



Natural Resources

**Western Newfoundland
Onshore Call for Postings
2010**

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1. **Introduction**

Under the authority of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act* and pursuant to section 16 of the *Petroleum Regulations*, The Honourable Kathy Dunderdale, Minister of Natural Resources (the Minister) for the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador has issued a Call for Postings, respecting Crown reserve lands in the onshore area. Following this Call for Postings, the Minister may decide to publish a competitive Request for Bids.

2. **Submission**

For the purpose of posting areas of interest, interested parties are advised that an exploration permit is restricted to a maximum size of 40 000 contiguous hectares (400 contiguous sections).

Interested parties may express interest in nominating lands either manually or digitally:

Manual Submission

- i. Using the grid system illustrated on the enclosed map, persons should submit both a written description of their areas of interest and identify such areas on a copy of the enclosed map. In the case of a conflict, the areas described on the map shall take precedent over the written description.

Digital Submission

- i. Generating a shapefile(s), persons should submit both a written description of their areas of interest and identify areas on the particular shapefile(s). Criteria for submission by shapefile are:
 - Shapefiles are to reference a projected coordinate system, specifically Universal Transverse Mercator NAD 27 Zone 21
 - Shapefiles must depict polygons , not polyline(s) or points
 - Shapefiles must be composed of the following file extensions (*.dbf, *.prj, *.sbn, *.sbx, *.shp, *.shx)
- ii. Shapefiles may be submitted either by e-mail, or on a CD accompanying any hard copy documents. In the case of a conflict, the areas delineated in the shapefile shall take precedent over the written description.

Sealed postings and CDs will be received at the following address:

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
Department of Natural Resources
4th Floor, Natural Resources Building
50 Elizabeth Avenue
P.O. Box 8700
St. John's, NF A1B 4J6

Attention : Fred Allen
Director, Regulatory Affairs Division

E-mails will be received at: CallForPostings@gov.nl.ca

- This Call for Postings will close at 4:00 pm, Newfoundland Standard Time, on December 15, 2010.
- Each submission should clearly indicate the name, address and contact person of the party.
- All submissions received from the Call for Postings will remain with the Department of Natural Resources. All information respecting postings will remain confidential.

3. **Obligations**

This Call for Postings and any submission received in response thereto shall neither constitute nor give rise to any obligation on the part of the nominees to participate in or on the part of the Department of Natural Resources to proceed with a Request for Bids in respect of any lands nominated.

4. **Onshore Administration**

The Newfoundland and Labrador Petroleum Regulations, under the authority of the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*, apply to “those lands and submerged areas within the Province that lie landward of the ordinary low water mark along the open coast of the Province.” Petroleum operations in the onshore area are administered by the Newfoundland Department of Natural Resources (the Department).

Persons wishing to conduct petroleum operations in the province’s onshore area must submit applications according to the appropriate regulations. The Department will consult with government agencies to identify any concerns or constraints respecting petroleum operations and issue the appropriate licences or approvals. Conditions may be attached to such licenses and approvals. Conditions may include limitations on the time frame within which operations may proceed and restrictions on the type of equipment that may be used.

Governing regulations respecting petroleum exploration include:

- *Newfoundland and Labrador Petroleum Regulations, 1151/96*
- *Newfoundland and Labrador Petroleum Drilling Regulations, 1150/96*
- *Newfoundland and Labrador Petroleum Exploration Survey Regulations (Draft)*

5. **Restricted Areas**

Parks, Reid Lots, fee simple mining grants and coastal islands will be excluded from any subsequent Request for Bids resulting from this Call.

