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It is encouraging that the government is undertaking this. Thank-you!! My comments are as follows – for your consideration:

1. The government should make it clear what is in the public's best interest and identify why this has been concluded eg. Clean water, Air, healthy soil, fully functioning, resilient ecosystem, biodiversity and keep that as the top priority as it moves through the process.
2. Make rules/objectives clear up front so stakeholders understand what is required before project is undertaken.
3. Every EA needs to consider -
 - on-site, off-site impacts (including downstream) ;
 - Cumulative impacts;
 - By-products;
 - Identify and incorporate what other jurisdictions have banned eg.

Neonicotinoids;

Mitigation measures are properly reflected and function eg. A sapling does not equal a 100 year old tree, fish ladders may not work

Identify who and how adverse effects will be mitigated if a project is abandoned or spill occurs;

When calculating emissions impact of spills need to be considered eg. If necessary, consider history and calculate a percentage based on that (CO2 emissions);

Connectivity of ecosystems eg. Killing mosquitoes impacts birds, fish, bats, other insects;

Habitat alteration - may lead those on “the edge” to extinction

4. Enforce violations! And make penalty equal offense.
5. Support panel seeking outside expertise however should be knowledgeable, independent, unbiased 3rd party
6. Support inclusion and recognition of First Nations' rights
7. Support inclusion of summary of comments made and how they have or have not been reflected in conclusion and why.

Thank-you for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely

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