

## PERMIT FOR ACTIVITIES IN A PROTECTED PUBLIC GROUNDWATER SUPPLY

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Pursuant to the *Water Resources Act*, SNL 2002 cW-4.01, specifically Section(s) 39, 61

Date: **OCTOBER 17, 2024**

File No: **DA24-006**  
Permit No: **GW13987-2024**

Permit Holder: **Town of Port au Port East  
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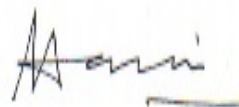
Attention: **Koren Hunt**

Re: **Port au Port East Protected Water Supply Area - Installation of an access door for wellhead  
pumphouse, Port au Port East**

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Permission is hereby given for : **Installation of a bottom level access door to eliminate the current confined space access within the well building.**

- This Permit does not release the Permit Holder from the obligation to obtain appropriate approvals from other concerned municipal, provincial and federal agencies.
- This Permit is subject to the terms and conditions indicated in Appendices A and B (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 Climate Change under Section 49 of the *Water Resources Act*.



(for) MINISTER

**APPENDIX A**  
**Terms and Conditions for Permit**

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**Development in WPWSA**

1. All persons working on this project must be informed that they are within a Wellhead Protected Water Supply Area and must be made aware of all conditions of this Permit. A copy of this Permit must be on site during construction.
2. All equipment must be in good working order with no leaking fuel or oil. Refueling of heavy equipment is not allowed on site.
3. Any spills of gasoline, fuel or oil, regardless of volume, must be reported immediately to the Environmental Scientist at (709) 729-2539. Furthermore, all spills in excess of 70 litres shall be reported immediately to the 24 hour spill report line at (709) 772-2083 (call collect) or 1-800-563-9089.
4. All operations must be carried out in a manner that minimizes damage to land, vegetation and water courses, and which prevents pollution of water bodies. Please note that groundwater aquifers are considered water bodies.
5. During construction and after the project is complete, the use and/or storage of fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, petroleum solvents, chlorinated solvents, and preservatives is limited or restricted. Please contact the Environmental Scientist at (709)729-2539 for more information.
6. The parking, storage, and maintenance of heavy equipment is prohibited.
7. Equipment storage and maintenance facilities associated with this project must not be located within the Wellhead Protected Water Supply Area, and all maintenance other than emergency repairs must be performed outside the Wellhead Protected Water Supply Area.
8. Bulk fuel storage, including home heating fuel, is prohibited.
9. The use and/or storage of fertilizers, pesticides, herbicides, petroleum solvents, chlorinated solvents, and preservatives are prohibited.
10. Fuel/gasoline storage is limited to one 23 litre (5 Imperial gallon) approved container during both the construction and occupation period of the property. Furthermore, every precaution shall be made to prevent spills, leaks, or other discharges while filling from the container.
11. Liaison must be maintained with the appropriate Municipal Authority and Department official. If there are any specific problems (i.e., fuel spill or other potential water quality impairment), the Town Manager/Clerk and/or Mayor must be notified immediately, as well as the Environmental Scientist at (709)729-2539.
12. Officials of the Department and the appropriate Municipal Authority, Operator, or Wellhead Protection Committee may visit the site from time to time to ensure compliance with this Permit.
13. Any areas adversely affected by this project must be restored to a state that resembles the local natural conditions or must be grass covered. Further remedial measures to mitigate environmental impacts on water resources can and will be specified, if necessary in the opinion of the Department.

