

Municipal Affairs and Environment

September 18, 2019

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Donny's Pond Quarry Near Holyrood

(Reg. 2050)

Proponent: Black Ridge Construction Ltd.

The proponent proposes to construct and operate a four hectare sand, gravel and rock quarry adjacent to other nearly depleted quarries east of the Holyrood Access Road, approximately 3.3 kilometres from the Trans-Canada Highway and 5.4 kilometres from the Town of Holyrood. Construction of the quarry will include clearing vegetation and organic matter. Operation will involve pit run removal, stockpiling sand and gravel, drilling and blasting. Screening, crushing and washing of quarry material will take place at existing adjacent quarries operated by the proponent.

The undertaking was registered on September 9, 2019; the deadline for public comments is October 23, 2019; and the minister's decision is due by October 24, 2019.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED:

(Reg. 2017)

Long Harbour Access Road Industrial Composting Facility

Proponent: Newfoundland Industrial Composting Ltd.

The minister has advised the proponent that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required for this project. Additional information must be provided to address the site location and set back distances, construction and operational details, biosecurity and hygiene policies, and to propose a program of public information that will be implemented to address public concerns. An Environmental Assessment Committee will be appointed to provide scientific and technical advice to the minister and to prepare draft guidelines to assist the proponent in the preparation of the EIS. The public will be invited to provide comment on the draft guidelines. For further information on this project, contact Eric Watton, Environmental Scientist, at (709) 729-0834 or email at ericwatton@gov.nl.ca.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

Carmanville Amusement Park

(Reg. 2033)

Proponent: Lloyd Parsons

The project is released subject to the following condition:

- Obtain a development permit, building permit(s), and occupancy permit(s) from the Town of Carmanville before operating at the proposed location.

Kenmount Road Cannabis Production Facility

(Reg. 2036)

Proponent: Atlantic Cultivation Ltd.

The project is released subject to the following conditions:

- A Women's Employment Plan (WEP) for this project shall be submitted to and approved by the Office for the Status of Women prior to the commencement of project activities.
- A Comprehensive Waste Management Plan shall be submitted to and approved by the Pollution Prevention Division of the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment prior to the introduction of cannabis to the facility.

Victoria Sheep Farm and Abattoir

(Reg. 2038)

Proponent: Winterhouse Farm Ltd.

The project is released from subject to the following conditions:

- A minimum 30-metre buffer is required along wetlands and streams to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species, and their habitat.
- No vegetation clearing is to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests. The location of any raptor nest site must be reported to the department of Fisheries and Land Resources.

Grand Falls-Windsor Mountain Bike Trail

(Reg. 2039)

Proponent: GFW Mountain Bike Club Inc.

The project is released subject to the following conditions:

- No vegetation clearing is to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Great-horned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Saw-whet Owl). The location of any raptor nest site must be reported to the department of Fisheries and Land Resources.
- A minimum 30-metre buffer is required along wetlands and streams that appear on a 1:50,000 topographic map or greater than 1 metre in width to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species, and their habitat.

Learn more

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