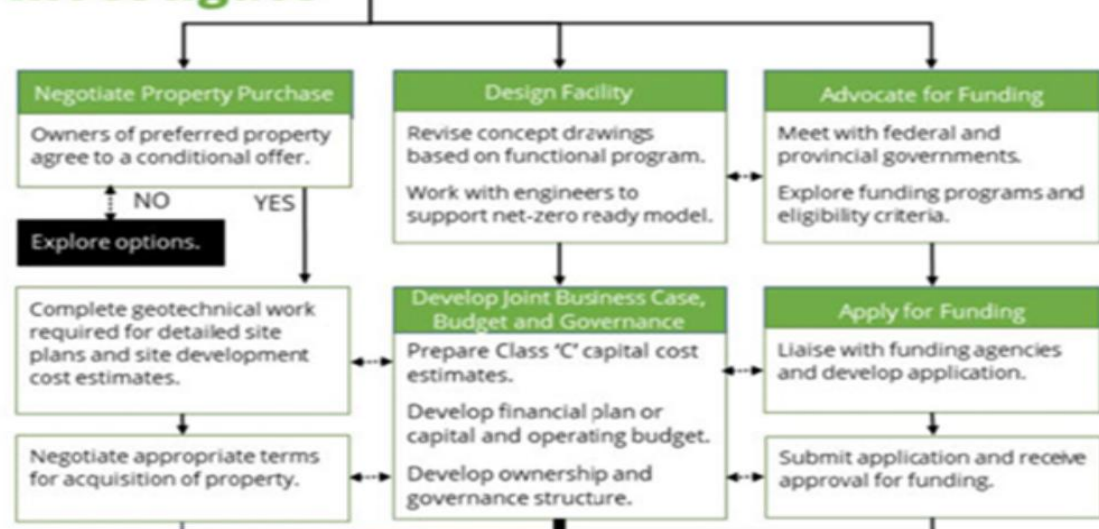
- Ensure inclusive, regionally representative engagement
- Build a financially sustainable, culturally inclusive business model
- Establish strong partnerships with Indigenous governments, medical agencies, and employers
- Pursue a phased funding strategy with flexible investment opportunities

Decision Tool

Collaborate



Investigate



Execute

