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Registration 1633

Mr. John Gushue
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Dear Mr. Gushue:

RE: Nine Island Pond RV Park Resort

Your proposal has been reviewed and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public and government agencies as required by the *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that this undertaking is released from further environmental assessment.

The Crown land application # 138498 pertaining to this undertaking is currently under review. A decision on this application will be made pending the review of this environmental assessment. No activity or land clearing is to take place until the Lands Branch has issued the crown land title pursuant to the *Lands Act*. Further information on the crown land application is available from Crown Lands - Eastern Regional Lands Office at (709) 729-2654.

Please be advised that you must apply for a non-domestic drilled well permit under Section 58 of the *Water Resources Act* for the proposed drilled well(s). If the well already exists, the Groundwater Section recommends that a short-term pump test (6 to 24 hours) be performed by a certified water-well driller in order to evaluate whether or not there is an adequate supply of drinking water for the needs of the Park. Additionally, chemical and bacteriological samples are needed to evaluate water quality. Please contact Ms. Dorthea Hanchar, Manager, Groundwater Section at (709) 729-2539. You must also obtain a Water Use License from this Division for the non-domestic use of water. Please contact Dr. Abdel Razek-Abdel Zaher, Manager, Water Rights Section at (709) 729-4795.

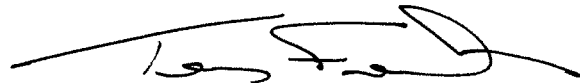
The proposal states that you will maintain a minimum 15 metre undisturbed buffer between the RV Park and Nine Island Pond South. A permit is required under Section 48 of the *Water Resources Act* for any alterations to a body of water including stream crossings, storm drainage or development activities within the 15 metre buffer areas that have the potential to impact water quality or quantity. It is recommended that these buffers be located by a surveyor in the field prior to the start of alteration/development and flagged to indicate a "No Construction" zone. Please contact Mr. Clyde McLean, Manager, Water Investigations Section (709) 729-5713. Any effluent or runoff leaving the site will be required to conform to the requirements of the *Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations, 2003*.

You are required to contact Service NL, Government Service Centre at St. John's for a list of stipulations regarding waste management and other activities of concern. Please contact Mr. Kevin King, Manager of Operations, (709) 729-2008.

You may proceed with the undertaking described in your registration document, subject to any other act or regulation. You are obliged to inform this Department of any significant changes to your project. A summary of comments from the reviewing agencies received during the review period is attached to provide an indication of applicable permits, approvals, and legislation. Please note that the list of permits and approvals in the comment summary attached may not be complete, and that you are required to comply with all relevant legislation.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Mr. Bas Cleary, Director, Environmental Assessment Division at 729-0673, email: clearyb@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Terry French', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the left.

TERRY FRENCH, M.H.A
Conception Bay South
Minister

Attachment