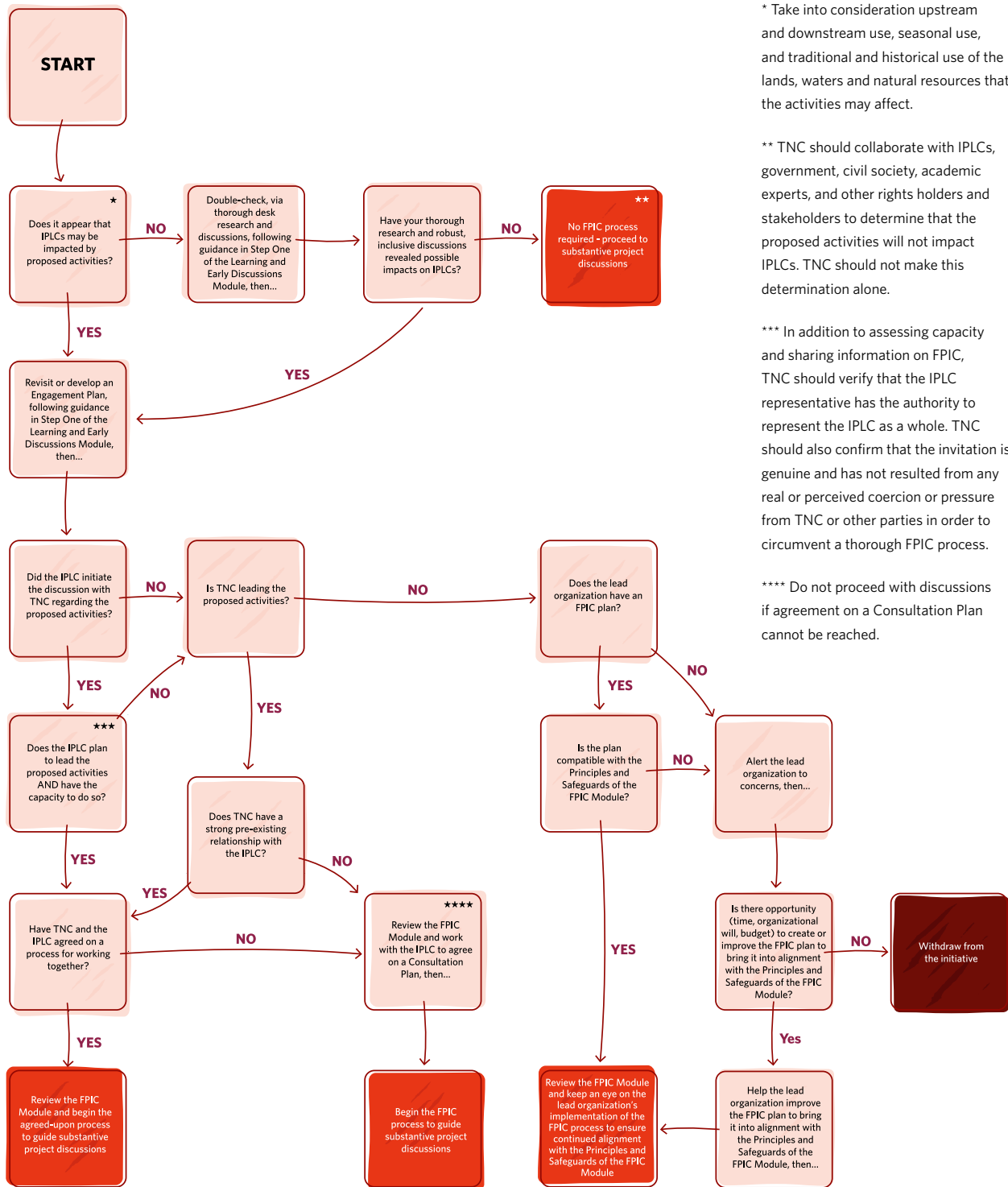


Is an FPIC process required?



* Take into consideration upstream and downstream use, seasonal use, and traditional and historical use of the lands, waters and natural resources that the activities may affect.

** TNC should collaborate with IPLCs, government, civil society, academic experts, and other rights holders and stakeholders to determine that the proposed activities will not impact IPLCs. TNC should not make this determination alone.

*** In addition to assessing capacity and sharing information on FPIC, TNC should verify that the IPLC representative has the authority to represent the IPLC as a whole. TNC should also confirm that the invitation is genuine and has not resulted from any real or perceived coercion or pressure from TNC or other parties in order to circumvent a thorough FPIC process.

**** Do not proceed with discussions if agreement on a Consultation Plan cannot be reached.