

Environmental Assessment Bulletin

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

UNDERTAKING REGISTERED:

Huguette Lake Sand Quarry Extension (Reg. 1705)
Proponent: Allard Distributing Ltd.

The proponent has submitted a proposal for the development of a three-hectare sand quarry which will be an extension to an existing sand quarry site. The quarry site is approximately two kilometres north of kilometer 0.5 on Route 500, the Trans Labrador Highway (TLH) and 28 kilometres west of Labrador City. The site is accessed via the TLH and an existing gravel access road. The existing adjacent quarry deposit is nearly exhausted and it is anticipated that there will be a significant demand for quarry material with the increase in mining activity in the area. The proposed quarry will produce a product for construction, mining and commercial use in Labrador West. Operations will include clearing, grubbing, quarrying, screening of materials and transporting the processed aggregate to the local area. Construction of the quarry is slated to begin in 2013 and will potentially operate for five years.

The undertaking was registered on April 4, 2013; the deadline for public comments is May 10, 2013; and the minister's decision is due by May 19, 2013.

GUIDELINES ISSUED:

Forteau Wharf and Laydown Area (Reg. 1669)
Proponent: Bay Bulls Properties Ltd.

The minister has issued guidelines for the Environmental Preview Report (EPR) for the above undertaking. The proponent is now required to prepare the EPR and submit the document for review by the public and the Assessment Committee. The Guidelines are available and may be accessed on the department's web site or by contacting the Chair of the Assessment Committee, Paul Carter at (709)729-0188 or email pcarter@gov.nl.ca.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

Labrador West Gravel/Sand Quarry (Reg. 1689)
Proponent: Labrador Menihek Resources Inc.

The project has been released from further environmental assessment review subject to the following condition:

- A 100-metre undisturbed buffer must be maintained between the proposed quarry and all waterbodies.

The project has been released from further environmental assessment review subject to the following condition:

- A 30-metre naturally vegetated buffer must be maintained along all waterbodies and wetlands.

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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