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Subject: Cougar Creek Debris Flood Retention Structure

Hello Felix

We have reviewed the project summary table which you provided to Alberta. Under the *Regulations Designating Physical Activities* under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act 2012*(CEAA 2012) there are two physical activities which are relevant including:

4. The construction, operation, decommissioning and abandonment of a new dam or dyke that would result in the creation of a reservoir with a surface area that would exceed the annual mean surface area of a natural water body by 1 500 ha or more
6. The construction, operation, decommissioning and abandonment of a new structure for the diversion of 10 000 000 m³/year or more of water from a natural water body into another natural water body.

Your proposed temporary water retention structure has a capacity of 650,000 m³ and a project area of 10 ha so that neither of these thresholds would be met. Therefore we have concluded that the proposed project is not a designated activity under CEAA 2012.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Agency if you have any additional questions.

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