

LAKE MANITOBA LAKE ST. MARTIN

OUTLET CHANNELS PROJECT

Biosecurity Management Plan Questionnaire

General Information (Please provide your contact information)

Name

Community

Mailing Address

Phone Number

Email

Do you wish to self-identify as an Indigenous Person in Canada, such as First Nations, Metis or Inuit?

Yes

No

Manitoba welcomes responses from all to this questionnaire, including Indigenous individuals. Manitoba remains committed to meaningful and respectful Crown-Indigenous Consultation with Indigenous groups.

In addition to your responses, your personal information is being collected to be able to contact you for follow up if needed. Your responses will be collected and used to help support the provincial and federal environmental assessment process for the Lake Manitoba and Lake St Martin Outlet Channels Project and will inform the Crown-Indigenous Consultation process and inform project planning. Responses and information collected through this questionnaire will be protected by Manitoba Infrastructure but may be shared with other provincial and federal regulatory bodies to meet environmental regulatory requirements.

Overview of Plan and Questionnaire

The Biosecurity Management Plan (the Plan) presented during consultation and engagement is considered draft and will not be finalized until input is obtained from potentially affected Indigenous groups and other stakeholders. The Plan will be finalized once applicable feedback has been received, final design details are determined, and environmental regulatory approval conditions are available.

This questionnaire is intended to be completed after reviewing the Plan. It is recommended that the report is read as a whole, so that sections or parts are not read out of context.

Invasive agricultural pests (i.e., noxious weeds, pathogens, and insects) can pose a significant risk to agricultural land and are costly to control and remove. Project activities have the potential to transfer soil, manure, and plant debris to agricultural areas outside of the Project Development Area (PDA). For the purposes of the Plan, the PDA includes the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel and the PR 239 realignment components of the Project. This Plan includes:

- Background information including a summary of agricultural land use in the Project area, regulatory context and industry guidelines and related Project management plans.
- Summary of biosecurity risk issues, risk mechanisms related to construction and operation activities, and risk levels to guide biosecurity management efforts.
- Required actions by Manitoba Infrastructure and Project contactors to protect agricultural biosecurity.
- Identification of specific biosecurity risk areas within and adjacent to the PDA and controlled access points where workers will enter and exit the PDA.
- Implementation plan to guide Manitoba Infrastructure in implementation of the biosecurity management plan for Project construction and operation.

Introduction

1. How do you currently use land in the Project area? Please select all that apply:

Cropland

Grazing land

Livestock operations

None of the above

Other: _____

2. What is your greatest agricultural biosecurity concern?

Noxious weeds

Soil-borne pathogens

Agricultural disease transmission

Other: _____

3. Do you feel the Plan accurately reflects the agricultural land use occurring along the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel and PR 239 realignment?

Yes

No

If no, please explain:

4. The Plan (Section 3.1 and 3.2) outlines measures that will be implemented to prevent, minimize or control risks to cropland and livestock biosecurity during Project construction and operation. Do you feel these measures are robust enough to address biosecurity risks from the Project?

Yes

No

If no, please identify any additional biosecurity management measures that should be implemented during:

Construction

Operation

5. The Plan (Section 3.2 and Figure 2-1) identifies biosecurity risk zones, which are areas of agricultural production that are potentially at risk from Project activities. Do you have any biosecurity concerns for the areas identified on Figure 2-1?

Yes

No

If yes:

- a. Are you concerned about a specific location? If so, please identify on Figure 1:
- b. Are you primarily concerned about livestock and manure impacted soils, or croplands and grazing lands? Please explain:

- c. Is there any other information you'd like to share about your concerns?

The Plan (Section 3.2 and Figure 2-1) identifies processes to identify potential access points along the project area. These locations are also identified on Figure 2-1 and may be updated with further development of the Access Management Plan. Do you have any concerns with the areas identified on Figure 2-1?

Yes

No

If yes, please explain:

6. The Plan (Section 3.2.2 and Table 2) outlines management activities, such as equipment cleaning, based on the level of risk in transferring soil, manure or plant debris from the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel/PR 239 to outside agricultural areas. Is the criteria outlined robust enough to address biosecurity risks from the Project?

Yes

No

If no, please explain:

Conclusion

7. Are there any specific biosecurity concerns, known to be an issue in the Lake Manitoba Outlet Channel and PR 239 area of the Project, that you feel have not been addressed in the Plan?

Yes

No

If yes, please list issues that should be addressed, and please provide information on specific locations if possible:

8. The Plan outlined methods to mitigate or avoid biosecurity environmental effects during construction and operation of the Project. Do you feel there will be an impact in your ability to practice traditional use activities as a result of these measures?

Yes

No

Not applicable

If yes, please identify the impact and explain how your ability to practice traditional use activities is affected:

9. Given the mitigations outlined in the Plan, do you feel that any of the project activities or effects will have a positive or negative impact on health and socio-economic conditions (e.g. economy and culture)?

Positive

Negative

Please explain:

10. How would you like to receive further information about the Plan and the Project?

Email

Mail

Website

All of the above

11. Was the information in the Plan presented in a manner that was easy to understand?

Yes

No

If no, please identify what information requires further clarification:

12. Do you have any general comments or questions?

Yes

No

If yes, please explain:

Thank you for your feedback. Please remember to include the maps with your questionnaire.

We want to hear from you.
Share your thoughts by highlighting or adding
sticky notes to the maps provided below.

Figure 1 – Map of Lake Manitoba Outlet Channels Area

