

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Sandy Harbour River ATV Trail
Proponent: Mr. Randy Edwards

(Reg. 1658)

The proponent has submitted a proposal to modify and construct a ten kilometre All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) trail generally in the footprint of an existing seasonal trail. The proposed ATV trail will be two to three metres wide and will begin at an existing ATV access point located on the west side of Route 210 (Burin Peninsula Highway), approximately eight kilometres southwest of Piper's Hole Park and approximately ten kilometres southwest of the Town of Swift Current. The purpose of the proposed ATV trail is to access the proponent's remote cottage. Work will include some localized leveling and construction of basic water crossings over water holes and small streams. The proponent wishes to begin work during the early fall of 2012 and will take several years to complete with regular maintenance occurring thereafter.

The undertaking was registered on July 11, 2012; the deadline for public comments is August 16, 2012; and the minister's decision is due by August 25, 2012.

UNDERTAKING RELEASED:

Labrador West Mineral Exploration Access Roads Project
Proponent: Iron Ore Company of Canada

(Reg. 1644)

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

- An Environmental Protection Plan must be submitted for the minister's approval prior to the commencement of construction activities and must address, among other things, caribou mitigation, measures to protect fish and fish habitat and water bodies.

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