

Municipal Affairs and Environment

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Eddie Joyce, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Baie Verte Tailings Management Facility Expansion, Ming Copper-Gold Mine

(Reg. 1939)

Proponent: Rambler Metals and Mining Canada Limited

The proponent is proposing to expand its tailing management facility at its Nugget Pond Mill Site on the Baie Verte Peninsula to accommodate tailings from current and future mining operations at the Ming Copper-Gold Mine, which has been in production since 2011. The current mining of high grade copper ore, in addition to newly confirmed resources, will increase the production rate to 1250 metric tonnes per day. The existing tailings impoundment does not have sufficient volume to contain the expected tailings generated from mining operations during 2019 through 2025. A new tailings impoundment is proposed for Camp Pond, a fishless waterbody in close proximity to the mill. The proposed project will include the construction of an earthen dam at the natural outflow of Camp Pond, relocation and extension of the existing tailings slurry delivery pipeline to Camp Pond, an effluent decant line, a small pump house and powerline to Camp Pond, outflow stream maintenance and improvements to an existing exploration road. Construction activities are expected to start in spring/summer 2018.

The undertaking was registered on December 13, 2017; the deadline for public comments is January 18, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by January 27, 2018.

Flat Bay Gypsum Quarry

(Reg. 1940)

Proponent: Red Moon Resources Inc.

The proponent is proposing to establish a 10.5 hectare gypsum quarry located approximately 8.5 kilometres southwest of the town of St. George's. The site is in an area previously developed by past-producing gypsum operations and is accessible by vehicle via existing site/haul roads that run from the site, through past-producing quarry operations, and connect to Route 403 near Flat Bay. The project will include parking and laydown areas, mobile office trailer, mobile crusher and screener, crushed ore and fines stockpiles, overburden/organics stockpile, security gate, water supply, and waste and septic management systems. The start of project activities is planned for March 2018.

The undertaking was registered on December 13, 2017; the deadline for public comments is January 18, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by January 27, 2018.

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