



Aboriginal Disaster Resilience Project Resources

Information Guide: Quebec

General Information

Provincial/territorial emergency management organizations coordinate response activities, conduct planning and research, train, administer, and deliver disaster financial assistance programs in their respective province or territory. Funding agreements between emergency management organizations and AANDC help to ensure successful coordinated response and recovery efforts, better clarify roles and responsibilities, and support enhanced preparedness activities, including training and development of more robust community emergency plans for on-reserve First Nations.

For all aboriginal communities not considered as on-reserve First Nations communities, Provincial/Territorial emergency management organizations provide the same level of support as they do any community within their respective jurisdictions. These include Metis, First Nations in settlement areas and Inuit communities.

You can use the keywords listed in your internet search engine (Google, Yahoo, Explorer, etc.) to find the information online.

AANDC is currently negotiating provincial/territorial bilateral agreements regarding emergency management service provision for on-reserve First Nations

<https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1324572607784/1324572653216#a2>

Keywords: AANDC National Emergency Management Plan

For general information regarding AANDC's role in emergency management, please contact:

AANDC Public Enquiries Contact Centre

- Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada
- Terrasses de la Chaudière
- 10 Wellington Street, North Tower
- Gatineau, Quebec
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- Postal Address:
- Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H4
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- Email: InfoPubs@aadnc-aandc.gc.ca
- Phone: (toll-free) 1-800-567-9604
- Fax: 1-866-817-3977
- TTY: (toll-free) 1-866-553-0554

Securité Publique Quebec

The Sécurité Publique Québec (SPQ) website has all kinds of valuable resources, including information regarding financial assistance in the event of disasters, basic information regarding civil protection in Quebec, family safety plans, information on hazards specific to Quebec, provincial disaster laws and regulations, and a quiz on disaster preparedness.

General Contact Information

- **Toll-free: 1 (866) 644-6826**
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- **Fax: (418) 643-0275 or (514) 873-6597**
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- **Mailing Address: Bureau du sous-ministre,**
- **Ministère de la Sécurité publique**
- **2525, boulevard Laurier, 5e étage**
- **Tour des Laurentides Québec (Québec) G1V 2L2**

<http://www.securitepublique.gouv.qc.ca/>

“Urgence Quebec” provides information on ‘severe weather conditions’ and ‘what to do in case of an emergency’. It furthermore provides information on various hazards:

<http://www.urgencequebec.gouv.qc.ca/En/Pages/default.aspx>

Keywords: Urgence Quebec, emergency, hazards, severe weather

<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Cyber Attack▪ Dam Failure▪ Drinking water contamination or shortage▪ Earthquakes▪ Emergency abroad▪ Flooding▪ Forest fire	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Heatwaves▪ Landslides▪ Major industrial accidents▪ Pandemic▪ Power failure▪ Radiation and nuclear accidents▪ Severe thunderstorms	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Tornadoes▪ Transportation of hazardous materials▪ Violence in a public place▪ Windstorms▪ Winter storms and extreme cold
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Local District Contacts

Institut de la Statistique de Québec provides a list of municipal districts in Québec:

http://www.stat.gouv.qc.ca/statistiques/divisions-territoriales/abonnement/municipalites_officielles_an.htm

Keywords: Institut de la Statistique de Québec, municipalities Québec

In Montreal contact information for elected officials is available at:

http://ville.montreal.qc.ca/portal/page?_pageid=5798,85809573&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL

Keywords: Montreal, elected official, local district

Areas and Districts

School Districts

The government of Quebec provides general information regarding education in Quebec:

<http://www.gouv.qc.ca/portail/quebec/pgs/commun/portrait/education/?lang=en>

Keywords: Government Quebec, education in Quebec

On the Ministry Éducation, Loisir et Sport you can find schools and school boards (French only):

<http://www.mels.gouv.qc.ca/en/school-boards/>

Keywords: Ministry Éducation, Loisir et Sport, Quebec, schools, school boards

For English School Districts in Quebec go to the website of the Québec English school board association:

<http://www.qesba.qc.ca/en/>

Keywords: Québec English school board association, school boards

Electoral Boundaries and Districts

The website of 'Elections Quebec' offers information and maps showing electoral boundaries:

<http://www.electionsequbec.qc.ca/english/municipal/electoral-map/map-municipalities-divided-into-districts.php?mun=16013>

Keywords: Elections Quebec, electoral boundaries.

