

Environment and Conservation
July 14, 2010

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Charlene Johnson, Minister of Environment and Conservation, has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

Humber Village Snowmobile Trail

(Reg 1522)

Proponent: John Jenniex and Cecil Collins

The proponent intends to construct and develop a snowmobile trail originating in the community of Humber Village, east of the City of Corner Brook. The proposed trail will be approximately 3 kilometres in length and will connect Humber Village with the existing forest access road networks north of the community and thence to the groomed trails managed by the Newfoundland and Labrador Snowmobile Federation. Development is scheduled to start in early September, 2010, with completion by the end of November, 2010.

The project was registered on July 13, 2010; public comments are due by August 18, 2010; the minister's decision is due on August 27, 2010.

Gambo Pond Cottage Development (Phase I)

(Reg 1521)

Proponent: Land Management Division, Dept. of Environment and Conservation

The Gambo Pond Cottage Development Plan was recently approved to control unplanned cottage development in this area. The Gambo Pond Cottage Development Planning Area is located near the Trans Canada Highway, adjacent to the Town of Gambo. Phase I of this project involves the development of twelve new recreational cottage lots. Each unserviced lot will be 0.4 hectares in area, totaling approximately 4.8 hectares for the project as a whole. The lots are located approximately 8.5 kilometres from the Trans Canada Highway on Pond View Road. No new road construction is necessary for this proposed development, however an estimated 1.3 kilometres of existing road will be upgraded. There is no time frame for cottage construction (will be the decision of individual lot owners). If approved, road upgrading will begin in mid August 2010 and continue until mid September 2010.

The project was registered on July 8, 2010; public comments are due by August 18, 2010; the minister's decision is due on August 22, 2010.

Undertakings Released:

Mount Pearl Industrial Services Facility

(Reg. 1504)

Proponent: Talon Energy Services

Comfort Cove Cranberry Farm
Proponent: Comfort Cove Cranberry

(Reg. 1503)

This undertaking was released from environmental assessment subject to the following condition:

- The proponent must develop monitoring survey protocols in consultations with the Wildlife Division and Canadian Wildlife Service for waterfowl, other bird species, and for any species at risk that might be within the cranberry farm site area. The annual results of these monitoring surveys will be provided to, and discussed with the Wildlife Division and Canadian Wildlife Service. In addition, mitigation measures should be developed to reduce human-waterfowl interactions during construction and operation of the cranberry farm.

For further information on the environmental assessment process, please contact the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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