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File # 2.7139.0194  
Reg. #1991

Ms. Roberta Vincent-Bungay  
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Dear Ms. Vincent-Bungay:

**RE: Cape Freels South Walking Trail – Registration 1991**

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by Part X of the Newfoundland and Labrador *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that an Environmental Preview Report (EPR) is required.

The EPR is necessary to provide information concerning the potential effects of the undertaking on the surrounding environment. Additional information requirements shall include, but are not limited to:

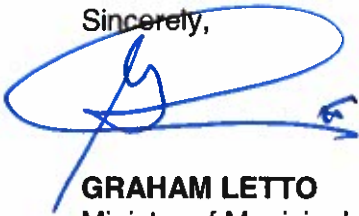
- Identification of specific trail locations where infilling with gravel, installation of culverts, and construction of boardwalks and bridges will occur;
- detailed construction techniques for the aforementioned activities;
- a detailed plan for the long term maintenance of the trail;
- impacts on the Short-eared Owl, a provincially listed wildlife species at risk, within the project area;
- an assessment of ATV/Snowmobile use within the project area and mitigations to prevent these vehicles from accessing the trail.

A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the registration review is attached to provide you with mitigative advice and to give you an indication of applicable permits, approvals and legislative requirements. This advice is provided for your information, consideration and inclusion in the environmental preview report. Please be aware that other government agencies may not issue any relevant authorizations until a decision on the project is rendered by the Minister.

An Environmental Assessment Committee will be appointed for the purpose of providing you with technical and scientific advice regarding the preparation of an EPR. As per the legislative requirements, within 60 days of the date of this letter, you will be issued guidelines for the completion of the EPR. Please be reminded that, in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, project activities may not proceed until the proposal is released from the Environmental Assessment Process.

If you have any questions, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director of Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or [susansquires@gov.nl.ca](mailto:susansquires@gov.nl.ca).

Sincerely,



**GRAHAM LETTO**  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

cc: Derrick Bragg, MHA  
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