**Built Environment Work Group** 

## PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS



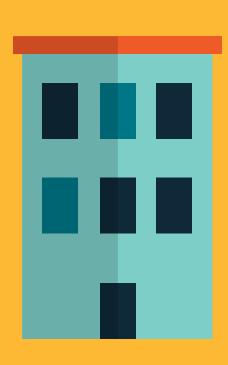
What is an EA?

EAs predict environmental effects of proposed initiatives before being carried out. This process is used to minimize adverse environmental effects before they occur and influence decision-making.

EAs consider factors concerning the natural environment, economic, social, cultural and technical environment.

50%

OF PUBLIC HEALTH UNIT STAFF
ARE "NOT FAMILIAR" WITH
INDIVIDUAL EA



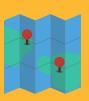
## STRENGTHENING PUBLIC HEALTH INVOLVEMENT IN EAS

- INTERNAL CAPACITY BUILDING
- KNOWLEDGE BUILDING (E.G.DEVELOP WEBINARS)
- UPSTREAM INTEGRATION
   OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN THE
   EA PROCESS









PUBLIC HEALTH UNITS CURRENTLY CONTRIBUTE IN AREAS SUCH AS:

1. IMPACTS TO AIR QUALITY (87%)
2. IMPACTS TO COMMUNITY SAFETY/INJURY PREVENTION (87%)
3. IMPACTS TO TRAVEL (ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION) (80%)
4. IMPACTS TO WATER & SOIL QUALITY (73%)
5. CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS (73%)

54%

54% OF RESPONDENTS PARTICIPATE IN THE EA PROCESS



20% OF THIS GROUP VERY REGULARLY PARTICIPATE IN EAs

