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Via email : iaac.springbank.aeic@canada.ca

**RE: 80123 – Alberta Transportation – Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir Project
– ECCC Comments on Draft Environmental Assessment Report and Potential
Federal Environmental Assessment Conditions**

Dear Ms. Howe:

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) has completed a review of the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada's (IAAC) draft EA Report and potential federal environmental assessment conditions for the proposed Springbank Off-Stream Reservoir Project and is providing comments for IAAC's consideration.

Our expert advice is based on ECCC's mandate in the context of subsection 36(3) of the *Fisheries Act*, the *Species at Risk Act (SARA)*, the *Migratory Birds Convention Act 1994 (MBCA)*, and the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999 (CEPA)*. Please find our comments in the tables, attached.

Please contact Orlagh O'Sullivan, A/Senior Environmental Assessment Coordinator at [431-276-4506](tel:431-276-4506) or orlagh.osullivan@canada.ca if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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**Attachments (2): ECCC_Comments_Springbank_Off-Stream_Reservoir_EA Report
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