

Environmental Rights Act

Annual Report

2003-2018

The *Environmental Rights Act* establishes rights in respect of the environment and the means for protection of the environment for all residents of the Northwest Territories. This report covers the years 2003-2018.

No applications for investigations, prosecutions, or actions as detailed in the *Environmental Rights Act* were undertaken for the following years:

- 2003-2004
- 2004-2005
- 2005-2006
- 2006-2007
- 2007-2008
- 2008-2009
- 2009-2010
- 2010-2011
- 2011-2012
- 2012-2013
- 2014-2015
- 2015-2016
- 2016-2017
- 2017-2018
- 2018-2019

An application for an investigation under the *Environmental Rights Act* was submitted in 2013-2014.

In 2013, the Council of Canadians submitted an application to the Minister of Environment and Natural Resources outlining concerns regarding oil and gas development in the Mackenzie Valley and the use of drilling fluids. Since the company in question had obtained the appropriate land use permit and water licence through the appropriate processes, the Minister declined the investigation and no further action was taken.