

Environment and Climate Change

April 14, 2022

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Deer Lake Municipal RV Park and Campground Proponent: Deer Lake Park Limited

(Reg. 2194)

The proponent proposes to expand the existing municipal RV park and campground located within the Town of Deer Lake. Park expansion would include development of a 3.6 hectare section within the existing park; the addition of a 9.7 hectare parcel of land adjacent to the park; and, the 10.1 hectare island at the mouth of the Humber River. Accommodations would include RV sites, tenting lots, cabins, geodesic domes and treehouses. Work would include tree clearing, installation of infrastructure for electrical and water and sewer services, and the construction of access roads and a suspension bridge to the island. The work would be completed in phases between 2022 and 2026. A description of the project can be found on the department's webpage at <https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/env-assessment/projects-list/>.

The undertaking was registered on April 13, 2022; the deadline for public comment is May 19, 2022; and the minister's decision is due by May 28, 2022.

Middle Brook Fishway Refurbishment Proponent: Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada

(Reg. 2195)

The proponent proposes to refurbish an existing fishway located in Middle Brook at Gambo to enable the continued operation of the fishway and migration of salmon upstream to spawning grounds. Construction activities would include the installation of new water control structures, refurbishment of existing uplands, replacement of the damaged fishway weir wall, and replacement of the existing concrete stop log sill. A description of the project can be found on the department's webpage at <https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/env-assessment/projects-list/>.

The undertaking was registered on April 13, 2022; the deadline for public comment is May 19, 2022; and the minister's decision is due by May 28, 2022.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED:

St. Lewis River Atlantic Salmon Habitat Enhancement Project Proponent: Atlantic Rivers Outfitting Company

(Reg. 2032)

The minister has advised the proponent that an environmental impact statement (EIS) is required for the project. Additional information is needed to inform the minister of the following, including, but not limited to: the purpose and rationale for the project; potential effects on existing upstream species and habitat; a quantitative evaluation of salmon and other species; fishway design details; plans for long-term monitoring, maintenance, and contingencies including financial considerations; and, the location of human receptors and potential effects on traditional land use and resource activities. An Environmental Assessment Committee (EAC) will be appointed to provide scientific and technical advice to the minister and to draft guidelines for the proponent to assist with the preparation of the EIS. The public will be invited to comment on the draft guidelines. For further information on this project, please contact Brenda Rowe at (709) 729-2553 or email browe@gov.nl.ca.

UNDERTAKINGS WITHDRAWN:

Come By Chance Refinery Delayed Coker Project
Proponent: NARL FUELS LP (Reg. 2037)

Come by Chance Refinery Crude Efficiency and Flexibility Project
Proponent: NARL Refining Limited (Reg. 2042)

Learn more

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Public comments may be forwarded to: EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca

Environmental assessment information is available at:

<https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/env-assessment/>

https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/GUIDE-TO-THE-PROCESS_Dec2021

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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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