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 events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

PLAN APPROVED:

Port Kirwan Sheep Abattoir Proponent: Aylward's Farm

(Reg. 2165)

On June 8, 2022, the minister approved the waste management plan for the Port Kirwan Sheep Abattoir. Approval of the plan is a condition of release from environmental assessment. The plan is available on the Department's project web page at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project-2165/.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

Tors Cove Seal Processing Plant Proponent: Ár n-oileán Resources Ltd.

(Reg. 2156)

The project is released subject to the following conditions:

- The proponent is required to uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submissions to mitigate the effects of the project on the environment.
- The proponent is required to establish a Community Liaison Committee with residents of Tors Cove.
- To support the operation of the undertaking, the proponent is required to repair the Tors Cove Pond water line by reducing the flow to less than 1 million gallons per year plus fire hydrant requirements.
- The proponent is required to update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required by law for the project, within one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates, if requested. Project updates should be emailed to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

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

(Reg. 2195)

The project is released subject to the following conditions:

- The proponent is required to uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submissions to mitigate the effects of the project on the environment.
- The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture requires the following:
 - Should instream work overlap with the fish migration period, the Wildlife Division requires a copy of the Fish Relocation Plan for review.
 - 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 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 any raptor nest sites must be reported to the Wildlife Division.
- The proponent is required to advise the Environmental Assessment Division
 when the conditions of release have been met by emailing a written description,
 documents, and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions
 have been fulfilled to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
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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/

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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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