

# **Environmental Assessment Registration**

## **Pursuant to the Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Protection Act**

**File Reference No. 200.20.2713**

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## **1.0 NAME OF THE UNDERTAKING**

**Project Name:** Cottage Access Road from Bay D'Espoir Highway.

### **1.1 PROPONENT**

Mr. Michael Jerry Strickland (Mr. Strickland).

### **1.2 PROPONENT'S ADDRESS**

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### **1.4 PRINCIPAL CONTACT PERSON**

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## **2.0 THE UNDERTAKING**

### **2.1 NATURE OF THE UNDERTAKING**

Mr. Strickland is proposing to construct a low profile access road to connect his recreational cottage property to the Bay D'Espoir Highway, Highway 360. On January 11, 2017, Mr. Strickland received receipt of application for Crown title on a cottage property, No. 15089, and permission to construct an access road, No. 150690, (Appendix A, File No. 2030819). On May 16, 2018, Mr. Strickland received notification to register the access road, with the Environmental Assessment Division, as an undertaking requiring environmental review pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act<sup>1</sup>. (Appendix A, File No. 200.20.2713).

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<sup>1</sup> SNL2002 CHAPTER E-14.2 – *Environmental Protection Act*, Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, <https://www.assembly.nl.ca/legislation/sr/statutes/e14-2.htm>

## **2.2 PURPOSE/RATIONAL/NEED FOR THE UNDERTAKING**

The Newfoundland and Labrador Environmental Protection Act (NL EPA) requires anyone who plans a project that could have a significant effect on the natural, social or economic environment (an "Undertaking") to present it for examination through the provincial EA process. The definition of an "Undertaking" in the NL EPA includes proposed modifications, rehabilitations and extensions of such projects. The associated Environmental Assessment Regulations (Part 3) list those projects (potentially including proposed modifications, rehabilitations and extensions of same) that require registration and review. Section 35 of the Environmental Assessment Regulations (2003)<sup>2</sup> state that:

*35 (1) (b). An undertaking that will be engaged in construction projects other than buildings that involve the construction of roads or the relocation or realignment of existing roads where a portion of the road will be more than 500 meters from an existing right of way.*

The proposed access road is intended for recreational activities, allowing light and intermediate size vehicles to gain access to the cottage property via the provincial road network. The access road is not intended, or designed, to support larger sized trucks and transport vehicles.

## **3.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE UNDERTAKING**

The access road will involve construction of a new access road between Highway 360, and the proponent's recreational cottage property located to the west. The following criteria were considered for the access road location:

- Stable existing location
- Suitable access that minimizes construction and reclamation difficulties
- Minimization or avoidance of fish and wildlife conflicts
- Avoids land use conflicts
- Minimizes conflicts with historical resources
- Maximizes use of existing disturbed areas
- Utilizes existing corridors where possible

### **3.1 GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION**

The access road will intersect with Highway 360 starting at 48°17'12.70"N 55°29'03.89W, approximately 80 km South of the Trans-Canada Highway (Figure 3.1). The cottage lot will be 45m X 90m located at 48°17'21.05"N 55°29'31.36W (Figure 3.1). The access road will be approximately 1 km in length with a 5 m wide driving surface.

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<sup>2</sup> NLR 54/03 - Environmental Assessment Regulations, 2003 under the Environmental Protection Act, Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment, Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, <https://www.assembly.nl.ca/Legislation/sr/Regulations/rc030054.htm>.



### **3.2 PHYSICAL FEATURES**

The point of access is located on a ridge, with elevation decreasing to the north and south. There is an approach will be the start the access road. The nearest bog is located 50m north of the access road (Figure 3.2). Vegetation consists of stands of black spruce and shrubs in open areas. There is no water crossing including: intermittent brooks, streams or bogs along the proposed access road. There are no known fish and/or wildlife conflicts or other land use conflicts. There are no identified historical resources in the project area. The proposed access road location is deemed to have the least impact on the environment in this area and is not intended to be maintained for year round, full time access.

