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Parc National du Mont-Orford Boundary Change Project Positive Outcome of the First Part of the Public Hearing

Quebec City, February 27, 2023 – The Commission of Inquiry of the Bureau d'audiences publiques sur l'environnement (BAPE), which includes Antoine Morissette, President, and Mireille Paul, Commissioner, has made a positive assessment of the first part of the public hearing on the project to change the boundary of parc national du Mont-Orford held from February 14 to 16, 2023.

The Commission held four public sessions representing nearly 14 hours of exchanges with participants, as well as departments and agencies representatives invited by the Commission. In total, more than thirty issues were addressed thanks to the questions asked by citizens, whether in the room, by telephone, or by videoconference. The Commission members thank them for their participation and for having helped enhance their investigation.

In addition to the public sessions, more than 70 people also took part in the public site visit organized by the Ministère responsable des Parcs on February 15. During the fifty-kilometer tour, participants were able to obtain more information about the project at four different stops: the Southern Marsh of Brompton Lake, Montjoie Lake, J.-A. Bombardier Road, and La Rouche Lake.

On the Way to the Second Part of the Public Hearing

The Commission of Inquiry is continuing its investigation and analysis, in addition to preparing for the second part of the public hearing, which will begin on April 3, 2023. This will be an opportunity for any person, organization, group, or municipality to express their views on the project, either verbally or in writing in the form of a brief.

Interested individuals, organizations, groups, or municipalities who wish to express their opinion verbally or present their brief may now make an appointment with the Commission until March 16 at 4:00 p.m. on the [Je donne mon point de vue](#) Web page, located in the tab reserved for the file on the BAPE website.

People who wish to express their opinion on the project spontaneously, either in person, by telephone, or by videoconference during the second part of the public sessions, will also be able to do so if time permits. A register will be made available on site and on the BAPE website.

People who wish to submit a brief to the Commission may do so until March 30 at noon on the [Je donne mon point de vue](#) Web page on the BAPE website. People who do not have access to the Internet can verbally inform the Commission's secretariat by calling toll-free 1 800 463-4732. They may also send their brief by mail to 140 Grande-Allée Est, bureau 650, Québec (Québec) G1R 5N6.

Interested individuals, organizations, groups, or municipalities are also invited to visit the BAPE website under the tab [Participer](#). This section contains the necessary tools for writing briefs and preparing oral opinions.

About the BAPE

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