



Parks Canada EIA Requirement Checklist

Project Title: Yoho NP – TCH Corridor Brushing

Project Location: TransCanada Highway: km 82 (Yoho NP East Border) to km 128 (Yoho NP West Border)

Project File #: 2015-065Y

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Section A: No EIA Required

1. The project is exempted from EIA requirements under CEAA 2012 S. 70: *(check the appropriate box)*

- the project relates to matters of national security;
- the project is being carried out in response to a national emergency for which special temporary measures are being taken under the *Emergencies Act*; or
- the project is to be carried out in response to an emergency, and in the interest of preventing damage to property or the environment or in the interest of public health or safety.

2. The project is exempted from EIA requirements as the same project was previously assessed: *(both boxes must be checked to apply this option)*

- the previous analysis is adequate
- there is no change in information that would alter the results of the analysis.

3. The project is exempted from EIA requirements because **an initial analysis has determined there is NO potential for adverse effects to:** *(both boxes must be checked to apply this option)*

- Natural resources; in particular those targeted in management objectives and ecological integrity monitoring indicators, and to listed species at risk, their residence or critical habitat; additionally, the activity is not prohibited in a protection order.
- Cultural resources; in particular those targeted in management objectives and identified in a Parks Canada cultural resource management document, or any structure, site or thing of historical, archaeological, paleontological or architectural significance.

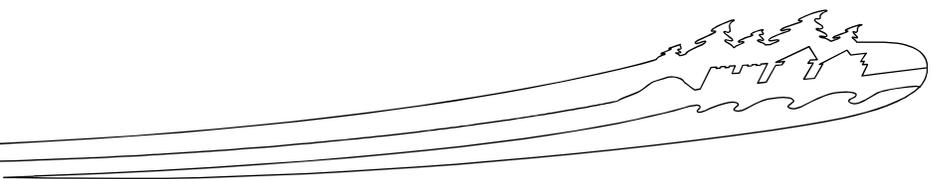
Provide a concise explanation to justify the decision.

If you have exempted the project from an EIA requirement by selecting one of the three options above, Proceed to Section D.





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| Section B: EIA Pathway Decision | |
| The EIA pathway to be applied to the proposed project is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> an approved alternate process (must be approved by VP PAEC) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one or more approved Best Management Practices (BMPs) <input type="checkbox"/> a Basic Impact Analysis (indicate if one or more BMPs are also being used) <input type="checkbox"/> a Detailed Impact Analysis (indicate if one or more BMPs are also being used) Parks Canada National Best Management Practices: Roadway, Highway and Parkway Infrastructure (2015) | |
| Section C: Permitting Requirements | |
| Indicate the types of permits that may be required: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Development/Building <input type="checkbox"/> Lease/Licence of Occupation <input type="checkbox"/> Water Withdrawal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Business Licence <input type="checkbox"/> Add others as required (Fisheries Act, Navigation Protection Act, SARA authorization, etc.) | |
| Section D: Recommendation and Approval | |
| Prepared by: Trevor Kinley, Environmental Assessment Scientist | Date: 2015-11-06 |
| Recommended by: Michael den Otter, Environmental Assessment Specialist | Date: 2015-11-06 |
| Approved by: Michael den Otter, Environmental Assessment Specialist | Date: 2015-11-06 |
| Signature (FUS, Director of a Waterway, or delegate):  | |
| Section E: Additional Comments | |





The following additional mitigation must be adhered to in regards to fuels management:

- Where possible, fuels should not be left to accumulate on site and must be either burned or chipped.
- Chips cannot exceed two inches in depth to maximum coverage of 5% ground cover.
- Where accessible, all stems suitable for firewood should be removed from site
- At inaccessible sites or for trees with little firewood value, no more than 50 stems per linear km may be left on site. A stem is defined as any tree with a dbh >15cm.
- All retained stems must be limbed and lie flush on the ground.
- Accumulation of fine woody fuels is of greatest concern from both a fire management and vegetation re-growth perspective. Fine fuel accumulation cannot exceed 10% ground cover and must be less than 10 cm in depth. Fine woody fuels have diameter less than 3 cm.
- Medium fuels (3 – 7 cm) may accumulate to a maximum of 20% of ground cover and not exceed 20 cm in depth.
- Mechanical disturbed areas and burn piles must be seeded with an approved native grass seed mix within 6 months of project completion.

Non-native vegetation must be managed for.

- Equipment must be clean upon arrival.
- Ground disturbance must be kept to a minimum. Off-highway mechanical equipment must have low tire press (<7 psi) to reduce soil compaction and disturbance.