14. The Department reserves the right to require the proponent to cover all costs incurred by the proponent or this department that is associated with any water quality monitoring program that may be ordered by the Minister for the purpose of ensuring that the water quality is maintained within acceptable guidelines.
15. A water quality monitoring program is not required at this time. However, the Department reserves the right to require that the proponent sample, analyze, and submit results of water quality tests, for the purpose of ensuring that the water quality of the surrounding aquifer(s), is maintained within acceptable guidelines. All analyses must be undertaken by a CALA accredited laboratory.
16. The permit holder, contractor, subcontractor or other persons associated with this project shall not cross, operate in, or disturb any body of water, either directly or by means of installing a bridge or culvert, without first obtaining a permit under Section 48 of the Water Resources Act SNL 2002 cW-4.01
17. Any significant changes in the permitted operations, developments or activities other than those specified in the application must be submitted in writing to the Department, and permitted in the form of an Amendment to this Permit, before they are undertaken.
18. Renewal of this permit shall require the submission of a written application, on the prescribed form, to the Department, and is subject to review by this Department and the appropriate Municipal Authority, Operator or Wellhead Protection Committee.
19. The permitted development activity is located at or near: N 48.557085, W58.699515.
20. This permit is valid for one (1) year from the date of issuance.
21. The well owner is responsible for compliance with this permit.

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22. 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.
23. All persons working on this project must be informed that they are within a Protected Public Water Supply Area, and must be made aware of all conditions of this Permit. A copy of this Permit must be on site during operations.
24. The attached Completion Report (Appendix C) for Permit No. 13987 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.
25. An undisturbed (no cutting or ground disturbance) buffer zone of at least **150 metres** shall be maintained around Berry Head Reservoir, at least **50 metres** around major lakes and ponds and along both sides of all streams and main tributaries running into Berry Head Reservoir, and at least **30 metres** around all ponds, along both sides of all other water bodies including wetlands and field identified streams. Activity or development within these buffer zones is prohibited. All buffer zones must be marked with signs or flagging tape to avoid encroachment into the buffer zones.
26. Treated wood shall not be used in a water body or within buffer zones established in Condition #25 of any water body measured from the high water mark. The use of creosote treated wood anywhere within the Protected Public Water Supply Area is strictly prohibited.
27. All waste material is to be collected in refuse containers, and disposed of at an approved waste disposal site outside the Protected Public Water Supply Area in accordance with the *Environmental Protection Act, SNL 2002 cE-14.2*.

28. Equipment storage, maintenance facilities associated with this project, and all maintenance other than emergency repairs must not be located/carried out within the Protected Public Water Supply Area.
29. The Department reserves the right to require that the Permit Holder follow, and cover all costs incurred by the Permit Holder or this department, associated with any water quality monitoring program that may be ordered by the Minister for the purpose of ensuring that the water quality is maintained within acceptable guidelines.
30. Officials of the Department and the appropriate Municipal Authority, Operator, or Watershed Management Committee may visit the site to ensure compliance with this Permit.
31. Liaison is to be maintained with the appropriate Municipal Authority and Environmental Scientist. If there are any specific problems (i.e. sedimentation, fuel spill, or other potential water quality impairment), the appropriate Town Manager/Clerk, Mayor, Chair of the Local Service District Committee, or Chair of the Water Supply Committee must be notified immediately at (709)648-2731. The Environmental Scientist must also be notified immediately at **(709)637-2542**.
32. The location of the work is highlighted on the Location Map for this Permit attached as Appendix D.
33. Any changes in water quality resulting directly from this project, rendering the water unsuitable as a public water supply, are the responsibility of the Permit Holder. The Minister may order the Permit Holder to provide an alternate source of potable water to the affected community until water quality returns to an accepted level.
34. All vehicles and equipment must be clean and in good working order with no leaking fuel, oil, or other harmful substances that could impair water quality.
35. All stationary motorized equipment and associated fuel tanks shall have metal trays, absorbent pads or impervious liners under them to catch and contain in excess of 110 % of the aggregate volume of any fuel, lubricant and oil.
36. Drainage from roads and other disturbed areas into any body of water must first be discharged into a settling pond, a vegetated area or pass through a sedimentation fence where all suspended material can settle out before draining into any body of water.
37. The Permit Holder is required to ensure that adequate sanitary (bathroom) facilities are available or provided on site. This may be in the form of a portable toilet, chemical toilet, or municipal sewer system. If a portable toilet or chemical toilet is used, the waste water must be disposed of in a septic disposal system approved by Service NL, or at an approved waste disposal site, outside the Protected Public Water Supply Area in accordance with the Environmental Protection Act, SNL 2002 cE-14.2.
38. Cleaning of any equipment, including but not limited to, equipment that comes into contact with concrete or paint, is not permitted in the reservoir.

