

1. World Heritage Property Data

1.1 - Name of World Heritage Property

Nahanni National Park

1.2 - World Heritage Property Details

State(s) Party(ies)

- Canada

Type of Property

natural

Identification Number

24


Year of inscription on the World Heritage List

1978

1.3 - Geographic Information Table

Name	Coordinates (latitude/longitude)	Property (ha)	Buffer zone (ha)	Total (ha)	Inscription year
Nahanni National Park	61.547 / -125.589	476560	0	476560	1978
Total (ha)		476560	0	476560	

1.4 - Map(s)

Title	Date	Link to source
Nahanni National Park - Map of the inscribed property	09/05/1978	

1.5 - Governmental Institution Responsible for the Property

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Comment

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1.6 - Property Manager / Coordinator, Local Institution / Agency

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Comment

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1.7 - Web Address of the Property (if existing)

1. [Nahanni National Park Reserve \(Parks Canada\)](#)
2. [World Heritage in Canada \(Parks Canada\)](#)
3. [Natural site datasheet from WCMC](#)
4. [Report on the State of Conservation \(Parks Canada\)](#)

Comment

The following is the direct website of Nahanni National Park Reserve <http://www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/nt/nahanni/index.aspx> Please REMOVE #4, Report on the State of Conservation

1.8 - Other designations / Conventions under which the property is protected (if applicable)

Comment

2. Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

2.1 - Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Statement of Significance

Nahanni National Park is a 4,700 sq. km. undisturbed natural area of deep river canyons cutting through mountain ranges, with huge waterfalls and complex cave systems. The geomorphology of the park is outstanding in its wealth of form and complexity of evolution. Fluvial processes and features predominate. Within the park are examples of almost every distinct category of river or stream that is known along with one of North America's huge waterfalls, Virginia Falls. The Flat and South Nahanni rivers are older than the mountains they dissect and have produced the finest examples of river canyons in the world, north of 60°. The injection of igneous rock through tectonic activity has resulted in spectacular granitic peaks.

Criteria

(vii) The Nahanni River is one of the most spectacular wild rivers in North America, with deep canyons, huge waterfalls, and spectacular karst terrain, cave systems and hot springs. Exposure of geologic and geomorphologic features includes the meanders of ancient rivers, now raised high above present river levels.

(viii) In Nahanni National Park, there is exceptional representation of on-going geological processes, notably fluvial erosion, tectonic uplift, folding and canyon development, wind erosion, karst and pseudo-karst landforms, and a variety of hot springs. The major geologic and geomorphologic features provide a combination of geological processes that are globally unique.

Comment

Nahanni National Park World Heritage Site is 4,700 sq km. Nahanni National Park in its entirety is 30,000 sq km. Virginia Falls is one of Canada's largest not "huge".

2.2 - The criteria (2005 revised version) under which the property was inscribed

(vii)(viii)

2.3 - Attributes expressing the Outstanding Universal Value per criterion

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rock through tectonic activity has resulted in spectacular granitic peaks.

2.4 - If needed, please provide details of why the Statement of Outstanding Universal Value should be revised

2.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to Statement of Outstanding Universal Value

Canada is currently finalizing Retrospective Statements of Outstanding Universal Value for 13 of its World Heritage sites. Pending Committee approval, these will be used for the next Periodic Report.

3. Factors Affecting the Property

3.14. Other factor(s)

3.14.1 - Other factor(s)

