



Science Advisory Board for Contaminated Sites in British Columbia

POLICY 3 New Projects and Unsolicited Proposals

Guiding Principles

1. Currently funded projects take precedence.
2. Prior commitments to Ministries and other partners proposing the willingness of the SAB to undertake studies, for example in reference to recommendations made by the SAB, will be considered to rank higher than unsolicited proposals.
3. All projects undertaken by the SAB shall be consistent with the purposes of the SAB.
4. All projects should address scientific questions of a substantive nature with general applicability, or of broad interest to the Contaminated Sites Community in British Columbia and nationally.
5. Preference will be given to projects that test or establish the best available science on a documented issue.
6. The SAB provides advice for the wider contaminated sites community it neither addresses site specific questions of a commercial nature, nor comments on specific administrative decisions in the application of regulation or statute decisions.
7. Members of the SAB are eligible to submit unsolicited proposals and to respond to Requests for Proposals from the SAB in a professional capacity without being in a position of conflict of interest.

Policy Statements

1. The SAB will establish a sub-committee of members to receive and recommend to the Board of Directors on the suitability of submitted projects for the work schedule of the SAB.
2. The sub-committee will establish guidelines for the submission and documentation of proposals.
3. The sub-committee will consider proposals that involve SAB partnership in scientific investigations, including pursuit of joint funding. Such projects may involve research conducted at other institutions, and the support of graduate students.