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Department of Environment
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Bob Mercer has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

(1) St. Anthony Sanitary Sewer Pipeline Outfall

Proponent: Town of St. Anthony

The proponent plans to upgrade and consolidate sanitary sewage discharge from North Street (adjacent to stadium) to a new outfall pipe to be located at the end of Marine Drive in St. Anthony Harbour. The outfall will consist of 300 mm diameter HDPE pipe and will extend 130 metres offshore into deeper waters outside of the foreshore flats area in St. Anthony Harbour. Construction is scheduled from June to August, 2004. The undertaking was registered on October 14, 2003; public comments are due by November 18, 2003; and, the Minister's decision is due on November 28, 2003.

(2) Golden Sands Resort (Burin Peninsula) Pitch and Putt Golf Course

Proponent: Crosswinds Enterprises Limited

The proponent plans an expansion of an existing family vacation resort with the addition of an 18 hole Pitch and Putt family recreational golf course. The golf course is adjacent to the Golden Sands Resort, located on Freshwater Pond on the Burin Peninsula. The total area of the course is 62 hectares and will have a registration office, pro shop, storage warehouse, irrigation system and a practice facility including a putting green. Construction is tentatively scheduled for the fall of 2004. The undertaking was registered on October 9, 2003; public comments are due by November 18, 2003; and the Minister's decision is due on November 23, 2003.

(3) Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited Forest Management District 14 (St. George's) Amendment

Proponent: Newfoundland Forest Service

The proponent and Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited have entered into an agreement transferring harvesting rights for all hardwoods on company limits in District 14, to the Crown. The amendment is necessary to identify areas that will be designated for hardwood management which are not identified in the current Five Year Plan. Hardwood management will include the designation of areas where domestic wood cutters and small commercial operators will be issued permits to selectively harvest hardwoods for sawlogs and fuelwood. Silvicultural activities directed toward hardwood management will

also be scheduled. It is estimated that approximately 7,500 cubic metres of hardwood will be harvested on an annual basis. The undertaking was registered on October 14, 2003; public comments are due by November 18, 2003; and the Minister's decision is due on November 28, 2003.

(4) Williams Harbour (Labrador) Access Road

Proponent: Department of Works, Services and Transportation

The proponent plans to construct a two lane gravel surface highway for an approximate distance of 20.3 kilometres connecting William's Harbour to the Pinsents Arm access road. The highway will allow the residents of Williams Harbour to have a fixed transportation link with other communities on the southeast coast of Labrador. The proposed routing begins on the Pinsents Arm access road approximately 5.5 kilometres from the community. The highway will be constructed to a rural undivided 60 km/hr design standard and hold a posted speed limit of 60 km/hr. Road construction is tentatively scheduled for the spring of 2004. The undertaking was registered on October 8, 2003; public comments are due by November 18, 2003; and, the Minister's decision is due on November 22, 2003.

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Baie Verte Golf Course and RV Trailer Park

Proponent Copper Creek 2000 Inc.

The above undertaking is released from further environmental assessment subject to the following condition:

- All greens and tees must be situated no less than 50 metres from any water body.

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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