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Department of Environment and Conservation
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

The Honourable Charlene Johnson, Minister of Environment and Conservation, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Peters River Cranberry Farm

Proponent: Peters River Cranberry (TBI)

(Reg. 1425)

The proposal is to develop a 100 hectare cranberry bog in the Wooddale area, at the end of Wooddale South Road, and adjacent to Peters River. Construction will include the development of the upper area of the bog into 15 hectares of cranberry field beds, with a reservation of approximately 30 hectares in the lower bog for future expansion. This development will include an irrigation/sediment pond, auxiliary buildings, water control structures, drainage tile in the bed, an access road, and berm construction. Harvesting includes flooding each field with 45 centimetres of water, independently, and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 8, 2009, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 23, 2009.

Red Cliff Cranberry Farm

Proponent: Mr. Stuart Dyke

(Reg. 1426)

The proposal is to develop a cranberry farm on a peat bog located west of the Town of Grand Falls-Windsor, adjacent to the Trans Canada Trailway near Rushy Pond. Construction will include the development of a portion of the bog into approximately 40.5 hectares of cranberry field beds. This development will include an irrigation/sediment pond, auxiliary buildings, water control structures, drainage tile in the bed, and berm construction. Harvesting includes flooding each field with 45 centimetres of water, independently, and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 8, 2009, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 23, 2009.

Glenfair Farms Cranberry Farm

Proponent: Glenfair Farms Ltd.

(Reg. 1427)

The proposal is to develop and operate a cranberry farm on land currently owned by the proponent in the Wooddale agricultural zone, six kilometres from New Bay Road, east of Grand Falls-Windsor. The site is primarily comprised of peat bog that had been drained and previously used for forage production. The total area of the proposal is 20 hectares, which includes 10 hectares of cranberry field beds developed over two years.

Construction will consist of cranberry bed development, peat removal, berm construction, including farm service roads on the berms (six metres wide), construction of an irrigation/sediment pond, installation of water control structures, installation of drainage tile in the beds and placement of sand on new cranberry beds. Harvesting consists of flooding each field, dislodging the cranberries with a beater and gathering with a boom. The project is scheduled to commence upon approval.

The undertaking was registered on June 8, 2009, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 23, 2009.

RECON Cranberry Farm (Peter's River Area)

Proponent: RECON (TBI)

(Reg. 1428)

The proposal is to develop a 100 hectare cranberry bog in the east of Wooddale, north of Route 350, in the Peters River basin. Construction will include the development of bog into 26 hectares of cranberry field beds. This development will include an irrigation/sediment pond, auxiliary buildings, water control structures, drainage tile in the bed, an access road, and berm construction. Harvesting includes flooding each field with 45 centimetres of water, independently, and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 8, 2009, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 23, 2009

Northern Brook, Botwood Cranberry Farm

Proponent: Mr. Ken Newhook

(Reg. 1429)

The proposal is to develop a 140 hectare cranberry bog in the Northern Arm area, off the Northern Arm Brook Resource Road, and adjacent to Northern Arm Brook to the south. Construction will include the development of the lower area of the bog into 14 hectares of cranberry field beds, with a reservation of approximately 6 hectares in the central bog for future expansion. This development will include an irrigation/sediment pond, auxiliary buildings, water control structures, drainage tile in the bed, an access road, and berm construction. Harvesting includes flooding each field with 45 centimetres of water, independently, and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 8, 2009, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 23, 2009

Wooddale Cranberry Farm

Proponent: Bishop's Cranberry Farm (TBI)

(Reg. 1430)

The proposal is to develop a 94 hectare cranberry bog in the north Wooddale, off the Wooddale North Access Road. Construction will include the development of bog into 17 hectares of cranberry field beds. This development will include an irrigation/sediment pond, auxiliary buildings, water control structures, drainage tile in the bed, an access road, and berm construction. Harvesting includes flooding each field with 45

centimetres of water, independently, and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 8, 2009, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 23, 2009

JAG Cranberry Farm

Proponent: JAG Sod Farm Ltd.

(Reg. 1431)

The proposal is to develop a 60 hectare domed peat bog located 12 kilometres south of the TCH on the west side of the Bay D'espoir Highway. Construction will include the development of a portion of the bog into approximately 6 hectares of cranberry field beds. This development will include an irrigation/sediment pond, auxiliary buildings, water control structures, drainage tile in the bed, and berm construction. Harvesting includes flooding each field with 45 centimetres of water, independently, and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 9, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 24, 2009.

Tommy's Arm River Bridge

Proponent: Town of Robert's Arm

(Reg. 1432)

The proposal includes a 92 metre bridge at the mouth of Tommy's Arm River, in the southwest corner of Crescent Lake. The bridge is to connect existing snowmobile/walking trails to provide a continuous loop around the eastern half of Crescent Lake. Construction will include concrete pillars, steel beams for the framework, wooden decking and appropriate railing. The project is scheduled to commence in July, 2009 if approved.

The undertaking was registered on June 10, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 25, 2009.

Lark Harbour to Wild Cove ATV/Hiking Trail

Proponent: Mr. Roy Gilbert

(Reg. 1433)

The proposal is to upgrade an existing trail that begins at Little Port, Lark Harbour and continues 25 kilometres to Wild Cove. Construction will include grading and inserting culverts at stream crossings. The project is to commence upon approval.

The undertaking was registered on June 10, 2009; public comments are due by July 15, 2009; and, the Minister's decision is due by July 25, 2009.

For further information on the environmental assessment process, please contact the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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