

Water Governance & Hydraulic Fracturing Workshop Agenda
October 16-17, 2014
Swan's Hotel, Victoria BC
TENTATIVE Agenda & Outline

Overview and Purpose

This workshop is an important component of a larger project entitled: *Not just a licence to drill* led by Michele-Lee Moore (UVic), Kara Shaw (UVic), and Heather Castleden (Queen's), in conjunction with their partners the Confederacy of Mainland Mi'kmaq, Fort Nelson First Nation, and the POLIS Water Sustainability Project.

An active debate concerning "to frack, or not to frack" has emerged in jurisdictions across the country. At this event, we intend to move beyond simply repeating the general claims associated with each side of this debate. Instead, we are aiming to build a shared understanding of the differences and similarities in priority water governance challenges related to hydraulic fracturing across regions within Canada. Additionally, participants will work collaboratively to identify the preferred methodological approaches for addressing existing knowledge gaps that contribute to those challenges. The outcomes of this workshop will inform the final deliverable for this project: *A Regional Snapshot Report on Water Governance and Hydraulic Fracturing*.

We hope that you are able to attend as we truly value the insights and experiences that you can bring to the discussion.

***NOTE:** While the details of the order and timing of individual discussions suggested below may change, the dates and times for the event will remain the same. Therefore, please book travel accordingly.

October 15th

For those of you arriving in Victoria prior to the workshop, please feel free to join us at 7 pm at Swan's Hotel pub.

October 16th

8:00 am – Welcome meet & greet
8:30 am – Introductions and Regional Challenges
10:15 am – Break
10:30 am – Regional challenges continued
11:00 am – Results of Canada-wide Delphi study
11:30 am – Prioritizing challenges

12:30 pm – Lunch (provided)

1:30 pm – Comparing pan-Canadian and regional challenges
2:30 pm – Break

3:00 pm – Governance Solutions – Brainstorm and Discussion
5:00 pm – End
6:00 pm – ***Group Dinner (offsite - provided)***

October 17th

8:30 am – Recap and confirm agenda
9:00 am - Corporate business models and the politics of hydraulic fracturing discussion
10:00 am –Case study –drafting the governance “solutions” and identifying relevant knowledge gaps that could constrain the potential pathways forward

12:30 pm – Lunch (provided)

1:30 pm – Methodological approaches brainstorm
2:30 pm – *Break*
2:45 pm - Refine suite of governance priorities and approaches
3:30 pm – Summary and next steps
4:00 pm - Close