

Environment and Climate Change

April 4, 2025

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Lisa Dempster, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, has announced the following relative to Environmental Assessment - Part 10 - of the **Environmental Protection Act**.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

150 MW (Nominal) Avalon (Holyrood) Combustion Turbine Project

Proponent: Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Reg. 2350)

The proponent is proposing to install 150 megawatts (MW) of combustion turbine generation on their property located adjacent to the Holyrood Thermal Generating Station to provide a source of peaking support and backup generation. The project would involve the construction of a multi-unit combustion turbine power generating facility, including: a tank farm, powerhouse, terminal station, construction laydown areas and related infrastructure on an 11.8-hectare site. A description of the project can be found on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: <https://www.gov.nl.ca/eccm/env-assessment/projects-list/>.

The undertaking was registered on April 4, 2025. The deadline for public comment is May 9, 2025, and the minister's decision is due by May 19, 2025.

Little Rapids Residential Lot

(Reg. 2349)

Proponent: Damian and Krista Baldwin

The proponent is proposing to construct a one-story dwelling on a residential lot located at 403C Marble Drive in the community of Little Rapids. The proposal would be located adjacent to the Humber River, a scheduled salmon river. Construction would include installation of a sewer system and well and landscaping. A description of the project can be found on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/env-assessment/projects-list/.

The undertaking was registered on April 4, 2025. The deadline for public comment is May 9, 2025, and the minister's decision is due by May 19, 2025.

APPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT GUIDELINES ISSUED:

Botwood and Area EVREC Green Energy Project (Reg. 2327)

Proponent: Exploits Valley Renewable Energy Corporation (EVREC)

The minister has approved the guidelines for the preparation of the environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Botwood and Area EVREC Green Energy Project. The EIS guidelines identify the information that the proponent will be required to address in the EIS. The EIS guidelines are available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: <https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project-2327/>.

Learn More

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https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/GUIDE-TO-THE-PROCESS_Jan-2024.pdf

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Project comments may be sent to: EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca

Anyone submitting comments on a project under environmental assessment should notify the Department of Environment and Climate Change if they DO NOT wish to have their comments shared with the project proponent.

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