

## **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:**

#### **1.) St. Lunaire Harbour Improvements**

**Proponent: Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Small Craft Harbours** (Reg. 1467)

The proposal includes extending the existing marginal wharf by 37 metres and existing breakwater wharf by 43 metres, dredging the approach to the existing facility (7100 cubic metres), and infilling a tidal area. The site is located along the eastern shoreline of Garden Cove.

The undertaking was registered on January 25, 2010; public comments are due by March 3, 2010; and the Minister's decision is due by March 11, 2010.

#### **2.) Winterland ATV Trail**

**Proponent: Mr. Wallace Keeping** (Reg. 1468)

The proponent plans to develop approximately 500 metres of ATV trail to access a remote cottage located approximately one kilometre west of Route 220, near Winterland, on the Burin Peninsula. Trail preparation is scheduled to begin in April 2010, subject to approval.

The undertaking was registered on January 26, 2010; public comments are due by March 3, 2010; and the Minister's decision is due by March 12, 2010.

#### **3.) Black Duck Siding Cranberry Farm**

**Proponent: Harry's River Cranberry Farm Ltd.** (Reg. 1469)

The proposal is to develop approximately 36 hectares of cranberry beds, three kilometres west of Route 460. This 142.4 hectare site is located south of the municipality of Black Duck Siding and Harry's River on the west coast of Newfoundland. The development will include removal of vegetation and the installation of irrigation and sediment ponds, berms, bed drainage tile, water control structures, farm auxiliary building, a 1500 metre power line including a crossing of Harry's River, establishment of a sand quarry and access roads. Sand, fertilizers and standard pesticides will be applied to the cranberry beds during operation. Harvesting of the cranberries includes flooding each field, in succession, with approximately 40-45 centimetres of water and removal with a cranberry beater. The project is scheduled to commence between July - October 2010, subject to approval.

The undertaking was registered on January 26, 2010; public comments are due March 3, 2010; and the Minister's decision is due by March 12, 2010.

#### **4.) Plate Cove West Breakwater Construction**

**Proponent: Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Small Craft Harbours** (Reg. 1470)

The proposal is to construct a 155 metre rubble mound breakwater at Plate Cove West, off Route 235 on the Bonavista Peninsula. It will also increase berthing capacity for fishing vessels and allow an additional 60 metres of wharfage. No site blasting or dredging is proposed. Work is tentatively scheduled to commence April 1, 2010 and requires three to four months to complete.

The undertaking was registered on January 26, 2010; the deadline for public comments is March 3, 2007; and the Minister's decision is due by March 12, 2007.

#### **5.) Crown District 17 & 18 Five-Year Operating Plan (2008-2012) Amend.**

**Proponent: Dept. of Natural Resources** (Reg. 1471)

The proposal consists of two amendments to the current five-year operating plan for Forest Management District 17. The Squid Cove amendment includes 6.5 kilometres of new access road construction providing access to an additional 39,500 cubic metres of timber. The Raft Pond amendment entails the construction of four kilometres of access road providing access to 15,500 cubic metres of timber already approved in the existing five-year operating plan. This will be an integrated sawlog/energy wood operation. Construction and harvesting activities are planned to commence in the summer of 2010.

The undertaking was registered on January 26, 2010; the deadline for public comments is March 3, 2007; and the Minister's decision is due by March 12, 2007.

#### **UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:**

##### **Pouch Cove to Cape St. Frances Hiking Trail**

**Proponent: East Coast Trail Association** (Reg. 1456)

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