

Registration Form
Pursuant of Part 10, Environmental Assessment
Section 49 of the Environmental Assessment Act

Name of Undertaking:

Forest Management District 16 - Crown Five Year Operating Plan 2002-2006
(Amendment)

Proponent:

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The Undertaking:

(I) Nature of Undertaking
Timber harvesting amendment to the Crown Five Year Operating Plan for
Forest Management District 16.

(II) Purpose/Rationale/Need for the Undertaking:

This amendment is needed to provide a replacement harvesting area for an
existing approved area that cannot be safely harvested in the winter.

Description of the Undertaking:

(i) Geographic Location:

The amendment area is located in Forest Management District 16 at the southern end of White Bay. More specifically it is located near Faulkner's Pond on the Sop's Arm Highway (Route 420) approximately 5 Kilometers pass the Hampden branch towards the community of Sop's Arm. The attached 1:50,000 topographic map (12H10)and 12,500 scale forest inventory map identify the geographic location of the amendment area.

(ii) Physical Features:

The Faulkner's Pond amendment covers an total area of 510 hectares, of which, 375 hectares are forested and includes a softwood volume of 45,000 cubic meters.

(iii) Operation:

The harvesting operation will consist of an integrated sawlog/pulpwood operation using manual felling and forwarder extraction. The timber from this operation will be used in the integrated sawmill in Hampden. This commercial harvesting will be subject to the rules and regulations outlined in the provincial Forestry Act and other related legislation. In additionl, operating permits are subject to the Environmental Protection Plan for Ecologically based Forest Resource Management.

(iv) Occupants:

The workforce will include approximately twenty manual fellers (chainsaws), three forwarder operators, four truck drivers and several foremen for a three to four months period each winter for the duration of the plan.

(v) Project Related Document

Forest Management District 16 Crown Five Year Operating Plan; 2002-2006.

Approval of Undertaking:

Commercial operating permit from Forest Management District 16 office.

Schedule:

The Newfoundland Forest Service requests a decision within 45 days after the Minister of Environment receives the completed registration form.

Date

Chief Executive Officer