3.15. Factors Summary Table

3.15.1 - Factors summary table

	Name	Impact	Origin			
3.1	Buildings and Development					
3.1.3	Industrial areas					
3.4	Pollution					
3.4.3	Surface water pollution					
3.4.5	Solid waste					
3.5	Biological resource use/modification					
3.5.7	Subsistence wild plant collection					
3.5.9	Subsistence hunting					
3.6	Physical resource extraction					
3.6.1	Mining					
3.7	Local conditions affecting physical fabric					
3.7.1	Wind					
3.7.2	Relative humidity					
3.7.3	Temperature					
3.7.6	Water (rain/water table)					
3.7.7	Pests					
3.7.8	Micro-organisms					
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.2	Society's valuing of heritage					
3.8.3	Indigenous hunting, gathering and collecting					
3.8.4	Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system					
3.8.5	Identity, social cohesion, changes in local population and community					
3.10	Climate change and severe weather events					
3.10.2	Flooding					
3.10.3	Drought					
3.10.6	Temperature change					
3.10.7	Other climate change impacts					
3.11	Sudden ecological or geological events					
3.11.2	Earthquake					
3.11.4	Avalanche/ landslide					
3.11.5	Erosion and siltation/ deposition					
3.12	Invasive/alien species or hyper-abundant species					
3.12.2	Invasive/alien terrestrial species					
3.13	Management and institutional factors					
3.13.3	Management activities					
Legend	Current	Potential	Negative	Positive	Inside	Outside

3.16. Assessment of current negative factors

3.16.1 - Assessment of current negative factors

	Spatial scale	Temporal scale	Impact	Management response	Trend	
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.4	Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system	localised	on-going	significant	medium capacity	static

3.17. Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to factors affecting the property

3.17.1 - Comments

no comments

4. Protection, Management and Monitoring of the Property

4.1. Boundaries and Buffer Zones

4.1.1 - Buffer zone status

There is **no buffer zone**, and it is not needed

4.1.2 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are **adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.1.3 - Are the buffer zone(s) of the World Heritage property adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value?

The property had **no buffer zone** at the time of its inscription on the World Heritage List

4.1.4 - Are the boundaries of the World Heritage property known?

The boundaries of the World Heritage property are known by both the management authority and local residents / communities / landowners.

4.1.5 - Are the buffer zones of the World Heritage property known?

The property had **no buffer zone** at the time of its inscription on the World Heritage List

4.1.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to boundaries and buffer zones of the World Heritage property

4.2. Protective Measures

4.2.1 - Protective designation (legal, regulatory, contractual, planning, institutional and / or traditional)

Nahanni National Park Reserve is managed under the authority of the Canada National Parks Act and the Parks Canada Agency Act, in addition to Parks Canada's Guiding Principles and Operational Policies. The property is a national park reserve. A national park reserve is a national park that is pending settlement of outstanding Aboriginal title in the region. Its status as a park reserve provides for the continuation of traditional use by local Aboriginal people in the park. Regulation:

Canada National Parks Act and Regulations (2000)

Parks Canada Agency Act (1998)

Parks Canada's Guiding Principles and Operational Policies

Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act (1998)

Species At Risk Act (2002)

Fisheries Act (1985)

Migratory Birds Convention Act (1994)

The Canada National Parks Act (2000) requires that "the maintenance or restoration of ecological integrity, through the protection of natural resources and natural processes, shall be the first priority of the Minister when considering all aspects of the management of parks."

The Parks Canada Agency Act (1998) established an Agency "for the purpose of ensuring that Canada's national parks, national historic sites and related heritage areas are protected and represented for this and future generations and in order to further the achievement of the national interest as it is related to those parks, sites and heritage areas and related programs."

4.2.2 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides an **adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.3 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the maintenance of the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity of the World Heritage property provides an **adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection

4.2.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) adequate in the area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone for maintaining the Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Integrity and / or Authenticity of the property?

The legal framework for the area surrounding the World Heritage property and the buffer zone provides an **adequate or better basis** for effective management and protection of the property, contributing to the maintenance of its Outstanding Universal Value including conditions of Authenticity and / or Integrity

4.2.5 - Can the legislative framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulation) be enforced?