### **3.3 CONSTRUCTION**

A general overview of the primary activities that will be associated with the construction phase of the access road is provided in the next three sections. The access road will be constructed with commonly used construction practices and in accordance with standard procedures and applicable regulatory requirements. The access road is a linear development with existing access limited to Highway 360 on the east and proceed to the cottage lot to the west. It is planned that construction would progress from the Highway 360 approach and not impede any drainage along Highway 360. Access road construction will be carried out on a contractual basis with work sequencing to be planned and executed by J&G Contractors and subject to all contractual and permit conditions. Rubber tracked mini-excavator and rubber tired dump truck will be the preferred equipment for clearing. The approach will be developed by clearing any sight obstructions to access the Highway 360. All cleared trees will be salvaged for firewood. To minimize terrain disturbance, construction will be postponed and equipment travel will be suspended without causing rutting or mud transfer to the highway during wet weather conditions. In any problem areas, construction will be postponed until soil conditions are favourable to continue.

### **3.4 OPERATION**

The access road is intended to permit light and intermediate vehicle access to the cottage lot and will be maintained as needed to provide such access when required. Although the access road will remain open for use throughout its life, it is not intended to be maintained for year round, full time access, but will be used as needed. Access road maintenance should normally be limited to occasional placement and grading of surface topping material to level the surface and eliminate ruts and protruding stones. Any areas where the access approach or road surface is damaged by storm events or for any other reason shall be repaired as required.

### **3.5 OCCUPATION**

Project construction will be carried out on a contractual basis, with workers hired at the discretion of J&D Contractors and in accordance with its own hiring practices and policies. It is expected that the actual access road construction will require approximately 3 days. An initial estimate of the project's required

construction labor force, by number, occupation and National Occupational Classification (NOC)<sup>3</sup> code, is provided in Table 3.1 below.

<b>Table 3.1 – Occupations Likely to Represent the Workforce</b>			
<b><u>Project Phase</u></b>	<b><u>Approximate Number</u></b>	<b><u>Occupation</u></b>	<b><u>National Occupational Classification (NOC)</u></b>
Construction	<i>one</i>	Operator	NOC 7521
	<i>one</i>	Truck Driver	NOC 7511
	<i>one</i>	Labourer	NOC 7611

#### **4.0 APPROVAL OF UNDERTAKING**

Mr. Strickland will require the approval of permits and licenses from all of the following Provincial Government Agencies:

<b>Table 4.1 – Approval of Permits and Licenses</b>		
<i>Crown Land Application (Cottage lot)(Fig 4.1)</i>	No. 150689	Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment -Lands Branch
<i>Crown Land Application (Access Road)(Fig 4.1)</i>	No. 150690	Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment -Lands Branch
<i>Septic System Approval (Cottage Lot)</i>	TBD	Service NL
<i>Cutting Permit</i>	TBD	Department of Fisheries and Land Resources

#### **5.0 SCHEDULE**

The earliest start date of this undertaking is Spring of 2020, and will continue to Fall of 2020. Construction activities will not commence until approval all required licenses and permits are received.

#### **6.0 FUNDING**

3 Employment and Social Development Canada. "Quick Search - Results." *Government of Canada, Employment and Social Development Canada*, 10 Feb. 2015, <http://noc.esdc.gc.ca/English/NOC/QuickSearch.aspx?ver=16&val65=>

The undertaking will be funded in its entirety by Mr. Strickland. The estimated cost of access road construction is \$7000.

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*Date*

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*Signature of the Proponent*

