

Notice of Determination

June 24, 2026 – The authority has determined that the proposed Automated Weather Station Installation at 250 Allan Brooks Way, Vernon, BC is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects.

This determination was based on a consideration of the following factors:

- impacts on rights of Indigenous peoples
- comments received from the public
- technically and economically feasible mitigation measures.

Mitigation measures taken into account for this determination are:

- Surveys prior to and during Project activities- to reduce the impacts to individuals
- Installation and maintenance of temporary exclusion fencing to prevent movement of species at risk individuals into the site.
- Monitoring for Great Basin Spadefoot Toad during the removal of the first 40 – 145 cm of soil during excavation work.
- Yellow Plastic Guy Guards will be used on the guy wires to prevent potential wildlife collisions.
- Limiting the extent of disturbance of native vegetation, exposure of soil, and dispose invasive plants in a landfill or a designated site.
- Seeding of the disturbed site with native grassland vegetation mix.
- Emissions from construction equipment will be temporary and follow established industry standards.
- Equipment idling will be reduced or eliminated when possible.
- A spill management plan will be prepared prior to the start of the proposed Project. The plan will be adhered to during all phases of the project to mitigate risk and impact of a potentially hazardous spill.
- All waste material must be disposed of in accordance with all relevant federal, provincial and municipal regulations and requirements, at an appropriate facility able to accept the materials.
- All project activities, including mitigations and seasonal activity windows, must comply with the terms and conditions of the Species at Risk Act (SARA) permit which is required for the project to be carried out.

The authority is satisfied that that the carrying out of the project is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects if all mitigation measures are applied.

Therefore, the authority may exercise any power, perform any duty or function, or provide financial assistance to enable the project to be carried out in whole or in part.