There is **acceptable** capacity / resources to enforce legislation and / or regulation in the World Heritage property but some deficiencies remain

4.2.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to protective measures

4.3. Management System / Management Plan

4.3.1 - Management System

Nahanni National Park Reserve is managed through a local administrative and operational office in Fort Simpson, NT, and along with Wood Buffalo National Park and several national historic sites, is part of the Southwest Northwest Territories Field Unit of Parks Canada. The Park Superintendent reports to the Field Unit Superintendent, based in Fort Smith, NT. Nahanni National Park Reserve is also a participant in the Deh Cho Process, the negotiations between Canada and the Deh Cho First Nations with respect to governance, lands and


resource management in the Deh Cho region of NT. As part of this process, Parks Canada and the Deh Cho First Nations have developed an Interim Park Management Arrangement, which will see a greater role in park management for the local Aboriginal people. The signing of this document by the Minister of Canadian Heritage and the Grand Chief of the Deh Cho First Nations was announced in August 2003. Parks Canada and the Deh Cho First Nations have also signed a second MOU to work together to expand Nahanni within the Greater Nahanni Ecosystem.

Management plans are required under the Canada National Parks Act. The first Nahanni National Park Reserve Management Plan was completed in 1987, and amendments to the management plan were approved in 1994. A new park management plan was completed in cooperation with the Deh Cho First Nations, receiving Ministerial approval in April, 2004. Nahanni National Park Reserve is managed to maintain the park's ecological integrity, and to provide a high quality wilderness experience for Canadians and international visitors. The water quality of the South Nahanni River watershed has long been considered a key measure of the park reserve's ecological integrity and health. Few facilities exist in the park; those at high use areas are provided with the intent of minimizing environmental impact and ensuring public safety. Motorized travel on the river corridor is prohibited, except for traditional Aboriginal harvest and park operations. Aircraft access is permitted at two designated sites, Virginia Falls (Nailicho) and Rabbitkettle Lake; a system of zoning is used to manage visitor use and protect environmentally sensitive areas. Highlights of the new plan include maintenance of the park's ecological integrity and wilderness character, including the establishment of designated wilderness areas, and recognition of its status as a World Heritage Site, and as a Canadian Heritage River. Working in cooperation with the Deh Cho First Nations towards achieving an ecologically sustainable boundary for the park is central to the plan. Education and interpretation, including on-site programs by local Aboriginal youth, are given high profile in the plan. The new plan will be made available at the following URL: www.pc.gc.ca/nahanni.

Comment

Nahanni National Park Reserve was expanded in 2009 to 30,000 sq kms and is protected by the National Parks Act. A 2nd national park was announced 2012 at 4,820 sq kms in the Sahtu that protects even more of the greater Nahanni ecosystem. New Nahanni Park Management Plan approved 2010. Park is cooperatively managed with the Dehcho First Nations. Aircraft access has increased around the WHS designated area with the addition of 5 new designated landing sites in the 30,000 sq km of expanded park.

4.3.2 - Management Documents

Title	Status	Available	Date	Link to source
Nahanni National Park Reserve of Canada. Nah?a Dehé. Management Plan	N/A	Available	01/01/2004	

Comment

A new Park Management Plan was completed in cooperation with Dehcho First Nations and given Ministerial approval during 2010, replacing the 2004 Park Management Plan. <http://www.pc.gc.ca/pn-np/nt/nahanni/plan/plan2.aspx>

4.3.3 - How well do the various levels of administration (i.e. national / federal; regional / provincial / state; local /

municipal etc.) coordinate in the management of the World Heritage Property ?

There is **excellent coordination** between all bodies / levels involved in the management of the property

4.3.4 - Is the management system / plan adequate to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value ?

The management system / plan is **fully adequate** to maintain the property's Outstanding Universal Value

4.3.5 - Is the management system being implemented?

The management system is being **fully** implemented and monitored

4.3.6 - Is there an annual work / action plan and is it being implemented?

