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Department of Environment  
Environmental Assessment Division

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Ralph Wiseman has announced the following event relative to the Environmental Assessment Act. Copies of documents may be obtained by contacting the Department of Environment at 729-2562 or by calling toll-free 1-800-563-6181. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

### NEW UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Forest Management District 18 Five Year Operating Plan (Amendment)  
Proponent: Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods

The proponent proposes a timber harvesting amendment to the 5 year operating plan for Forest management District 18. The amendment areas (Croque Road and Marble Mine operating areas) are both located on the Northern Peninsula. The Croque Road operating area amendment is adjacent to the main road to Croque near Tom Rose's Pond and will cover 163 hectares of productive forest land and include the harvesting of 12,416 cubic metres of timber. The Marble Mine operating area amendment is in the same general area and will cover approximately 95 hectares of productive forest land and harvest 7,139 cubic metres of timber.

This amendment is necessary to provide additional timber stands to allow commercial logging interests to utilize the winter months to access timber by means other than normal forest access roads. Harvesting will be an integrated sawlog/pulpwood operation.

The undertaking was registered on December 10, 2001, public comments are due January 15, 2001 and the Minister's decision is due on January 24, 2002.

### UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Hiking Trail - Placentia, Along Northeast Arm  
Proponent: East Coast Trail Association

The Minister has released the undertaking from environmental assessment in accordance with the provisions of the Environmental Assessment Act.

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-2562 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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