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Reg. #2093

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Dear Mr. Cahill:

Re: Conception Bay South (Laurel Road) Shore Stabilization

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental environmental assessment 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. Please be advised that this undertaking is **released** from further environmental assessment subject to the following conditions:

- You are required to uphold all commitments made in your environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the project on the environment.
- You are required to update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of your project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for your project, one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates, if requested. Please email your project updates to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

The Local Governance and Land Use Planning Division of this department advises that a development permit from the Town Council of Conception Bay South is required and a land use impact assessment may be necessary to determine the suitability of the proposed operation given the proximity to a residential property. It is important for the proponent to adhere to any regulation that is applicable to shoreline protection within the subject area. For further information, please contact the Local Governance and Land Use Planning Division at (709) 729-3090.

The Water Resources Management Division of this department advises that you are required to obtain permits to alter a body of water and for any work in Shore Water Zones or infilling work within 15 metres of a body of water. For further information, please contact the Water Resources Management Division at (709) 729-1646.

The Department of Industry, Energy and Technology has provided advice regarding coastal erosion rates, sea level change and climate change (see attached). For further information, please contact the Department of Industry, Energy and Technology at (709) 729-3489.

The Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture advises you to consult with the Crown Lands Division through the Crown Lands application process, and highlights the importance of aquatic invasive species (AIS) as an increasing risk to the province's native species, habitats, ecological structures and cultured fish. Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture encourages project proponents to exercise best management practices to help prevent the introduction and spread of AIS and advises that more information about AIS in the NL Region can be found on the aquatic invasive species website at <https://dfo-mpo.gc.ca/species-especies/ais-eae/index-eng.html>. For further information, please contact the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture at (709) 729-1140.

The Government Service Centre of the Department of Digital Government and Service NL provides advice on the collection and removal of waste, containment of floating debris, fuel handling, and fuel response. For further information, please contact the Government Service Centre at (709) 729-3767.

Environment and Climate Change Canada recommends that you consider nesting locations in this region between April 15th and August 15th, in order to avoid nest destruction and to accommodate the breeding season of migratory songbirds and waterfowl. Environment and Climate Change Canada advise that project staff should not approach concentrations of seabirds, sea ducks or shorebirds and request that you notify them if there is any noticeable change in seabird numbers or distribution at the project location during operations. For further information, please contact Environment and Climate Change Canada at (709) 772-2126.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada advises that you are required to self-assess using the DFO "Projects Near Water" website located at <http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/index-eng.html>. For further information, please contact the Fisheries Protection Program at (709) 772-4140.

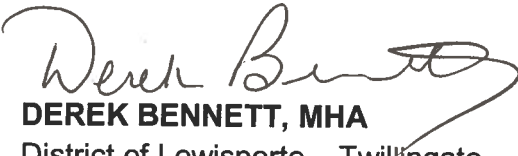
Transport Canada advises that Conception Bay is a Scheduled waterway and proposed works in Scheduled waterways typically require a Canadian Navigable Waters Act approval. For further information, please contact Transport Canada at (709) 351-3200.

Although the undertaking as proposed is released from further environmental assessment, it 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. 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.

Please note that in accordance with Section 17 of the *Environmental Assessment Regulations*, the Minister's decision is valid for a period of three years from the date of this letter. If you have not commenced your project within this three-year period, you may apply to extend the three-year period for a maximum of three one-year periods, if needed. For further information, please email EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanne Sweeney, Director (A), Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or joannesweeney@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



DEREK BENNETT, MHA
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Minister

Enclosures

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