

Environment and Conservation
February 10, 2010

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT BULLETIN

The Honourable Charlene Johnson, Minister of Environment and Conservation, has announced the following event relative to Part 10 Environmental Assessment of the *Environmental Protection Act*.

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Jewer's Brook, Wooddale, Cranberry and Forage Operation

Proponent: Glenfair Farms Ltd.

(Reg. 1474)

The proposal is to develop a cranberry farm on an 88 hectare peat bog. The site is located in the Wooddale north area, approximately five kilometres northeast of Jewer's Brook and 11 kilometres from Newbay Road. Construction is scheduled over two to five years with a four hectare cranberry bog and four hectare forage field developed each year. Construction will include removal of vegetation, ditching installation of irrigation and sediment ponds, berms, bed drainage tile, water control structures and farm auxiliary buildings. Sand, fertilizers and pesticides will be applied to the cranberry beds during operation. Harvesting of the cranberries includes flooding each field, in succession, with approximately 45 centimetres of water and removal with a cranberry beater. Forage field area will require drainage. The project is scheduled to commence in 2010, if approved.

The undertaking was registered on February 3, 2010; the deadline for public comments is March 17, 2010; and the Minister's decision is due by March 20, 2010.

For further information on the environmental assessment process, please contact the Director of Environmental Assessment at (709) 729-4211 or toll-free: 1-800-563-6181 or by mail to:

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