



DESCENDANTS OF MICHEL
First Nation Association

Chain Value Solutions
Heartland Complex Expansion Project
Canadian Impact Assessment registry
File no: 81148

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1. Potential Effects and Impacts. Along with Fishing and hunting, medicinal harvesting and duck eggs are at risk. Also concerned about the impact on the soil and water sources in the area.
2. Current Uses:
 - a) This land was used in a traditional capacity for hunting, fishing, trapping and living.
 - b) Currently this area is over-ran with industrial Oil Refineries and is very polluted. It is not fit for human habitation. My Grandfather John L'Hirondelle born on February 23rd, 1923, had a trapline there with his father Alfred L'hirondelle.
 - c) There very well could be artifacts and tools used by the ancestors on the land. I am concerned for the preservation of those and returning them to their rightful owners.
3. Positive or Negative impacts of project.
 - a) It may be an opportunity for our nation to find work in the oil industry and economic development, however the environmental impact is worrisome.
 - b) More encroachment on the traditional uses of the land.
4. Positive or Negative impacts on gender diversity.
 - a) It affects every gender and age group as there is less room for us for ceremonies and to use the land in traditional ways.
 - b) We must always ensure there is something left for our descendants, seven generations. There needs to be an excellent reclamation of the land and needs to be as pristine as before it was disturbed, so that human and wildlife can continue to thrive and live with the natural resources provided by creator.

5. Michel is a band like no other. We have been disposed many times over, since the settlers arrived. The project although an expansion takes away more of the land and its traditional uses.
6. Traditional protocol includes tobacco and honorariums.
7. Emails, and phone calls suffice.
8. Respectfully and with prior, informed consent.

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