#### **Environmental Assessment Bulletin**

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

### **UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:**

**Lawn River Quarry** 

**Proponent: TR Excavating Inc.** 

(Reg. 1707)

The proponent has submitted a proposal to develop a 1.5 hectare bedrock aggregate quarry site on the Burin Peninsula. The quarry will be located five kilometers west of St. Lawrence and be adjacent to two other quarries with a combined area of 12 hectares. The project will involve stripping and stockpiling materials using a hydraulic breaker. Lawn Brook, a scheduled salmon river, is within 200 metres of this proposed undertaking.

The undertaking was registered on May 2, 2013; the deadline for public comments is June 13, 2013; and the minister's decision is due by June 17, 2013.

# Tors Cove Brown Rabbit RV Park Proponent: Whalen Bernardy Co Ltd.

(Reg. 1708)

The proponent has submitted a proposal to develop a recreational vehicle (RV) camping facility in Tors Cove, approximately one kilometre south of the Beach Cove Road in Tors Cove. The proponent has applied for 27 hectares of crown land and when developed will include 60 fully serviced sites and 20 tenting sites. The project will involve the construction of an eight metre by nine metre administration building with laundry facility and a one kilometre road. This RV park will provide tourists with accommodations in the Tors Cove Area. Construction is scheduled to begin in August 2013.

The undertaking was registered on May 8, 2013; the deadline for public comments is June 13, 2013 and the minister's decision is due by June 22, 2013.

# **Buchans Highway Quarry Proponent: Penney Paving Limited**

(Reg. 1709)

Penney Paving Limited intends to establish a sand and gravel quarry approximately 6 kilometres southwest of Badger. The quarry will be located on the east side of the Buchans Highway between the highway and the Exploits River and will be approximately 1.8 hectares in size. Aggregate (sand and gravel) will be excavated, crushed and screened at the site. Construction is anticipated to take place in July, 2013.

The undertaking was registered on May 8, 2013; the deadline for public comments is June 13, 2013; and the minister's decision is due by June 22, 2013.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRES ADDITIONAL WORK:**

Kami Iron Ore Project
Proponent: Alderon Iron Ore Corp.

(Reg. 1611)

Following public and agency review of the February 14, 2013 amendment to the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Kami Iron Ore Project, it has been determined that the proponent must provide additional information to supplement the EIS.

This includes further information on: alternate routing for the railway and affect on the Management Units of the Eastern Habitat Joint Venture Program.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL PREVIEW REPORT REQUIRED:**

Mount Pearl NORM Decontamination and Temporary Storage Facility Proponent: Atlantic Inspection Services Inc. (Reg. 1697)

The minister has advised the proponent that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required for this project. The EPR is necessary to address project design and operation details for the facility, including but not limited to: sampling, transport, monitoring, inspection, air emissions, staff training, potential impacts to adjacent properties, contingency plans and safety. The public will be invited to provide comments on the EPR upon its submission. For further information on this project contact, Brenda Rowe, Environmental Assessment Division at (709)729-2553 or email at browe@gov.nl.ca.

#### **UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:**

Come By Chance Liquid Asphalt Terminal Expansion Proponent: Asphalt Product Industries

(Reg. 1696)

**Angus Lake ATV Tail** 

**Proponent: Roberts' Outfitting Ltd.** (Reg. 1693)

The project is released subject to the following condition:

 A minimum 30-metre naturally vegetated buffer must be maintained between the high water mark of waterbodies and the ATV trail except where there are permitted water and/or wetland crossings.

Forest Management Districts 4,5,6 7 & 8 - Five Year Plan (2012-16) Amendment Proponent: Forestry and Agrifoods Agency (Reg. 1688)

The project is released subject to the following condition:

 No activities associated with the undertaking shall be permitted within a minimum 20 metres around a remote cabin and greater than 20 metres as the terrain warrants. This must be included as a condition of domestic cutting permits.

# Labrador West Beneficiation Plant Proponent: Labrador Iron Mines Ltd.

(Reg. 1690)

The project is released subject to the following conditions:

- Prior to discharging effluent into Redmond Pit, Labrador Iron Mines Limited (LIM) must undertake the necessary field programs to confirm the groundwater flow regime in the vicinity of the pit. This information must be submitted to the Groundwater Manager, Water Resources Management Division, for review and will be used to determine if and what level of groundwater monitoring will be required at Redmond Pit. Labrador Iron Mines Ltd. must also apply for a non-domestic drilled well permit under Section 58 of the Water Resources Act for the proposed drilled well(s).
- Labrador Iron Mines Ltd. must review targets identified in the Women's Employment Plan for Houston 1 and 2 (construction and operations) and add or increase targets as applicable to encompass: recent gender equity progress in the overall project; the increased number of positions now covered by the targets; and any different occupations identified in the beneficiating plant registration document. Revised targets must meet approval of the Minister of Natural Resources and Minister Responsible for the Status of Women.
- Labrador Iron Mines Ltd. must detail plans for engineering work associated with the beneficiating plant and related works for review by the Department of Natural Resources.
- Limestone/dolomite outcrops occur in this area. If any remaining intact limestone/dolomite outcrops are to be impacted by any associated activities from this project (plant and pipeline construction and associated infrastructures), LIM is required to conduct a botanical survey.

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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