

Alberta's New Brownfield Coordination Office

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Brownfield Coordination Office

- A new Brownfield Coordination office was established in 2016.
- The Brownfield Program has three main components:

1. Education

- Developing a brownfield guide

2. Incenting redevelopment

- Economic analysis of investments in remediation

3. Enhancing collaboration between interested parties

- Cross-Government Contaminated Sites Steering committee
- Review of Remediation Certificate Regulation

Brownfields and Municipal Affairs

- **Modernized Municipal Government Act (passed 2016, not yet proclaimed) was amended to add the following definition:**
 - Brownfield property means a commercial or industrial property which is, or possibly is, contaminated; is vacant, derelict or under-utilized; and is suitable for development or redevelopment for the general benefit of the municipality.*
- **A council may pass a bylaw on a multiple-year basis to exempt or defer tax collection on brownfield properties, to encourage development or redevelopment for the general benefit of the municipality.**

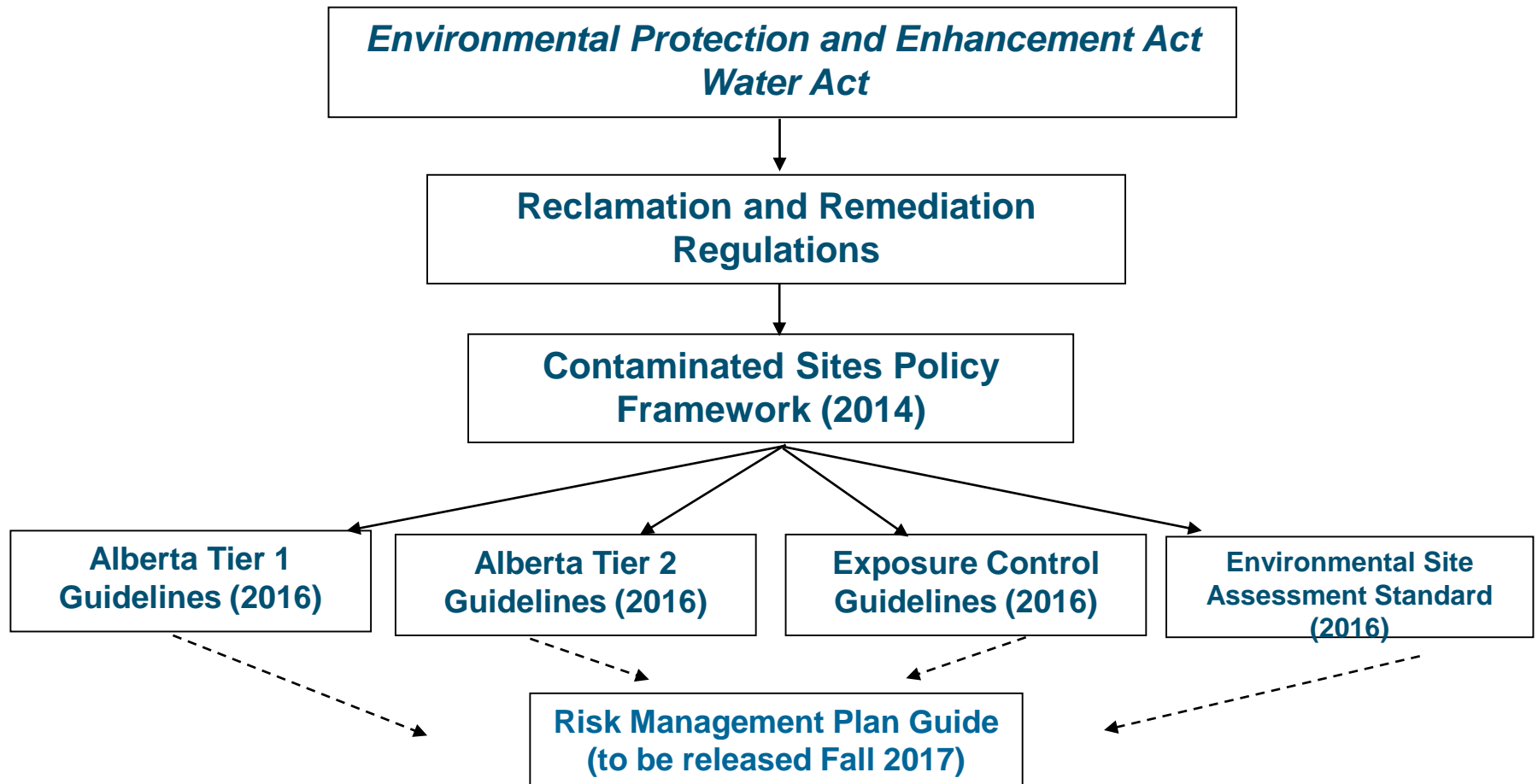
Brownfields and Municipal Affairs

- **New City Charters**

- **intended to provide Calgary and Edmonton a bigger role in managing environmental issues in their jurisdictions by**

- expanding the matters for which the cities can make bylaws to incorporate a number of environmental matters
 - including programs to address contaminated, vacant, derelict, or underutilized sites
 - enabling the cities to define subclasses for contaminated and derelict properties

Contaminated Sites Policy Framework Overview



Remediation Certificate Regulation

- Reviewing regulation based on recommendations in the 2012 multi-stakeholder Brownfield Working Group Report.
- Amendments are being considered to achieve the following objectives:
 1. Add the option of site-based remediation certificates.
 2. Clearly define property owner reporting requirements and further describe the duty to take remedial actions.
 3. Define review of a site-based remediation objective under the Alberta Tier 2 guidelines (Director accepted, no further action).
 4. Describe how risk management options may be used to meet remedial objectives.

Questions?

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