

**ATTACHMENT A: Regulatory Advice from Government Departments****EA 2256 - CBPPL Zone 6 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2024-2028) (The Project)**

During the environmental assessment of the Project, 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 heavy equipment should be operated in a manner that fuel efficiency, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions that could contribute to climate change. For further information, please contact the CCB at (709) 729-1485.

The Pollution Prevention Division (PPD) of the Department of Environment and Climate Change advises that a Pesticide Applicator License is required for the application of a pesticide, and a contractor hired to perform that service must have a valid Pesticide Operator License. For more information, please contact the Pesticides Control Section at (709) 729-6054. You are also advised to develop a contingency plan specific to the Project and to have spill response equipment readily available on-site to enable a quick and effective response to a spill event. Any spill or leak of gasoline or associated product is to be reported immediately to the Environmental Emergencies Telephone Line at 1-800-563-9089. For further information, please contact the PPD at (709) 729-5782.

The Natural Areas Program (NA) of the Department of Environment and Climate Change advises that particular care should be taken during harvest operations in Block # K-15-65 (Steady Brook Lakes) to ensure no encroachment into Little Grand Lake Ecological Reserve. The NA respectfully requests that Corner Brook Pulp and Paper consider removing the area of proposed harvest from inside a small area along the Robinson's River that has been publicly nominated under section 11(2) of the **Wilderness and Ecological Reserves Act** as a possible ecological reserve (harvest blocks K-14-67 (Barachois) and K-14-68 (Pasture Road)). Contact for detailed information. For further information, please contact the Natural Areas Program at [NaturalAreas@gov.nl.ca](mailto:NaturalAreas@gov.nl.ca) or (709) 637-4066.

The Water Resources Management Division (WRMD) of the Department of Environment and Climate Change advises that you must apply for and obtain prior to the start of work; a permit for any work in or within 15 metres of a body of water (including wetlands); a water use license; and a development permit is required for work adjacent to or within a Protected Public Water Supply Area. You are advised to avoid any work within 100-metres of private well/drilled wells. Any effluent or runoff leaving the site is required to

conform to the requirements of the Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations, 2003. For further information, please contact the WRMD at (709) 729-1646.

The Government Service Centre (GSC) of the Department of Digital Government and Service NL (DGSNL) advises advise that the storage, handling, and disposal of used and or waste oil must be in compliance with the Used Oil and Used Glycol Control Regulations. Any activity proposed within 400 meters of a protected road will require a development permit, and a Highway Access Permit may be required prior to commencing any development. Any proposed fuel cache will require approval by DGSNL prior to installation. For further information, please contact the GSC at (709) 729-2008.

The Occupational Health and Safety Division (OHS) of DGSNL advises you to 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 Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (FFA) advises you that the Environmental Protection Guidelines (2023) apply to all operating areas. The Project must not encroach on existing Crown titles or Crown Land Reserves and there is to be a 100-meter “no-cut” buffer around established cottage development areas. FFA requests that CBPPL develop a regeneration policy /procedure specifically for biomass commercial harvesting areas to ensure such sites transition successfully into fully stocked forested areas post-harvest. FFA request such plan to be submitted no later than June 1, 2024. The Hardwood Transfer Agreement (2013-2023) in Forest Management District 14 has expired, which had been utilized to facilitate domestic hardwood opportunities, and as such FFA request CBPPL develop a domestic harvesting plan for this upcoming five year plan, which must be submitted to FFA by November 1, 2023.

The Wildlife Division of FFA advises that within Forest Management District 14, a portion of identified harvestable timber blocks overlap with the Eastern Habitat Joint Venture (EHJV) Municipal Habitat Stewardship Agreement between the Town of Pasadena and FFA, namely “Blue Gulch Pond”. Commercial harvest should be avoided within the boundaries of the approved Conservation Area, as harvest is not consistent with the aims of the Habitat Stewardship Agreement. Within Forest Management District 15 a portion of identified harvestable timber blocks overlap with the Provincially Significant Wetland known as Furries Brook Bog. Where applicable, a minimum 50-meter naturally vegetated buffer to be maintained around Furries Brook Bog. For further information, please contact FFA at (709) 637-2353.

The Department of Industry, Energy and Technology (IET) advises that any quarry materials required from the Project must be obtained from approved sources. Forestry activities must consider quarry boundaries, buffers, tree screens and quarry access roads in areas where both forestry and quarry operations are ongoing. IET further advises that Newfoundland and Labrador (NL) Hydro and Newfoundland Power assets in the Project

area and recommends that you notify NL Hydro and Newfoundland Power of the Project. For further information, please contact IET at (709) 729-5748.

The Department of Municipal and Provincial Affairs (MAPA) advises development permits are required for forestry activities within municipal planning area. Should any aspect of the undertaking intersect a protected road, an application must be made to Digital Government Service NL (DGSNL). Should an access road be positioned on a parcel of land with title adjunct from the Crown, permission from the title owner or clear title must be held prior to works commencing. For further information, please contact MAPA at (709) 729-3090.

The Provincial Parks Division (ParksNL) of the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation recommends a 100-metre 'no cut' buffer between provincial park boundaries and commercial cut block boundaries, and no new road or trail construction within 500-metres of park boundaries, and to be referred on any proposed forestry development within one kilometre of a provincial park property. ParksNL advised that a Temporary Vehicular Access (TVA) permit is required for motor vehicle access to the Newfoundland and Labrador T'Railway Provincial Park. For future information, please contact ParksNL at (709) 637-2345.

The Tourism Product Development Division (Tourism) of the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation recommends that Project activities that may impact scenic settings near touring corridors, be managed to minimize adverse effects on visual viewscapes. Tourism further recommends that you consult with outfitters and other tourism stakeholders in the area in order to mitigate any potential conflict. For further information, please contact the Tourism Product Development Division at (709) 729-4518.

The Department of Transportation and Infrastructure (TI) advises that Proponent shall be fully responsible to identify property and highways owned by the TI and the construction of an access roads will require application approval prior to commencing any work within the Department's Right of Way. For further information, please contact TI at (709) 729-5339.

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) 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.

ECCC further advises that in order to avoid nest destruction and to accommodate the breeding season of migratory birds, operations should consider nesting locations between April 15 and August 15 in this region. ECCC requests that species-at-risk sightings be reported to the Canadian Wildlife Service (CWS) at [ec.scfatldonneesei-cwsatliadata.ec@ec.gc.ca](mailto:ec.scfatldonneesei-cwsatliadata.ec@ec.gc.ca) and to the Atlantic Canada Conservation Data Centre at

<http://accdc.com/en/contribute.html>. 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 Projects 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 'Projects 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.