



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, May 23, 2024

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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources met this day at 9:15 a.m., in room B30, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Paul J. Massicotte, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Arnot, Cardozo, Massicotte, McBean, McCallum, Miville-Dechéne, Sorensen, Wells and White (9).

*Other senators present:* The Honourable Senators Burey and Oudar (2).

*Participating in the meeting:* Jesse Good, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, the committee continued its examination of Bill C-248, An Act to amend the Canada National Parks Act (Ojibway National Urban Park of Canada).

### WITNESSES:

#### *Caldwell First Nation:*

Mary Duckworth, Chief.

#### *National Urban Park Hub, University of Windsor:*

Anneke Smit, Associate Professor.

#### *City of Windsor:*

Drew Dilkens, Mayor.

#### *Legislative Assembly of Ontario:*

Andrew Dowie, MPP (Windsor-Tecumseh), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (*by videoconference*).

*The Friends of Ojibway Prairie:*

Mike Fisher, Interim President.

Chief Mary Duckworth and Anneke Smit made a statement.

At 9:25 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 9:26 a.m., the committee resumed.

Chief Mary Duckworth and Anneke Smit answered questions.

At 10:08 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 10:13 a.m., the committee resumed.

Drew Dilkens and Andrew Dowie each made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:56 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 10:59 a.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to discuss a draft agenda (future business).

At 11:27 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 11:27 a.m., the committee resumed in public.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 24, 2022, the committee continued its study on emerging issues related to the committee's mandate (Climate Change: Canadian Oil & Gas Industry).

The Honourable Senator Massicotte moved that the following special study budget application (study on Climate Change: Canada's Oil and Gas Industry) for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2025, be approved for submission to the Standing Committee on Internal Economy, Budgets and Administration.

The question being put on the motion, it was negated on the following vote:

YEAS

The Honourable Senators

Massicotte, Wells — [2]

NAYS

The Honourable Senators

Arnot, McBean, McCallum, Miville-Dechêne, White — [5]

ABSTENTIONS

The Honourable Senators

Sorensen — [1]

At 11:30 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Raymond St. Martin

*Clerk of the Committee*