

Appendix: Northwest Territories Database Descriptions

EcoLog Environmental Risk Information Services Ltd can search the following databases. The extent of historical information varies with each database and current information is determined by what is publicly available to EcoLog ERIS at the time of update. **Note:** Databases denoted with “*” indicates that the database will no longer be updated. See the individual database descriptions for more information.

Territorial Government Source Databases:

Crown Land Fuel Storage Tanks Oct 1997-Jun 2009

CFST

The Department of Indian and Northern Affairs Canada mandates that all fuel storage tanks on Crown Land be recorded, when an individual applies for a land use permit or surface lease. Please note that there are numerous records in the database where the “Commencement Date” is previous to 1997. However, since INAC only began registering tank locations in 1997, any tanks installed previous to that may or may not be in the database, due to lack of regulations. Note the following descriptions: Commencement Date is the original file date, Fuel Application Date is the date an application was submitted for a tank, and the Fuel Confirmation Date is the date the department accepted the application and confirmed the information submitted.

Mineral Occurrences Up to Sept 2011

MNR

The C.S. Lord Northern Geoscience Centre maintains a database of mineral showings (commodity occurrences) for both the Northwest Territories and Nunavut. The database provides Showing ID, latitude, longitude, Showing Name, commodity type, current development stage, and general comments on lithology, mineralization and geological settings.

Northwest Territories Oil and Gas Wells 1939-2002*

NOGW

The NWT Oil and Gas Wells database is a comprehensive database that includes information regarding location of well, well name, spud date, current status and purpose. Please note that this database will not be updated, information on wells drilled after 2002 can be found in the Oil and Gas Wells (OGW) database under the ‘Private Source Database’ section.

Spills 1971-Sept 2011

SPL

The Department of Resources, Wildlife & Economic Development (RWED), in Yellowknife, maintains an inventory of spill locations through the “Hazardous Materials Spills Database”. Information is provided on the spill number, date, location, spill description, quantity & commodity spilled and all applicable parties involved.

Water Well Information System 1974-Jun 2009

WWIS

This database was collected from the Water and Sanitation Department of Northwest Territories Public Works and Services and provides information on seven wells drilled in the territory. Information is provided on the well depth, year drilled, and location of well by city name. No geographic coordinates are available.

Federal Government Source Databases:

Diagram Identifier:

Environmental Issues Inventory System 1992-2001*

EIIS

The Environmental Issues Inventory System was developed through the implementation of the Environmental Issues and Remediation Plan. This plan was established to determine the location and severity of contaminated sites on inhabited First Nation reserves, and where necessary, to remediate those that posed a risk to health and safety; and to prevent future environmental problems. The EIIS provides information on the reserve under investigation, inventory number, name of site, environmental issue, site action (Remediation, Site Assessment), and date investigation completed.

Federal Convictions 1988-Jun 2007

FCON

Environment Canada maintains a database referred to as the “Environmental Registry” that details prosecutions under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA) and the Fisheries Act (FA). Information is provided on the company name, location, charge date, offence and penalty.

Contaminated Sites on Federal Land June 2000-Sept 2011

FCS

The Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat maintains an inventory of all known contaminated sites held by various Federal departments and agencies. This inventory does not include properties owned by Crown corporations, but does contain non-federal sites for which the Government of Canada has accepted some or all financial responsibility. All sites have been classified through a system developed by the Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment. The database provides information on company name, location, site ID #, property use, classification, current status, contaminant type and plan of action for site remediation.

Indian & Northern Affairs Fuel Tanks 1950-Aug 2003

IAFT

The Department of Indian & Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) maintains an inventory of all aboveground & underground fuel storage tanks located on both federal and crown land. Our inventory provides information on the reserve name, location, facility type, site/facility name, tank type, material & ID number, tank contents & capacity, and date of tank installation.

National Analysis of Trends in Emergencies System (NATES) 1974-1994*

NATE

In 1974 Environment Canada established the National Analysis of Trends in Emergencies System (NATES) database, for the voluntary reporting of significant spill incidents. The data was to be used to assist in directing the work of the emergencies program. NATES ran from 1974 to 1994. Extensive information is available within this database including company names, place where the spill occurred, date of spill, cause, reason and source of spill, damage incurred, and amount, concentration, and volume of materials released.

National Defence & Canadian Forces Fuel Tanks Up to May 2001*

NDFT

The Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces maintains an inventory of all aboveground & underground fuel storage tanks located on DND lands. Our inventory provides information on the base name, location, tank type & capacity, tank contents, tank class, date of tank installation, date tank last used, and status of tank as of May 2001. This database will no longer be updated due to the new National Security protocols which have prohibited any release of this database.

National Defence & Canadian Forces Spills Mar 1999-Aug 2010

NDSP

The Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces maintains an inventory of spills to land and water. All spill sites have been classified under the “Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act - 1992”. Our inventory provides information on the facility name, location, spill ID #, spill date, type of spill, as well as the quantity of substance spilled & recovered.