#### **Fuel Storage**

39. There shall be no bulk fuel storage associated with this project within the protected water supply area.
40. Contaminated snow and soil must be removed from the site and disposed of at an approved location outside the protected public water supply area, in accordance with the *Environmental Protection Act, SNL 2002 cE-14.2*.
41. Any spills of gasoline, fuel or oil, regardless of volume, shall be reported immediately to the Environmental Scientist at (709)637-2542 and the appropriate Municipal Authority or Watershed Management Committee by calling (709)648-2731. Furthermore, all spills in excess of 70 litres shall be reported immediately to the 24 hour spill report line at 1-800-563-9089.

42. A complete oil spill clean-up kit must be on site at all times when gasoline or fuel powered equipment is being used or refuelled. The kit must contain the following:
- One hand operated fuel pump
  - One recovery container such as an empty 205 litre drum
  - One shovel
  - One pick axe
  - Five metres of containment boom
  - Five absorbent pads
  - Twenty-five litres of loose absorbent material
43. Refueling sites shall be located at least 150 metres from any water body or wetland.

#### **Protected Miscellaneous**

44. The Permit Holder must inspect the site daily, and any water quality impairment related problems are to be reported immediately to the Environmental Scientist at (709)637-2542 and the appropriate Municipal Authority or Watershed Monitoring Committee at (709)648-2731.
45. The Permit Holder is required to provide this Department with all documentation, information and data which may be requested or required in order to carry out the inspection or investigation.
46. Wood and brush removed from the work site must not be stored within undisturbed buffer zones of any water body.

#### **Special Conditions**

47. Any fill material used will be from a stockpile that has not been in contact with any other materials that may adversely impact it, contain fines or have additional materials added to it.
48. Every effort must be made to avoid soil or sediment from eroding into the reservoir, with special care taken within a 150m buffer around the reservoir as this area may be sensitive to erosion and sedimentation issues.
49. The use of heavy equipment in streams or waterbodies is prohibited. The operation of heavy equipment must be confined to dry stable areas.

**APPENDIX B**  
**Special Terms and Conditions for Permit**

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1. The Permit Holder and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) shall keep all systems and works in good condition and repair and in accordance with all laws, by-laws, directions, rules and regulations of any governmental authority. The Permit Holder or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), or consultant(s) shall immediately notify the Minister if any problem arises which may threaten the structural stability of the systems and works, endanger public safety and/or the environment or adversely affect others and/or any body of water either in or outside the said Project areas. The Permit Holder and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) shall be responsible for all damages suffered by the Minister and Government resulting from any defect in the systems and works, operational deficiencies/inadequacies, or structural failure.
2. The Permit Holder and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) shall operate the said Project and its systems and works in a manner which does not cause any water related and/or environmental problems, including but not limited to problems of erosion, deposition, flooding, and deterioration of water quality and groundwater depletion, in or outside the said Project areas. The Permit Holder and its agent(s), subcontractor(s), and consultant(s) shall be responsible for any and all damages associated with these problems caused as a result of changes, deficiencies, and inadequacies in the operational procedures by the Permit Holder or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), or consultant(s).
3. If the Permit Holder or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), or consultant(s) fails to perform, fulfil, or observe any of the terms and conditions, or provisions of this Permit, as determined by this Department, the Minister may, without notice, amend, modify, suspend or cancel this Permit in accordance with the *Water Resources Act*.
4. The Permit Holder 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, systems and works in or outside the said Project areas, or any act or omission of the Permit Holder or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), or 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 Permit Holder or its agent(s), subcontractor(s), or consultant(s).
5. This Permit is subject to all provisions of the *Water Resources Act* and any regulations in effect either at the date of this Permit or hereafter made pursuant thereto or any other relevant legislation enacted by the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador in the future.
6. This Permit shall be construed and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the Province of Newfoundland and Labrador.

