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Reg No. 2027

Mr. Ryan McDonald  
21 Cochran St  
Gander NL A1N 0G7

Dear Mr. McDonald:

**Re: Freshwater Bay Cottage Access Road**

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by the Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Protection Act, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Upon consideration of the comments received, please be advised that this undertaking is released from further environmental assessment.

Fisheries and Land Resources along with Environment and Climate Change Canada recommend a minimum 30 metre undisturbed vegetated buffer along all water bodies and wetlands to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species, and their habitat.

Environment and Climate Change Canada recommends that in order to avoid nest destruction and to accommodate the breeding season of migratory songbirds and waterfowl, operations should consider nesting locations between April 15<sup>th</sup> and August 15<sup>th</sup> in this region. However, as some species protected under the Migratory Birds Convention Act (MBCA) do nest outside of this time period, it is the responsibility of the proponent to ensure that project activities are in compliance with the MBCA and associated regulations. For further information, please contact Ms. Sydney Worthman, Canadian Wildlife Service, at (709)772-4221 or [Sydney.Worthman@canada.ca](mailto:Sydney.Worthman@canada.ca).

In addition to the requirements noted above, the project is still subject to other legislative requirements. A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the review is attached to provide an indication of likely applicable permits, approvals, and legislative requirements. You may also refer to the BizPaL website at [www.bizpal.ca](http://www.bizpal.ca). BizPaL is an online tool that generates a list of permits, licences and authorizations that may be required when starting or expanding a business. You are also encouraged to contact Canada Business Newfoundland and Labrador (CBNL) for any additional information you may need in dealing with various levels of government. CBNL serves as a first point of access to federal and provincial government services, programs and regulatory requirements for business. CBNL can be reached by telephone at 1-888-576-4444 or online at [www.canadabusiness.gc.ca](http://www.canadabusiness.gc.ca).

Please note that you must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You are required to inform this Department of any proposed significant

changes to the undertaking.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Ms. Joanne Sweeney, Director, at (709)729-0673 or [joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca](mailto:joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lisa Dempster". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "L" and "D".

**Lisa Dempster, MHA**  
District of Cartwright – L'Anse au Clair  
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Attachment

cc: Hon. John Haggie, MHA  
Gander