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Subject: Health Canada's Response to Request for Input on Whether the Assessment of the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project Should be Referred to a Review Panel

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for your email of December 2, 2019, inviting Health Canada's input on whether the assessment of the Marten Falls Community Access Road Project should continue to be led by the Agency or whether the Project should be referred to a review panel.

Health Canada's review of Project information provided to date has identified key human health effects likely to be relevant in the assessment of the Project, including, but not limited to, effects related to air quality, noise and contamination of drinking water, water used for recreational purposes and of country foods. In addition, Project-related changes to the socio-economic environment may impact human health. Human health effects that fall within federal jurisdiction are those that may affect Indigenous peoples.

Health Canada does not currently possess information that would indicate whether or to what extent Project-related human health effects within federal jurisdiction could be considered adverse. The Department looks forward to continuing its participation in the assessment of this Project, as led by the appropriate review body.

Sincerely,





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