

**REGISTRATION FORM
PURSUANT TO SECTION 49 OF
THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT**

Name of Undertaking: Amendment to Forest Management District 10 2016-2020 Five Year Operating Plan: construction of a forest access road near Harvest Block CC10068.

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The Undertaking: (i) **Nature of Undertaking**

Amendment to the Crown Five Year Operating Plan for Forest Management District 10 to construct 2.5 km of new primary forest access road.

(ii) **Purpose/Rationale/Need for Undertaking**

This amendment is required to minimize the amount of road required to access merchantable timber in Forest Management District 9. It will reduce the amount of road work required to access 90,000m³ of

merchantable timber by approximately 11 km. This reduction is possible by linking the road network proposed in this amendment.

The amendment represents an extension of an approved road. This new route will provide more economical access, by reducing trucking distance as well as reducing the overall amount of road construction.

It should be noted that no further increase to the harvesting area is anticipated at this time.

Description of Undertaking:

(i) Geographic Location

Forest Management District 10 is comprised of the area East of the Trans-Canada Highway from Badger to Crooked Bog and North of the Trans-Canada Highway from Badger to Botwood Highway.

The majority of new access road is located inside of Harvesting Block CC10068 which is located on Crown Land approximately 17 kms West of the town of Point Leamington. Access to the general area is via an existing forest access road, locally known as Southern Lake Access Road. The attached 1:50,000 scale map identifies the geographic location of the proposed amendment.

(ii) Physical Features

(iii) Operation

Road Construction

Roads will be constructed using excavators and / or bulldozers. All buffer requirements and operations will be carried out in accordance with the Environmental Protection Guidelines for Ecologically

Based Forest Resources Management and the Forestry Act. Operations will commence upon approval of the undertaking and will continue until work is complete

(iv) Occupations

Equipment operators, truckers, loggers, sawmillers and silviculture workers .

(v) Project Related Documents

Upon approval, this proposal will become part of the Crown's Forest Management District 10 Five-Year Operating Plan, January 1, 2016 to December 31, 2020.

Approval of the Undertaking:

- (i)** Commercial harvesting permits from the District 10 (Bishop's Falls) Forest Management Office.

Schedule:

The Newfoundland and Labrador Forest Service requests a decision within 45 days after the Minister of Environment and Conservation receives the completed registration form.

Date

July 20th / 2017


Director - FEM