6. **Information**

For further information contact:

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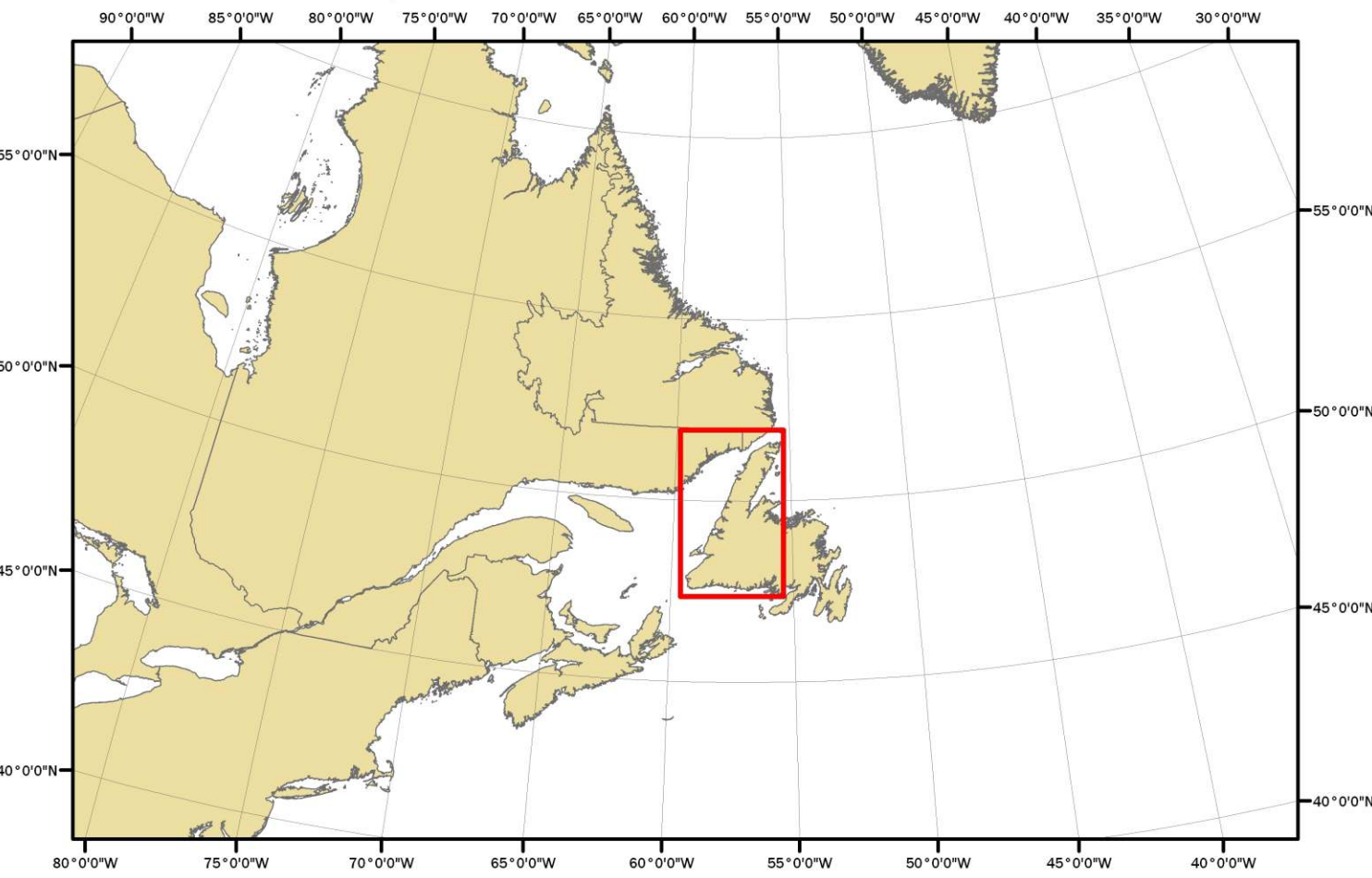
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Minister**

