

Science & Community Environmental Knowledge Fund

Community Environmental Knowledge Funding Envelope

Background

The purpose of the Community Environmental Knowledge envelope of the SCEK Fund is to promote projects that document and demonstrate the application of traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) to oil and gas development planning and decision making. TEK is considered to be held by any of the following: First Nations, resource-based communities, or resource users.

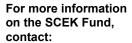
Areas of Interest:

- Cultural or traditional land use
- Impacts of oil and gas related developments on heritage and archaeological resources
- Projects that promote the incorporation of First Nations' and community values, including TEK perspectives, into cumulative impact management, reclamation or protection of special sites

The Community Environmental Knowledge envelope of the Fund is one of five funding envelopes within the program. The other four envelopes are Health and Safety, Ecosystem and Cumulative Impact Management, Engineering and Technology, and Education and Extension.

Current portfolio of projects

Title	Proponent	SCEK Investment	Status
West Moberly First Nations Traditional Knowledge Project	Dahke Community Projects Inc.	\$300,354.83	Anticipated completion November 2004
Prophet River Traditional Plant Study	Ravenscall Enterprises Ltd.	\$75,000.00	Anticipated completion December 2004



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West Moberly First Nations Traditional Knowledge Project

PROPONENT:

Dahke Community Projects Inc.

PROJECT PURPOSE:

To collect information and design processes that can be used to integrate indigenous knowledge into oil and gas project planning and reclamation activities.

PROJECT SUMMARY:

This project incorporates traditional knowledge into the reclamation of industrial oil and gas sites. A major goal is to contribute to the reduction and management of cumulative impacts by providing a template and database identifying how indigenous knowledge can be incorporated into reclamation plans. Additional benefits from the project include a map compilation of heritage resources in the study area, which comprises the West Moberly First Nation traditional lands.

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Prophet River Traditional Plant Study (© Kelly Bannister and used with permission)



Participants in the Prophet River Traditional Plant Study (© Kelly Bannister and used with permission).

PROPHET RIVER TRADITIONAL PLANT STUDY

ORGANIZATION:

Ravenscall Enterprises Ltd.

PROJECT PURPOSE:

To catalogue traditionally important plants and their uses, and identify environmental concerns related to industrial development.

PROJECT SUMMARY:

The study is a two-phase project aimed at cataloguing traditional plants in selected areas of the traditional territory of the Prophet River First Nation. Phase one comprises field work and planning. Phase two is the major research component involving plant inventories and documenting cultural knowledge, as well as compiling and producing a handbook.

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