

Regional Surface and Ground Water Management and Governance Study

Guide to Reviewing Working Arrangements

Throughout this study, we have developed and discussed key objectives and conditions for improved water governance and management in our region. Specifically, we established four governance objectives and welcomed nine best practices:

Objectives	Best Practices
Objective 1: Decision makers are informed and held to account as a result of a clear governance structure for the region.	Enabling Powers in Legislation Co-governance with First Nations
Objective 2: Our governance model includes monitoring and reporting of cumulative effects for more effective decision-making.	Support from and partnership with Local Government Sustainable funding
Objective 3: Regulations and environmental standards on private land that protect water quality, water quantity and ecosystem health are effectively enforced.	Legal framework for water(shed) management Availability of data, information, and monitoring Independent oversight and public reporting
Objective 4: Decisions and stewardship activities are funded through a sustainable and credible model that builds long-term public confidence.	Continuous learning and capacity building Assess cumulative impact

To guide your constructive review of the potential (working) governance arrangements for feedback to the Regional Water Management Committee, a qualitative evaluation of the arrangements against the objectives and best practices is provided in Tables 1 and 2. The results of the evaluation are categorized as follows:




















-  Arrangement does not meet, or minimally meets, condition
-  Arrangement partially meets condition
-  Arrangement mostly or fully meets condition

Table 1 (evaluation against objectives) and Table 2 (evaluation against best practices) are provided on the following pages.

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






























Table 1: Qualitative review of working governance arrangements against objectives

Objective	#1 – Informal Coalition	#2 – CVRD Commission	#3 – Regional Society	#4 – Regional Authority
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Objective 2: Our governance model includes monitoring and reporting of cumulative effects for more effective decision-making.				
Objective 3: Regulations and environmental standards on private land that protect water quality, water quantity and ecosystem health are effectively enforced.				
Objective 4: Decisions and stewardship activities are funded through a sustainable and credible model that builds long-term public confidence.				

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Table 2: Qualitative review of working governance arrangements against best practices

Best Practices	#1 – Informal Coalition	#2 – CVRD Commission	#3 – Regional Society	#4 – Regional Authority
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Co-governance with First Nations				
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Sustainable funding				
Legal framework for water(shed) management				
Availability of data, information, and monitoring				
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