



la Convention
de la Baie-James
et du Nord québécois

Comité d'évaluation
Evaluating Committee

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**MINUTES OF THE 310TH MEETING
OF THE EVALUATING COMMITTEE**

(Adopted)

DATE: 310 A: June 15, 2022
310 B: June 17, 2022

PLACE: Videoconference

PRESENT: Geneviève Bélanger, Canada, Chair
Louis Breton, Canada
John Paul Murdoch, CNG
Daniel Berrouard, Québec
Nicholas Poirier, Québec

Sophie Cooper, Executive Secretary

1) Meeting 310 declared open and adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted as written.

2) Adoption of the minutes of the 309th meeting

The minutes of the 309th meeting were adopted as written.

Action: Translate and post the minutes of the 309th meeting.

3) Correspondence and follow-up

Correspondence sent and received between May 25 and June 15, 2022 is presented in Appendix A.

**4) Project to dismantle the main camp and satellite camps of a former outfitter operation in the Trans-Taïga Road sector by the Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles
Ref. No.: 3214-16-084**

- Preliminary information
- For recommendation on whether to exempt the project from the impact assessment process, or on the scope of the impact study to be conducted

Before the COMEV can issue a recommendation on this project, it appears that certain aspects need to be verified with respect to the involvement of the tallymen in the preliminary consultations and the identification of any buildings to be kept. The COMEV is awaiting details from the proponent to clarify certain aspects of the project. The analysis of the project will resume at the next meeting scheduled for June 17, 2022.

**5) Opening and operation of a sandpit near Lac Lardet by Les équipements J.V.C. Inc.
Ref. No.: 3214-03-048**

- Preliminary information
- For recommendation on whether to exempt the project from the impact assessment process, or on the scope of the impact study to be conducted

On March 3, 2022, the Evaluating Committee (COMEV) received the preliminary information about a sandpit project near Lac Lardet.

In this project, the proponent would like to open a 6.2-hectare sandpit to extract abrasive sand that will be used to build access roads to the Campbell Mine Principale pit rehabilitation project. The proponent plans to store the sand at the site pending the rehabilitation of the borrow pits that are no longer in use since the closure of the Campbell Mine Principale mine.

After reviewing the documents from the proponent, the members of the COMEV decided they need more information before continuing their analysis. Questions and comments requiring the proponent's response will be forwarded to the Provincial Administrator.

**Action: Send letter to the Provincial Administrator
 Forward questions and comments**

6) Varia

a) Projects pending

- Construction of a road for the installation of a wind measuring mast by Projet éolien Oujé-Bougoumou Skakeegun S.E.C., Ref. No.: 3214-05-082 (*Waiting for responses from the proponent*)
- Champion Lake shoreline protection project by the Cree First Nation of Nemaska, Ref. No.: 3219-01-002 (*Waiting for responses from the proponent*)
- Construction and operation of a remote landfill (LETI) at the Eastmain Mine by Benz Mining Corporation Ref. No.: 3214-16-081 (*Waiting for responses from the proponent*)
- Expansion of an existing quarry and reopening of the old sand pit at km 58 of Route 19900 (formerly R-1005) by the Ministère des Transports du Québec. Ref. No.: 3214-03-022 (*Waiting for responses from the proponent*)
- Opening and operation of a quarry in the Chibougamau sector by Dynamitage TCG Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-03-047 (*Waiting for responses from the proponent*)
- Environmental rehabilitation of a former service station on the Trans-Taïga highway by the MERN Ref. No.: 3214-16-085 (*under analysis*)
- Environmental rehabilitation of a former service station in the Radisson sector by the MERN Ref. No.: 3214-16-086 (*under analysis*)
- Creation of Parc national Assinica by the Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs Ref. No.: 3214-18-011 (*under analysis*)
- Troilus Mine project– Notice of project/Preliminary information Ref. No.: 3214-14-025 (*under analysis*)

7) Next meetings

Meeting 310 B is scheduled for June 17, 2022 at 9 a.m.

Meeting 311 is scheduled for August 2, 2022 at 9 a.m.

8) Meeting 310 B – June 17, 2022: Project to dismantle the main camp and satellite camps of a former outfitter operation in the Trans-Taïga Road sector by the Ministère de l'Énergie et des Ressources naturelles

Ref. No.: 3214-16-084

- Preliminary information
- For recommendation on whether to exempt the project from the impact assessment process, or on the scope of the impact study to be conducted

The Evaluating Committee (COMEV) received the preliminary information on the above project on April 28, 2022.

In this project, the MERN plans to clean up the abandoned sites at the main camp and seven satellite camps along the Trans-Taïga road used by the outfitter Nouchimi. The work would include the demolition of buildings and facilities present on the sites, the recovery, segregation, valuing and disposal of various equipment and residual materials, the management and disposal of residual hazardous materials as well as the restoration of the land (filling, leveling and revegetation). The proponent also presented a project for the rehabilitation of a former service station on the Trans-Taïga. Reusable materials and equipment will be donated to neighboring

communities. Recoverable residual materials will be segregated and sent to an authorized sorting center and all other non-recoverable residual materials will be disposed of in an authorized technical landfill (LET).

After reviewing the documents received from the proponent, the COMEV members agreed that they will need more information before continuing their analysis. The proponent will be sent a letter with questions and comments for their response.

Action: **Send letter to the Provincial Administrator**
 Forward questions and comments

Appendix A Correspondence and follow-up – May 28 to June 15, 2022					
Project	From	To	Document	Date	Action - comments
Rehabilitation of a site on the Mid-Canada radar surveillance line by the MELCC Ref. No.: 3214-16-082	Mélissa Gagnon MELCC	Anne-Sophie Cauchon MELCC	Attestation of exemption	Sent May 31, 2022 Rec'd COMEV May 31, 2022	<i>For information</i>
Creation of Parc national Assinica by the Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs Ref. No.: 3214-18-011	Christian Pelletier MFFP	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Request for an update on the impacts study directive	Sent May 31, 2022	
	Mélissa Gagnon MELCC	Geneviève Bélanger COMEY		Sent June 2, 2022 Rec'd COMEV June 2, 2022	
Environmental rehabilitation of the Mirabelli site at km 324 of the Billy Diamond highway by Hydro-Québec Ref. No.: 3214-16-083	Geneviève Bélanger COMEY	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Transmittal of recommendation of exemption	Sent June 3, 2022	
Borrow pit for the restoration of the Coniagas tailings site by Galaxy Lithium (Ontario) Inc. Ref. No.: 3214-14-054	Geneviève Bélanger COMEY	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Transmittal of recommendation of exemption	Sent June 3, 2022 Acknowledgement of receipt June 3, 2022	
Troïlus Mine project by Troïlus Gold Corp. Ref. No.: 3214-14-025	Jaqueline Leroux Troïlus Gold	Marc Croteau Deputy Minister MELCC	Preliminary information - Project notice	Sent May 30, 2022	<i>For recommendation</i>
	Maud Ablain MELCC	Geneviève Bélanger COMEY		Sent June 3, 2022 Rec'd COMEV June 6, 2022	