

## **Environment and Climate Change**

July 28, 2022

### **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**.

#### **UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:**

##### **Crown Zone 8 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2023-2027) (Reg. 2210)** **Proponent: Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture**

The proponent has submitted a five-year operating plan for Crown Planning Zone 8 (Forest Management Districts 17 and 18). Planning Zone 8 encompasses the majority of the Great Northern Peninsula, commencing at the northern boundary of Gros Morne National Park on the west side of the Peninsula and at Great Cat Arm on the eastern side of the Peninsula. The plan includes a description of proposed commercial and domestic timber harvesting operations, the construction forest access roads and silviculture activities. The plan covers the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2027. 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 July 27, 2022. The deadline for public comments is September 1, 2022 and the minister's decision is due by September 10, 2022.

##### **Crown District 23 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2023-2027) (Reg. 2209)** **Proponents: Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture and Nunatsiavut Government**

The proponent has submitted a five-year operating plan for Crown District 23. District 23 encompasses 2.2 million hectares of boreal forest in Northern Labrador. The District is generally bound by the Labrador Coast to the east, Groswater Bay and Lake Melville to the south, the Mulligan and Red Wine Rivers to the west, and the Kanainktok Bay River and Bay to the north. The plan includes a description of proposed commercial and domestic timber harvesting, the construction of forest access roads, and silviculture activities. The plan covers the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2027. 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 July 27, 2022. The deadline for public comments is September 1, 2022 and the minister's decision is due by September 10, 2022.

**Crown District 19 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2023-2027) (Reg. 2208)**  
**Proponent: Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture and Innu Nation**

The proponent has submitted a five-year operating plan for Forest Management District 19. Planning District 19 encompasses central Labrador and is generally bounded to the north by the Mulligan and Red Wine Rivers, to the east by the height of land that separates the Kenamu River watershed from those flowing into the Labrador Sea, to the south by the height of land that separates the Gulf Watershed from those flowing into the Labrador Sea, and to the west by a line at longitude 61° 45'. The plan includes a description of proposed commercial and domestic timber harvesting, the construction of forest access roads and silviculture activities. The plan covers the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2027. 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 July 27, 2022. The deadline for public comments is September 1, 2022 and the minister's decision is due by September 10, 2022.

**Crown Zone 4 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2023-2027) (Reg. 2207)**  
**Proponent: Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture**

The proponent has submitted a five-year operating plan for Crown Planning Zone 4 (Forest Management District 7). Planning Zone 4 is located on the south coast of Newfoundland in the area of Bay d'Espoir. The northern boundary extends to Berry Hill Pond on the Bay d'Espoir highway and to Great Burnt Lake and Meelpaeg Lake in the northwest. The plan describes proposed commercial and domestic timber harvesting operations, the construction of forest access roads, and silviculture activities. The plan covers the period from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2027. 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 July 27, 2022. The deadline for public comments is September 1, 2022 and the minister's decision is due by September 10, 2022.

**Learn more**

Environmental Assessment Division  
Department of Environment and Climate Change  
West Block, Confederation Building  
P.O. Box 8700, St. John's, NL A1B 4J6

Public comments may be forwarded to: [EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca](mailto: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\\_May-2022.pdf](https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/GUIDE-TO-THE-PROCESS_May-2022.pdf)

Follow us on Twitter: [@GovNL](#) and [@ECC\\_GovNL](#)

**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.**

**Media contact**

Debbie Marnell  
Environment and Climate Change  
709-729-2575, 699-9048  
[debbiemarnell@gov.nl.ca](mailto:debbiemarnell@gov.nl.ca)