RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE FEDERAL PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS ACT AND THE FEDERAL FISHERIES ACT

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PEST CONTROL PRODUCTS ACT (PCPA)

regulatory authority for the use of pesticides in Canada is the Pest Management Regulatory Agency (PMRA) under the authority of the PCPA

a registration granted if satisfied that a pest control prodduct presents no unacceptable risk of harm to the health and the environment

in the risk assessment with respect to the environment that PMRA carries out, consideration of impact on fish and fish habitat are considered.

Environment Canada (EC) administers and enforces section 36 of the FA which prohibits the deposit of any substance that can harm fish or fish habitat

Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) provides advice related to the protection of fish and fish habitat



the perception that the use of a pesticide that leads to direct or indirect deposition in water frequented by fish that may overlap/conflict with section 36 of the FA

creates uncertainty for the users and regulators



PMRA/DFO/EC looking at this issue in order to propose potential solutions

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