Department of Environment and Conservation Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment and Conservation Minister Tom Osborne has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Deer Lake - Humber River Estates Resort (Reg. 1121)

Proponent: RTGO Developers Inc.

The proponent proposes a resort/residential development on 54 acres of privately owned land which is bounded by the Goose Arm Road to the north, the Humber River to the south, a residential area along Riverbank Road to the east, and agricultural land to the west. Proposed construction includes up to 45 chalets for residential and/or rental units, an administration building, a river front beach house, a service building, a two kilometre access road, a boat launch, and floating dock facilities. The proponent proposes to offer watercraft rentals including sea-doos, power boats, kayaks, canoes, and windsurfers.

Construction on Phase One of the proposal is planned for late April of 2004 and includes preliminary roadwork and providing services to individual sites. It is proposed that water and sewer services will be connected to the Town of Deer Lake municipal system. Construction on Phase Two would be ongoing over a five year period and would include completion of roadwork and individual lots for specific businesses.

The project was registered on March 2, 2004; public comments are due by April 7, 2004; and, the Minister's decision is due on April 16, 2004.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

Lower Humber River/Deer Lake Resort (Chalets, Golf Course) Expansion (Reg. 1113) **Proponent: Humber Valley Resort Corporation**

The undertaking was released subject to the following conditions:

- A Historic Resources Archaeological Assessment is required due to the high archaeological potential of the areal
- A 50 metre wide naturally vegetated buffer must be maintained along the shoreline of Deer Lake and Humber River.

• Prior to significant development of the project, a Human Resources Plan for the construction and operation phase of the project outlining specific initiatives and targets to address the need for gender equity in the undertaking, including provisions for the recruitment, training and/or other measures which would make the jobs more accessible to women must be submitted to the Minister of Environment and Conservation and the Women's Policy Office. An employment monitoring report must be submitted on an annual basis, including collection of employment statistics by gender in order to track progress on the plan and to implement adjustment strategies if targets are not being attained.

Lomond River Campground and Cabin Lot Development Proponent: Lomond River Lodge Limited

(Reg. 993)

The undertaking was released subject to the following condition:

• Prior to any development you must acquire the site and register the transaction with the Department of Natural Resources Claims Recorder.

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.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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