

République et Canton de Genève Département du territoire

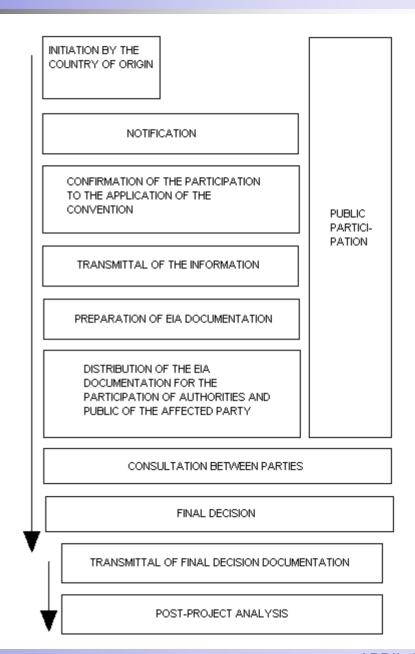
**Cantonal Environmental Impact Assessment Service** 

## ESP00 Convention

Application to the "opening up" of Chablais project



Stages of an assessment according to the Convention





#### French notification

10.26.2004 Informal notification by e-mail

The French Ministery for equipement, transport, land planning, tourism and sea contacts the Swiss Federal Office for the Environnement.

France informes Switzerland of the ongoing of a road building scheme in nearby France.

The French Ministery would like to know if Switzerland has already participated in ESPOO consultations and, if so, how.



#### French notification

12.02.2004 Formal notification

The French Ministery for equipement, transport, land planning, tourism and sea notifies formally the ongoing of a road building scheme in nearby France:

- Geneva State Counselor in charge of the environment
- The Swiss Federal Office for the Environnement
- The administration of the Canton of Valais



#### French notification

12.02.2004 Formal notification

The French Ministery's letter involves:

- The date for the French public participation (6 weeks, from 12.07.2004 to 01.25.2005)
- The scheme's descritption
- \* The French notification document
- The EIA documentation for the public participation

Geneva's answer is due for 12.20.2004



#### **Swiss decision**

01.14.2005 Geneva answers formally "YES"

The letter involves:

- The date for the Swiss public participation
- The place (office/address) where the file will be available for consultation
- The address where the remarks shall be sent
- The information that the Geneva State offices will be consulted

01.17.2005 The Swiss Federal Office answers formally "YES"



#### **Public and State offices consultation**

01.21.2005

File dispatch for consultation

The Geneva State offices consultation runs from

01.21.2005 to 02.18.2006 (4 weeks)

The **public consultation** runs from

01.19.2005 to 03.02.2005 (6 weeks)

The Cantonal EIA Service then summerizes the different observations in a report and addresses it to the French Ministery.

Deadline: 03.25.2005



#### **Geneva State offices consultation**

01.21.2005

File dispatch for consultation

The following fields are concerned:

- **X** Traffic
- Nature, forest and landscape
- Water
- \* Security
- Air pollution
- Noise pollution
- \* State Departement for economy
- \* State Departement for land planning



#### **Observations**

Public None

State offices

- Competition risk between traffic infrastructures and collective transportation offers that could lead to:
  - Public transportation utilization decrease
  - Important traffic increase
  - Air and noise pollution increase
- By land fragmentation, risk of harming:
  - Fauna corridors conservation
  - Watercourse and wetlands protection



#### **Observations**

### Swiss Federal Office for the Environment

- Provide a good permeability to fauna, using :
  - "Wildlife and traffic : a european handbook for identifying conflicts and designing solutions" (European reserch project COST 341)
- Plan impact minimization measures to allow:
  - To maintain the hydric rate of the watercourses
  - Ecological system conservation



#### Introduction

03.16.2006

Sending of Genevan and Federal observations

Geneva would be very favorable to the implementation of art. 7 ESPOO Convention, namely:

#### **POST-PROJECT ANALYSIS**

including, in particular:



The surveillance of the activity and the determination of any adverse transboundary impact, so as to

 Verifiy past predictions in order to transfer experience to future activities of the same type



# Thank you for your attention