

Tenas Project – Application Review Phase

Virtual Information Session

June 8, 2022 – 12:00 - 1:30 pm



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Virtual Information Session – Purpose and Goals

- Introduce you to the proposed Tenas Project and the 2002 environmental assessment process in BC
- Describe the timelines and phases involved in environmental assessment
- Focus on the Application Review Phase
- Encourage you to submit comments through the Public Comment Period

Visual Information Sessions Presentations

- These slides will be available soon on EAO's project website:

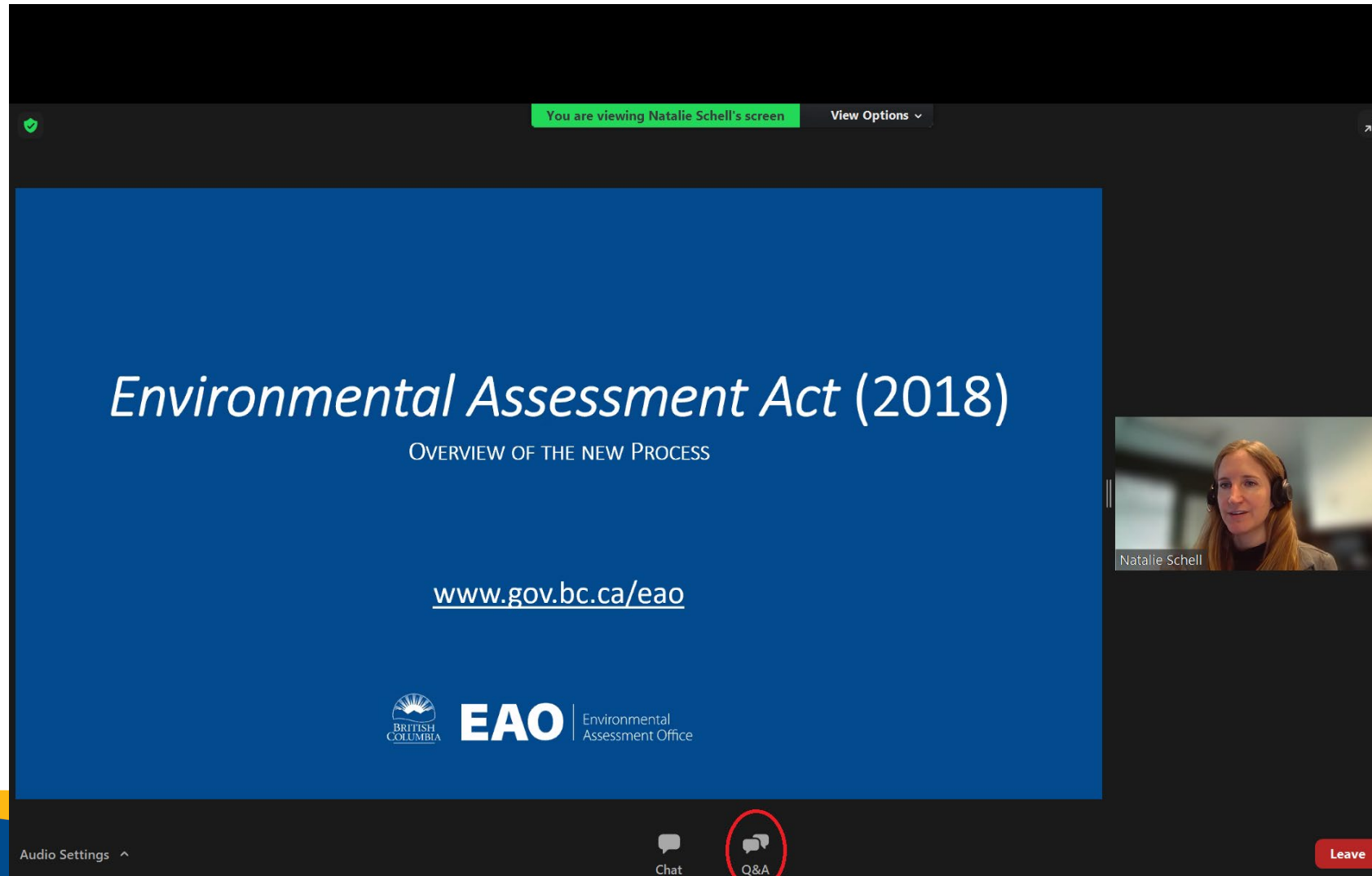
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Agenda

