



**AUDIT - PROTECTION OF CULTURAL FEDERAL PROPERTIES**  
**RESPONSES AND ACTION PLAN**

**Recommendation 1:** Parks Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and National Defence should update their asset management databases to reflect complete information on the number and current condition of their heritage properties.

**Response**

Agreed. Parks Canada Agency will complete the identification of the federal heritage properties under its responsibility and will indicate the condition of these properties in the appropriate asset/land management system. This will allow for the up-to-date accounting of the heritage assets under Parks Canada responsibility. This action should be completed by the fall of 2019.

Action Plan Deliverables	Timeline	Responsible party
1.1. Parks Canada Agency will confirm the process of how the information is transferred into its asset/land management system to identify the underlying cause(s) of the missing or inaccurate information.	Spring 2019	Lead: Strategic Policies and Investment Directorate (SPI)
1.2. Parks Canada Agency will improve the process of how the information is transferred into its asset/land management system to ensure the information is accurate.	Summer 2019	Lead: Strategic Policies and Investment Directorate (SPI)
1.3. Parks Canada Agency will complete the identification and updating of the condition of the federal heritage properties under its responsibility in its asset/land management system.	Fall 2019	Lead: Indigenous Affairs and Cultural Heritage Directorate (IACH), working with Strategic Policies and Investment Directorate (SPI)

1.4. Parks Canada Agency will run an initial scan and perform ongoing monitoring of the information contained in the database.	Start Fall 2020	Lead: Indigenous Affairs and Cultural Heritage Directorate (IACH), working with Strategic Policies and Investment Directorate (SPI)
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**Recommendation 2:** Parks Canada should lead an assessment of the approach to designate and conserve federal heritage properties. Working with organizations that own properties, it should implement changes to better conserve heritage properties.

**Response**

Agreed. Parks Canada Agency will assess, in consultation with custodian departments, the current approach to designate federal heritage buildings. This assessment is expected to be completed by the fall of 2019. The Agency will review, in consultation with custodian departments, the implementation of changes to better conserve federal heritage buildings. This review should be completed by the fall of 2020.

Action Plan Deliverables	Timeline	Responsible party
2.1. Parks Canada Agency will assess, in consultation with custodian departments, the current approach to designate federal heritage buildings.	Fall 2019	Lead : IACH
2.2. Parks Canada Agency will test and validate, in consultation with custodian departments, the proposed changes to better conserve federal heritage buildings.	Summer 2020	Lead: IACH
2.3. Parks Canada Agency will review, in consultation with custodian departments, the implementation of changes to better conserve federal heritage buildings.	Fall 2020	Lead: IACH

**Recommendation 3:** Parks Canada should provide accurate and up-to-date information to Canadians and parliamentarians through public databases and reports to Parliament.

**Response**

Agreed. Parks Canada Agency will first complete the action associated with recommendation 1. The Agency will then review how to make this information available to the public. This action should be completed by the fall of 2020. This information will be used in reports to Parliament.

Action Plan Deliverables	Timeline	Responsible party
3.1. PCA will review the process of how the information is transferred into both the Directory of federal heritage designation and the Canadian Register of Historic Places to understand the underlying cause of inconsistent and missing information contained in these databases.	Spring 2019	Lead: IACH, in consultation with SPI
3.2. Parks Canada Agency will improve the process of ensuring the Directory of federal heritage designation and the Canadian Register of Historic Places contain accurate information.	Summer 2019	Lead: IACH, in consultation with SPI
3.3. Parks Canada Agency will establish an initial scan and perform ongoing monitoring of the quality of the information contained in the Directory of federal heritage designation and the Canadian Register of Historic Places.	Start summer 2020	Lead: IACH, in consultation with SPI
3.4. Once the actions detailed in recommendation 1 and 3 are complete, Parks Canada Agency will review how to make this information available to the public and will use this information in reports to Parliament.	Fall 2020	Lead: IACH, in consultation with SPI