An annual work / action plan exists and **most or all activities** are being implemented and monitored

4.3.7 - Please rate the cooperation / relationship with World Heritage property managers / coordinators / staff of the following

Local communities / residents	Good
Local / Municipal authorities	Good
Indigenous peoples	Good
Landowners	Good
Visitors	Good
Researchers	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Industry	Good

4.3.8 - If present, do local communities resident in or near the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Local communities directly **participate** in all relevant decisions relating to management, i.e. co-management

4.3.9 - If present, do indigenous peoples resident in or regularly using the World Heritage property and / or buffer zone have input in management decisions that maintain the Outstanding Universal Value?

Indigenous peoples directly participate in **all relevant** decisions relating to management, i.e. co-management

4.3.10 - Is there cooperation with industry (i.e. forestry, mining, agriculture, etc.) regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone?

There is contact but only **some cooperation** with industry regarding the management of the World Heritage property, buffer zone and / or area surrounding the World Heritage property and buffer zone

4.3.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

4.3.12 - Please report any significant changes in the legal status and / or contractual / traditional protective measures and management arrangements for the World

Heritage property since inscription or the last Periodic report

4.4. Financial and Human Resources

4.4.1 - Costs related to conservation, based on the average of last five years (relative percentage of the funding sources)

Multilateral funding (GEF, World Bank, etc)	0%
International donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Governmental (National / Federal)	92%
Governmental (Regional / Provincial / State)	2%
Governmental (Local / Municipal)	0%
In country donations (NGO's, foundations, etc)	0%
Individual visitor charges (e.g. entry, parking, camping fees, etc.)	5%
Commercial operator payments (e.g. filming permit, concessions, etc.)	1%
Other grants	0%

4.4.2 - International Assistance received from the World Heritage Fund (USD)

Comment

No Funding received from World Heritage Fund

4.4.3 - Is the current budget sufficient to manage the World Heritage property effectively?

The available budget is **sufficient** but further funding would enable more effective management to international best practice standard

4.4.4 - Are the existing sources of funding secure and likely to remain so?

The existing sources of funding **are secure** in the medium-term and planning is underway to secure funding in the long-term

4.4.5 - Does the World Heritage property provide economic benefits to local communities (e.g. income, employment)?

There is a **major flow** of economic benefits to local communities from activities in and around the World Heritage property

4.4.6 - Are available resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure sufficient to meet management needs?

There are **adequate** equipment and facilities

4.4.7 - Are resources such as equipment, facilities and infrastructure adequately maintained?

Equipment and facilities are **well maintained**

4.4.8 - Comments, conclusion, and / or recommendations related to finance and infrastructure

4.4.9 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Full-time	100%
Part-time	0%

4.4.10 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Permanent	37%
Seasonal	63%

4.4.11 - Distribution of employees involved in managing the World Heritage property (% of total)

Paid	100%
Volunteer	0%

4.4.12 - Are available human resources adequate to manage the World Heritage property?

Human resources are **adequate** for management needs

4.4.13 - Considering the management needs of the World Heritage property, please rate the availability of professionals in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	Fair
Promotion	Fair
Community outreach	Fair
Interpretation	Fair
Education	Fair
Visitor management	Fair
Conservation	Fair
Administration	Fair
Risk preparedness	Fair
Tourism	Fair
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Fair

4.4.14 - Please rate the availability of training opportunities for the management of the World Heritage property in the following disciplines

Research and monitoring	High
Promotion	High
Community outreach	High
Interpretation	High
Education	High
Visitor management	High
Conservation	High
Administration	High
Risk preparedness	High
Tourism	High
Enforcement (custodians, police)	High

4.4.15 - Do the management and conservation programmes at the World Heritage property help develop local expertise?

A capacity development plan or programme is **in place and fully implemented**; all technical skills are being transferred to those managing the property locally, who are assuming leadership in management

4.4.16 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to human resources, expertise and training

4.5. Scientific Studies and Research Projects

4.5.1 - Is there adequate knowledge (scientific or traditional) about the values of the World Heritage property to support planning, management and decision-

making to ensure that Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Knowledge about the values of the World Heritage property is sufficient

4.5.2 - Is there a planned programme of research at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive, integrated programme of research**, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.5.3 - Are results from research programmes disseminated?

Research results are **shared widely** with the local, national and international audiences

4.5.4 - Please provide details (i.e. authors, title, and web link) of papers published about the World Heritage property since the last Periodic Report

4.5.5 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to scientific studies and research projects

4.6. Education, Information and Awareness Building

4.6.1 - At how many locations is the World Heritage emblem displayed at the property?

In **many locations and easily visible** to visitors

4.6.2 - Please rate the awareness and understanding of the existence and justification for inscription of the World Heritage property amongst the following groups

Local communities / residents	Excellent
Local / Municipal authorities within or adjacent to the property	Excellent
Local Indigenous peoples	Excellent
Local landowners	Excellent
Visitors	Excellent
Tourism industry	Excellent
Local businesses and industries	Excellent

4.6.3 - Is there a planned education and awareness programme linked to the values and management of the World Heritage property?

There is a **planned and effective** education and awareness programme that contributes to the protection of the World Heritage property

4.6.4 - What role, if any, has designation as a World Heritage property played with respect to education, information and awareness building activities?

World Heritage status has been an **important influence** on education, information and awareness building activities

4.6.5 - How well is the information on Outstanding Universal Value of the property presented and interpreted?

There is **excellent presentation and interpretation** of the Outstanding Universal Value of the property

4.6.6 - Please rate the adequacy for education, information and awareness building of the following visitor facilities and services at the World Heritage property

Visitor centre	Adequate
Site museum	Adequate
Information booths	Excellent
Guided tours	Excellent
Trails / routes	Not needed
Information materials	Excellent
Transportation facilities	Adequate
Other	Adequate

4.6.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to education, information and awareness building

Building partnerships, creating networks and using social media are excellent tools in the provision of education and awareness of the World Heritage property.

4.7. Visitor Management

4.7.1 - Please provide the trend in annual visitation for the last five years

Last year	Static
Two years ago	Static
Three years ago	Static
Four years ago	Static
Five years ago	Static

4.7.2 - What information sources are used to collect trend data on visitor statistics?

Entry tickets and registries
Transportation services
Tourism industry
Visitor surveys
Other

4.7.3 - Visitor management documents

Comment

The 2010 Park Management Plan addresses visitation plans.

4.7.4 - Is there an appropriate visitor use management plan (e.g. specific plan) for the World Heritage property which ensures that its Outstanding Universal Value is maintained?

Visitor use of the World Heritage property is **effectively managed** and does not impact its Outstanding Universal Value

4.7.5 - Does the tourism industry contribute to improving visitor experiences and maintaining the values of the World Heritage property?

There is **excellent co-operation** between those responsible for the World Heritage property and the tourism industry to present the Outstanding Universal Value and increase appreciation

4.7.6 - If fees (i.e. entry charges, permits) are collected, do they contribute to the management of the World Heritage property?

The fee is collected, and makes **some contribution** to the management of the World Heritage property

4.7.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to visitor use of the World Heritage property

4.8. Monitoring

4.8.1 - Is there a monitoring programme at the property which is directed towards management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value?

There is a **comprehensive, integrated programme** of monitoring, which is relevant to management needs and / or improving understanding of Outstanding Universal Value

4.8.2 - Are key indicators for measuring the state of conservation used to monitor how the Outstanding Universal Value of the property is maintained?

Information on the values of the World Heritage property is **sufficient** for defining and monitoring key indicators for measuring its state of conservation

4.8.3 - Please rate the level of involvement in monitoring of the following groups

World Heritage managers / coordinators and staff	Average
Local / Municipal authorities	Average
Local communities	Average
Researchers	Excellent
NGOs	Average
Industry	Not applicable
Local indigenous peoples	Excellent

4.8.4 - Has the State Party implemented relevant recommendations arising from the World Heritage Committee?

Implementation is **complete**

4.8.5 - Please provide comments relevant to the implementation of recommendations from the World Heritage Committee

The expansion of Nahanni was completed in 2009 and the establishment of Naats'ihch'oh was announced in 2012, with legislation to follow. The expanded Nahanni protects the Ram Plateau and between both of the parks, the majority of the South Nahanni watershed.

4.8.6 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to monitoring

4.9. Identification of Priority Management Needs

4.9.1 - Please select the top 6 managements needs for the property (if more than 6 are listed below)

Please refer to question 5.2

5. Summary and Conclusions

5.1. Summary - Factors affecting the Property

5.1.1 - Summary - Factors affecting the Property

	World Heritage criteria and attributes affected	Actions	Monitoring	Timeframe	Lead agency (and others involved)	More info / comment
3.8	Social/cultural uses of heritage					
3.8.4	Changes in traditional ways of life and knowledge system	Both criteria (vii) and (viii): the Nahanni River and its deep canyons, huge waterfalls, and spectacular karst terrain, cave systems and hot springs.	Traditional use of the land is dropping in the Aboriginal community and as elders pass away a vast library of knowledge and stories of the land is lost with them. The park is working with Aboriginal communities to build closer relations.	Tracking numbers of trappers, hunters and traditional activities underway within the park. Working with communities and elders to share and record traditional knowledge and stories.	Ongoing	Parks Canada and Aboriginal partners

5.2. Summary - Management Needs

5.2.2 - Summary - Management Needs

Answers provided have not outlined any serious management need.

5.3. Conclusions on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.3.1 - Current state of Authenticity

Not applicable (for sites inscribed exclusively under criteria vii to x)

5.3.2 - Current state of Integrity

The integrity of the World Heritage property is intact

5.3.3 - Current state of the World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value

The World Heritage property's Outstanding Universal Value has been maintained.

5.3.4 - Current state of the property's other values

Other important cultural and / or natural values and the state of conservation of the World Heritage property are predominantly intact

5.4. Additional comments on the State of Conservation of the Property

5.4.1 - Comments

6. World Heritage Status and Conclusions on Periodic Reporting Exercise

6.1 - Please rate the impacts of World Heritage status of the property in relation to the following areas

Conservation	Very positive
Research and monitoring	Very positive
Management effectiveness	Very positive
Quality of life for local communities and indigenous peoples	Very positive
Recognition	Positive
Education	Positive
Infrastructure development	Positive
Funding for the property	No impact
International cooperation	Positive
Political support for conservation	Very positive
Legal / Policy framework	Very positive
Lobbying	Positive
Institutional coordination	Positive
Security	No impact
Other (please specify)	No impact

6.2 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to World Heritage status

6.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of this Section of the Periodic Report

Governmental institution responsible for the property
Site Manager/Coordinator/World Heritage property staff
Staff from other World Heritage properties

6.4 - Was the Periodic Reporting questionnaire easy to use and clearly understandable?

yes

6.5 - Please provide suggestions for improvement of the Periodic Reporting questionnaire

6.6 - Please rate the level of support for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire from the following entities

UNESCO	Good
State Party Representative	Very good
Advisory Body	Very poor

6.7 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?

Most of the required information was accessible

6.8 - The Periodic Reporting process has improved the understanding of the following

The World Heritage Convention
The concept of Outstanding Universal Value
The property's Outstanding Universal Value
The property's Integrity and / or Authenticity
Managing the property to maintain the Outstanding Universal Value
Management effectiveness

6.9 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

UNESCO	Satisfactory
State Party	Excellent
Site Managers	Excellent
Advisory Bodies	Not Applicable

6.10 - Summary of actions that will require formal consideration by the World Heritage Committee

• Statement of Outstanding Universal Value / Statement of Significance

Reason for update: Nahanni National Park World Heritage Site is 4,700 sq km. Nahanni National Park in its entirety is 30,000 sq km. Virginia Falls is one of Canada's largest not "huge".

6.11 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to the Assessment of the Periodic Reporting exercise