

TABLE A-1
CHECKLIST FOR CONDUCTING AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
OF A PROJECT OUTSIDE CANADA

Step 1: Determine whether or not an environmental assessment is required

- Is there a "project" as defined in CEAA?
- Is the project exempted by the Act or a Regulation? (e.g., national emergency or on the Exclusion List Regulation)?
- Is there a federal "trigger"?

Step 2: Conduct an environmental assessment "screening"

- Factors to be addressed identified?
- Scope of the project identified (e.g., construction, operation)?
- Other governments and stakeholders identified and contacted?
- Information needs identified?
- Information sources identified?
- Expert federal departments involvement required?
- Any public concerns to address through public involvement?
- Mitigation measures identified?
- Follow-up program needed?
- Screening report prepared in compliance with the CEAA?

Step 3: Decide whether or not to proceed with the project, and undertake further action if required

Determine one of the following on the basis of the screening report:

- The project is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects and DFAIT's involvement can proceed - you must ensure that any mitigation measures and/or follow-up program deemed appropriate are implemented;
- The project is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects that cannot be justified - DFAIT's involvement in the project cannot proceed; or
- It is uncertain whether the project is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects, OR is likely to cause significant adverse effects that may be justifiable, OR there is considerable public concern about the project, the project must be referred to a panel review (proceed to step 4).

Step 4: Conduct panel review - if required (Contact JEN for assistance)

- DFAIT-Environment Canada consultations held on process decision?
- Panel review, mediation or advisory committee selected?
- Substitute foreign process or joint panel process if available/appropriate?

Step 5: Inform the public

- Public notified of DFAIT decision?
(Copy of screening sent to DFAIT/JEN for registering on Federal Index)
- List of available documents with respect to the EA maintained?