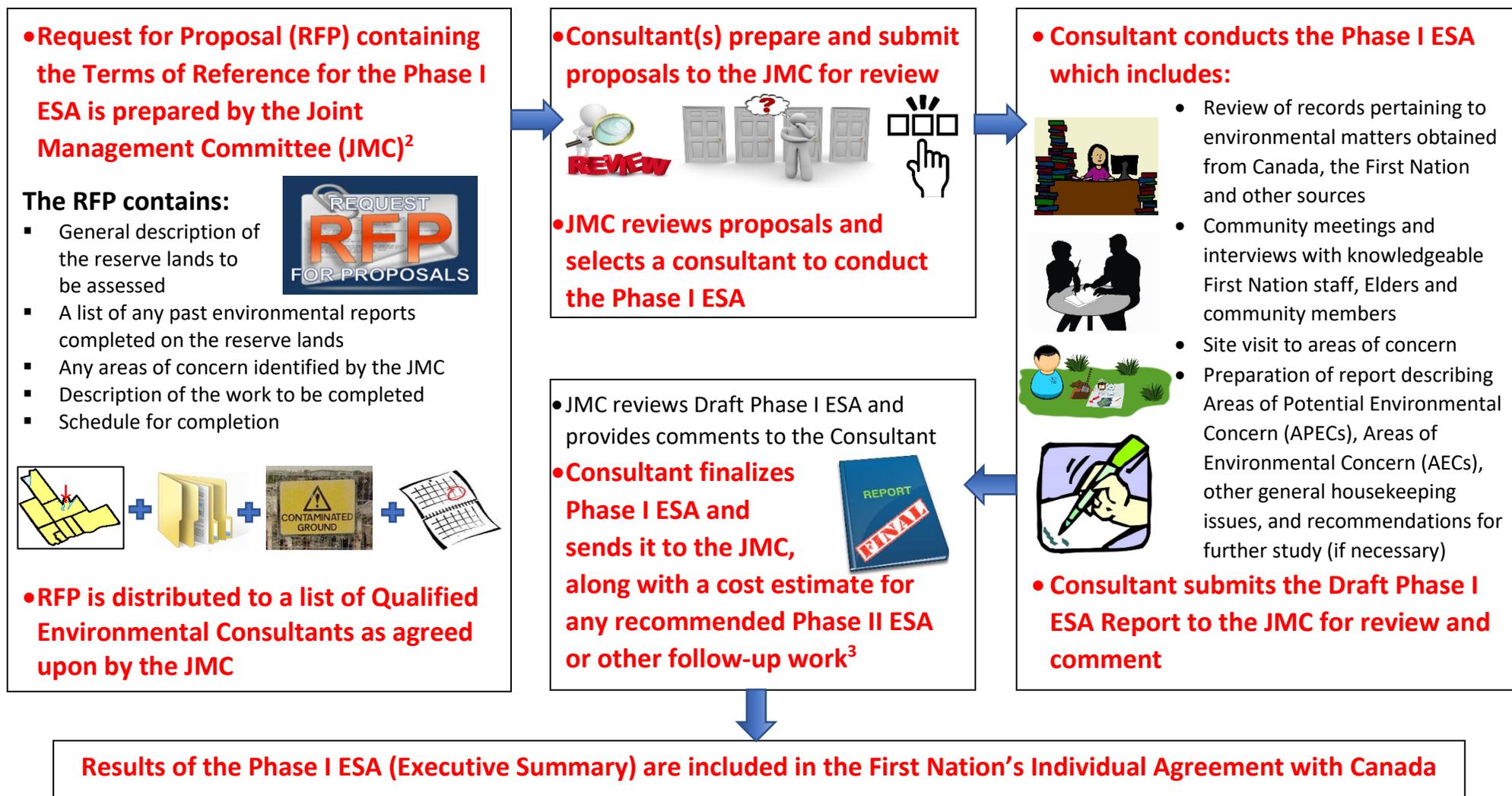


# General Overview for the Preparation, Review and Approval Process for a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA)<sup>1</sup>



## Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Phase I ESAs are conducted to fulfil Canada's responsibility under Section 6.3(c) of the *Framework Agreement on First Nation Land Management* which requires Canada to provide the First Nation with "all existing information, in Canada's possession, respecting any actual or potential environmental problems with the proposed First Nation land".

<sup>2</sup> The Joint Management Committee consists of 1 representative from the First Nation and one representative from Indigenous Services Canada (ISC). At the request of the First Nation, the Resource Centre may attend all meetings and participate in the JMC as a non-voting member.

<sup>3</sup> When required, Phase II ESAs are typically completed after the ratification and coming into force of a First Nation's Land Code.