JBACE recommendation
- Comsideration of cumulative effects – data -

Context and presentation

For many years, the JBACE has been interested in the consideration of cumulative effects in impact assessments for development projects. The committee has developed an approach based on four possible action items to address the issues associated with these effects: data, regional planning, directives and regional policy.

The first possible action item addressed by the JBACE concerned data. After meeting with various stakeholders and reviewing the available documentation, the JBACE produced a report outlining the issues and potential solutions, which served as the basis for the recommendation presented below.

The members of the JBACE are aware of the financial implications of this recommendation and the current state of public finances. That being said, we feel it is essential to convey it to you and hope to have the opportunity to discuss it at future meetings.

Recommendation

CONSIDERING the importance of taking cumulative effects into account in project impact assessment and review;

CONSIDERING that access to data is essential for an effective cumulative effects assessment;

CONSIDERING the following possible solutions identified by the JBACE in its report on data (attached to this recommendation):

- Centralization of data;
- Digitization of existing data;
- Inventory and categorization of available data.

The JBACE recommends that the governments of the Cree Nation, of Québec and of Canada support and implement initiatives to promote access, production and sharing of data in order to facilitate the consideration of cumulative effects in the Territory.

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