

CSAP AT A GLANCE 2023

The Society of Contaminated Sites Approved Professionals (CSAP) is an independent organization that credentials professionals to review environmental certification applications (submissions) made under the *Environmental Management Act* Contaminated Sites Regulation and, more specifically, Protocol 6. The purpose of CSAP beyond the review of submissions includes cooperating and consulting with other professional and scientific bodies, stakeholders, and local and provincial governments. CSAP endeavours to uphold and protect the public's interest by ensuring the integrity, objectivity, and expertise of its members.

CSAP MEMBERSHIP

<p>By Specialty</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Numerical Specialists: 79 Risk Specialists: 14 Numerical / Risk Specialists: 5 <p>Total Members: 99</p>	<p>Regulatory Organization Affiliation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engineers and Geoscientists of BC: 68 College of Applied Biologists: 15 BC Institute of Agrologists: 14 Association of the Chemical Profession of BC: 5 <p>Note: Several members are part of two or more professional organizations.</p>
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SUBMISSIONS PROCESSED UNDER PROTOCOL 6

Protocol 6: Eligibility of Applications for Review by Approved Professionals (APs), sets out the activities and recommendations that are required when making a submission on a non-high-risk site. The site risk classification is determined by completing a Site Risk Classification form.

Starting July 1, 2008, CSAP began processing submissions under Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Strategy (ENV) Protocol 6.

SUBMISSIONS PROCESSED ANNUALLY

Year	Number of submissions	Year	Number of submissions
CSAP 2008-2009	85	CSAP 2016-2017	123
CSAP 2009-2010	119	CSAP 2017-2018	188
CSAP 2010-2011	143	CSAP 2018-2019	70
CSAP 2011-2012	58	CSAP 2019-2020	105
CSAP 2012-2013	88	CSAP 2020-2021	77
CSAP 2013-2014	126	CSAP 2021-2022	99
CSAP 2014-2015	120	CSAP 2022-2023	155
CSAP 2015-2016	104		
Total			1,505



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SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED BY SECTOR

Sector	2022-2023	2021-22	2020-21
Commercial	134	83	53
Municipality	7	6	1
Oil & Gas	7	7	14
BC & Crown Corporations	7	3	9

BETTERING THE INDUSTRY

As part of the CSAP’s commitment to bettering the industry, reviews of technical documents are undertaken at the request of the ENV and stakeholders as well as internally generated. White papers and other projects designed to enhance our members’ knowledge are conducted annually and posted on CSAP’s website.

Technical reviews completed	78
Special projects completed	42

Since CSAP’s inception in 2007

STAKEHOLDER INVOLVEMENT

Several meetings are organized annually to facilitate a better understanding of stakeholders’ concerns, attended by the ENV. Stakeholder groups are organized to provide industry input on appropriate technical reviews and white papers.

MAJOR STAKEHOLDERS

- BC Business Council
- Urban Development Institute
- Union of BC Municipalities
- Canadian Fuel Association

RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

- In 2022, at ENV’s request, added “Review Services.”
- In 2019, the updated Webmap was launched.
- In 2017, the CSAP received the Brownie Award for the REPROGRAM-Legislation, Policy and Program Initiatives category.

FUTURE ENDEAVOURS

During 2023, CSAP will focus on an internal review and improving communications with members and stakeholders, the ENV, and the public.



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OPERATIONS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

CSAP is governed by 12 directors representing industry, the scientific community, and local government. The Board of Directors consists of the following:

- One director who is both a member of CSAP and Engineers and Geoscientists of BC;
- one director who is both a member of CSAP and the College of Applied Biologists;
- one director who is both a member of CSAP and the BC Institute of Agrologists;
- five directors at large who are members of CSAP;
- three directors, appointed by the Ministry Director, consisting of one from each of the following industry groups:
 - local government;
 - environmental representatives; and
 - industry groups; and
- one director, who is an employee of ENV, appointed by the Ministry Director.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

CSAP provides ongoing professional development (PD) opportunities including an annual Fall PD Workshop, a members-only workshop in conjunction with CSAP's Annual General Meeting, and webinars focusing on relevant issues. The Members' Update, CSAP's quarterly newsletter, communicates changes, news, events, and updates from CSAP and ENV.

QUALITY ASSURANCE

To achieve consistently high standards among APs, each submission receives a detailed peer administrative screening. Random audits are conducted on one in eight submissions. These audits, or Performance Assessments, provide valuable feedback to the AP, serve as a check on the submissions process, and form the basis for continuous improvement.

COMPLAINT PROCESS

CSAP maintains an online complaint process through which the public can submit a complaint to the Board. To date, no complaints have been received.

RECENT EVALUATION

In 2017, CSAP received the Brownie Award for the REPROGRAM-Legislation, Policy and Program Initiatives category. The Brownie Awards recognize excellence in the remediation and redevelopment of brownfield sites across Canada.

The Society received a positive review by the University of Victoria Environmental Law Centre study: Professional Reliance and Environmental Regulation in British Columbia (February 2015).