



Government of Newfoundland and Labrador  
Department of Environment and Climate Change  
Water Resources Management Division

## PERMIT TO CONSTRUCT

Pursuant to the *Water Resources Act*, SNL 2002 cW-4.01, specifically Section(s) 36

Date: **SEPTEMBER 11, 2024**

File No: **842.046.2**  
Permit No: **WS13770-2024**

Permit Holder: **Town of Port au Choix**  
**119 Fisher Street**  
**P.O. Box 89**  
**Port au Choix, NL A0K 4C0**  
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Attention: **Ms. Lizeta Gould**

Re: **Port aux Choix - Lift Stations Upgrades**

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Permission is hereby given for : **upgrades to two existing sewage lift stations including all new mechanical and electrical components as shown on a set of revised drawings numbered 24-183 (MI no. 17-GI-24-00014 & 17-GI-24-00015), sheets SP1, SP2, C1/E1, C2/E2 and E3 as received from Gorman Engineering Ltd. on September 10, 2024.**

- This Permit does not release the Permit Holder from the obligation to obtain appropriate approvals from other concerned municipal, provincial and federal agencies.
- The Permit Holder 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 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*.

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(for) MINISTER

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

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**Water & Sewer General**

1. 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*.
2. 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.
3. 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 this Department.
4. All waste materials resulting from this project must be disposed of at a site approved by the Department of Digital Government and Service NL.
5. The works proposed must satisfy the requirements of the latest applicable codes and standards, and be consistent with or otherwise address the design criteria set out in this Department's publication *Guidelines for the Design, Construction, and Operation of Water and Sewerage Systems, 2005*, and as amended from time to time.
6. The work must be undertaken in strict compliance with the submitted documents and the latest version of the *Municipal Water, Sewer and Roads Master Construction Specifications*. A copy of all documents, including the *Municipal Water, Sewer and Roads Master Construction Specifications* must be available for viewing at the construction site office at all times.
7. Liaison is to be maintained with the Environmental Scientist representing the Drinking Water and Wastewater Section of this Department, during the construction and operation of the project. They shall be notified of the pre-construction and post-construction meetings so that they may attend, if deemed necessary. They can be reached at telephone (709) 637-2034 .
8. Officials of this Department may visit the project from time to time to ensure that work is carried out within the provisions of this Permit, and is not creating any environmental hazard.
9. Any changes in the approved works, or works other than those specified in the application, must be submitted, in writing, to this Department, and approved, in the form of an Amendment to this Permit, prior to any work.
10. Copies of this Permit, as well as any subsequent Amendments, must be provided to the contractor(s) who will be carrying out these works, and to the engineer's site representative.
11. The attached Completion Report (Appendix C) for Permit No. 13770 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.
12. 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.

13. The drinking water and wastewater system shall be operated and maintained in accordance with the Permit to Operate issued by this Department.
14. The Owner must update any drawings maintained of the drinking water or wastewater system to reflect the modification or replacement of the works, where applicable.

### **Sewer Systems**

15. In the event that private or existing sewer lines are disturbed during construction, the lines are to be restored to their original *working* condition. Care shall be taken to ensure that soil or other material does not enter the lines to cause blockage.

### **Lift Stations and Force mains**

16. The sewage lift station(s) must be equipped with a manual line transfer switch to accommodate an auxiliary power source during power outages.
17. The direct connection of sanitary sewer services to sewage lift stations is not permitted. Connection may be made to a sanitary sewer main leading to the sewage lift station, or to a manhole immediately prior to the sewage lift station provided the sanitary sewer service lateral enters the manhole at the flow line.
18. Contingency plans must be established for mechanical and extended electrical failure for all sewage pumping stations. Alarm systems shall be activated in cases of power failure, pump failure, unauthorized entry, or any cause of pump station malfunction.
19. The proposed sewage pump station(s) must be in compliance with the *Municipal Water, Sewer and Roads Master Construction Specifications*.
20. The sewage pumping station(s) shall be equipped with an alarm system that shall be activated in cases of power failure, pump failure, sump pump failure, unauthorized entry, or any cause of a pump station malfunction.
21. A sewage pumping station shall have a minimum suction line of 100 mm.
22. Provision must be provided for the temporary pumping of sewage to the existing receiving manhole while the sewage pumping station(s) are being upgraded. Pumping to any other location will not be considered for this project.
23. All septic sludge and grit removed from the lift station chamber(s) must be disposed of by a licensed hauler to an approved waste disposal site.

### **Miscellaneous**

24. The Permit Holder must prevent erosion of drainage ditches, streams or other natural bodies of water by installing rip-rap and/or sodding.
25. The selected contractor must provide the town with a hard copy and a digital copy of the Operation and Maintenance Manual. A digital copy must be submitted to the Water Resources Management Division. The manual must include data for all major components of the sewage pumping station(s). The data must be for the particular unit(s) supplied and not a general description of unit(s) manufactured by the supplier.

**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.

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