

POLICY RESPONSES AND PUBLIC RESISTANCE TO HYDRAULIC FRACTURING AND WIND ENERGY

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A tale of two provinces



Hydraulic Fracturing and Wind Siting in Canada

| | NB | ON |
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| Pro-development mandate |  |  |
| Expert-led policy learning |  |  |
| Rapid public mobilization |  |  |
| Health risk frame |  |  |
| Policy overturned |  |  |

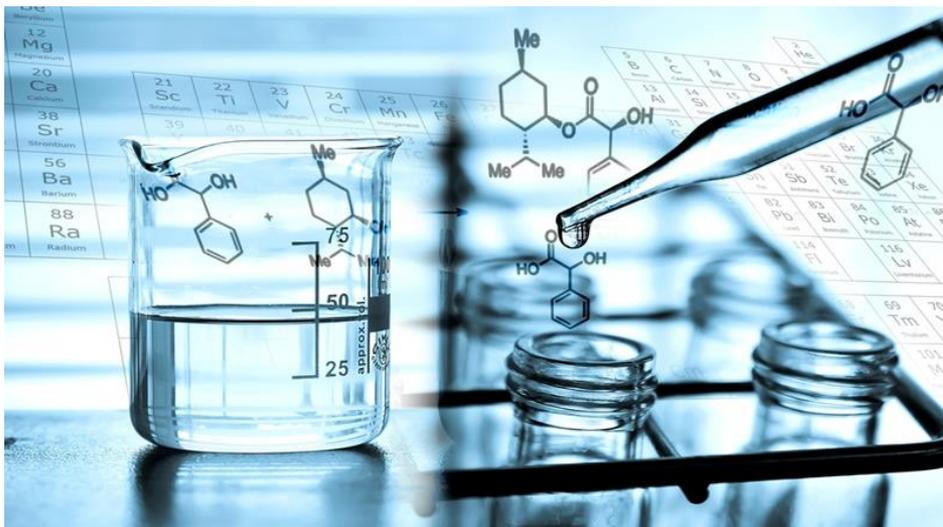
Key Themes I

Historical grievances and political distrust among affected communities can exacerbate **risk perception**, leading to rapid public mobilization



Key Themes II

Policy expertise does not necessarily translate into learning about **political feasibility**



Research Opportunities

- ✓ Relationship of policy design, framing and risk perception
- ✓ How do policy elites learn about political feasibility?
- ✓ How do governments, industry, and voluntary sector build capacity in citizen dialogue and engagement?

THANK YOU!



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