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Cheryl Benjamin Impact Assessment Agency of Canada 1145-9700 Jasper Avenue Edmonton, AB T5J 4C3

By email to: Cheryl.Benjamin@iaac-aeic.gc.ca

Dear Cheryl Benjamin,

RE: Designation Request for the Proposed Lake Diefenbaker Irrigation Expansion Projects under the Impact Assessment Act

ECCC has reviewed the information provided for the above noted project (the Project) as requested by the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada's (the Agency) June 30, 2021 letter.

Our advice is based on ECCC's mandate in the context of the *Species at Risk Act* (SARA), the *Migratory Birds Convention Act 1994* (MBCA), pollution prevention provisions of the *Fisheries Act*, and the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act 1999* (CEPA).

ECCC will provide support and provide our expertise to the Agency on an as-needed basis, when matters pertaining to our mandate and expertise are requested.

The Project Lead listed below can be considered your "one-window" contact into ECCC for coordination of ECCC's participation in future on this project.

- Christopher Aguirre, A/Senior Environmental Assessment Officer, at (431) 813-6448 or <u>christopher.aguirre@canada.ca</u>
- The ECCC Prairie and Northern Region EA Generic Inbox at <u>ec.rpn-see-eapnr-s.ec@canada.ca</u>.



Sincerely,

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Cc: Gillian Brown, A/Manager EA South, EA Prairie and Northern Region Christopher Aguirre, A/Senior EA Officer, Prairie and Northern Region Abigayle Blackmore, Environmental Assessment Officer, Prairie and Northern Region

Attachment: ECCC's completed Federal Authority Advice Record: Designation Request under IAA