

**PERMIT TO ALTER A BODY OF WATER**

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Pursuant to the *Water Resources Act*, SNL 2002 cW-4.01, Section(s) 48

Date:

APRIL 01, 2015

File No: 526

Permit No: ALT7990-2015

Proponent:

Mr. Robert Mc Fatridge  
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Attention:

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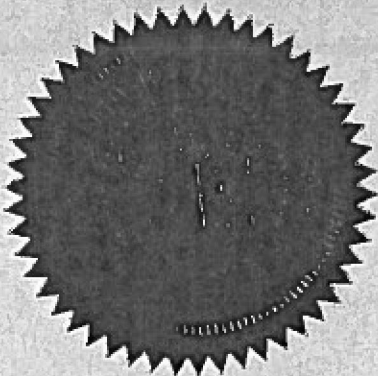
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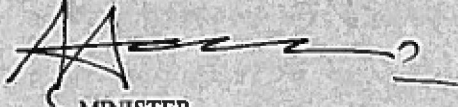
Stephenville Crossing - Cranberry Farm

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Permission is hereby given for: **the leveling and creating of 150 by 600 foot beds with berms and sand in a wetland near the Town of Stephenville Crossing to accommodate the increase in acreage of an existing cranberry farm as outlined in the application received, dated December 12, 2014.**

- This permit does not release the proponent from the obligation to obtain appropriate approvals from other concerned municipal, provincial and federal agencies.
- The proponent must obtain the approval of the Crown Lands Administration Division if the project is being carried out on Crown Land.
- This permit is subject to the terms and conditions indicated in Appendix A (attached).
- It should be noted that prior to any significant changes in the design or installation of the proposed works, or in event of changes in ownership or management of the project, an amendment to this permit must be obtained from the Department of Environment and Conservation under Section 49 of the *Water Resources Act*.
- Failure to comply with the terms and conditions will render this permit null and void, place the proponent and their agent(s) in violation of the *Water Resources Act* and make the proponent responsible for taking any remedial measures as may be prescribed by this Department.



  
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APPENDIX A  
Terms and Conditions for Environmental Permit

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**Special Conditions**

1. The Proponent and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) indemnify and hold the Minister and Government harmless against any and all liabilities, losses, claims, demands, damages or expenses including legal expenses of any nature whatsoever whether arising in tort, contract, statute, trust or otherwise resulting directly or indirectly from granting this Permit, any and all works or equipment in or outside the said project areas, or any act or omission of the Proponent or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) in or outside the said project areas, or arising out of a breach or non-performance of any of the terms and conditions, or provisions of this Permit by the Proponent or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s).
2. This Permit is subject to the Water Resources Act, 2002 and all applicable laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.
3. The Proponent and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) are fully responsible for any and all works, measures, reservations, exceptions and provisions stated in all terms and conditions of this Permit. The acknowledgement of the receipt of this Permit confirms that the Proponent and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) agree to accept this Permit and to abide by all terms and conditions, reservations, exceptions and provisions stated in this Permit.
4. If the Proponent or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), or consultant(s) fails to perform, fulfil, or observe any of the terms and conditions of this Permit and/or Ministerial orders and guidelines, as determined by this Department, the Minister may, after providing ten (10) day notice to the Proponent, amend, modify, suspend or cancel this Permit in accordance with the Water Resources Act, 2002.
5. Any further activity within a freshwater body (including wetlands and flood risk areas), requires a permit under Section 48 of the Water Resources Act, 2002. Proponent must avoid construction activities in a wetlands wherever possible.
6. The Permit Holder shall abide by terms and conditions of Water Use Licence No. WUL-15-7984 issued by the Minister.

