

This table provides a summary of the Regional Assessment Committee meetings, and is updated bi-weekly.

REGIONAL ASSESSMENT OF OFFSHORE OIL AND GAS EXPLORATORY DRILLING EAST OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR Summary of Regional Assessment Committee Meetings Committee Members: Garth Bangay (Co-Chair), Wes Foote (Co-Chair), Gerald Anderson, Maureen Murphy Rustad, and Keith Storey Last Update: January 6, 2020	
Date	High-Level Summary of Main Topics Discussed
March 19, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome and introductions • Background to the Regional Assessment • Regional Assessment Agreement – Governance, roles and responsibilities • Budget and schedule • Work completed to date • Communications approach • Logistics • Discussion of key principles, outcomes, and success factors • Work plan development
March 26-27, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous engagement – groups, principles, roles, planning • Regional Assessment Participant Funding Program • Regional Assessment relationship to project environmental assessments (EAs) and future implications / use under the <i>Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012</i> • Discussion of work completed, and issues and items for Committee consideration • Discussion of path forward • Work plan and schedule
April 23, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow-up to public announcement on Regional Assessment commencement and Committee appointments • Review of Indigenous engagement work plan • Review of public and stakeholder engagement work plan • Final Regional Assessment Agreement • GIS platform • Work plan review
May 8, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mission statement and “vision” for the Regional Assessment process and product • Regional Assessment Participant Funding announcement • Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency discussion paper on the proposed Project List – Exploratory drilling projects and the Regional Assessment • Atlantic salmon discussion – State of knowledge, potential effects, regulatory review findings • Discussion of recent Regional Assessment reviews of exploratory drilling and its environmental effects

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Overview of environmental datasets and geospatial database compiled to date• Indigenous engagement work plan and next steps• Preparation for upcoming stakeholder meetings
June 12, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indigenous engagement update• Preparation for upcoming meetings with federal government agencies• Key Regional Assessment topics and components• CEAA Registry for the Regional Assessment
June 21, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• GIS platform – Prototype demo• Draft Regional Assessment Report table of contents and writing assignments
July 11-12, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indigenous engagement update• Draft Regional Assessment table of contents• Regional Assessment work plan• Technical Advisory Group (TAG) planning• Preparation for upcoming meeting with DFO• Review of Committee member and Task Team assignments
July 18-19, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Debrief from DFO meeting• Eventual regulatory use of the Regional Assessment – Regulation, process and timelines• Indigenous engagement update• Offshore geology and prospectivity• TAG planning• Potential environmental effects and mitigation for exploratory drilling

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August 5-6, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Debrief from recent meetings with federal government agencies and stakeholder groups• GIS platform update• Oil spill prevention and response• Potential future use of the Regional Assessment by governments and other parties• Relationship of Regional Assessment to C-NLOPB regulatory and licencing processes• Indigenous engagement update• Special Areas – Types, definitions, mitigation• TAG planning• Public and stakeholder engagement update• Registry for the Regional Assessment• Potential environmental effects and mitigation for exploratory drilling• Regional Assessment work plan and schedule
August 19-20, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indigenous engagement update• TAG planning• Public and stakeholder engagement update• GIS platform update• Regional Assessment annotated table of contents and writing update• Committee work plan and schedule• Update on DFO discussions and datasets• Offshore exploratory activity scenarios for cumulative effects assessment• Update on <i>Impact Assessment Act</i> coming into force
September 5-6, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Offshore drilling overview from C-NLOPB• GIS platform update• Indigenous engagement update• Public and stakeholder engagement update• Committee work plan and schedule• Regional Assessment / EA approaches and methodology• TAG planning and preparation – logistics• TAG planning and preparation with independent facilitator - objectives, format and outcomes

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October 3-4, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Debrief on recent TAG sessions – summary of key points heard, priorities, and follow-up• Indigenous engagement update• Public and stakeholder engagement update• GIS decision-support tool update• Update on DFO discussions• Review of Regional Assessment Existing Environment descriptions• Update on cumulative effects monitoring• Regional Assessment work plan and schedule
October 15-16, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Debrief on recent Indigenous Knowledge TAG sessions• Indigenous engagement update• Public and stakeholder engagement update• TAG session follow-up• Update on DFO discussions• Regional Assessment work plan and schedule• Review of Draft Regional Assessment Report chapters• GIS decision-support tool update• Discussion of potential Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment
October 28-29, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indigenous engagement update• Public and stakeholder engagement update• Regional Assessment writing update• Review of Regional Assessment Report chapters• Discussion of Special Areas• Discussion of potential Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment
November 7-8, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indigenous engagement update• Public and stakeholder engagement update• Discussion of commercial fisheries• GIS decision-support tool update• Discussion of potential Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment

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November 12, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Discussion of potential Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment
November 22, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public and stakeholder engagement update• Regional Assessment writing update• Discussion of potential Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment
November 27 and 28, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public and stakeholder engagement update• Discussion of potential Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment• Preparation with independent facilitator for upcoming engagement sessions - objectives, format and outcomes
December 9 and 10, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Debrief on recent engagement sessions• Revision of Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment

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December 16, 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of Draft Regional Assessment Report• Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment
January 6, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of Draft Regional Assessment Report• Committee recommendations for the Regional Assessment