Another EBR Tool: Applications for Investigation

How to Ask for Enforcement of Environmental Rules
Applications for Investigation

If you believe someone has contravened or violated a prescribed Act, regulation or instrument, you can ask the government to investigate
Applications for Investigation

Damage to the habitat of an endangered species
Noise, vibration or air emissions
Leachate from a landfill
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Names kept CONFIDENTIAL
Applications for Investigation

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- Charges
- Provincial Officers’ Orders
Applications for Investigation Example

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Alleged
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- Alleged

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Ministry of Environment

- 2 site visits
- Observed water quality, quantity
- Local farming practices
- No violations found
How to Submit an \textit{EBR} Application

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  • We need focus on Southern Ontario and wetlands
Thank You!

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