

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR EXCEL TEMPLATE:

1. Do not leave blank rows above or between comments.
2. Do not modify or delete the instructions or the column headings (*i.e.* the grey areas).
3. Each comment must have an associated topic and recommendation.
4. All formatting (*i.e.* bullets) will be lost when this file is uploaded to the Online Comment Table.
5. If necessary, adjust the cell width and height in order to view all text.
6. Cutting and pasting comments from WORD documents cannot include hard returns (spaces between paragraphs).
7. If you would like to create paragraphs within a single cell, please use a proper carriage return (ALT & ENTER).

<u>TOPIC</u>	<u>COMMENT</u>	<u>RECOMMENDATION</u>
<i>Be as specific as you think is appropriate; for example a section or page of the document, a recommendation #, general comment, etc.</i>	<i>Comments should contain all the information needed for the proponent and the Board to understand the rationale for the accompanying recommendation.</i>	<i>Recommendations can be for the proponent or for the Board. Recommendations should be as specific as possible, relating the issues raised in the "comment" column to an action that you believe is necessary.</i>

Item Number	Topic	Comment	Recommendation
1	Borehole Backfilling (pdf page 7, "Diamond Drilling and Hydrogeological Testing")	This section states that boreholes "should" be backfilled. It is not clear whether the boreholes will be backfilled or what circumstances would lead to the boreholes not being backfilled. This may have implications in terms of stability of some of the planned structures and water quality if boreholes are not filled.	DDEC should clarify whether the boreholes will be backfilled and what conditions, if any, would lead to a decision not to backfill.

2	Thermistor Location and Closure (pdf page 7, "Thermistor Installation")	The locations of the thermistors installed in 2014 and planned for 2015 are not identified on any of the maps supplied. It is not clear whether the thermistors are above ground or under water. A photo of a thermistor location would also be helpful to understand what if any pieces or instrumentation are above grade (i.e., stick out of the ground). There is no discussion of how the thermistor locations will be reclaimed. For example, will any plastic and instrumentation above grade be cut off, disposed of in an approved facility and the hole backfilled with cement? It is also not clear when reclamation would take place should a location no longer be required or it becomes inoperative.	DDEC should provide the locations of the 2014 thermistors and those planned for 2015. A photo of a thermistor location would be helpful in understanding what if any pieces or instrumentation are above grade. Details should be provided on reclamation for the thermistor locations (above ground materials cut off at grade, disposed of in an approved facility and backfilling of the boreholes) and when this will take place.
3	Reference in text to MSDS sheets (pdf pages 8 and 9, "Use of Chemicals")	Although MSDS sheets are attached to the Work Plan, there is no reference to them in the text of the Work Plan. There is also no mention of whether the MSDS sheets will be available at the actual drill sites for use by drill crews in the event of an accident or a spill.	DDEC should revise the Work Plan to ensure there is a reference to the MSDS sheets and that these documents will be available at the actual drill sites.
4	Sumps for Sable Drilling (unnumbered map for the Sable Work Area and text of Work Plan)	There is no mention in the text of the Work Plan of a sump for the drilling to take at Sable. There is no reference to or a location shown for a sump at Sable in the unnumbered map. If there is to be no sump, it is not clear where any drill cuttings or fluid would be taken.	DDEC should clarify what will happen with any drill cuttings or drill fluids from the Sable drill sites. If there is to be a sump, its location should be specified.