

Business and Economic Implications Framework (BEIF)

Purpose

To provide decision-makers with a consistent, concise assessment of the expected implications proposals may have for B.C. businesses and the economy. The BEIF consists of a **scaled analytic process** that guides ministries in articulating and quantifying business and economic implications, which is **summarized** in the Business and Economic Implications section of Cabinet submissions.

Does the BEIF apply?

RFDs, RFLS & OIC templates all have required Business and Economic Implications sections



Conduct Analysis

Complete an analysis of the business and economic implications of the submission using the BEIF forms



Summarize Findings

Summarize the analysis in the Business and Economic Implications section of the Cabinet submission



Append & Send Analysis

Append the analysis to the submission AND send the completed analysis form to BEIF@gov.bc.ca



Forms, guidance and examples

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Guidance for Consideration of Business and Economic Implications in Cabinet Submissions

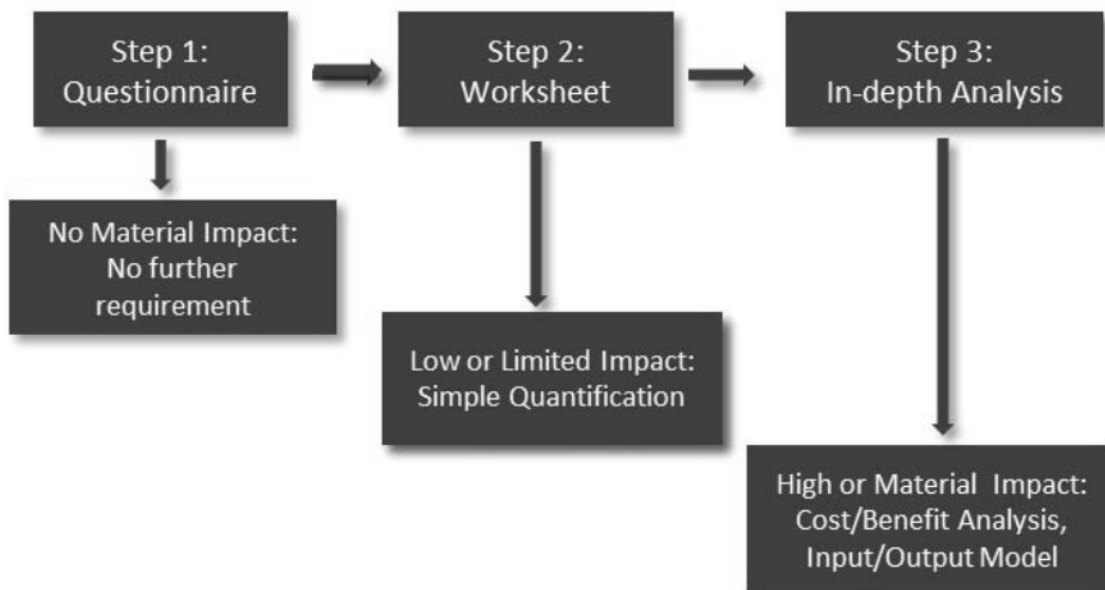
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The purpose of the Business and Economic Implications Framework is to support a more systematic assessment of the impact of proposals on businesses and the economy.

Submissions to Cabinet and its Committees seeking policy decisions must articulate the business and economic implications of the proposal. Exclusions: Treasury Board submissions, Cabinet updates, Concept papers, and Ministerial Orders.

This document provides guidance on the types of questions to be answered in the process of developing a submission. It will be revised as additional experience is gained in the implementation of the Business and Economic Implications Framework.

Process



Step 1: Does the proposal have implications for businesses or the economy?

To assess whether there are implications for businesses or the economy, answer the four-question Business and Economic Implications Questionnaire.

- If the answer is **no** to all of the questions, no further analysis is required. Use the comments box to describe the proposal and provide summary comments that will help decision-makers understand why there no material implications

expected. Include this information on the applicable Cabinet submission template and follow the document [submission process](#).