## **7.0 ATTACHMENTS**

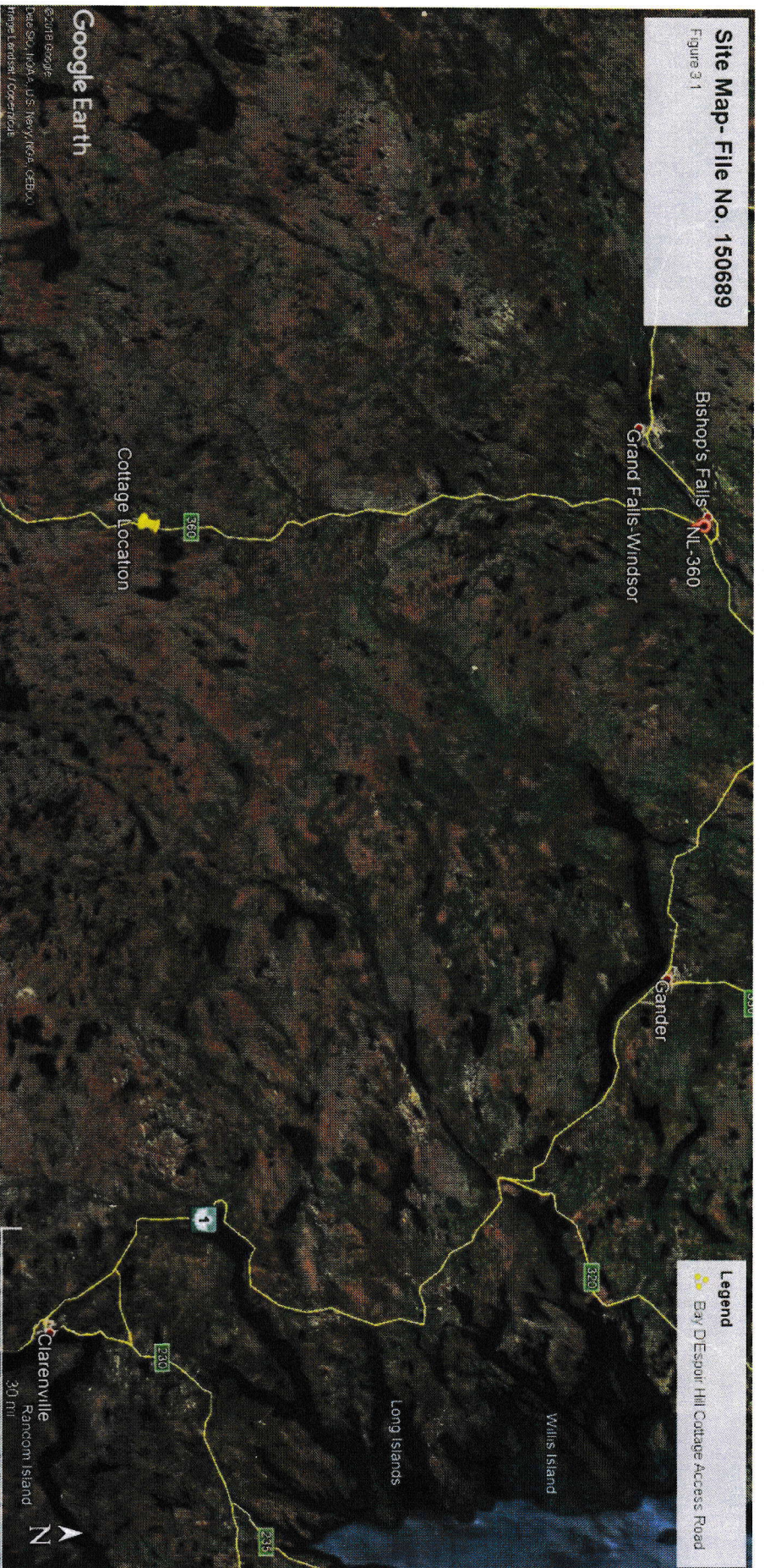
1. *Figures*
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# FIGURES



Site Map- File No. 150689

Figure 3.1



Bay D'Espoir Hill Cottage Road Project Location <sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Accessed Google Earth October 02, 2019





