

# Preliminary Study Report – Template

## Title Page

- Report Title with project name and location, called a Preliminary Study Report
- Prepared for - Name and address of the proponent for which the report was prepared
- Prepared by – Name and address of paleontology consulting company
- Date

**Table of Contents** - Including List of Maps and/or Figures, List of Tables, Appendices

**Executive Summary** - Key points of the report stating its purpose, results and recommendations

**Abbreviations** (optional) - list of frequently used abbreviations and their meaning

## Introduction

- Describes the project and study area location, include map(s)
- State the purpose (objectives) of the preliminary study

**Methods** - List the tools, datasets and information sources used in the study

## Geological Setting

- Review of geological units affected and summarize geological setting
- Include geological map(s) showing project location and boundaries

## Results - Fossil Resource Potential

- Discussion of fossil resource potential and fossil sites
- Include a table of known fossil sites, if present
- List protected fossil sites or significant fossils in, or in proximity to, the project
- May include the classification of fossil resource potential based on deposit/rock types or the Risk Matrix for impact to paleontological resources

**Recommendations** - Discuss likelihood of project impacts to fossil resources; Propose next steps

**References** - List of sources cited

**Appendices** - May include project plans, additional maps or photographs