- If the answer is **yes** to one or more of the questions, proceed to Step 2 and complete the Business and Economic Implications [Worksheet](#).

Step 2: Are the implications for businesses or the economy material?

To assess the materiality of the implications for businesses and the economy, complete the Business and Economic Implications [Worksheet](#), leveraging the accompanying [Guide](#).

- If the worksheet assessment indicates a **low or limited** overall effect, no further analysis is required. Summarize the net order of magnitude implications for businesses or the economy on the applicable Cabinet submission template and follow the document [submission process](#).
- If the worksheet assessment indicates a **high or material** overall effect, proceed to Step 3 and complete an in-depth analysis with support from BC Stats or a third-party contractor, as appropriate.

Step 3: What are the implications of the proposal for businesses or the economy?

To achieve an in-depth understanding of the implications of proposals with a material impact for businesses and the economy, undertake additional analysis with support from BC Stats or a third-party contractor, as appropriate.

- Summarize the implications for businesses or the economy on the applicable Cabinet submission template and follow the document [submission process](#).

Contacts

If you require further guidance on assessing business and economic implications, please contact the Business and Economic Implications team at BEIF@gov.bc.ca or Francois Bertrand, Executive Director, Sector and Regulatory Competitiveness Branch at Francois.Bertrand@gov.bc.ca or 778 698-1627.

Further Resources

- A self-serve [training module](#) and links to other resources related to the Business and Economic Implications Framework.
- [Guide](#) for completing the Business and Economic Implications Worksheet (Step 2).

Order in Council
Cabinet Summary Information
 This Template Last Updated: February 27, 2019

Ministry:

Date Prepared:

Cliff #:

OIC Log #:

*The information below will enable Cabinet Ministers to have a clear and complete picture of the decision points, shifts in policy, risks, implications, outstanding issues and timing sensitivities related to the Order in Council and that all necessary consultations have been completed. The ministry is responsible for ensuring the information below will enable an informed decision by Cabinet. **All sections must be completed.***

1. Type of OIC:	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-CABRO appointment * <input type="checkbox"/> Not a regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Regulation - provide Regulatory Count: ____
* Crown Agency Board Resourcing Office	
2. Timing Requirements for Cabinet review and approval.	
a) Select all that apply. Include rationale.	<input type="checkbox"/> No Timing Requirements/At Cabinet's earliest convenience <input type="checkbox"/> RUSH - Cabinet approval is requested / required by _____ because: (Check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Legal requirement - Per Legislative Counsel's comments, the OIC must be made/deposited by the date specified. <input type="checkbox"/> Advance Notice - In order to give stakeholders sufficient time to adapt to the proposed change, the ministry would like to provide _____ amount of lead time between when the OIC is approved and when it takes legal effect. <input type="checkbox"/> Media requirement. A public announcement is planned. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____
b) Why is the OIC required now and what are the consequences if not approved now?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • •

c) Should this OIC be held after approval?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO Process normally <input type="checkbox"/> RUSH Process by__DD/MMM/YYYY. Please explain why. <input type="checkbox"/> YES Hold until__DD/MMM/YYYY. Please explain why .
3. Communication	
What, (if any), is the current communication plan?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <p>REMINDER: A copy of this OIC Summary Information document signed by the Deputy Minister is to be submitted to Robb Gibbs, ADM, Strategic Communications Division, GCPE.</p>
4. Authorizing Act and section number(s)	
5. Purpose, Content and Context (OIC “Essence”)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
a) In plain language, please explain what this OIC does? What problem it solves? What is the effect?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
b) Are there gender and diversity implications that should be considered? Guidance for Gender Based Analysis Plus (GBA+) in Cabinet and Treasury Board Submissions. Click here for more information	<input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, please explain why there are no implications <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, what were the findings?
c) Is this OIC in response to direction from Cabinet or one of its Committees or Working Groups?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, provide committee & meeting date:
d) Who requested this change? Stakeholder,	<ul style="list-style-type: none">

