

Registration 1752

Mr. Trevor Linehan
Rocky River Zip Line and Adventure Park
P.O. Box 102
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**Re: Colinet-Rocky River Zip Line and Adventure Park –
Environmental Preview Report (EPR 2018) Review**

Dear Mr. Linehan:

The Environmental Preview Report (EPR) submitted on July 5, 2018 has been reviewed and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the Environmental Assessment Committee (EAC) and to the public as required by the *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that the EPR is deficient and you must submit an addendum that address the comments made by the EAC.

The 2018 EPR addresses a number of the requirements set in the guidelines. However, an addendum is necessary to address the following deficiencies, including, but not limited to:

- Construction of the hiking trail
 - Details regarding the location and design of stream crossings and/or culverts.
 - Details regarding the avoidance of wetlands and trail design that minimizes impacts to wetlands.
- Construction of the zip line towers
 - Description of the access routes for the construction of the zip line towers.
 - Degree of disturbance during the construction phase, including during use of the crane and excavator.
 - Clarification of the location and number of zipline towers (e.g.: description varies between 9, 10, and 12).
- Roadways, Access Points, and Mapping
 - Description and map of access (i.e.: entrances/exits) off route 91 to project components, including the hiking trail, pop tent campground, stage, and stage parking.

- A map or maps of sufficient scale to show all existing and proposed trails, roads, and project components, including access routes to zip line towers for construction and any road construction details.
- **Septic Design**
 - A lot-specific site evaluation for the chalet, cottages, and festival area to determine the suitability of these sites for the installation of septic systems.

Please contact the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources, Eastern Regional Lands Office, St. John's regarding your Crown land applications and for information about the "Notice of Intent" for lands under application within 15 metres of a lake, pond, seashore, or foreshore or along each bank of a river. Crown land applications for the project should be updated to reflect the current project plan. For example, the rental cottage area has been moved to the west side of Colinet Arm but application #144215 and still includes this parcel shown south of Black Duck Gully. For more information, please visit: <http://www.flr.gov.nl.ca/lands/forms/index.html>.

Service NL advises that registration is required under Section 5 of the Amusement Rides and Elevating Devices Regulations under the *Public Safety Act* before installation of amusement rides. Certification inspections are required prior to the issuance of a certificate permitting the ride to be operated under Section 15. For more information, please visit <https://www.servicenl.gov.nl.ca/licenses/elevating/index.html> or contact the Engineering and Inspection Services Division, Service NL at (709) 729-1038.

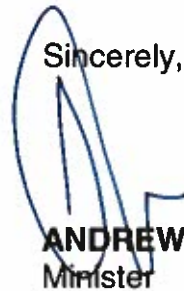
The Department of Tourism, Culture Industry and Innovation advises that should you seek government financing for this development in the future, additional information regarding the feasibility of the project from a market demand and viability perspective will be required.

Transport Canada regulations may apply to your project. Transport Canada has permitting requirements for obstacle evaluation and require specific information for tower heights and project location over the Atlantic Ocean (navigable waters). Further information is available in the attached Agency Comments and at: www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs-624.html.

The original project description (Registration #1752 submitted in 2014) included components that you removed upon submission of the 2017 EPR (i.e. ATV trail and marina). The 2018 EPR mentions future expansion plans (Phase 2) that includes the ATV trail and marina. Note that the review of the 2018 EPR does not include a review of future plans. If there is additional development of the project at a future date, you should notify the Department to determine if environmental assessment is required.

The EAC is available to meet with you regarding the information requirements. Until that time, no authorizations or permits can be issued pursuant to any other Act or Regulation. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director, Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or susansquires@gov.nl.ca or Ms. Brenda Rowe Chair of EAC at (709) 729-2553 or browe@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Andrew Parsons".

ANDREW PARSONS, QC
Minister

Attachment

