

## **Press Release**

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# Parc National du Mont-Orford Boundary Change Project The Public Hearing Begins on February 14, 2023

**Quebec City, February 1, 2023 –** The Commission of Inquiry of the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement (BAPE), which includes Antoine Morissette, President, and Mireille Paul, Commissioner, announces the beginning of the first part of the public hearing on the project to change the boundary of parc national du Mont-Orford begins on February 14, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. at the Hôtel Congrès Chéribourg.

Date: February 14, 2023

**Time:** 7:00 p.m.

Location: Hôtel Congrès Chéribourg – Salles Memphré and du Parc

2603, chemin du Parc, Orford

Also live on the BAPE website and Facebook page



Credit: Alain Thibault

#### A Two-Part Hearing

The public hearing is divided into two distinct parts. The objective of the first part is to allow participants and the Commission to learn about the project and to highlight all its aspects. It will be held in the presence of the ministry responsible and resource persons who have been called to answer questions from participants and the Commission.

Interested parties can now submit their questions using the electronic form available on the BAPE website until February 9 at 4:00 p.m. During the first part of the public sessions, any interested person may ask questions after having registered in the registry available on site and online. Additional public sessions may be added, depending on public participation and the needs of the Commission.

The second part of the hearing will be held beginning April 3, 2023. The second part of the hearing will allow the Commission to hear from any person, organization, group, or municipality that wishes to express its views on the project, either in the form of a written submission or an oral presentation.

### Where can I consult documentation on the project?

All documentation is available on the BAPE website. The documents can also be consulted at the three consultation centers during the opening hours of each institution:

- Bibliothèque Éva-Senécal
   450, rue Marquette, Sherbrooke
- Bibliothèque Memphrémagog 90, rue Saint-David, Magog
- Bibliothèque Saint-Denis-de-Brompton 1485, route 222, Saint-Denis-de-Brompton

Citizens can also contact the BAPE for more information.

The Commission of Inquiry must submit its report to the ministre de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, de la Faune et des Parcs, M. Benoit Charette, no later than June 30, 2023. Thereafter, the Minister has 30 days to make it public.

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