Cabinet direction, legal requirement, Ministry staff? And why?	
6. Fiscal Management Considerations	•
a) Is Treasury Board review required?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, provide date of approval: _____
b) Who at Treasury Board Staff reviewed this information and what comments did they provide?	• [Name of analyst]
c) Is there a cost to Government to implement this OIC?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, provide amount, percentage increase or decrease, and description of cost: _____
d) Is there a Fine, Fee or Administrative Penalty? For more guidance: http://gwww.fin.gov.bc.ca/gws/tbs/fpeb/fee_fine.stm	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, provide date of Treasury Board approval _____
7. Business and Economic Implications	
a) Has your Ministry submitted the Business and Economic Implications Form to JTT?	<input type="checkbox"/> YES, submitted on _____ (date) <input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, please explain why not _____
Briefly summarize the findings of the assessment. Guidance for the Business and Economic Implications Framework in Cabinet	•

Submissions. Click here for more information	
8. Indigenous Peoples	
a) Does this OIC advance Government's commitment to reconciliation?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, please explain why this question is not applicable. <hr/> <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, please indicate how. <hr/>
b) Have the Indigenous Peoples and Indigenous organizations who may be impacted by this OIC been engaged?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, why not? <hr/> <input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, what views were expressed? <hr/>
c) Does this OIC potentially affect Indigenous Peoples' rights and title?	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES If this OIC has the potential to adversely affect rights protected under s. 35 of the <i>Constitution Act, 1982</i> (Aboriginal rights and title, treaty rights), attach opinion from the Indigenous Legal Relations, Solicitors Unit , as to the sufficiency of the consultation process undertaken. (Contacts at the ILR: Geraldine Hutchings and Paul Yearwood).
d) Does this OIC potentially affect Indigenous Peoples' treaty rights? If a regulation may/will impact a treaty nation, notification and/or consultation should take place in accordance with the treaty. First Nations with treaties. Click here for more information.	<input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> YES If this OIC has the potential to affect treaty rights, indicate whether the advising solicitor from the Indigenous Legal Relations, Solicitors Unit , is satisfied the consultation process undertaken is sufficient. (Contacts at the ILR: Geraldine Hutchings and Paul Yearwood).

<p>9. Stakeholder and Affected Party Consultations</p> <p>Who is impacted and when were they consulted? List stakeholders and indicate consultation dates and support or concerns raised. Stakeholders may include local governments, external stakeholders, and Government ministries, Crowns & agencies.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
<p>10. Application & government MLA support</p> <p>Complete MLA consultations before submitting the OIC to Cabinet Operations.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> This OIC applies to all electoral districts.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> This OIC applies only to the following electoral districts: _____</p> <p>Do you have written confirmation that Government MLAs from affected electoral districts support this OIC</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> NO If no, please explain: _____</p>
<p>11. Confidence & Supply Agreement (CASA)</p> <p>Is Consultation with the BC Green Party Caucus required?</p> <p>Confidence and Supply Agreement Consultation Guide. Click here for more information.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> NO</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> YES If yes, has the consultation occurred/been scheduled and what was/is the date: _____</p> <p>If consultation has taken place, what was the outcome?</p>
<p>12. Trade Obligations</p> <p>The Trade Policy and Negotiations Branch at JTT has been consulted and confirms:</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade is not affected</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The OIC may affect international or domestic trade obligations, and:</p>

[select applicable box]	<input type="checkbox"/> Required notifications have been made and any comments received are: <hr/> <input type="checkbox"/> Required notifications have not been made because: <hr/>
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Additional Details

Deputy Minister

Date Signed

Contact Name:
Title:
Phone Number:

Alternate Contact Name:
Title:
Phone Number:

Prepared By:
Phone Number:

Attached Appendices:

- ☐ Distribution Form
- ☐ Regulatory Impact Checklist Exemption Form
- ☐ Regulatory Impact Checklist and Regulatory Count Form
- ☐ Map(s)
- ☐ Other: