

Environment and Climate Change

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Bernard Davis, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, has announced the following relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the **Environmental Protection Act**.

ENVIRONMENTAL PREVIEW REPORT SUBMITTED:

Deer Lake Dairy Secondary Processing Facility (Reg. 2203)
Proponent: The Real Dairy Company of Newfoundland Ltd.

The proponent has submitted an environmental preview report (EPR) for the above undertaking as required by the minister. The EPR document is available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at <https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project-2203/>

Public comments regarding the EPR are welcome and may be emailed to the Chair of the Environmental Assessment Committee, Paul Carter, at pcarter@gov.nl.ca, or to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca or they may be mailed to the address below.

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Public comments must be received by March 29, 2023. The minister's decision on the EPR is due by April 8, 2023.

UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Steady Brook Residence (Reg. 2231)
Proponent: Kimberley Madore

The Project is released subject to the following conditions:

- The proponent must uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the Project on the environment.
- The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture requires the following:
 - No vegetation clearing is to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and within 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Great-horned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern

Saw-whet Owl). The location of all raptor nest sites must be reported to the Wildlife Division.

- The proposed site borders the Humber River, which is a scheduled salmon river. Considering that the Project is for the development of a single family residential home within the municipality of Steady Brook, a minimum 30-metre undisturbed riparian buffer zone must be established along the Humber River, from the high water mark. No land use activities involving grubbing, ground or soil disturbance, or timber harvesting activities should take place in this zone. The buffer is required to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their habitat.
- The proponent must update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the Project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the Project, one year from the date of this release letter and provide additional updates if required.

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Environmental assessment information is available at:

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https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/GUIDE-TO-THE-PROCESS_Jan-2023.pdf

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If you submit comments on a project that is under environmental assessment, please advise the Department if you DO NOT wish to share your comments with the project proponent.

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