

Heritage Resources Screening (HRS)

Development Type Descriptions

Clients must select the main Development Type and Sub-Type in the Heritage Resources Screening (HRS) system that pertains to their development or infrastructure project before entering the screening tool. The selections are organized alphabetically and identify common developments within industry sectors. The selections will directly affect the outcome of the screening decision and the structure of the development submission screens, if a heritage review is required.

To aid clients in choosing the appropriate Development Type and Sub-Type, the following table lists all the potential choices, along with definitions. If multiple Development Types or Sub-Types could be chosen, select the higher ranking or overarching industry/Development Type.

Development Type	Development Sub-Type	Description
Aggregate Development	Aggregate Pit	An open pit mine where sand, gravel, and other loose aggregate materials are extracted from the ground.
	Borrow or Clay Pit	An open pit mine where soil, clay, or other binders are extracted from the ground, often for use in construction projects.
	Geophysical Testing	A potentially non-invasive method for investigating subsurface conditions to map aggregate deposits, e.g., soil conductivity.
	Physical Testing	An invasive method for investigating subsurface conditions for aggregate deposits, typically by mechanical means such as an auger or backhoe.
	Other Aggregate Development	Other types of aggregate related developments not included in the list above.
Agricultural Activity	Intensive Livestock Operation	A farm where a large number of animals are raised in a confined space with specialized facilities. Under The Agricultural Operations Act, the livestock confinement space per animal unit is defined as less than 370 m ² (4,000 ft ²).
	Irrigation	Large-scale water transport system to assist in the growth of crops, typically consists of a pump site, pipelines and pivots.
	New Cultivation	Breaking up native vegetation in preparation for sowing or planting.
	Water Drainage Project	Installing facilities or measures to remove excess water from land, which can include ditching, tiling,

		piping, channel improvements, sloping, or pumping plants.
	Plant Site	Agricultural facilities that process or refine crops or plants into valuable products, e.g., canola crushing plant.
	Small Water Supply Project	Small-scale water supply system by individual farms to transport water using minimal ground disturbance for animals and gardens, etc.
	Other Agricultural Activity	Other types of agricultural activities not included in the list above.
Electrical Transmission	Transmission Line	Electrical lines carrying high-voltage electricity more than 25KV over long distances between power plants and substations.
	Distribution Line	Electrical lines carrying electricity less than 25KV from substations to end-users like homes and businesses.
	Power Generation	An industrial facility designed to produce electricity from various energy sources, includes Wind, Solar, Coal, Hydro, Nuclear, Natural Gas, etc.
	Other Electrical Infrastructure	Other types of electrical transmission activities not included in the list above.
Exploration Project	Drilling Program	Systematic process of drilling boreholes to gather geological data to identify and evaluate mineral deposits. Programs also include ground disturbing activities such as new roads/trails, temporary work camps, constructing water crossings, and line cutting to access the drill locations.
	Geophysical Program	A less invasive method for investigating subsurface conditions to map mineral or oil and gas deposits, includes Oil and Gas Seismic, Mineral and other types of geophysical programs.
	Hand Sampling Program	Manually collecting samples by hand from the field, typically for geological or geochemical analysis, and includes collecting soil, rock, or other minerals. This does not include mechanical trenching or hydrostripping.
	Other Exploration Program	Other types of exploration activities not included in the list above.
Forestry Industry and Wildfire Related	Operating Plan	Plan of how a forest will be harvested over a specific period, typically over the next year. Operating plans can include information on the harvest blocks, roads, water crossings, site preparation areas, etc.
	Operating Plan Amendment	Amendments or changes to the operating plan, that had already been submitted for review.
	Mill/Plant Site	Facilities where logs are processed into lumber or other usable wood products.
	Peat Harvesting Operation	Harvesting activities where peat is extracted for horticultural use, from bogs and peatlands.