Territorial Policing

The First Nations Policing Program (FNPP), is administered by Public Safety Canada

“A First Nations self-administered policing agreement is an arrangement between Canada, the participating province or territory, and the First Nations community. In these arrangements, the First Nation develops, manages and administers its own police service under provincial legislation. Independent police commissions provide for the impartial and independent oversight of police operations, and the police chief is responsible for the management and administration of

the service.”¹ As of Feb 22, 2013, over 80% - or 528 of 617 – of the eligible First Nations communities are under the policing program.

Please check with your Band leaders to see if your community is currently participating in the program.

Please note that you might still have to find out exactly where the territorial policing boundaries are, but the website gives you contact information.

<http://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/cntrng-crm/plcng/brgnl-plcng/index-eng.aspx>

Keywords: First Nations Policing Program

On the website of Sécurité Publique Québec you can find information on the Aboriginal Nations Police Forces:

<http://www.securitepublique.gouv.qc.ca/en/police-prevention/15591.html>

Keywords: Sécurité Publique Québec, Aboriginal Nations Police Forces

Wikipedia offers a list of First Nation Police forces in Québec:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aboriginal_police_in_Canada

Keywords: Aboriginal Nations Police Forces Québec

You can locate Quebec Provincial Police detachments at:

<http://www.sq.gouv.qc.ca/english/contact-us/list-of-stations-and-districts-surete-du-quebec.jsp>

Keywords: surété du Québec list of stations and districts

You can locate RCMP Detachments in Quebec at

<http://www.rcmp-grc.gc.ca/qc/detach/detach-eng.htm>

Keywords: RCMP, Québec

Fire Protection Areas

Please note that you might still have to find out exactly where the boundaries are, but the website gives you contact information.

Quebec Fire Departments can be contacted for fire protection area information at

<http://www.firehall.com/departments.php?prov=qc>

On the website of the Aboriginal Fire Fighters Association of Canada you can find the contact information of regional representative for Québec:

<http://www.afac-acpi.ca/Quebec.html>

Keywords: Aboriginal Firefighters Association, Québec

¹Public Safety Canada. (2015). *Trends in Indigenous Policing. Models: An International Comparison*. Retrieved from <http://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/trnds-ndgns-plc-mdl/index-eng.aspx#a5>

Regional contact for Québec:

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 Phone: 1(418) 585 2293
 Fax: 1(418) 585 2294

Territorial Geological Organization

In Quebec see the Ressources naturelles et Faune. Under the category 'mines' you can find information regarding the geology of the land. Other categories include: energy, territory, and land survey.

<http://www.mrn.gouv.qc.ca/english/mines/geology/index.jsp>

Keywords: Québec, Ressources naturelles et Faune, geology

Geography - General

The Québec Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources has a maps/ plans section that may be helpful:

<http://www.mern.gouv.qc.ca/english/maps/>

Keywords: Québec Ministry of Energy and Natural Resources, maps, plans

Civil Emergency Measures Act

The National Emergency Management Plan of Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (AANDC) lists the roles and responsibilities of the department and its partners in emergency management. It furthermore describes the concept for operations for responding to and managing an emergency affecting First Nation communities across Canada. The Plan is available for download at:

<https://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1324572607784/1324572653216>

Keywords: AANDC, Emergency Management Plan

Quebec: Civil Protection Act

The legislation which covers disasters in Quebec is called the Civil Protection Act

http://www2.publicationsduquebec.gouv.qc.ca/dynamicSearch/telecharge.php?type=2&file=/S_2_3/S2_3_A.htm

There are a few definitions and legal requirements under the Act which are important to understand (note that this list is selected from a larger list and the text has, in some cases, been edited for length).

