Municipal Affairs and Environment

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Derrick Bragg, Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the **Environmental Protection Act**

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Conception Bay South (Laurel Road) Shore Stabilization

(Reg. 2093)

Proponent: Cahill Group of Companies

The proponent is proposing to install hydraulic rip-rap shoreline stabilization along 140 metres of shoreline adjacent to a residential property on Laurel Road in Conception Bay South, east of the Manuel's River discharge. The purpose of the shoreline stabilization is to reduce shoreline erosion in the area of the residential property to ensure the foundation and structural integrity of the building is not compromised.

The undertaking was registered on July 22, 2020; the deadline for public comments is August 28, 2020; and the minister's decision is due by September 5, 2020.

Noel Paul Steady Access Road and Bridge Proponent: 2G Outfitters

(Reg. 2094)

The proponent is proposing to construct an approximately 1.3-kilometre access road to an existing outfitting lodge located near Noel Paul Steady, approximately 28 kilometres southeast of Millertown, Central Newfoundland. The road will branch from the existing Chipper Road forest access road and will require the construction of a timber bridge at the end to connect with the lodge. The road will facilitate the transport of clients and supplies to the lodge and will operate seasonally.

The undertaking was registered on July 24, 2020; the deadline for public comments is August 28, 2020; and the minister's decision is due by September 7, 2020.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

Gummy Pond ATV Trail Proponent: Green Bay Snowmobile Association

(Reg. 2079)

The project was released subject to the following conditions:

- The proponent is required to uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the project on the environment.
- The proponent is required to update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the project, including a copy of all permits, licenses, 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 project updates to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

Pinchgut Lake Access Road Proponent: Girl Guides of Canada

(Reg. 2082)

The project is released subject to the following conditions;

- The proponent is required to uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the project on the environment.
- No vegetation clearing is to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Great-horned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Saw-whet Owl). The location of any raptor nest site must be reported to the Wildlife Division.
- A minimum 30-metre undisturbed buffer along all waterbodies and wetlands that appear on a 1:50,000 topo map to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species, and their habitat.
- The proponent is required to have a spill kit on-site during construction and to submit
 a spill response plan in the event of a fuel or other hazardous materials spill, for the
 approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment, prior to construction.
 For further information, please contact the Environmental Assessment Division at
 EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
- The proponent is required to advise the Minister when the conditions of release have been met, by emailing a written description, documents, and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions have been fulfilled to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
- The proponent is required to update the Minster on the status of this project, including a copy of all permits, licences, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the project, one year from the date of the release letter and to provide additional updates if required by the Minister. Please email project updates to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

Pinware to Red Bay Road Upgrades
Proponent: Department of Transportation and Works

(Reg. 2085)

The project is released subject to the following conditions;

- The proponent is required to uphold all commitments made in the environmental assessment submission to mitigate the effects of the project on the environment.
- The proponent is required to update the Environmental Assessment Division on the status of the project, including a copy of all permits, licenses, certificates, approvals and other authorizations required for the project, one year from the date of this release letter and to provide additional updates, if requested. Please email project updates to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.
- The proponent is required to develop a Women's Employment Plan (WEP) for this
 project, to be approved by the Office of the Status of Women. The WEP should
 identify specific commitments to support the recruitment, training, employment and
 retention of women.
- No vegetation clearing is to occur within 800 metres of a bald eagle or osprey nest during the nesting season (March 15 to July 31) and 200 metres during the remainder of the year. The 200-metre buffer also applies to all other raptor nests (e.g. Northern Goshawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Greathorned Owl, Boreal Owl, Northern Saw-whet Owl). The location of any raptor nest site must be reported to the Wildlife Division.
- The proponent is required to provide a botanical survey at the identified locations by an independent third party qualified botanist to determine absence/presence of two plants of concern (Indian pipe and Northern bog-clubmoss). Botanical surveyors are to contact the Wildlife Division to obtain all relevant information prior to survey.
- The proponent is required to advise the Environmental Assessment Division when the conditions of release have been met, by emailing a written description, documents, and images (where applicable) to demonstrate that the conditions have been fulfilled to EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca.

Learn more

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