Topic	Presenter
Welcome and overview of the session	EAO
Environmental Assessment Overview	EAO
Tenas Project and Application Overview	TCL
Q&A	EAO and TCL
Closing	EAO

gov.bc.ca/eao – for more information on the *Environmental Assessment Act*

Submitting a question – this Virtual Information Session



The screenshot shows a virtual information session interface. At the top, a green status bar indicates "You are viewing Natalie Schell's screen" with a "View Options" dropdown. The main content area displays a presentation slide with a blue background. The slide text reads: "Environmental Assessment Act (2018)" in a large, white, italicized font, followed by "OVERVIEW OF THE NEW PROCESS" in a smaller, white, all-caps font. Below this is the website address www.gov.bc.ca/eao. At the bottom of the slide are the logos for the British Columbia Environmental Assessment Office (EAO). On the right side of the interface is a video feed of Natalie Schell, a woman with long brown hair wearing a headset. Below the video feed is a "Leave" button. At the bottom of the interface is a dark bar with "Audio Settings" on the left and two icons on the right: a "Chat" icon and a "Q&A" icon. The "Q&A" icon is circled in red.

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Environmental Assessment Act (2018)
OVERVIEW OF THE NEW PROCESS

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Most helpful The comment is thoughtful and articulates a concern or opportunity with specific information to conduct further studies	I am very concerned about the projects poteinal impacts to the Rainbow trout that found in Dash Creek. I've been fishing in the creak for the past 15 years. I don't see them listed in the assessment report
Helpful The comment identifies a specific concerns or opportunity with general information conduct further studies	I'm pretty sure the report is missing some fish species that tare found in Dash creek – there needs to be more studies.
Incomplete The comment identifies a non-specific concerns or opportunity with out any information to conduct additional studies	I think the project will be bad for fish in the area.
Least Helpful A statements for or against the project without any meaningful information to additional studies	The project is terrible and bad for the environment.
Not accepted	Comments that contain profanity, derogatory comments, racist content or contain personal information that could identify an individual.

Public Comment Period: May 19 – July 3, 2022

- Seeking input on the Application Review Phase
- Provides insight into the public's interests, values, and concerns
- Comments provided to TCL for response
- Official public record
- Comments are accepted via online form and via mail

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Environmental Assessment Act (2002)

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Purpose of an Environmental Assessment

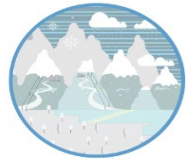
- Environmental Assessment Act (2002)
- Assess environmental, economic, health, social & heritage effects
- Identify ways to prevent, minimize or avoid adverse effects
- Support participation of interested parties
- Support reconciliation with Indigenous nations and fulfill Crown's legal duties
- Develop proposed terms and conditions for an Environmental Assessment Certificate