Bay D'Espoir Hill Cottage Road Project Location<sup>2</sup>

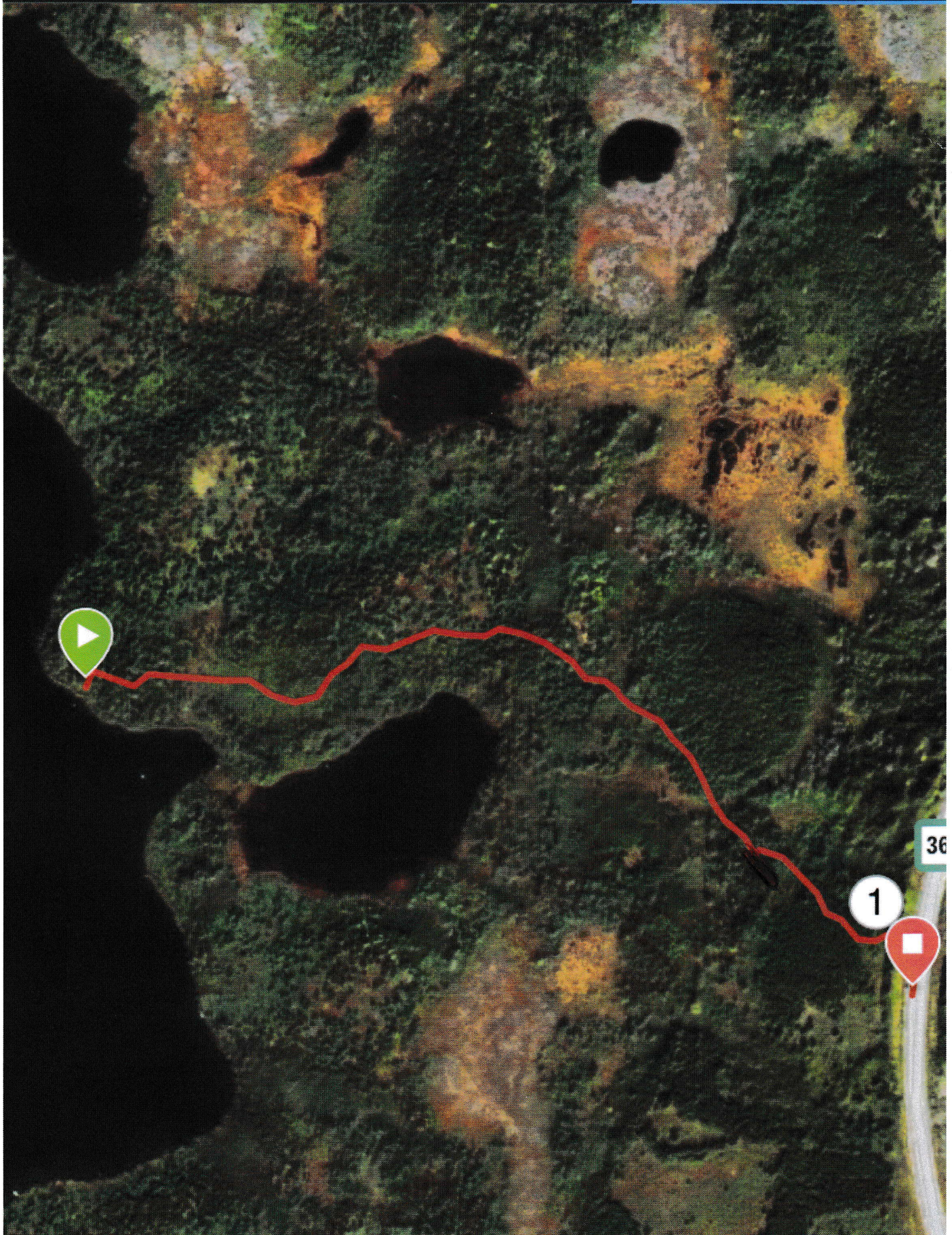
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