

## **Municipal Affairs and Environment**

February 7, 2019

### **Environmental Assessment Bulletin**

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

#### **UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:**

##### **Hampden to Sop's Arm Fibre Optic Line Proponent: Bell Aliant**

(Reg. 1999)

The proponent proposes to construct a fibre optic pole line 39 kilometres in length from Hampden to Sop's Arm in White Bay. The new pole line will be located within the highway right-of-way of Route 420. The purpose of the project is to upgrade and expand telecommunications infrastructure for the communities of Pollards Point, Sop's Arm, and Jackson's Arm.

The undertaking was registered on February 4, 2019; the deadline for public comments is March 14, 2019; and the minister's decision is due by March 21, 2019.

##### **Lochleven Grazing and Hay Field Proponent: Lochleven Farm**

(Reg. 2000)

The proponent proposes to develop 101 hectares of land for forage production and grazing sheep in Lochleven, St. George's Bay. The land is located approximately two kilometres south of Route 405. The land is required for grazing and hay fields to provide sufficient winter forage.

The undertaking was registered on February 4, 2019; the deadline for public comments is March 14, 2019; and the minister's decision is due by March 21, 2019.

#### **UNDERTAKING RELEASED:**

##### **Mount Pearl Cannabis Production Facility Proponent: Atlantic Cultivation Ltd.**

(Reg. 1994)

Project is released from further environmental assessment subject to the following condition:

- A Women's Employment Plan must be submitted to and approved by the Deputy Minister, Women's Policy Office prior to the start of construction.

## **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEES APPOINTED:**

### **Victoria Multi-Purpose Trail Proponent: Town of Victoria**

(Reg. 1985)

On January 3, 2019, the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment advised the proponent that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required for the project. An Environmental Assessment Committee has been appointed to provide scientific and technical advice to the minister and to prepare draft guidelines for conducting the EPR. The Environmental Assessment Committee includes representation from the following provincial government agencies:

- Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment
  - Environmental Assessment Division - Committee Chairperson
  - Local Governance and Planning Division
- Department of Transportation and Works

Information on the environmental assessment can be found at the following web site:  
[http://www.mae.gov.nl.ca/env\\_assessment/projects/Y2018/1985/index.html](http://www.mae.gov.nl.ca/env_assessment/projects/Y2018/1985/index.html)

### **Cape Freels South Walking Trail Proponent: Cape Freels Heritage Trust Inc.**

(Reg. 1991)

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- Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment
  - Environmental Assessment Division - Committee Chairperson
  - Water Resources Management Division
- Department of Fisheries and Land Resources
- Department of Tourism, Culture, Industry and Innovation
  - Provincial Archaeology Office
  - Tourism Division
- Environment and Climate Change Canada

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