Municipal Affairs and Environment

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Pinchgut Lake Aircraft Hangar Proponent: Mr. Calvin Swift

(Reg. 1967)

The proponent proposes to construct a wooden aircraft hangar to house a small twoseat private seaplane at the western end of Pinchgut Lake, approximately 16 kilometres south of Corner Brook. In addition, a three-metre wide area will be cleared from the hangar to the beach, where two steel rails with a metal trolley will be placed to winch the aircraft between the hangar and the lake. The hangar is expected to be constructed over a two-month period and the aircraft will typically be utilized from June to October.

The undertaking was registered on June 11, 2018; the deadline for public comments is July 20, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by July 26, 2018.

Hope Brook Access Road Proponent: First Mining Gold Corporation

(Reg. 1968)

The proponent is proposing to construct a 58-kilometre resource access road to connect its Hope Brook mineral exploration property to the Burgeo Highway, Route 480. The stated purpose of the road is to allow for transportation of employees and materials for exploration activities in 2019 and beyond. The proposed road is not intended or designed to transport larger vehicles that would be required for any future mining development, but has the potential to be upgraded for that purpose if required.

The undertaking was registered on June 13, 2018; the deadline for public comments is July 20, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by July 28, 2018.

Mount Pearl Casing and Tubing Service Centre Proponent: Hydril Canadian Company LP (TGS Canada)

(Reg. 1969)

The proponent is proposing to establish a facility at an existing building at 127 Clyde Avenue, Mount Pearl, to service the offshore oil and gas industry. The project will include the installation and operation of a self-contained unit for the application of a dry chemical compound to newly manufactured steel casing and tubing products. The process of chemical application will include sandblasting of products and use of a spray

booth for the application process. The facility will be equipped with a ventilation system and the installation of the equipment is expected to take four to six weeks.

The undertaking was registered on June 14, 2018; the deadline for public comments is July 20, 2018; and the minister's decision is due by July 28, 2018.

REVISED ENVIRONMENTAL PREVIEW REPORT GUIDELINES ISSUED:

Health Sciences Centre Berm Proponent: Eastern Health

(Reg. 1887)

The minister has issued revised guidelines for the preparation of the environmental preview report (EPR) for the Health Sciences Centre Berm project. The proponent has identified that revisions to the project are needed to accommodate and protect a new mental health care facility to be located adjacent to the Health Sciences Centre. The revised guidelines identify the information that the proponent will be required to include in a revised EPR. The revised EPR guidelines are available on the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment website at:

http://www.mae.gov.nl.ca/env_assessment/projects/Y2017/1887/index.html.

Information can be obtained by contacting the Chair of the Assessment Committee, Joanne Sweeney, at (709) 729-2822 or by email at joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

White Hill Pond Quarry Proponent: Butler's Sand and Stone Co. Ltd.

(Reg. 1889)

The project is released subject to the following conditions:

- Approval for a water resources management plan for the quarry and Lance Cove site must be obtained from Water Resources Management Division prior to the start of construction; and
- Vegetation must not be cleared between May 1 and August 15 annually to mitigate against the inadvertent destruction of migratory bird nests, eggs and chicks.

Thorburn Lake Quarry Expansion
Proponent: Shoal Harbour Sand Products Ltd.

(Reg. 1956)

The project is released subject to the following condition:

• The proponent must maintain a minimum 30-metre naturally vegetated buffer along all water courses, waterbodies and wetlands to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their environment.

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