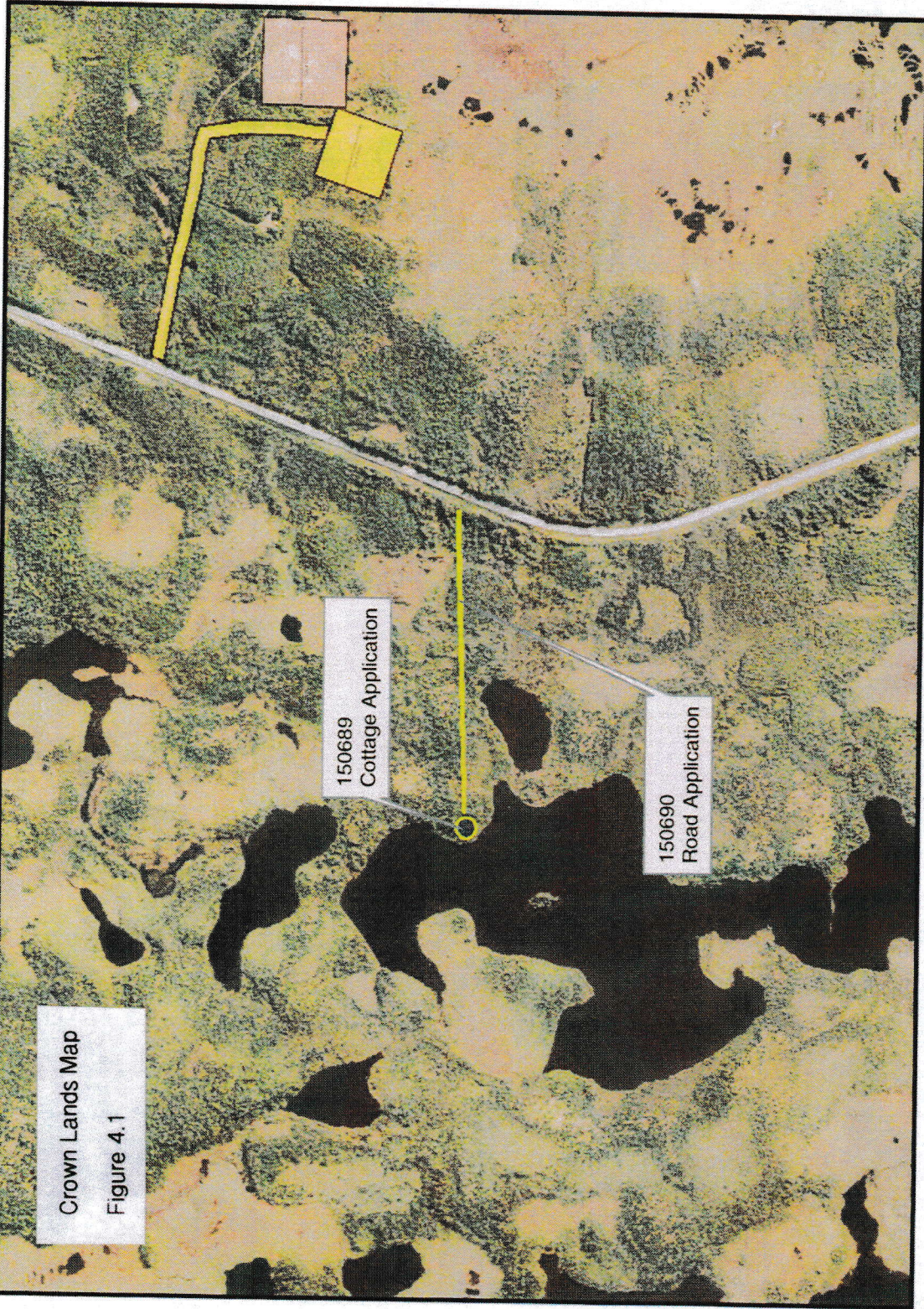
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Crown Lands Map  
Figure 4.1