	Fire Control Activity	All ground-disturbing activities aimed at protecting structures and vegetation cover from fire damage, including preventing fires, actively suppressing them and mitigating their impact. Can involve various strategies such as firebreaks, and thinning forests surrounding communities.
	Other Forestry Industry and Wildfire Related	Other types of forestry or wildfire related activities not included in the list above.
Mining Project	Open Pit Mine	Surface mining technique used to extract minerals or ore from the earth by excavating a large open pit.
	Shaft Mine	A mining technique utilizing underground operations to access an underground ore body or mineral deposit from the surface down through a shaft or other portal.
	Mill/Plant Site	Infrastructure dedicated to extracting and processing minerals or metals from ore or concentrate, which includes processing facilities, waste management systems and supporting infrastructure such as roads and power.
	Reclamation Project	Process of restoring land disturbed by mining activities and reducing the negative environmental impacts of mining, can also include addressing abandoned mining communities.
	Other Mining Project	Other types of mining activities not included in the list above.
Management Planning	Official Community Plan	Long-term strategy document created by a municipality to guide land use, development, and servicing within its boundaries.
	Management Plan	Comprehensive document that outlines how an organization, project, or program will be managed and executed, can also include concept or neighbourhood plans.
	Conservation Plan	Document that outlines strategies and actions to protect and manage natural or cultural resources, ensuring their long-term sustainability and preservation, e.g., wildlife habitat plan.
	Other Management Planning	Other types of management plans not included in the list above.
Oil and Gas	Transmission Pipeline	Large diameter pipes or systems thereof for long-distance transportation of a liquid or gas, typically between market areas.
	Wellsite	Location of a well or multiple wells that have been drilled for extracting liquid or gas.
	Flowline	A pipeline that carries liquid or gas from a wellhead to a processing or storage facility.
	Integrity Project	Process where a section of pipeline is excavated to assess its condition and identify or repair any potential issues; a part of pipeline maintenance and repair.

	Plant/Battery Site	Facility where liquid or gas from multiple wells is gathered, separated, and stored before being sent to market or further processing.
	Reclamation Project	Process of restoring land disturbed by oil and gas activities and reducing the negative environmental impacts of oil and gas.
	Other Oil and Gas	Other types of oil and gas activities not included in the list above.
Recreational Facility	Campground	An area of land used for camping, including campsites and amenities/services.
	Marina	A specially designed harbor with moorings for pleasure craft and small boats and other services.
	Other Recreational Facility	Other types of recreational facilities not included in the list above.
Subdivision	Commercial/Industrial	Process of dividing land, specifically for commercial or industrial development.
	Cottage/Residential	Process of dividing land, specifically for residential or cottage housing.
	Agricultural	Process of dividing land, specifically to preserve land for agricultural activities.
	Tie Code	Process to link or unlink multiple parcels of land.
	Other Subdivision	Other types of subdivisions not included in the list above.
Transportation Infrastructure	Grid/Municipal Road	Grid roads under the jurisdiction and maintenance of a municipality.
	Highway	Provincial highways under the jurisdiction and maintenance of the provincial government.
	Bridge	A structure built to span a physical obstacle (water, valley, road, or railway) without blocking the path underneath.
	Rail Line/Yard	A continuous path made up of tracks and the supporting structure upon which trains travel. Yards are where trains or stock are stored, sorted and assembled for onward travel.
	Other Transportation Infrastructure	Other types of transportation infrastructure not included in the list above.
Utility Infrastructure	Telecommunications	A communication system network designed to exchange information among users through various means such as phone, internet and television, includes the installation of this service.
	Natural Gas	All aspects of a natural gas delivery system, which contains pipelines that transport natural gas from a main or source pipeline to a user's meter.
	Water Service – Residential/Urban/Rural	Pipeline that carries water from a public water main to an individual building, such as a house or business, or the water main itself.
	Other Utility Infrastructure	Other types of utility infrastructure not included in the list above.

Waste, Sewage, and Water Facility	Reservoir/Dam/Flood Control	Human-made structures used to control and store water.
	Sewage Treatment Facility	Facility where contaminants are removed from sewage to produce an effluent suitable for reuse or to discharge to the surrounding environment.
	Water Treatment Facility	Facility where water is treated to remove impurities and make it safe for consumption or other uses.
	Waste Disposal/Landfill	Designated site where solid waste is disposed of by burying it in the ground, also includes waste transfer stations.
	Other Waste, Sewage, and Water Facility	Other types of waste, sewage, and water facilities not included in the list above.
Miscellaneous	n/a	Development projects that do not align with the above types listed.
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Crown Land Agricultural Lease Activities	Continuing agricultural use of land	Cultivation is not expanded and native prairie is not impacted.
	Livestock grazing lease improvements	Land and structure improvements, including addition, alteration or removal of accessory or ancillary buildings/structures, related to livestock grazing.
	Miscellaneous use leases	Structure improvements, including addition, alteration or removal of accessory or ancillary buildings/structures, related to miscellaneous use.
Crown Land Sale	n/a	Provincial government offers for sale land it owns to individuals or organizations.
Treaty Land Entitlement	n/a	Land that has been identified as part of a claim process by First Nations.
Environmental Assessment Review	Terms of Reference	Document that outlines the scope, objectives, methodology and reporting requirements for an environmental assessment process.
	Technical Proposal	Document that represents the environmental assessment application.
	Environmental Impact Statement	Written representation of the findings of an Environmental Impact Assessment.
	Other Environmental Assessment Review	Other types of environmental assessment review not included in the list above.