



September 29, 2026

# Notice of Proceeding

## Closure and Reclamation – Imperial's Norman Wells Facilities

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**Re: The Review Board's proposal to collaboratively develop a Framework for the environmental assessment of the Closure and Reclamation of Imperial's Norman Wells Facilities (EA2526-01)**

The Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) is proposing to work with interested groups and community members to create a **Closure Environmental Assessment Framework** (Closure EA Framework or the Framework). The Framework will help the Review Board, Imperial, Indigenous Governments, communities and other parties move toward a shared understanding of what successful closure of the Norman Wells Facilities should support and what issues the environmental assessment may need to examine.

The Review Board has released a [\*Draft Process to Develop a Closure Environmental Assessment Framework\*](#) that explains how the framework would be developed and what it would include.

The Review Board is asking all interested parties to review the draft process document and provide comments through the [Online Review System \(ORS\)](#).

- Deadline for comments: October 23, 2026
- Imperials response deadline: October 30, 2026

The Review Board is seeking parties' comments on:

1. the proposed process to develop the Framework
2. the proposed content, intended uses and objectives of the Framework
3. how the Framework fits into the overall EA process.

The Review Board will finalize the Framework development process based on what we hear in the ORS review. Staff from the Review Board will reach out to parties in the coming weeks to discuss any questions you may have about the proposed Closure EA Framework and development process, and to discuss timing of the upcoming workshop on Closure Vision and Closure Goals Workshop.

For questions or comments, please contact Melissa Pink, Senior Environmental Assessment Advisor at [mpink@reviewboard.ca](mailto:mpink@reviewboard.ca), 867-766-7052, or Simon Toogood, Senior Environmental Assessment Advisor at [stoogood@reviewboard.ca](mailto:stoogood@reviewboard.ca), 867-766-7053.