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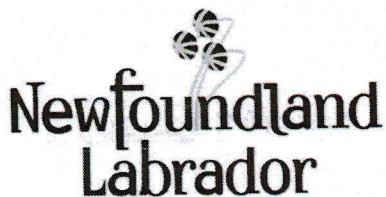
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# **APPENDIX A**



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Lands Branch  
Central Regional Lands Office

In Reply Please Quote  
File Reference No.

JAN 11, 2017

2030819

MICHAEL JERRY STRICKLAND  
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Dear Sir/Madam:

**RE: APPLICATION NO.: 150690**  
**TYPE: Permission**  
**PURPOSE: access road**  
**LOCATION: Bay D'espoir Hill**

This will acknowledge receipt of the above referenced application for a Crown title. The application has now been registered and via a copy of this letter, the Department and/or agencies on the attached schedule have been asked to forward their comments and recommendations on your application to the Regional Lands Office.

Your application will be reviewed and a final decision will be made when the recommendations have been received from these Departments and/or agencies.

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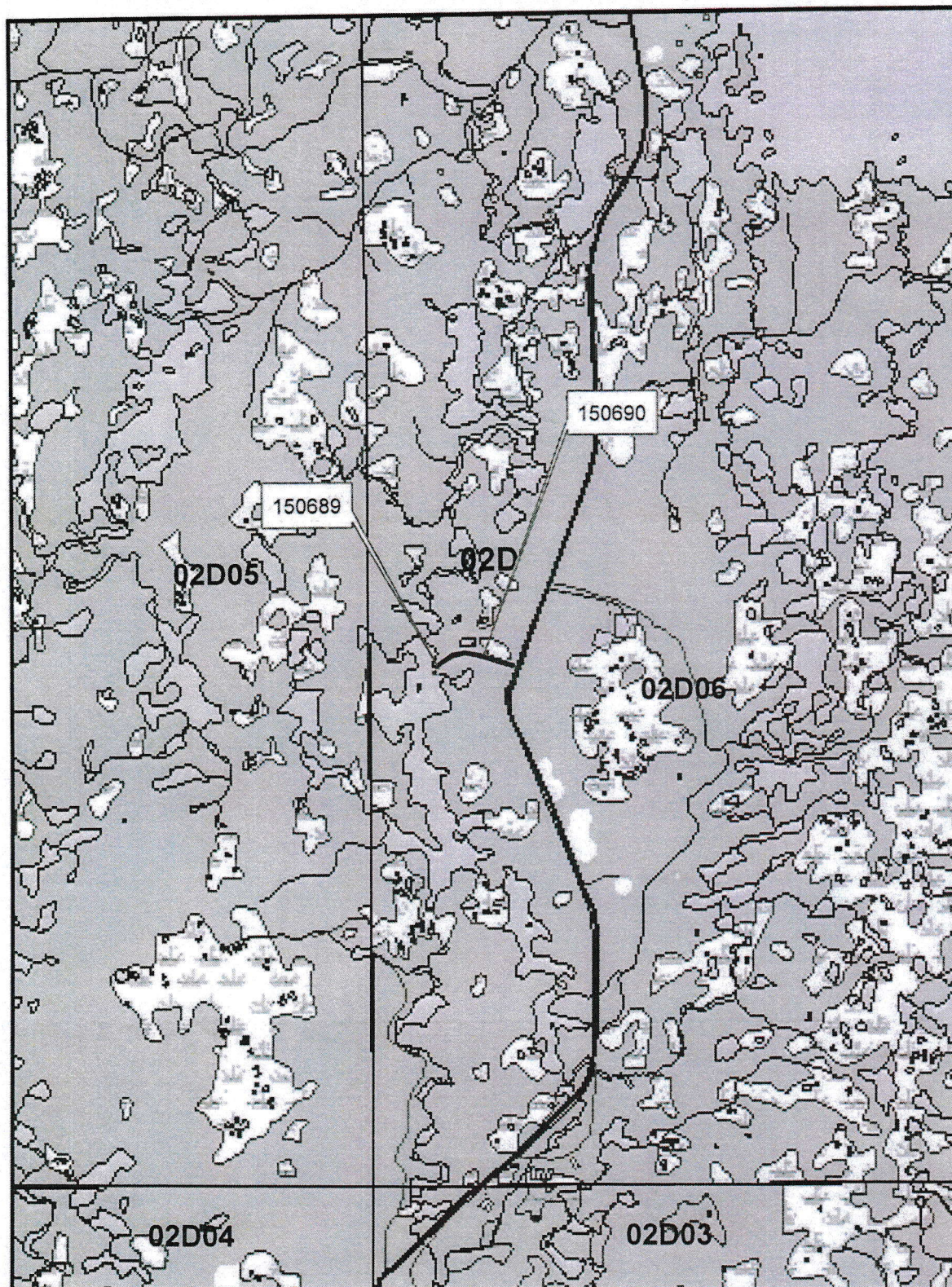
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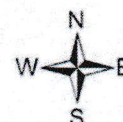
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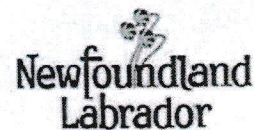
