

SECTION REPORT

From: Kenton Gray
Chair
Canadian Bar Association, Saskatchewan Branch, Environmental and Resources Law (South)

Re: Annual CBA Section Report (2019- 2020)

Date: May 11, 2020

The following is the annual section report for the Environmental and Resources Law (South) for the 2019-2020 year.

Section Activities

Section activities in the year were limited to holding of four section meetings, all of which were held in conjunction with the Environmental and Resources Law (North) Section. All section meetings were conducted at the offices of MLT Aikins LLP in Regina and Saskatoon *via* videoconference.

The following is an outline of the date, speakers, topic and chair for each of the section meetings:

1. **Environmental Risk Insurance (November 7, 2019)** – This meeting was chaired by Angela Stolz, Vice-Chair of the South Section. George Boire, Environmental Practice Leader at Marsh Canada Limited, made a presentation to the sections relating to environmental risk insurance.
2. **Current Topics in Saskatchewan Mining Law (December 5, 2019)** – This section meeting was chaired by Chad Eggerman, Chair of the North Section. Penny Yeager, a Partner of MLT Aikins LLP from their Saskatoon office, provided a presentation in respect of development and current topics relating to Saskatchewan mining law and other legal topics of relevance to mining projects in Saskatchewan.
3. **Crossing the Line: The BC Pipeline Reference Case and Federalism (January 28, 2020)** The meeting was jointly held with the Public Sector and Municipal Law Section and was chaired by Kenton Gray, Chair of the South Section. Tom Irvine, Q.C., of the Ministry of Justice, Constitutional Law Branch, made a presentation on this topic to the sections focussing on the reference case heard before the British Columbia Court of Appeal, in which the Attorney General was an intervener, relating to the constitutionality of a proposed bill in the Province of British Columbia which would have related to the regulation of shipments of heavy oil through the Province.
4. **Annual Update by the Minister of Environment for Saskatchewan (March 5, 2020)** – This section meeting was chaired by Kenton Gray, Chair of the South Section. The Honourable Dustin Duncan, Minister of Environment for Saskatchewan made a presentation to the members in attendance regarding recent initiatives of the Ministry of Environment for Saskatchewan and other topics of interest in relation to the Government of Saskatchewan in relation to matters pertaining to the environment.

Executive (2019 – 2020)

The Executive for the Section included:

Kenton Gray, SaskPower – Chair

Angela Stolz, McDougall Gauley LLP (Regina) – Vice Chair

Thanks,
Kenton