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Department of Environment and Conservation
Environmental Assessment Division

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

Environment and Conservation Minister Tom Osborne has announced the following events relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the Environmental Protection Act.

UNDERTAKINGS REGISTERED:

(1) Labrador City Carol Project Revised Tailings Management Project (Reg. 1237)
Proponent: Iron Ore Company of Canada

The proponent is proposing the confinement of tailings from the IOC Carol Project. This is to be achieved through flocculation of the consolidated effluent streams and subsequent discharge of the flocculated effluent into the naturally confining trench located in the western portion of Wabush Lake. The discharge point would be immediately to the north of the existing tailings beach and within the confines of the existing IOC lease line allocation. This approach will confine the tailings within the trench in Wabush Lake, thus, negating the construction of a 15 kilometre rock fill dyke as previously proposed. In-lake dykes will be constructed, however, to connect the three small islands at the north end of Wabush Lake to the eastern shore, thus establishing a single flow channel at the northwest corner of the lake. A temporary access road approximately 195 metres long will be constructed off Javelin Road to assist construction. Construction is tentatively scheduled to begin June, 2006. The undertaking was registered on February 13, 2006; public comments are due by March 22, 2006; and, the Minister's decision is due by March 30, 2006.

(2) South Brook (Pasadena) Watercourse Channel Stabilization (Reg. 1238)
Proponent: Town of Pasadena

The proponent proposes stabilization of South Brook in the Town of Pasadena by extending the placement of armour stone further upstream for a distance of 75 metres and excavating a 6 metres wide by 120 metres long section of the east bank to a depth of approximately 0.45 metres. Work is expected to be completed over a two week period. The undertaking was registered on February 14, 2006; public comments are due by March 22, 2006; and, the Minister's decision is due by March 31, 2006.

The Minister encourages all interested parties to become involved and to make comments known. Comments on submitted documents are invited from the public, addressed in writing to the Minister, and are welcome prior to the deadline date shown.

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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