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Mr. Kevin Moss, Councillor
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Dear Ms. Stroud and Mr. Moss:

RE: The Old Trail Development, Eastport Peninsula – Registration 1937

Your proposal has been reviewed by an interdepartmental screening committee and an opportunity to comment has been provided to the public as required by the Newfoundland and Labrador *Environmental Protection Act*, SNL 2002, cE-14.2. Please be advised that this undertaking is **released** from further environmental assessment subject to the following conditions:

- The proponent must notify the Provincial Archaeology Office prior to any construction activities that require ground disturbance, or the placement of interpretive signage as part of the trail development, at or near the Matchim and Sandy Cove 1 sites at Sandy Cove and the Smokey Hole Beaches site near Keats Island. For further information, please contact the Provincial Archaeology Office at (709) 729-2462.
- The proponent must maintain a minimum 30 metre undisturbed naturally vegetated buffer along all waterbodies and wetlands to protect sensitive riparian and aquatic species and their habitat.
- The proponent must avoid clearing activities during the breeding, nesting and rearing periods for migratory birds (April 15th to August 15st for landbirds and April 1st through August 30th for seabirds).

The Water Resources Management Division of this Department requires that you apply for and obtain a permit for any infilling work within fifteen (15) metres of a body of water and a permit for any work in any body of water (including wetland) including but not limited to culverts, bridges and diversion channels. For further information, please contact the Water Resources Management Division at (709) 729-2295.

The Forestry Division of the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources require you to apply and obtain a commercial cutting permit and an operating permit prior to any harvesting and/or timber removal activities. For further information, please contact the Gander District Office at (709) 256-1450.

Although the undertaking, as proposed, is released from further environmental assessment, it is still subject to other legislative requirements. A summary of the comments received from government agencies during the review is attached to provide an indication of likely applicable permits, approvals and legislative requirements. Please note that you must comply with all relevant legislation and obtain all necessary permits and approvals. You are required to inform this Department of any proposed significant changes to the undertaking.

If you have any questions concerning these matters, please contact Dr. Susan Squires, Director, Environmental Assessment Division, at (709) 729-0673 or susansquires@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,



EDDIE JOYCE, MHA
District of Humber-Bay of Islands
Minister of Municipal Affairs and Environment

Attachment

Cc. Colin Holloway, MHA
District of Terra Nova