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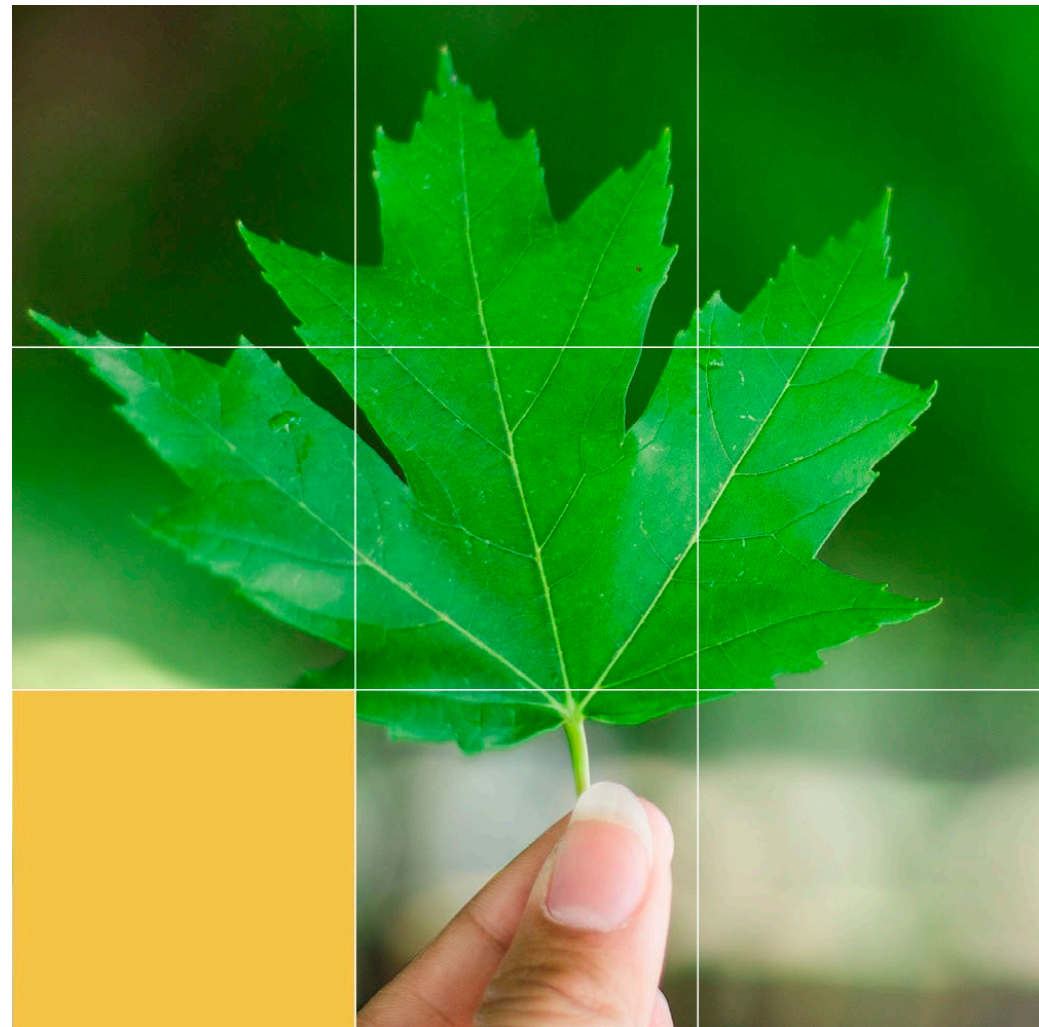
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Jurisdictional Meeting

Mackenzie Valley Environmental
Impact Review Board

24 June 2026

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CER's Mandate

- Regulator of Oil and Gas activities under the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act (COGOA)*
- The purpose of **COGOA** (s. 2.1) is to promote, in respect of the exploration for and exploitation of oil and gas,
 - (a) **safety**, particularly by encouraging persons exploring for and exploiting oil or gas to maintain a prudent regime for achieving safety;
 - (b) the **protection of the environment**;
 - (b.01) accountability in accordance with the “polluter pays” principle;
 - (b.1) the safety of **navigation** in navigable waters;
 - (c) the **conservation** of oil and gas resources;
 - (d) joint production arrangements; and
 - (e) economically efficient infrastructures.
- As an agent of the Crown with federal decision-making authorities, the CER has a duty to consult.

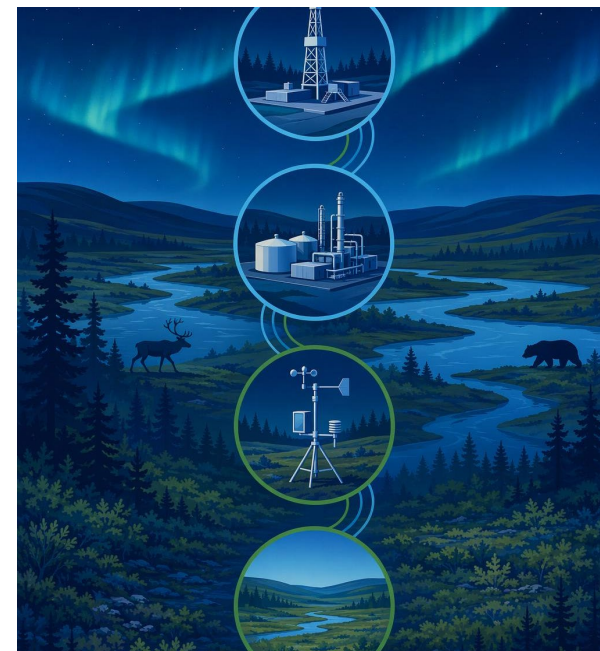




CER's Mandate in the Mackenzie Valley

Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act

- The Commission of the Canada Energy Regulator is a designated regulatory agency under section 111.
- Under subsection 131(1), the Commission must consider the Review Board's report and determine whether to adopt its recommendation.
- If the Commission adopts the recommendation, under subsection 131(2), it must carry out the recommendation to the extent of its authority.





Lifecycle Regulator

- The CER oversees its regulated facilities through the full lifecycle from the initial authorization application to develop a field, to construction, operations and abandonment.
- Imperial holds an authorization issued by the NEB/CER for the Norman Wells Operations related to its ongoing operations, under the *Canada Oil and Gas Operations Act*. Imperial will be required to apply to the Commission of the CER under COGOA, for any changes or new authorizations required for the interim care and maintenance phase, in advance of closure (abandonment).



Lifecycle Regulator (2)

- For closure (abandonment), Imperial will require leave of the Commission to abandon the Norman Wells Operations, under section 4.01 of COGOA. The Commission may impose any terms and conditions it considers proper.
- COGOA provides the Commission with the ability to take any measures it considers necessary to ensure a company has the ability to pay for the abandonment of its pipelines and any costs and expenses related to its abandoned pipelines (s. 4.01(2.2)).
- CER's integrity, safety, and environmental inspectors conduct compliance verification activities to ensure a company follows the regulations and conditions of their authorizations to operate and for leave to abandon.