Practitioners Workshop

New Tools for New Rules

Agenda
Feb 16 – 17, 2015
Yellowknife
Katimavik Rooms, Explorer Hotel
8:30 – 4:00

Monday Feb 16

Time	Topic	Presenters
8:15 – 9:00	**REGISTRATION**	
9:00 – 9:20	**Introduction to the Workshop** **Devolving Government – Evolving Review Board** • Welcome • Opening Remarks • Overview of Workshop	Mark Cliffe-Phillips and Alan Ehrlich
9:20 – 9:40	**The EA Process in Brief**	Alan Ehrlich
9:40 – 10:00	**The Mighty "Might Test"**	Alan Ehrlich
10:00 – 10:30	**The Review Board – Adapting to Change** Mark will describe how the Review Board is adapting the EA process to accommodate changes in the MVRMA and to reflect best practice. This will include a process overview, legislated changes, implications of devolution, project certificates and timelines.	Mark Cliffe-Phillips
10:30 – 10:45	**Refreshments and Stretch**	

10:45 – 11:15	**GNWT – Devolution: The Role of the GNWT in EA**	Lorraine Seale Dept. of Lands
11:15 – 11:45	**Government of Canada- Continuing Roles in EA**	David Alexander, NPMO
11:45 – 1:15	**Lunch (not provided)**	
1:15 – 1:45	**The Cumulative Impact Monitoring Program and the EA Process**	Julian Kanigan, CIMP

There are five workshops which repeat in each of five slots- two on Day 1 and three on Day 2. Practitioners will rotate through all five workshops.

Workshop 1 –Adequacy vs. Conformity (with Alan Ehrlich)

- This workshop will explore the similarities and differences between conformity reviews (done in past EAs) and adequacy reviews (the new and improved approach to initially evaluating Developer's Assessment Reports)**.**

Workshop 2 – Improved Scoping and Terms of Reference (with Simon Toogood)

- This workshop will provide an overview of how scoping occurred in the past and a detailed discussion of how the Review Board scopes the issues and the development now. Simon will include innovations such as the *Developer's Proposed Terms of Reference*, and information requirements for project descriptions.

Workshop 3 – Development Certificates (with Mark Cliffe-Phillips)

- This is a new tool that is coming for tracking, implementing and enforcing EA measures. Mark will describe how these are used in other jurisdictions and facilitate a discussion about how they may be used here.

Workshop 4 – How to be involved in the EA process (with Sachi DeSouza and Stacey Menzies)

- This workshop will walk you through the EA process, highlighting how your organization can best get involved in each step. Learn how to make the most of the opportunities in the process!

Workshop 5 – Commitments (with Chuck Hubert)

- This workshop will give participants insights into the benefits and challenges of including, tracking and encouraging commitments to mitigate impacts in the EA process. It will showcase a new tool and a new approach that will be used to track commitments throughout the EA process.

1:45 – 2:30	**All Workshops (run simultaneously)**	

2:30 – 2:50	**Refreshments and Stretch**	
2:50 – 3:35	**All Workshops (run simultaneously)**	
3:35 – 4:00	**Day 1 summary**	

Tuesday Feb 17

Time	Topic	Presenter
8:30 – 9:00	Welcome and refreshments	
9:00 – 9-15	Opening remarks	Mark Cliffe-Phillips
9:15 – 10:00	All Workshops **(**run simultaneously)	
10:00 – 10:15	Refreshments and break	
10:15 – 11:00	All Workshops (run simultaneously)	
11:00- 11:45	All Workshops (run simultaneously)	
11:45 – 1:15	Lunch (not provided)	
1:15 – 1:45	Open plenary discussion	
1:45 – 2:15	Summary of workshop sessions, closing remarks	Workshop facilitators
2:15 – 2:30	Refreshments and break	
2:30 - 4:00	Networking and Open Space Meetings Meeting space is provided for participants to meet and discuss subjects of their own choosing.	Participants
(Same time as Open Space Meetings)	**Orientation to the Online Review System (ORS) and the Registry** (with Mark Cliff-Phillips) Mysteries of the Online Review System revealed! Join Mark for a hands-on tour of the	Mark Cliffe-Phillips

	Board's most efficient and transparent system for commenting on *Draft Terms of Reference,* Developer's Assessment Reports and resulting information requests.	