

Newfoundland and Labrador Hydraulic Fracturing Review Panel

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Hydraulic Fracturing Review Panel to hold public consultations October 13-16 in Western Newfoundland

St. John's, NL – The Newfoundland and Labrador Hydraulic Fracturing Review Panel will be holding public consultation sessions in Western Newfoundland starting October 13. Members of the public are invited to attend the public consultation sessions.

Public consultations will be held in:

- **Rocky Harbour**, October 13, 4:00 p.m. at the Fisherman's Landing Inn;
- **Stephenville**, October 14, 4:00 p.m. at Days Inn;
- **Port au Port East**, October 15, 4:00 p.m. at the Maria Regina Parish Hall;
- **Corner Brook**, October 16, 4:00 p.m. at the Glynmill Inn.

The Hydraulic Fracturing Review Panel will meet with groups and individuals who have made submissions to the panel and who have requested to meet with the panel about hydraulic fracturing in Western Newfoundland.

Priority for presenting at a public consultation session will be given to individuals/groups that registered their interest to present to the panel at the time of making their written submissions. Others will be accommodated on a first-come, first-served basis as time permits.

The independent panel was appointed by the Minister of Natural Resources, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, to conduct a public review and to advise the Minister of Natural Resources on the socio-economic and environmental implications of the hydraulic fracturing process with respect to the possible exploration and development of the petroleum resources of Western Newfoundland.

The mandate of the panel is also to make recommendations on whether or not hydraulic fracturing should be undertaken in Western Newfoundland, and to make recommendations relating to the appropriate practices and procedures regarding potential hydraulic fracturing operations in the province should the panel recommend proceeding with hydraulic fracturing.

For more information, go to <http://nlhfrp.ca/>

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