**Peat Drainage**

7. Drainage ditches must collect and transport surface runoff in a manner that does not cause flooding, erosion or sedimentation of adjacent land or receiving waters.
8. The Permit Holder must prevent erosion of drainage ditches, streams or other natural bodies of water by installing rip-rap and/or sodding.
9. To preserve water quality, all effluent directed out of the project site must be contained in settling ponds before being discharged into receiving waters. Effluent discharged into receiving waters must comply with the *Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations, 2003*.
10. Perimeter ditches, canals and settling ponds must be periodically cleaned and deepened to maintain operational efficiency. This work must be carried out during periods of low flow and in a way that helps preserve water quality. If drainage ditches, streams, or other water bodies become blocked, the proponent must clear all flow obstructions.
11. Vehicles travelling over peat land must exert low bearing pressures.
12. A minimum depth of 0.5 metres of peat must be left above the mineral soil for the purpose of rehabilitation.
13. The constructed works must comply with all other terms and conditions provided in the Crown Lands grant, lease, or license for occupancy.
14. A water quality monitoring program is not required at this time. However, the Department reserves the right to require that the proponent sample, analyse, and submit results of water quality tests, for the purpose of ensuring that the water quality is maintained within acceptable guidelines. All analyses must be undertaken by a C.A.E.A.L. accredited laboratory.

**General Alterations**

15. Any work that must be performed below the high water mark must be carried out during a period of low water levels.
16. Any flowing or standing water must be diverted around work sites so that work is carried out in the dry.
17. Water pumped from excavations or work areas, or any runoff or effluent directed out of work sites, must have silt and turbidity

removed by settling ponds, filtration, or other suitable treatment before discharging to a body of water. Effluent discharged into receiving waters must comply with the *Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations, 2003*.

18. All operations must be carried out in a manner that prevents damage to land, vegetation, and watercourses, and which prevents pollution of bodies of water.
19. The use of heavy equipment in streams or bodies of water is not permitted. The operation of heavy equipment must be confined to dry stable areas.
20. All vehicles and equipment must be clean and in good repair, free of mud and oil, or other harmful substances that could impair water quality.
21. Any areas adversely affected by this project must be restored to a state that resembles local natural conditions. Further remedial measures to mitigate environmental impacts on water resources can and will be specified, if considered necessary in the opinion of the Department.
22. The bed, banks and floodplains of watercourses, or other vulnerable areas affected by this project, must be adequately protected from erosion by seeding, sodding or placing of rip-rap.
23. All waste materials resulting from this project must be disposed of at a site approved by the Department of Service NL.
24. Periodic maintenance such as painting, resurfacing, clearing of debris, or minor repairs, must be carried out without causing any physical disruption of any watercourse. Care must be taken to prevent spillage of pollutants into the water.
25. The owners of structures are responsible for any environmental damage resulting from dislodgement caused by wind, wave, ice action, or structural failure.
26. Sediment and erosion control measures must be installed before starting work. All control measures must be inspected regularly and any necessary repairs made if damage is discovered.
27. Fill material must be of good quality, free of fines or other substances including metals, organics, or chemicals that may be harmful to the receiving waters.
28. The attached Completion Report (Appendix B) for Permit No. 7990 must be completed and returned to this Department upon completion of the approved works. Pictures must be submitted along with the completion report, showing the project site prior to and after development.
29. This Permit is valid for two years from the date of issue. Work must be completed by that date or the application and approval procedure must be repeated.
30. The location of the work is highlighted on the Location Map for this Permit attached as Appendix C.
31. All work must be carried out within the proponent's legal property boundaries.

- cc: **File Copy for Binder**
- cc: **Mr. Jonathan Grandy**  
**Manager, Western Regional Crown Lands**  
**P.O. Box 2006**  
**Corner Brook, NL**  
**A2H 6J8**
- cc: **Town of Stephenville Crossing**  
**Ms. Yvonne Young**  
**PO Box 68**  
**Stephenville Crossing, NL A0N 2C0**
- cc: **Dr. Abdel-Zaher Kamal Abdel-Razek, Ph. D., P.Eng**  
**Manager, Water Rights and Investigations Section**  
**Water Resources Management Division**  
**Department of Environment and Conservation**  
**P.O. Box 8700**  
**St. John's NL A1B 4J6**

**Appendix B - Completion Report**

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*I (the proponent named above or agent authorized to represent the proponent ) do hereby certify that the project described above was completed in accordance with the plans and specifications submitted to the Department of Environment and Conservation and that the work was carried out in strict compliance with the terms and conditions of the Permit issued for this project.*

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

This completion report must be completed and forwarded to the following address upon completion of the approved work.

Department of Environment and Conservation  
Water Resources Management Division  
PO Box 8700  
St. John's NL A1B 4J6



APPENDIX C  
Location Map for Environmental Permit