Waste Disposal
Projects



Transportation
Projects



Tourist Destination
Resort Projects



Industrial
Projects



Mine
Projects

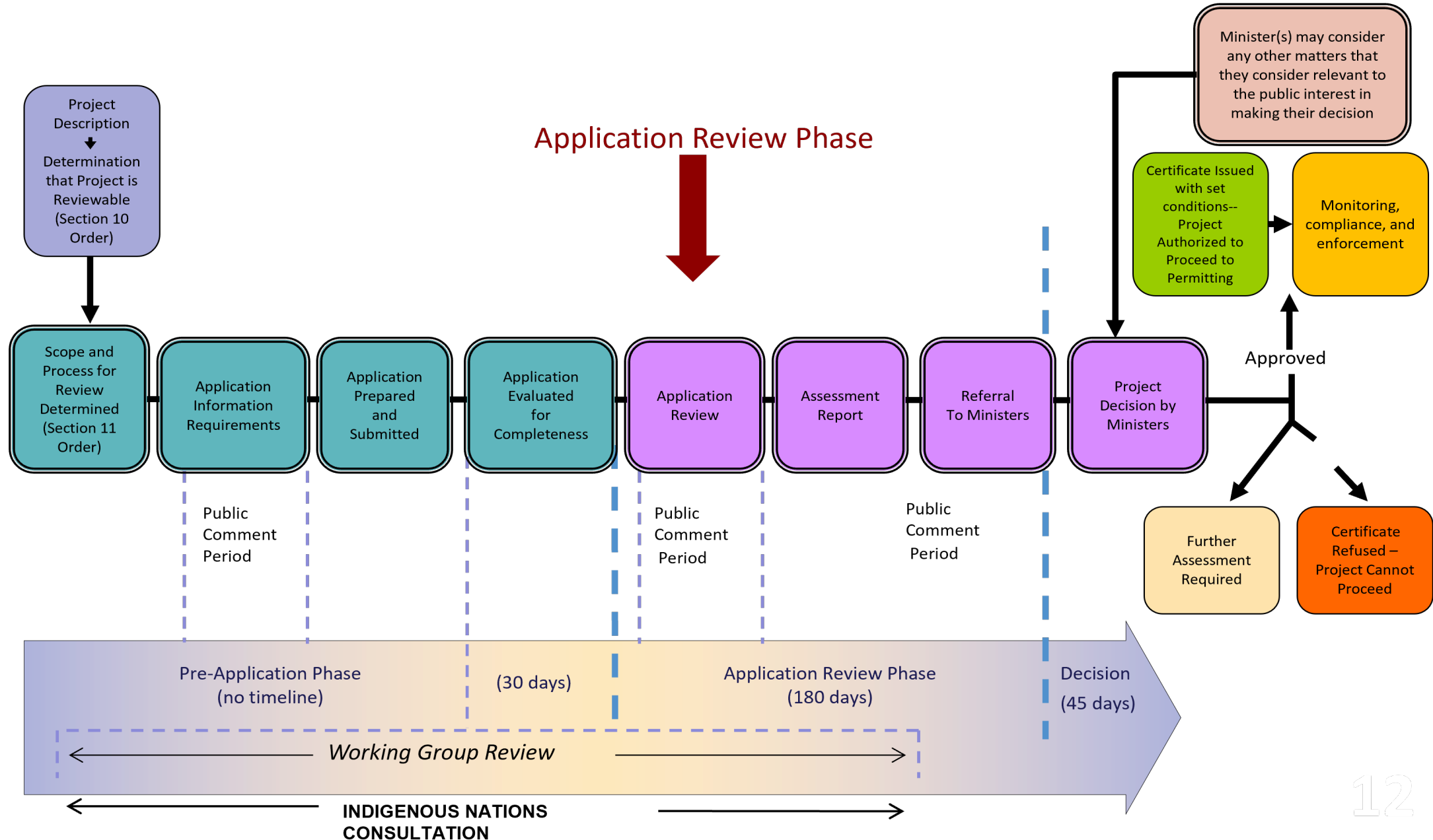


Electricity, Petroleum and
Natural Gas projects



Water Management
Projects

Environmental Assessment Process



Purpose of Application Review

- To review the Application and ensure that critical issues are fully understood and addressed, with the goal of minimizing or avoiding adverse effects
- To enable the EAO to determine the potential for significant adverse environmental, economic, social, heritage or health effects, taking into account mitigation measures
- To assess the project's potential for impacts to Indigenous nations
- To provide Ministers with EAO's assessment of the residual adverse effects of the project, and any proposed conditions for Ministers' consideration

Working Group

- The Working Group is the principal forum for the technical review of the proposed project.
- Provides advice to the EAO and the Proponent on technical issues that fall within each Working Group member's mandate.
- The EAO invites representatives from Indigenous nations, provincial and federal agencies, health authorities, and local/regional governments to participate.
- The Working Group engages in a thorough, technical review of the Application and provides advice to the EAO on the Assessment Report.

Indigenous Nations

- Review technical information in the Application and the EAO's draft Assessment Report as WG members
- Engage in the issues resolution process
- Engage directly with the EAO through consensus seeking and co-drafting opportunities for the assessment of effects on their interests or review and provide feedback on the EAO's draft of the assessment
- Opportunity to provide the EAO with a separate submission (to be included in the Decision Package) regarding their views on EAO's Assessment Report, including consent or lack of consent to the issuance of an Environmental Assessment Certificate

Public Engagement

- Three opportunities for comment:
 - draft Application Information Requirements
 - Application Review
 - EAO's draft Assessment Report and Conditions
- In-person engagement or alternative engagement approaches, such as this virtual open house

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Public Engagement

- May 19– July 3, 2022
 - Feedback from all interested parties
 - Proponent responds to comments
 - Provide insight into the public's interests, values, concerns, and questions and informs the development of the EAO's Assessment Report and proposed conditions
 - EAO considers all feedback in the development of draft materials
- Comments are accepted via online form or by mail

Public Engagement

The EAO is specifically requesting comments regarding the following:

- Are the environmental, economic, social, heritage and health effects appropriately assessed and understood?
- If not, what information is needed?

