Public Notice

Outdoor Agora to Welcome Visitors to the Gros-Cacouna Marsh, Cacouna, QC - Public consultation period

February 20, 2010 - Environment and Climate Change Canada must determine if the proposed project - **Outdoor Agora to welcome visitors to the Gros-Cacouna Marsh** located in Cacouna, Quebec is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects. In order to contribute to an informed determination, Environment and Climate Change Canada invites the public to comment on this determination. All comments received will be considered public [and may be published online]. For more information, individuals are invited to consult the Privacy Notice About access to information and privacy on the Registry website.

Written comments may be submitted by March 23, 2020, to:

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The project

The Maliseet First Nation of Viger (Wolastoqiyik Wahsipekuk) plans to build an outdoor agora to welcome visitors to the Marais de Gros-Cacouna in Cacouna, Quebec, on land owned by the Department of the Environment and Climate Change Canada. The project, scheduled for spring or fall 2020, will require ground levelling and vegetation removal, installation of piles, construction of a small open agora (approximately 25 m long by 5 m wide) with a wooden structure, corrugated steel cover and stretched canvas bodyguards, as well as the installation of a universal access ramp. Furthermore, some interpretation panels on species at risk and the Maliseet culture, currently installed at the Marais de Gros-Cacouna, will be dismantled and relocated on the interior walls of this agora. The project also includes the use of the agora to welcome visitors. Minimal impacts on flora and fauna are anticipated because the work and the location of the agora are planned in an open, anthropized environment away from important habitats and periods of use by wildlife.