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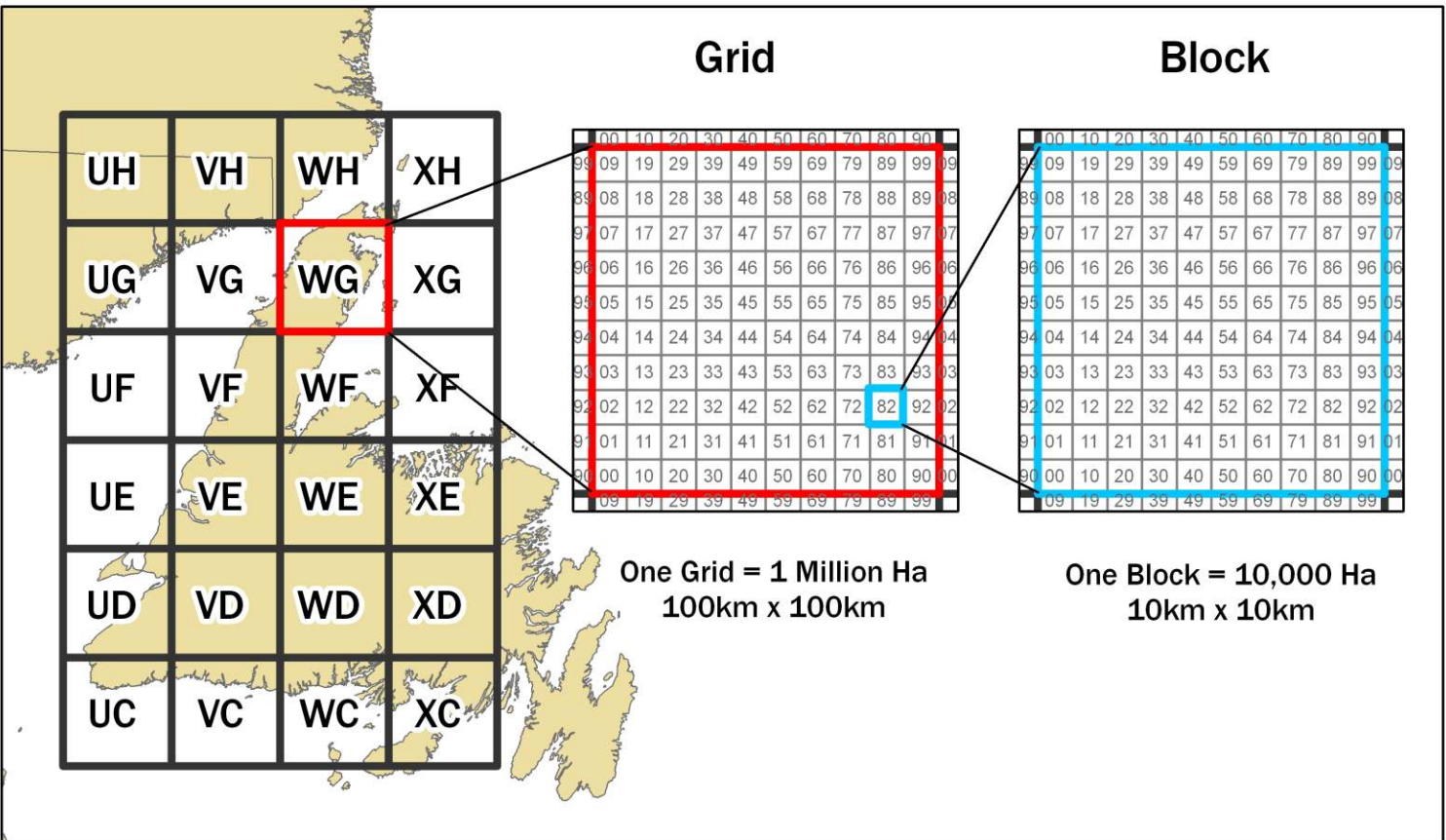
Legend

-  Park, Wilderness or Ecological Reserve
-  Exploration Permit
-  Production Lease
-  Exploration Licence
-  Eligible Land for 2010 Call for Postings

Index Map



Illustrative Grid System



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