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## **New Alberta Environment and Parks Directive for In Situ Projects with Non-saline Groundwater in Contact with Bitumen**

On September 29, 2021, Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) issued *Directive for the Assessment of Non-saline Groundwater in Direct Contact with Bitumen for In Situ Operations*. This directive sets out requirements that in situ operators that hold or are applying for an approval under the *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* must follow for assessing and managing non-saline groundwater in contact with bitumen.

For any questions about implementing this directive, please contact the AER at [InSitu.Hydrogeology@aer.ca](mailto:InSitu.Hydrogeology@aer.ca).

For all other questions, please contact AEP at [AEP.WaterPolicy@gov.ab.ca](mailto:AEP.WaterPolicy@gov.ab.ca).