

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:

Magy Pit Extension

(Reg. 1942)

Proponent: Iron Ore Company of Canada

The Iron Ore Company of Canada (IOC) plans to expand the boundaries of an existing pit to support its ongoing operations in Labrador City. IOC has been operating the Carol Project in Labrador City since the early 1960's and the Magy Pit Extension Project is an extension of the existing Magy Pit, which is part of the Humphrey South mining area. The proposed Magy Pit Extension is situated within IOC's existing mining leases and encompasses approximately 25 hectares of land. Activities associated with the proposed project will involve vegetation/tree clearing, overburden removal and stockpiling, haul road development, pit development, drilling and blasting, transporting waste rock to an existing waste dump and transporting ore to existing on-site facilities for processing. Contractors will be used for the pit development and IOC's existing workforce, equipment and infrastructure will be utilized during operations activities associated with the proposed project. The proposed open pit mining operations in the Magy Pit Extension will be carried out using IOC's existing mining practices. IOC will use ore mined from the Magy Pit Extension to supplement concentrator feed sourced from other areas of its operations. Developing the Magy Pit Extension will provide sufficient additional ore to fill the plant capacity.

The undertaking was registered on January 24, 2018; the deadline for public comments is March 1, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by March 10, 2018.

Northern Arm Forage and Pasture Land Development

(Reg. 1941)

Proponent: Sunshine Investments Inc.

The proponent is proposing to expand an existing farm by approximately 100 hectares in the area of Northern Brook Resource Road and Rowsell's Lake Road near the community of Northern Arm. The construction will include clearing and grubbing with a commitment to a 50-metre buffer to be maintained around all water bodies. Lime, seed and fertilizer will be applied to the cleared land with no plans to use herbicides. Manure will be stored and applied to the land in association to rotational grazing. The main water supply for livestock throughout the pasture lands will be from artesian wells. The four-year schedule includes having the land cleared and mulched during the 2018-19 season.

The undertaking was registered on January 23, 2018; the deadline for public comments is March 1, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by March 9, 2018.

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