Closing and next steps



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Next Steps in the Process

Activity	Target Date Range
First public comment period: On the Application	May 19 to July 3, 2022
Second public comment period: On the EAO's decision materials	To be confirmed (targeting October 2022)
Referral to Ministers for decision	To be confirmed (targeting November 2022)

Next Steps for the Public during Application Phase

- Please provide your public comments by July 3, 2022
- Comments are accepted via online form, via mail
- Go to gov.bc.ca/eao - click 'Commenting on Projects' for more details

Submitting a public comment during the Public Comment Period

1. Go to gov.bc.ca/eao - click 'Commenting on Projects'
2. Click on the "Submit and View Comments" button, a new window will open then click on the "Submit Comment" button.

Public Comment Period is Open
May 19 - July 03 @ 11:59 PM PDT

Comment Period on the Application for Tenas Project.

The public is invited to learn about and comment on the Application for an environmental assessment certificate for the proposed Tenas Project. A 45 day public comment period on the Application will start on May 19, 2022 and end on July 3, 2022 at midnight, PDT. All written comments received by online form, or mail to (Heather Noble, Environmental Assessment Office, PO Box 9426 Stn Prov Govt, Victoria BC, V8W 9V1) during this time period in relation to the application will be considered. The 180-day Application review process for the Tenas Project began May 11, 2022.

[View Comment Period](#) [Submit Comment](#)

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In-person public open houses to be held on June 1, 2022, 4:00 – 8:00 pm PDT in Telkwa, at the Telkwa Community Hall, 1390 Birch Street.

A virtual information sessions will be held online on June 8, 2022, 12:00 - 1:30 pm PDT. Click [here](#) to join or dial in at 833-955-1088 (Toll Free).

[Submit Comment](#)

Submitting a public comment during the EAO Public Comment Period

3. Click on “Next”, fill out the required information and click “Submit”.

Submit a Comment

How it Works

All accepted comments submitted to the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) will be published online within seven days of receipt. Comments are not accepted if - in EAO's view - they are profane, abusive or do not relate to the matter being consulted upon as stated in our [Public Comment Policy \[PDF\]](#).

EAO forwards all accepted comments to the project proponent so they can be considered during the project's environmental assessment.

EAO requires that you provide your city/town when making a comment. In order to have your name displayed with your comment, you must select the 'Make my Name visible to public' option. All hyperlinks in comments will be converted to plain text. All attachments must be no larger than 10MB and must be a .png, .pdf, .gif, .jpg, .jpeg, .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx, .ppt, .pptx, .rtf, .pptx, .txt or .bmp file.

Collection Notice

Your personal information is collected by the Environmental Assessment Agency for the purpose of commenting on the *Castle Project* under the authority of s.26(c) of the [Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act](#). In submitting your comment, you consent to your comment being published online and shared with the proponent. This consent is valid from this date forward and may be revoked by contacting the EAO representative below. Should you have any questions about this collection please contact:

Director, Digital Services
Environmental Assessment Office
836 Yates Street, Victoria, BC
epicsupport.eao@gov.bc.ca
(250) 356-7441

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Submit a Comment

Name *

Anonymous

☐ Please make my name visible to the public.
All comments are submitted anonymously by default. Checking this option will display your Name on the public site.

☐ I'm a Community Advisory Committee Member. [Learn More](#)

Location *

IE: City, Province, etc.

Your Comment *

Drop files to attach, or browse.
Accepted file types: jpg, jpeg, gif, png, bmp, doc, docx, xls, xlsx, ppt, pptx, pdf, txt, rtf
Individual file size limit: 10MB

No attached files.

BACK **SUBMIT**

Thank you!

*For more information or to submit a comment for the
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