“major disaster” means an event caused by a natural phenomenon, a technological failure or an accident, whether or not resulting from human intervention, that causes serious harm to persons or substantial damage to property and requires unusual action on the part of the affected community, such as a flood, earthquake, ground movement, explosion, toxic emission or pandemic

“minor disaster” means an exceptional event of a nature similar to a major disaster, but which only affects the safety of one or of a few persons

“civil protection authorities” means local municipalities, authorities to which local municipalities have delegated their responsibility for civil protection and authorities which by law are responsible for civil protection in all or part of their territory ; and government bodies

“government bodies” means bodies a majority of whose members are appointed by the Government or a minister, whose personnel is by law appointed in accordance with the Public Service Act (chapter F-3.1.1) or whose capital forms part of the domain of the State

Thus, regional authorities are broadly defined to govern a variety of districts:

(16) Namely the regional county municipalities and the Kativik Regional Government must, in conjunction with the local municipalities that are part thereof and in compliance with the policies determined by the Minister, establish a civil protection plan determining reduced major disaster vulnerability objectives for their entire territory and the actions required to achieve those objectives. The cities of Gatineau, Laval, Lévis, Longueuil, Mirabel, Montréal and Québec and any other municipality that may be designated by the Minister, the Government or by law are considered to be regional authorities. Any other local municipality that is not part of a regional authority must make an agreement with a regional authority or a local authority that is part of a regional authority, whereby the territory of the local municipality will be considered for the purposes of this division to be part of the territory of that regional or local authority, or make an agreement with other municipalities that are also not part of a regional authority for the purpose of establishing a common civil protection plan. In the latter case, the agreement must designate one of the municipalities to act as a regional authority for the purposes of this division.

(17) All or part of the civil protection plan of a regional authority may be established jointly with other regional authorities, either to identify the major disaster risks to which their territories or the territories of local municipalities are exposed as well as the resources available, or to envisage an association of civil protection authorities.

Community History

Provincial archives are a great place to search for early history on your community – it may be a bit confusing to access information at first, so take some time to get orientated to each website.

Quebec Archives

<http://www.banq.qc.ca/accueil/>

Keywords: BanQ, Bibliothèque et archives nationales Québec, archive Québec

Community Information

Aboriginal Affairs Northern Development Canada (AANDC) has many resources available on their website. The Québec regional office has community profiles available of First Nation communities in Québec:

<http://www.aadnc-aandc.gc.ca/eng/1100100019325/1100100019335>

Keywords: AANDC, regional office, Québec, Aboriginal community profiles

Institut de la statistique Québec has a “View of Regions” section which may be helpful (in French only):

http://www.stat.gouv.qc.ca/statistiques/profils/region_00/region_00.htm

Keywords: Institut de la statistique Québec, statistiques et publications, region, MRC géographique

General Territorial Statistics

You can find statistics on Institut de la statistique du Québec’s website

http://www.stat.gouv.qc.ca/statistiques/population-demographie/index_an.html

Keywords: Institut de la statistique du Québec, statistics, population and demography

Vital Statistics

<http://www.etatcivil.gouv.qc.ca/en/default.html>

Keywords: vital statistics Québec

Supplemental Territorial Hazards Information

Forest and Wildfires

<http://cwfis.cfs.nrcan.gc.ca/home>

Keywords: NRCan, wildfire, forest fire, Canadian Wildland Fire Information System

Floods (community regions affected by possible flood)

<https://ec.gc.ca/eau-water/default.asp?lang=En&n=08D7890E-1>

Keywords: Environment Canada, floods