

ATTACHMENT A**EA 2255 - Stephenville Crossing - Bridge Removal (the Project)****Regulatory Advice from Government Departments**

During the environmental assessment provincial and federal government departments and agencies indicated that the following plans, permits, licences, approvals and/or other authorizations are or may be required before your Project commences. This is not intended to be a comprehensive list and you are responsible for consulting with federal and provincial government authorities regarding any additional authorizations that may be required by law.

The Climate Change Branch (CCB) of the Department of Environment and Climate Change advises that all heavy duty equipment used in the construction/demolition phase of this Project should be operated in a manner to maximize fuel efficiency, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions that could contribute to climate change. For further information, please contact the CCB at (709) 709-5782.

The Pollution Prevention Division (PPD) of the Department of Environment and Climate Change advises that all waste material shall be considered, prior to disposal, for reuse, resale or recycling. Guidance documents pertaining to wood waste disposal and management of excavated soils, concrete rubble and dredged materials are available online in the following locations:

- Treated Wood Waste Disposal: <https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/files/env-protection-waste-guidancedocs-gd-ppd-075.1treated-wood-waste-disposal-.pdf>
- Management of Excavated Soils, Concrete Rubble and Dredged Materials: <https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/env-protection-waste-guidancedocs-excsoilsconcreterubbledredgedmaterials.pdf>

PPD further advises you to consider developing a contingency plan specific to the Project to enable a quick and effective response to a spill event. For further information, please contact the PPD at (709) 729-5782.

The Water Resources Management Division (WRMD) of the Department of Environment and Climate Change advises that you must obtain a permit for any work in or within 15 metres of a body of water (including wetlands), and a water use license may be required prior to the start of the work. Any effluent or runoff leaving the site is required to conform to the requirements of the Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations. For further information, please contact the WRMD at (709) 729-1646.

The Government Services Centre (GSC) of the Department of Digital Government and Service NL informs that the Project property is located within the boundaries of the Protected Road Zoning Regulations. A permit is required for this work to be carried out in the Protected Road Zoning area.

The Occupational Health and Safety Division (OHS) of DGSNL advises that generally, you must ensure that activities are conducted in compliance with the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** and its regulations. This includes the responsibility for ensuring that contractors hired to perform work also comply with the legislation. For further information, please contact OHS at 1 (800) 563-5471.

The Department of Immigration, Population Growth and Skills (IPGS) engages with employers and community members in promoting awareness of multiculturalism and anti-racism, which are goals shared by all of Government. IPGS encourages you to contact the Association for New Canadians to enquire about Intercultural Competency Training, to increase your knowledge and understanding of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) principles. IPGS further encourages you to include a DEI hiring component as part of the bidding process, wherein prospective bidders would provide a hiring plan that includes active efforts to hire individuals from marginalized groups. For further information, please contact IPGS at (709) 729-7131.

The Department of Industry, Energy and Technology (IET) advises that any quarry materials (e.g., aggregate, fill, rock, stone, boulders, gravel, sand, clay, borrow material, etc.) that may be required for the Project must be obtained from an approved source. The Regulatory Affairs Division of IET indicates that the Project falls within a hydrocarbon basin, in an area having oil and gas potential. For further information, please contact IET at (709) 729-5748.

The Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (MPA) advises that the Project is within the Town of Stephenville Crossing's Municipal Planning Area and a demolition permit must be obtained from the Town prior to Project commencement. For further information, please contact MPA at (709) 729-3090.

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) advises that the Project is located within an area that has been designated as critical habitat for Piping Plover, which is listed as endangered under the **Species at Risk Act (SARA)**. To reduce potential disturbance or destruction of Piping Plover critical habitat, ECCC-Canadian Wildlife Services (CWS) recommends that the beach should remain in as natural an ecological state as possible, and that activities be kept to previously disturbed areas, to the extent possible.

ECCC-CWS requests that species-at-risk sightings be reported to ec.scfatldonneesei-cwsatliadata.ec@ec.gc.ca and to the Atlantic Canada Conservation Data Centre at <http://accdc.com/en/contribute.html>, and recommends that you develop the following plans:

- A management plan that includes appropriate preventative measures to minimize the risk of impacts on migratory birds;
- An oil spill prevention and response plan.
- A contingency plan that considers potential accidents and malfunctions that take into account site-specific conditions and sensitivities.

For further information, please contact the ECCC-CWS at (709) 777-4221.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) advises that the modernized **Fisheries Act** include fish and fish habitat protection provisions which came into effect on August 28, 2019. If you are conducting work in or near water you should refer to the Project Near Water website to get information about how to comply with the **Fisheries Act** and as well as information on the Project review process. The 'Project Near Water' website is 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 (TC) advises that under the Navigation Protection Program, bridges are considered "Major Works." Submission of an application to the [External Submission Site for the Navigation Protection Program](#) will be required. This is the central point to submit an application for an approval or to publish a notification for a work. Additional guidance information and links for the NPP regulatory process can be found here:

- **Canadian Navigable Waters Act**
<https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs-632.html>
<https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/canadian-navigable-waters-act.html>
- Navigation Protection Program, Transport Canada
<http://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs-621.html>

For further information, please contact Transport Canada at (709) 351-3200.