

IDENTIFICATION OF POTENTIALLY CONTAMINATED SITES: SITE PROFILE PROCESS

The Ministry of Environment (the ministry) is reviewing aspects of British Columbia's site remediation legal regime. The review encompasses a number of components, including provisions addressing soil relocation and the mechanism for identifying potentially contaminated sites (the site profile process).

The ministry has prepared a discussion paper with background information and discussion of options for amending the process for identifying potentially contaminated sites. The discussion paper, and additional copies of this response form, can be viewed and downloaded from the ministry's [Land Remediation website](#).

Comments on identification of potentially contaminated sites and the site profile process can be provided to the Ministry of Environment by e-mail attachment or mail at the address listed below. Written submissions received by **February 2, 2015** will be considered by the ministry in reviewing options for amending the process.

Before submitting a response, interested parties are invited to participate in an information webinar scheduled to be held on Wednesday, January 14, 2015. If you are interested in receiving information about or participating in the webinar please contact Cindy Bertram at the email or address below for further details.

The ministry has prepared consultation questions based on the discussion paper. Those interested are invited to submit comments on the issues and options using the prepared consultation questions or by separate submission if desired.

All submissions will be treated with confidentiality by ministry staff and contractors when preparing consultation reports. Please note however that comments you provide and information that identifies you as the source of those comments may be publicly available if a Freedom of Information request is made under the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this discussion paper, as well as comments on the ministry's schedule for the consultation process, contact Cindy Bertram of C. Rankin & Associates who has been contracted to manage consultation comments, at:

Email: cindybertram@shaw.ca

Mail: PO Box 28159 Westshore RPO
Victoria B.C. V9B 6K8

Comments to the ministry should be made on or before February 2, 2015.

Thank you for your time and comments!

Consultation Questions: Site Profile Process

The following topic areas and questions are based on the identification of potentially contaminated sites: site profile process discussion paper.

1. Ministry priorities and objectives for identification of potentially contaminated sites

- 1.1 Do you have any comments regarding the ministry's priorities and objectives?

- 1.2 Are there any additional objectives that you believe should inform or guide the ministry's review of British Columbia's site remediation legal regime?

2. Concerns with the current site profile process

- 2.1 Do you have any comments or concerns regarding the current site profile process?

3. Activities triggering site profile requirements

- 3.1 Local government applications – Do you have any comments regarding removing or amending triggers affecting local government applications and the site profile process?

- 3.2 Recognizing the variability in local government permit processes, do you have any suggestions for the ministry to help ensure a consistent process for identifying contaminated sites throughout the province?

- 3.3 Site decommissioning – Do you have any comments regarding removing or amending requirements for a site profile upon decommissioning of a site?

4. Site profile form

- 4.1 Do you have any suggestions for improving the accuracy and completeness of the site profile form?

5. Site profile “freeze and release” provisions

5.1 *Option A. Streamline existing release provisions.*

Do you have any comments about this option? Do you believe that it would meet the ministry's priorities and objectives?

5.2 *Option B. Focus on the end point.*

Do you have any comments about this option? Do you believe that it would meet the ministry's priorities and objectives?

6. Suggestions for a revised site identification process

6.1 If you do not support the options presented, do you have any alternative suggestions for a revised process that would meet the ministry's priorities and objectives in identifying potentially contaminated sites?

7. Additional comments?

7.1 Do you have any additional comments or suggestions regarding the ministry's review of British Columbia's site remediation legal regime and/or the identification of potentially contaminated sites?

REVIEW OF BRITISH COLUMBIA'S SITE REMEDIATION LEGAL REGIME

Background and Area of Interest

Please mark an "x" in the appropriate boxes if your primary interest in site remediation relates to your:

- Work in the land development or redevelopment sector**
- Work providing professional services to private companies or government**
Please describe (e.g., engineering, qualified professional):
- Work for a government regulatory agency**
Please describe (e.g., federal, provincial, municipal):
- Work for a public sector organization**
Please describe (e.g., health authority, education institution, Crown corporation):
- First Nation** Please describe:
- Involvement or work for an environmental or community interest group**
Please describe:
- Other interest** Please describe:

If you wish, you may also provide contact information below. Contact information will be compiled separate from responses and used to inform respondents of following actions with respect to the ministry's review of British Columbia's site remediation legal regime.

Contact Information

If you wish to receive further information concerning the ministry's review of British Columbia's site remediation legal regime, please include an e-mail address.

Note that all information will be treated as confidential by government staff and contractors. However, information that identifies you as the source of submission comments may be publicly available if a Freedom of Information request is made under the.

Contact Name:

Business or Organization Name (if appropriate):

Email:

Mailing address:

Telephone:

Thank you for your time and comments!

Please remember to return this response form to the ministry on or before February 2, 2015.