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### Appendix C - Completion Report

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

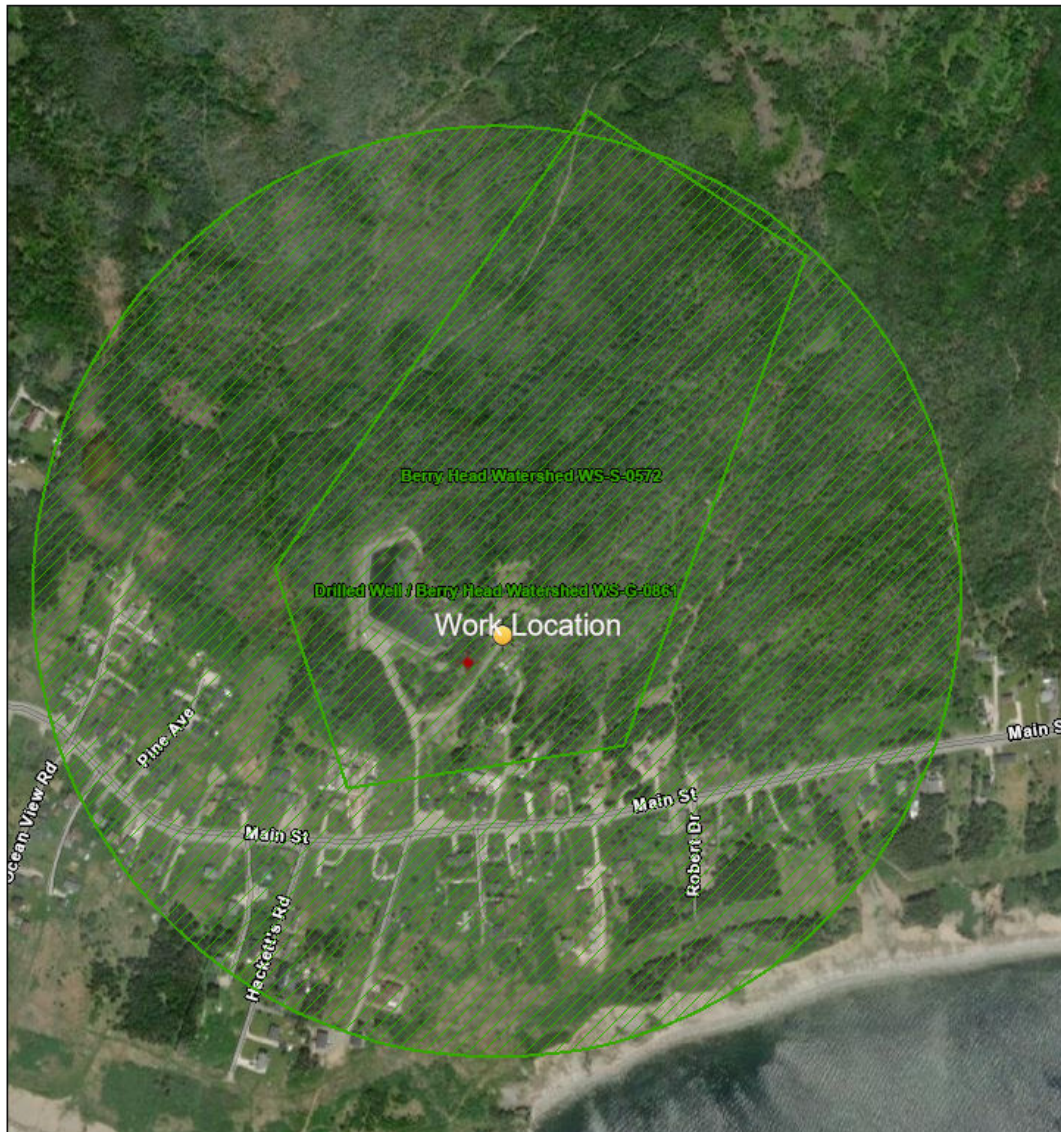
Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**APPENDIX D**  
**Location Map for Permit**

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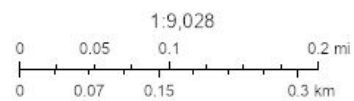
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