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Mr. Brad Watkins
Ms. Joy Barker
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Dear Mr. Watkins and Ms. Barker:

RE: Indian River RV Park – Amendment to Minister’s Decision

On April 30, 2021, you submitted a request to amend a condition of the Minister’s release decision of May 17, 2019, for the Indian River RV Park, EA Registration # 2013. A copy of the Minister’s decision letter is attached. In your submission, you requested that the release condition requiring you to maintain a 50-metre naturally vegetated buffer, including trees, along Indian River be reduced to a requirement to maintain a 10-metre naturally vegetated buffer along Indian River. An interdepartmental screening committee has reviewed your amendment request and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by the Newfoundland and Labrador *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2 (the *Act*). Please be advised that the Minister’s decision of May 17, 2019, to release the Indian River RV Park from further environmental assessment subject to conditions, has been amended as follows, in accordance with section 76 of the *Act*.

- For all proposed new development, a minimum 15-metre naturally vegetated riparian buffer zone from the high water mark shall be maintained along Indian River. You must ensure:
 - There is no disturbance of soil or vegetation between each site;
 - All construction must be completed at the same time and planting rehabilitation on disturbed ground must commence as soon as construction ends;
 - Once the sites are developed, additional land disruption is not permitted; and
 - The park is based on nature and promotes the growth of vegetation and planting trees, grass and flowers to preserve its beauty and to help prevent erosion of the riverbanks and silt running into the river.

- A minimum 30-metre naturally vegetated buffer is to be maintained along all other waterbodies and wetlands to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species, and their habitat.
- The proponent must avoid land clearing activities during the breeding, nesting, and rearing periods for migratory birds (April 15th to August 15th).

The remaining regulatory, permitting and mitigative advice included in the Minister's letter of May 17, 2019, remains in effect.

Although the undertaking, as proposed, is released from further environmental assessment, it is still subject to other legislative requirements. A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the review of the amendment request are attached to provide an indication of likely applicable permits, approvals and legislative requirements. I will also refer you to the comments issued to you during the registration review. You must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You are required to inform this Department of any proposed significant changes to the undertaking.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Ms. Joanne Sweeney, Director, Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'J. Davis', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

HON. BERNARD DAVIS, MHA
District of Virginia Waters - Pleasantville
Minister

Attachment

cc: Brian Warr, MHA Baie Verte - Green Bay
Lands Branch - Central Region
Wildlife Division