

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Proponent: Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited (Reg. 1718)
Forest Management District 14 and 15 Five-Year Operating Plan

Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited submitted the Five-Year Operating Plan for Forest Management Districts 14 and 15 (Planning Zone 6). Districts 14 and 15 are located on the west and southwest coasts of the island and extend from Burgeo and Port aux Basques in the south to the southern boundary of Gros Morne National Park. In District 14 there will be harvesting of approximately 488,500 cubic metres of timber, construction of 31 kilometres of primary forest access roads and 1,950 hectares of silviculture treatments. In District 15 approximately 1,245,000 cubic metres of timber will be harvested, construction of 98 kilometres of primary forest access roads and 5,400 hectares silviculture treatments. The undertaking will allow the continuation of existing commercial forestry industry and allow domestic harvesting for home heating. Activities are scheduled to commence on January 1, 2014 and end on December 31, 2018.

The undertaking was registered on August 20, 2013; the deadline for public comments is September 25, 2013; and the minister's decision is due October 4, 2013.

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