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There are many ways for Nova Scotians to provide input on Nova Scotia's modernized environmental assessment process. We recognize that not all opportunities fit the needs and schedules of every community.

In providing details about your DIY workshop, the provincial government can better understand which engagement methods are more useful to certain groups and regions. This may help us with other public engagement work in the future.

Please fill in this form prior to starting your workshop.

Date: DD | MM | YYYY

Time: HOUR | MINUTE

Location/ Digital Platform:

Facilitator Name:

Facilitator Organization (if applicable):

Facilitator Email:

Total number of participants:

*Please include this completed form
with your submission to the
Department of Environment and Climate Change.*



Handout #1:

Modernizing Environmental Assessment to Support a Clean & Sustainable Future for Nova Scotia

1. Considering the types of activities that need an environmental assessment (Attachment 1), and the need to protect the environment, do you have any suggestions for how this list could be adjusted, to support sustainable prosperity? Should certain activities be added and/or removed from the list?

2. In the context of environmental assessment, are the principles of certainty, flexibility, transparency and accountability important to you?

Yes No Somewhat

Are there other principles that matter to you related to environmental assessment?
What are they?

3. Implementing clear study requirements can create clear expectations for what is required for an environmental assessment. Do you agree?

Yes

No

Somewhat

Please share any additional thoughts on implementing study requirements.

4. How would you like to see cumulative impacts included in Nova Scotia's environmental assessment process?

5. How do you think environmental assessment in Nova Scotia could be improved to better consider diversity, equity and inclusion in Nova Scotia?

6. Do you have ideas for how the role of independent review can be strengthened in Nova Scotia’s environmental assessment process? Please let us know what matters to you around independent review and environmental assessment.

7. What do you think about the ideas above for incorporating the concept of Netukulimk into Nova Scotia’s environmental assessment process? Do you have other approaches in mind?

8. What do you think about the ideas above for incorporating climate change related considerations into Nova Scotia’s environmental assessment process? Do you have any other approaches in mind?

9. Are there any other aspects of environmental assessment that you would like to see modernized that we haven't discussed in this document? Please let us know what matters to you.

10. Is there anything else you would like to share?

Handout #2:

Final Thoughts and Reflections

Please take some time to reflect on the ideas you and your community generated through the discussion(s).

Guiding questions:

Was there something you learned today through discussion with others?

What surprised you during today's conversation?

What are you walking away with from today's workshop?

Handout #3:

DIY Workshop Kit Feedback Form (Optional)

We would appreciate any and all feedback on how this DIY Workshop Kit worked for you and your community group or organization. If you are inclined, please fill in this feedback form and submit with your responses (i.e., handouts #1 and #2).

As the facilitator, please poll your participants on the following questions and provide one feedback form per workshop.

1. Was the DIY Workshop Kit helpful in generating ideas and input from your community group?

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0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Not helpful				Moderately helpful			Very helpful			

2. Did workshop participants think a DIY Workshop Kit was an effective form of public engagement?

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3. Please provide any other feedback below.
