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Environmental Consulting, Offering Services in:

- Impact assessment and environmental monitoring program strategies, especially as applied to water quality and pollution sources from industrial and municipal sources.
- Assessments under the BC Riparian Areas Regulation, watershed management and planning.
- Environmental policy development and analysis; strategy development and implementation especially at the interface of science and public policy.
- Facilitating and advising boards, committees and organizations on innovative governance and management systems.
- Training and facilitation in collaborative decision-making, especially on policy issues in the difficult area of shared environmental jurisdiction and governance.
- Project management, including proposal writing, project implementation, budget control and logistics.

Brian Wilkes, Principal, is a registered biologist with 30 years of experience with environmental protection and governance, land and fisheries management issues, pollution impact assessment and environmental monitoring. From 1991 to 1997, he was a leader in environmental policy development and harmonization in the federal-provincial arena as a director in the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) secretariat. Since 1997, he has had extensive domestic and international consulting experience in project management, advising on and setting up governance mechanisms, a wide assortment of watershed and waste management issues, and facilitating collaborative decision-making.

Brian's consulting experience is complimented by graduate-level teaching in decision-making for sustainability, as well as delivering training courses on decision-making in Canada and internationally. He maintains active contact with colleagues engaged in research on current and emerging threats to ecosystem health, and maintains a network of professionals engaged in resolving many kinds of resource issues.

HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT CANADIAN EXPERIENCE

- Conducted a review of effectiveness of the Canadian Council of Fisheries and Aquaculture Ministers and its committees and task groups;
- Developed numerous land development impact assessments for private clients;
- Conducted Audit program on Riparian Area Regulation assessment on Vancouver Island;
- Managed a project leading to new model for collaborative governance of BC's watersheds;
- Completed a water quality assessment of the Cheakamus River and recommended water quality objectives with on-going monitoring programs;
- Prepared a discussion paper on future work options and strategies for the CCME Water Quality Task Group;
- Consulted on environment and sustainable development to the Central Party School, Beijing, China, for the Canadian School of Public Service.

- Conducted several screening–level assessments for private and federal clients;
- Facilitated organizational meetings of the East Kootenay Integrated Lake Management Partnership, focused on developing management guidelines for Windermere and other East Kootenay lakes;
- Developed the workshop materials and facilitated a two-day workshop training on land use planning for First Nations on the East Side of Lake Winnipeg;
- Developed a user manual for conducting land use planning on First Nations traditional territories for the Wobanong Nakaygum Okimawin in Manitoba;
- Developed a Protocol of Interaction to guide actions of local, provincial and federal authorities when mistakes are made Under the Riparian Areas Regulation
- Conducted numerous Riparian Area Assessments on Vancouver Island for clients wishing to get local government approval for development projects near watercourses.
- Organized and conducted intertidal impact assessments in Kitimat Harbour for Methanex Corp, and Burrard Inlet for Canada Place Corp. in support of permit applications.

HIGHLIGHTS OF RECENT INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Participant in the Canada–China program on environmental cooperation. This involved on the project design team, and later delivering sessions on the Canadian experience with sustainable development in Beijing in 2003-2009, on-going.
- Philippines-Canada Environmental and Economic Management Project (PCEEM): Served as the governance specialist. Focus was on assisting two community-based watershed management boards to develop effective governance and decision-making models and operating procedures that improved the ecological health of their watersheds. 2000-2002.
- Russia-Canada Cooperative Decision-Making Project: Project Director of a three-year project under contract with CCME. Focus was on developing the capacity for collaborative management in a multi-stakeholder settings in the former Soviet Union. Coordinated and led 12 separate missions to the Moscow and Irkutsk regions to develop consensus-based plans for shared decision-making for watershed and solid waste management. Coordinated and hosted 8 separate missions of Russian specialists to demonstrate Canadian models of cooperative environmental management at major cities across Canada. 1997-2001.
- Slovak Ministry of Environment: Provide technical and logistical support to the CIDA-funded environmental systems project managed by the Manitoba Department of Conservation. The project assisted the Slovak Ministry of Environment to strengthen its management systems in the areas of contaminated site remediation, setting environmental quality objectives, integrated inspection compliance and enforcement assessment and writing more integrated permits and licenses. 1999-2001.

SELECTED RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS

- *Draft Broad area Plan Concept for the East Side of Lake Winnipeg*, March, 2006. Report for the Wabanong Nakaygum Okimawin Council (WNO), Manitoba;
- *Riparian Areas Regulation: a protocol of interaction for responding to non-compliance 2005*. A report to BC Ministry of Environment;
- *A Framework for Guiding Community-Based Land Use Planning*. 2005 Prepared for and approved by the WNO Council, Manitoba;
- *A Governance and Strategic Planning Framework for the CCME Water Quality Task Group*. 2005. Report for the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment;
- *Kitimat Estuary Monitoring Study: An assessment of the biological effects of the discharge from Methanex Corporation into Kitimat Arm, BC*. 2005;
- *Summary of Provincial/Federal Natural Resource Planning Activities*, East Side of Lake Winnipeg. Prepared for the

East Side Planning Initiative, February, 2004;

- *A Canada-wide Framework for Water Quality Monitoring*. Draft report to CCME. March, 2004;
- Annotated Bibliography on Governance in the Not-for-Profit Sector, 2001, prepared for SNC-Lavalin and the PCEEM project;
- Cooperative Decision-making Guidebook: How to extend the cooperative approach to environmental decision-making in Russia. Final report of the Russia-Canada CEDM Project, February, 2001;