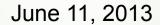


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Oil and Gas Consultation Agreement Training Session

An information session on the Halfway River First Nation Oil and Gas Consultation Agreement (OGCA) will be held June 24 from 1:00-4:30 p.m. at the North Peace Cultural Centre in Fort St. John. The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) encourages all companies and land agents contemplating work or submitting applications for oil and gas activities in the Halfway River First Nation area to attend this information session.

Effective July 1, 2013 the Commission will require all proponents submitting oil and gas referrals to use the updated forms, which can be found on the Commission's <u>website</u>.

BACKGROUND:

On April 5, 2013 a revised OGCA was signed between the Halfway River First Nation and the Province of British Columbia as represented by the Commission and the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Natural Gas (MEMNG).

The OGCA includes updates to practices previously undertaken by MEMNG and the Commission on oil and gas activities in the Halfway River First Nation Agreement Area. These changes include the addition of a tenure referral consultation process and a more robust application referral that includes enhanced information on the scope of proposed activities. Improved mechanisms in the OGCA include a more clearly defined process for the discussion period and the intention to move toward improved electronic exchange of data.

The Halfway River First Nations OGCA can be found <u>here</u> on the Commission's website. Proponents are encouraged to download a copy and become familiar with it. The OGCA also includes the consultation agreement area map and known areas of cultural significance map, available in the appendices.

Please RSVP your attendance by June 19, 2013 to:

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