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Department of Environment
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment Minister Ralph Wiseman has announced the following event relative to the Environmental Assessment Act. Copies of documents may be obtained by contacting the Department of Environment at 729-2562 or by calling toll-free 1-800-563-6181. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

NEW UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Amendment to District 9 (Springdale Area) Five-Year Crown Forest Management Operating Plan
Proponent: Department of Forest Resources & Agrifoods

The proponent intends to amend five separate operating areas in this District:

- Pine Pond (East of Kings Point); 4,000 cubic metres of timber remaining from previous operations will be harvested during winter seasons by a small sawmill operator over the January 2002 to March 2005 period.
- Shoal Pond (West of Springdale); 5,000 cubic metres of hardwoods will be harvested by a commercial fuelwood operation over the January 2002 to March 2005 period in areas previously logged for softwoods .
- Loon Pond (South Brook area); 4,000 cubic metres of primarily hardwoods will be harvested by a commercial sawlog and fuelwood operation over the January 2002 to March 2005 period in areas previously logged for softwoods .
- Bear Pond (West of Burlington); 5,000 cubic metres of sawlogs and pulpwood will be harvested primarily in fall and winter seasons by a commercial operator over the January 2002 to March 2005 period.
- 28 Ridge (North of Baie Verte); 6 km of access road (2 km each of the next three years) and one bridge will be constructed to access 30,000 cubic metres of wood in a new area.

The project was registered on November 5, 2001, public comments are due December 10, and the Minister's decision is due December 20.

GUIDELINES FOR ENVIRONMENTAL PREVIEW REPORT ISSUED

Bellevue Golf Course Development
Proponent: L. Mareido Enterprises Limited (Mr. Melvin Conrad Reid)

As a result of the Minister's decision on August 7, 2001 to require an environmental preview report (EPR) for the above undertaking, in accordance with Section 9 (1) (a) of the Environmental Assessment Act, 2000 the Minister has issued Guidelines to the proponent. The Guidelines are intended to provide instructions to the proponent for the preparation of the EPR. Copies of the Guidelines are available to the public. Following submission of the EPR by the proponent, the EPR will be made available to the public for review. For further information call Carl Strong, Chairperson of the Assessment Committee at 729-0834 or by E-Mail at cstrong@mail.gov.nf.ca .

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Further information may be obtained by contacting the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-2562 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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