

# UPDATE

# Oil Sands Consultations

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

- The Multi-stakeholder Committee (MSC) and associated Panel will consult with stakeholders...on oil sands development in Alberta.
- Scope: social, economic, environmental and First Nation/Métis issues related to oil sands development
- Recommendations (from each of the two phases) will be submitted to the Ministers of Energy, Environment and Sustainable Resource Development



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## **Multistakeholder Committee (MSC)**

- accountable for overall consultation process

## **Panel**

- a subset of MSC tasked to conduct public outreach (public meetings, information sessions) and collect public input
- addresses areas of non-consensus referred from MSC
- If Panel cannot reach consensus, they report back to the MSC documenting the diversity of views heard

## **Membership of MSC/Panel**

- public, industry, environmental groups, First Nations, Métis, and federal, provincial and municipal governments
- Chair: Vance MacNichol

## TWO PHASES

### Phase I

- initial public consultation to develop recommendations for a vision for oil sands development and principles to assist in guiding future policy directions
- Meetings held in the Fall of 2006
- Interim Report submitted to government Nov 30, 2006
  - Made public Jan 25, 2007

### Phase II

- Further public consultations to develop strategies and action plans for implementing the vision and principles
- Final Report to government by June 2007

## **Phase 1 Report recommended a vision for oil sands development that:**

- honours the rights of First Nations and Métis;
- provides a high quality of life;
- ensures a healthy environment;
- maximizes value-added in Alberta;
- builds healthy communities;
- sees Alberta benefit from the oil economy and lead in the post-oil economy;
- sees Alberta as a world leader in education, technology and a skilled workforce;
- provides high quality infrastructure and services for all Albertans; and,
- demonstrates leadership through world-class governance.

## Timelines

### Phase I

<b>CAG</b>	<b>MSC</b>	<b>Public</b>	<b>MSC</b>
<b>Report</b>	<b>Established</b>	<b>Consultation</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<b>March 2006</b>	<b>July 2006</b>	<b>Sept/Oct 2006</b>	<b>Vision and Principles</b>
			<b>November 2006</b> <b>(released January 2007)</b>

### Phase II

<b>MSC</b>	<b>Public</b>	<b>MSC</b>
<b>Meets/plans</b>	<b>Consultations</b>	<b>Recommendations on</b>
<b>Jan/Feb 2007</b>	<b>Mar/April 2007</b>	<b>Strategies &amp; Action Plans</b>
		<b>May/June 2007</b>

## CURRENT ACTIVITIES → NEXT STEPS

- Phase 2 Public Meetings scheduled for March – April
- Locations:
  - Calgary, Fort McMurray, Edmonton, Bonnyville, Wabasca, Fort Chipewyan, and Peace River
- Purpose:
  - define strategies and actions to achieve the vision
- Final Report to government by June 2007

## **GOVERNMENT PARTICIPATION**

- SREM initiative with staff from Energy, Environment & Sustainable Resource Development
- Energy (providing Secretariat function) plus at least 7 other departments
- Website was established and is being continually updated with background information on the consultation [www.oilsandsconsultations.gov.ab.ca](http://www.oilsandsconsultations.gov.ab.ca)
- Transcripts from Phase I public meetings, copies of all submissions, & Phase 1 Report are available on website

## OIL SANDS MINISTERIAL STRATEGY COMMITTEE VS OIL SANDS CONSULTATIONS

- Oil Sands Ministerial Strategy Committee
  - has a tactical perspective looking at near term plans and potential actions by the government
  - released report Feb 26, “Investing in Our Future: Responding to the Rapid Growth of Oil Sands Development” (Radke Report)
- Oil Sands Consultations
  - strategic initiative to develop a vision and key principles for the next few decades, and subsequent strategies and action plans to achieve the vision

## **RADKE REPORT**

- Contains 30 recommendations addressing housing, transportation, municipal infrastructure, health care, education, social services, policing and environment
- GOA is providing \$396 million over 3 years to address critical report recommendations
  - address Health pressures (3 new clinics, heli-pad, living allowances...)
  - fund water treatment & wastewater facilities
  - Support affordable housing, shelters and rent supplements
- Secretariat being established to review remaining recommendations