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Department of Environment
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Kevin Aylward has announced the following events relative to the Environmental Protection Act.

NEW UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

(1) Crown Forest Management District 5 (Glovertown Region) Amendment
Proponent: Department of Forest Resources and Agrifoods

The proponent proposes to harvest 12,000 cubic metres of merchantable softwood in the Cat Bay area, Glovertown region. The timber is comprised of mature (60-80+ years) black spruce and spruce-fir stands on gentle to moderate slopes. Construction of approximately 3 kilometres of class C-2 access road will also be required to access the timber stands. Operations are anticipated to begin in mid-August 2002 and continue on a seasonal basis to 2005. The project was registered on July 3, 2002; public comments are due by August 14, 2002; and the minister's decision is due August 16, 2002.

(2) CBPP District 5 & 6 Five Year Operating Plans
Proponent: Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited

The proponent proposes to undertake forest management activities in District 5 (Bonavista North) and District 6 (Glenwood) consisting of timber harvesting, domestic cutting, silviculture and forest access roads for the period 2003 to 2007. The proposed harvest on Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited's timber limits is 245,000 cubic meters in District 5 and 545,000 cubic metres in District 6. The proposed silviculture treatment, achieved through both pre-commercial thinning and planting, consists of approximately 780 hectares in District 5 and 1,250 hectares in District 6. There are 40 kilometres of proposed forest access road in District 5 and 85 kilometres in District 6. The undertaking was registered on July 9, 2002; public comments are due by August 14, 2002; and the minister's decision is due August 23, 2002.

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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ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENT TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE:

Cartwright Junction to Happy Valley-Goose Bay Trans Labrador Highway Environmental Assessment Committee

The minister has appointed the following additional representative to membership on the environmental assessment committee:

- Mines and Energy

The above appointment is in addition to the representatives announced in the June 19, 2002 bulletin.

Environmental Assessment Information is on the Government Web Site at <http://www.gov.nf.ca/env>