

CIAR File No.: 84552

June 7, 2023

Andy Clarke
Project Manager, Prairie and Northern Region
Impact Assessment Agency of Canada

Subject: Natural Resources Canada's Submission of a Federal Authority Advice Record for the proposed De Havilland Field Project

Dear Colleague,

On May 8, 2023, the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada (the Agency) requested that Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) provide its specialist or expert information or knowledge with respect to the De Havilland Field Project (the Project) via the Federal Authority Advice Record (FAAR) as per subsection 13(1) of the *Impact Assessment Act*.

NRCan has reviewed the Initial Project Description for the Project and completed the attached FAAR. Based on the information provided in the Initial Project Description, NRCan has determined that the effects of the Project are not associated with matters within our mandate and regulatory obligations under the *Explosives Act*. As such, NRCan has no comments for Tables 1 and 2 referred to in questions 6 and 7 in the attached FAAR.

Should you have any questions, comments, or concerns, please contact me by email at anica.madzarevic@nrcan-nrcan.gc.ca or by phone at 343-571-9873.

Sincerely,

<original signed by>

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Annie Montpetit – Senior Impact Assessment Officer, Office of the Chief Scientist

Attachment: Natural Resources Canada Federal Authority Advice Record

ATTACHMENT: NATURAL RESOURCES CANADA FEDERAL AUTHORITY ADVICE RECORD**Response due by June 7, 2023**

De Havilland Field Project, 2150038 Alberta Inc.

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1. Is it probable that your department or agency may be required to exercise a power or perform a duty or function related to the Project to enable it to proceed?

If yes, specify the Act of Parliament and that power, duty or function.

1b. Please describe any Indigenous or public consultation that will be undertaken in relation to the exercise of that power, duty or function, including when it would take place.

Based on the information provided in the Initial Project Description (IPD), it is unlikely that Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) will exercise a power, duty or function related to the Project to enable it to proceed.

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2. Is your department or agency in possession of specialist or expert information or knowledge that may be relevant to the conduct of an impact assessment of the Project?

Specify the specialist or expert information or knowledge.

Based on the information provided in the IPD, NRCan has determined that our expert knowledge is not relevant to the conduct of an impact assessment of the Project. NRCan may further refine its expertise as more information about the Project becomes available or if IAAC requests NRCan's expert knowledge with respect to an issue of the Project.

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3. Has your department or agency considered the Project; exercised a power or performed a duty or function under any Act of Parliament in relation to the Project; or taken any course of action that would allow the Project to proceed in whole or in part?

Specify.

NRCan has not exercised a power or performed a duty or function under any Act of Parliament in relation to the Project or taken any course of action that would allow the Project to proceed in whole or in part.

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4. Has your department or agency had previous contact or involvement with the proponent or other party in relation to the Project? (for example: an enquiry about methodology, guidance, or data; introduction to the project)

Provide an overview of the information or advice exchanged.

NRCan has not identified any previous contact or involvement with the proponent or other parties in relation to the Project.

5. Does your department or agency have additional information or knowledge not specified, above, including information on the geographic, environmental, economic or social context of the project? (e.g. location of protected or sensitive areas, previous history between local communities and proponent or similar projects, local or regional social or economic concerns)?

Specify as appropriate.

NRCan has no additional information related to the Project.

6. What are the key issues likely to be relevant to the public interest decision, based on the mandate and area(s) of expertise of your department, and which should be addressed in an impact assessment of the Project, should the Agency determine that one is required?

For each key issue:

- Describe the effect or the nature of the issue, including any relevant context;
- Provide the rationale and/or evidence for why it is a key issue;
- Identify briefly solutions to the issue, including any information or studies that should be required in the Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines, potential mitigation measures, and/or regulatory requirements relevant to the issue;
- Provide a concise, plain-language summary of the issue for inclusion in the Summary of Issues.

The information provided will be used by the Agency to determine if and an impact assessment is required and where appropriate to develop project-specific draft Tailored Impact Statement Guidelines that focus on the key issues likely to be relevant to the public interest decision.

Please use table 1 to respond to this question

N/A

7. Where possible, identify any clarifications or additional information the Proponent could include in the Detailed Project Description or in the response to the Summary of Issues that would:

- give confidence that an issue or effect could be addressed and managed;
- inform the decision as to whether an impact assessment is required; or
- aid in tailoring the Impact Statement Guidelines, if an impact assessment is required.

These clarifications and additional information will be included as specific questions in the Summary of Issues provided to the proponent

Please use table 2 to respond to this question

N/A

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Title of Responder

June 7, 2023

Date