National Defence & Canadian Forces Waste Disposal Sites 2001-April 2007

NDWD

The Department of National Defence and the Canadian Forces maintains an inventory of waste disposal sites located on DND lands. Where available, our inventory provides information on the base name, location, type of waste received, area of site, depth of site, year site opened/closed and status.

National Energy Board Wells 1920-June 2007

NEBW

The NEBW database contains information on onshore & offshore oil and gas wells that are outside provincial jurisdiction(s) and are thereby regulated by the National Energy Board. Data is provided regarding the operator, well name, well ID No./UWI, status, classification, well depth, spud and release date.

National Environmental Emergencies System (NEES) 1974-2003

NEES

In 2000, the Emergencies program implemented NEES, a reporting system for spills of hazardous substances. For the most part, this system only captured data from the Atlantic Provinces, some from Quebec and Ontario and a portion from British Columbia. Data for Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba and the Territories was not captured. However, NEES is also a repository for all previous Environment Canada spill datasets. NEES is composed of the historic datasets – or Trends – which dates from approximately 1974 to present. **NEES Trends** is a compilation of historic databases, which were merged and includes data from NATES (National Analysis of Trends in Emergencies System), ARTS (Atlantic Regional Trends System), and NEES. In 2001, the Emergencies Program determined that variations in reporting regimes and requirements between federal and provincial agencies made national spill reporting and trend analysis difficult to achieve. As a consequence, the department has focused efforts on capturing data on spills of substances which fall under its legislative authority only (CEPA and FA). As such, the NEES database will be decommissioned in December 2004.

National PCB Inventory 1988-2008

NPCB

Environment Canada's National PCB inventory includes information on in-use PCB containing equipment in Canada including federal, provincial and private facilities. All federal out-of-service PCB containing equipment and all PCB waste owned by the federal government or by federally regulated industries such as airlines, railway companies, broadcasting companies, telephone and telecommunications companies, pipeline companies, etc. are also listed. Although it is not Environment Canada's mandate to collect data on non-federal PCB waste, the National PCB inventory includes some information on provincial and private PCB waste and storage sites.

National Pollutant Release Inventory 1993-2009

NPRI

Environment Canada has defined the National Pollutant Release Inventory ("NPRI") as a federal government initiative designed to collect comprehensive national data regarding releases to air, water, or land, and waste transfers for recycling for more than 300 listed substances.

Parks Canada Fuel Storage Tanks 1920-Jan 2005

PCFT

Canadian Heritage maintains an inventory of all known fuel storage tanks operated by Parks Canada, in both National Parks and at National Historic Sites. The database details information on site name, location, tank install/removal date, capacity, fuel type, facility type, tank design and owner/operator.

Private Source Databases:

Automobile Wrecking & Supplies 2001-Jun 2010

AUWR

This database provides an inventory of all known locations that are involved in the scrap metal, automobile wrecking/recycling, and automobile parts & supplies industry. Information is provided on the company name, location and business type.

Chemical Register 2005-Jun 2010

CHEM

This database includes a listing of locations of facilities within the Northwest Territories that either manufacture and/or distribute chemicals.

ERIS Historical Searches 1999-Sept 2011

EHS

EcoLog ERIS has compiled a database of all environmental risk reports completed since March 1999. Available fields for this database include: site location, date of report, type of report, and search radius. As per all other databases, the ERIS database can be referenced on both the map and "Statistical Profile" page.

Canadian Mine Locations 1998-2009

MINE

This information is collected from the Canadian & American Mines Handbook. The Mines database is a national database that provides over 290 listings on mines (listed as public companies) dealing primarily with precious metals and hard rocks. Listed are mines that are currently in operation, closed, suspended, or are still being developed (advanced projects). Their locations are provided as geographic coordinates (x, y and/or longitude, latitude). As of 2002, data pertaining to Canadian smelters and refineries has been appended to this database.

Oil and Gas Wells 1988-2011

OGW

The Nickle's Energy Group (publisher of the Daily Oil Bulletin) collects information on drilling activity including operator and well statistics. The well information database includes name, location, class, status and depth. The main Nickles' database is updated on a daily basis, however, this database is updated on a monthly basis. More information is available at www.nickles.com.

Retail Fuel Storage Tanks 2000-Jun 2010

RST

This database includes an inventory of known fuel outlet locations (including marinas) that have on their property gasoline, waste oil, natural gas and/or gas propane storage tanks.

Scott's Manufacturing Directory 2003-Mar 2011

SCT

Scott's Directories is a data bank containing information on over 100 manufacturers in the Northwest Territories. Even though Scott's listings are voluntary, it is the most comprehensive database of Northwest Territories manufacturers available. Information concerning a company's address, plant size, and main products are included in this database.