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Land Use Competition: Preventing Conflicts with Deliberative Land Planning

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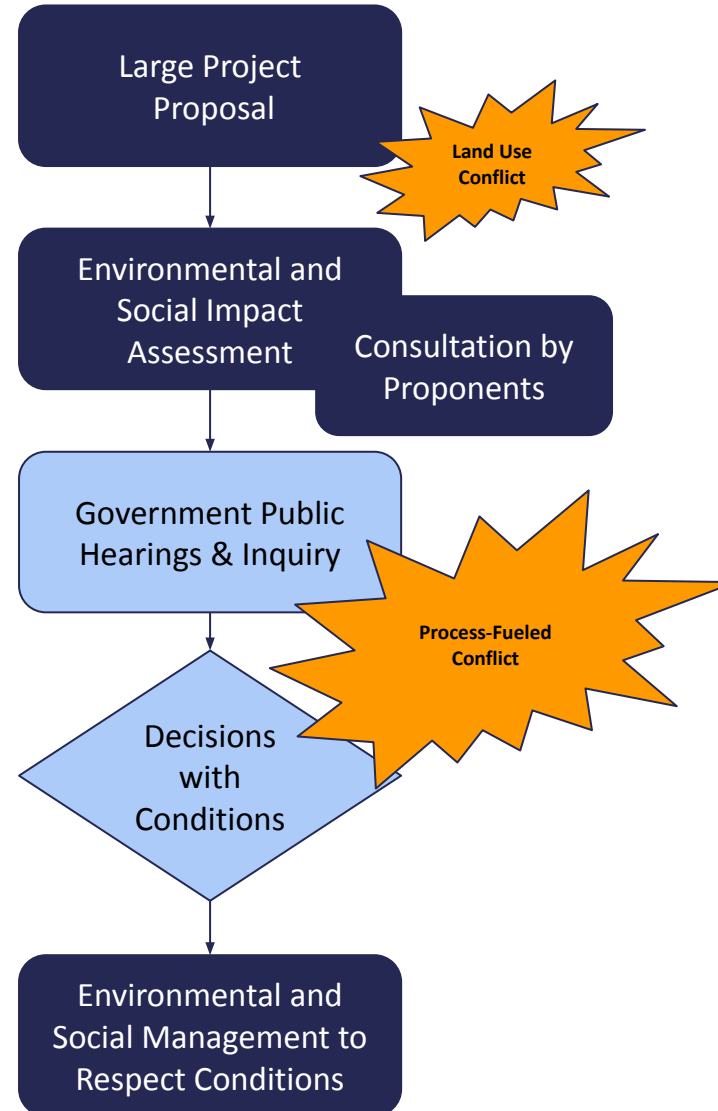


TERRITORIAL CONCERTATION

A PROBLEM

FOR DISCUSSION

Current Process How to Build a Project Assuming No Land Conflict



Six Contributors to Conflicts in Current Process

1. Limited deliberation within government : federal, province and municipal;
2. Limited use of long-term strategic land usage scenario analysis;
3. Limited independent and collective territorial concertation;
4. Asymmetrical resources and expertise to hold a fair debate;
5. Ecologic threshold are poorly assessed
6. Community funding agreements lack a democratic and scientific framework.

The Need for Territorial Concertation

Illustrative Cases

2026 - ...

Project: High Frequency Train

Company: Alto

Location: Toronto - Quebec

Goal: fast & low GHG interurban transport

Extensive opposition : agriculture vs train



2019 - ...

Project: La Loutre

Company: Lomiko Metals

Location: Petite Nation, Outaouais, Québec

Goal: Graphite mining for EV; defence vehicles

Extensive Opposition : protected area vs mining; water

2024 - ...

Project: Énergie Mauricie

Company: TES Canada

Location: Shawinigan and surrounding municipalities

Goal: producing hydrogen and e-gas

Energy: Hydro (150MW), Wind (800MW) & Solar (200MW)

Extensive opposition : agriculture vs energy



2015 - 2026

Project: Miller

Company: Canada Carbon

Location: Grenville-sur-la-Rouge, Laurentides, Québec

Goal: Graphite mining for EV, defence vehicles

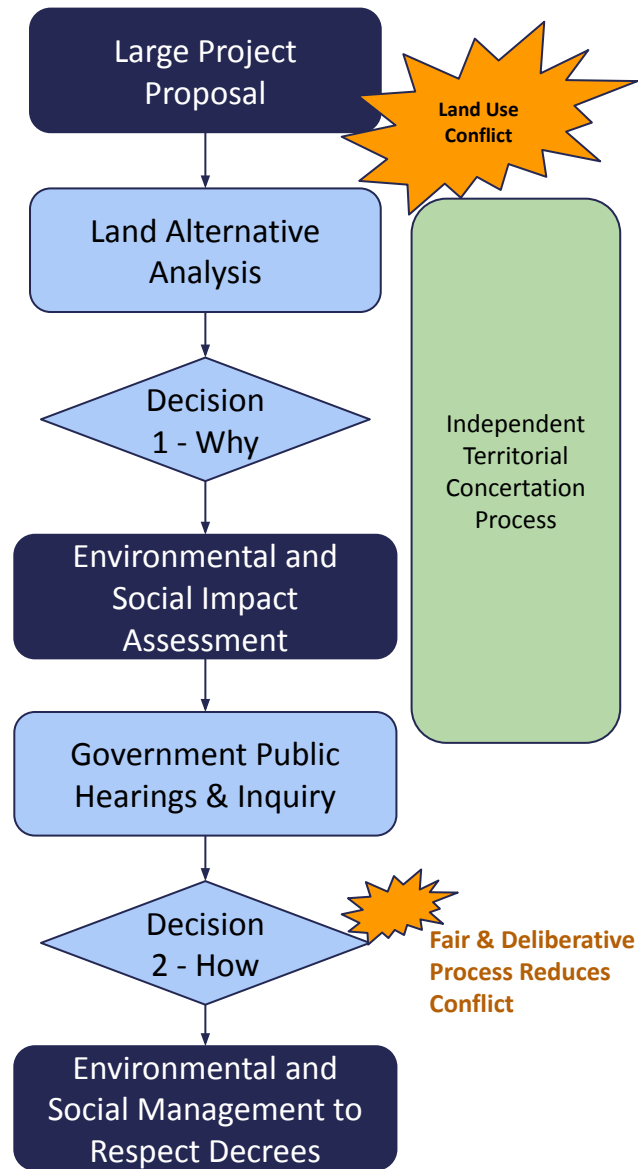
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A SOLUTION

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Proposed Process « Why and How to Build a Project Assuming Land Conflict »



Lessons Learned & Enablers to Sustainable Decisions and Conflict Prevention

1. Institutionalize an early «**within-state**» **deliberation** to define and locate projects;
2. Build sufficient knowledge on **ecological threshold** to hold a clear line not to cross;
3. Adapt current proponent-led consultation process by a **funded, independent and group-led** territorial concertation process;
 - a. engage in land use comparative analysis;
 - b. participation during impact assessment;
 - c. characterize social acceptability;
 - d. mediate a financial agreement that covers for public costs to integrate a project.



Let's continue the conversation!

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