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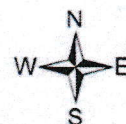
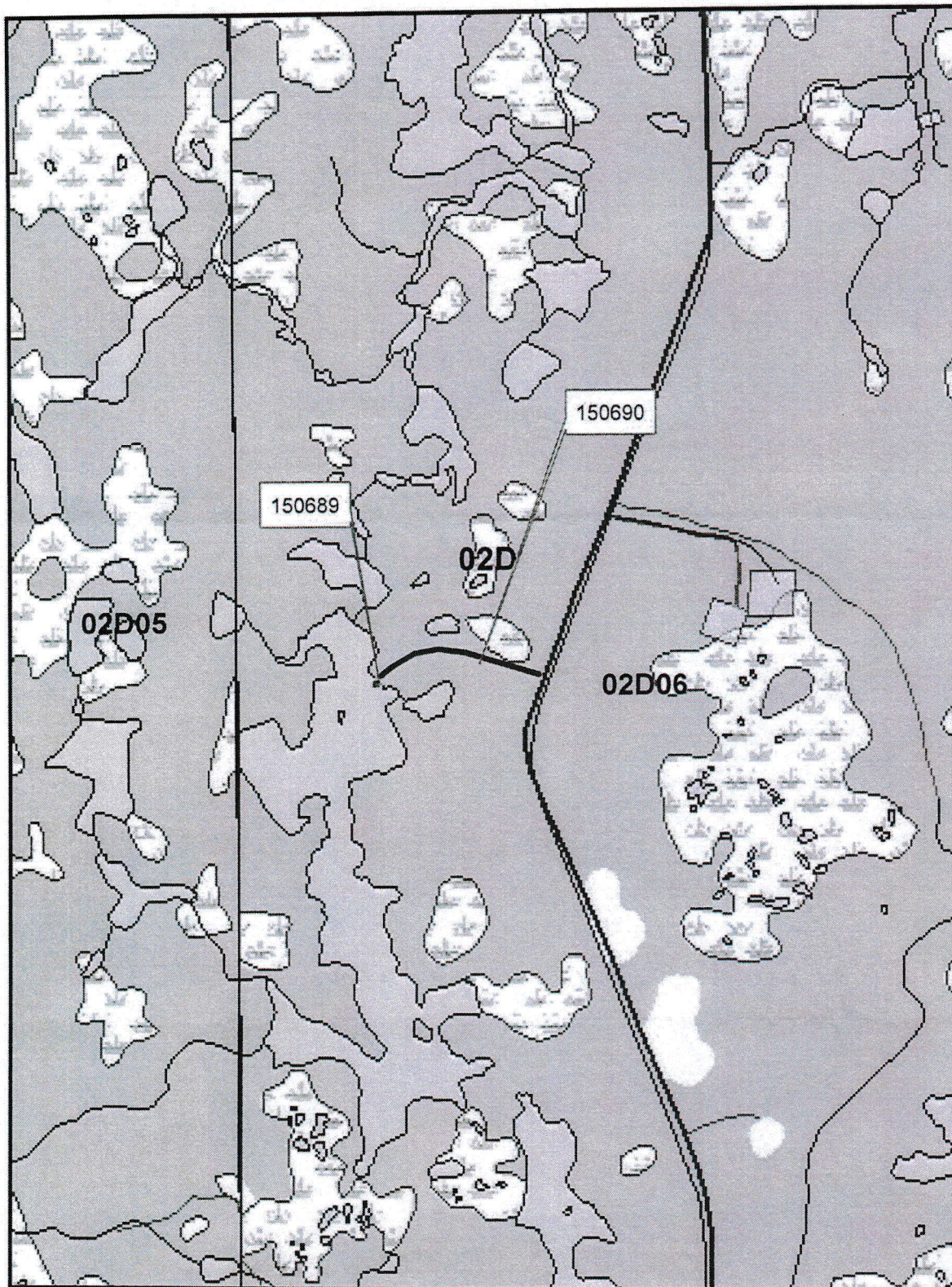
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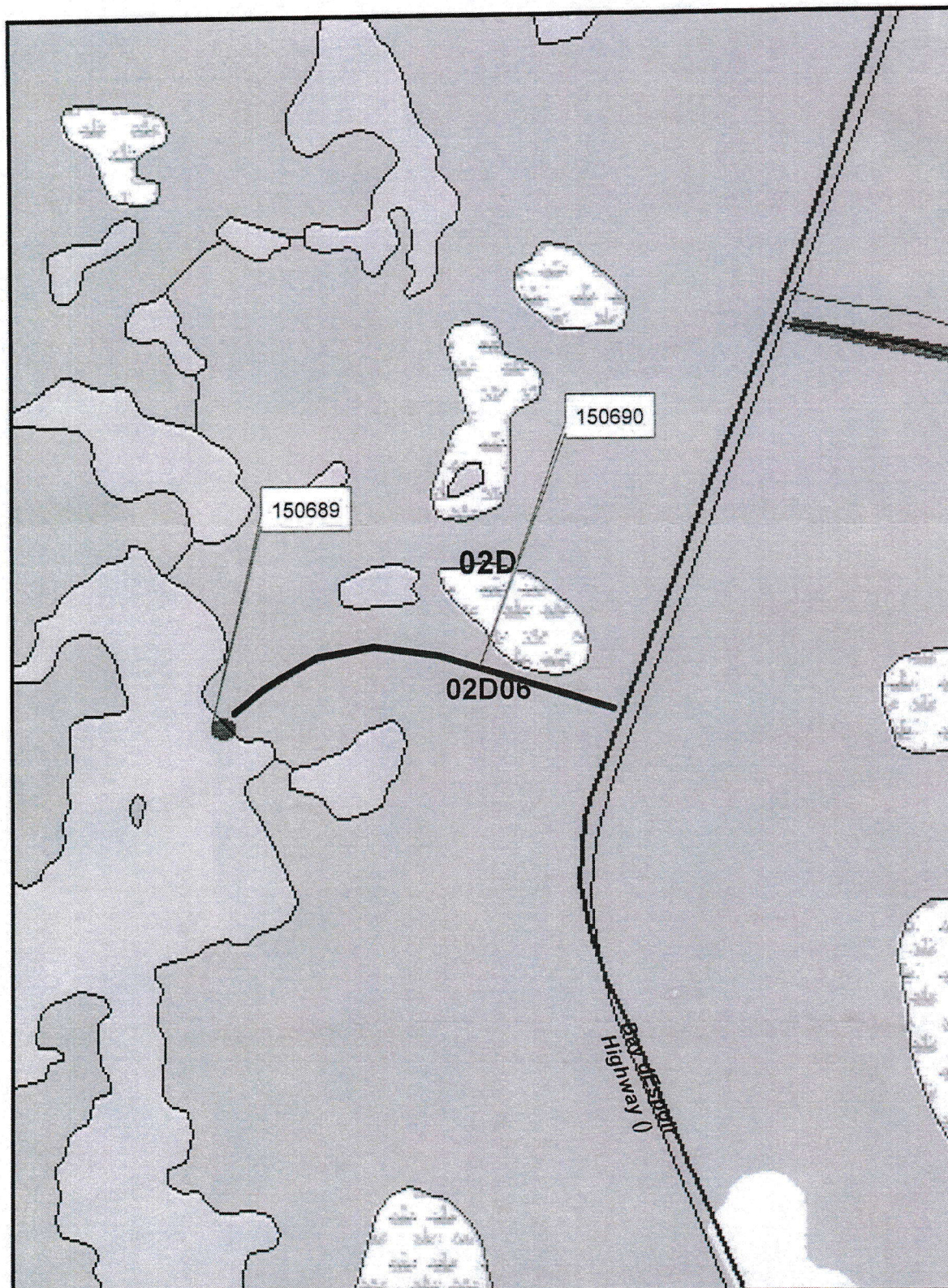
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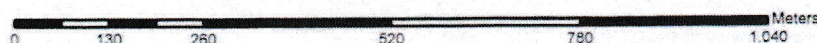
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Government Service Centre

709-292-4206

Dept. of Natural Resources - Mines

709-729-5634

Provincial Archaeology Office

Martha Drake

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Forestry Division

709-882-2200



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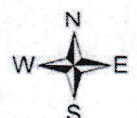
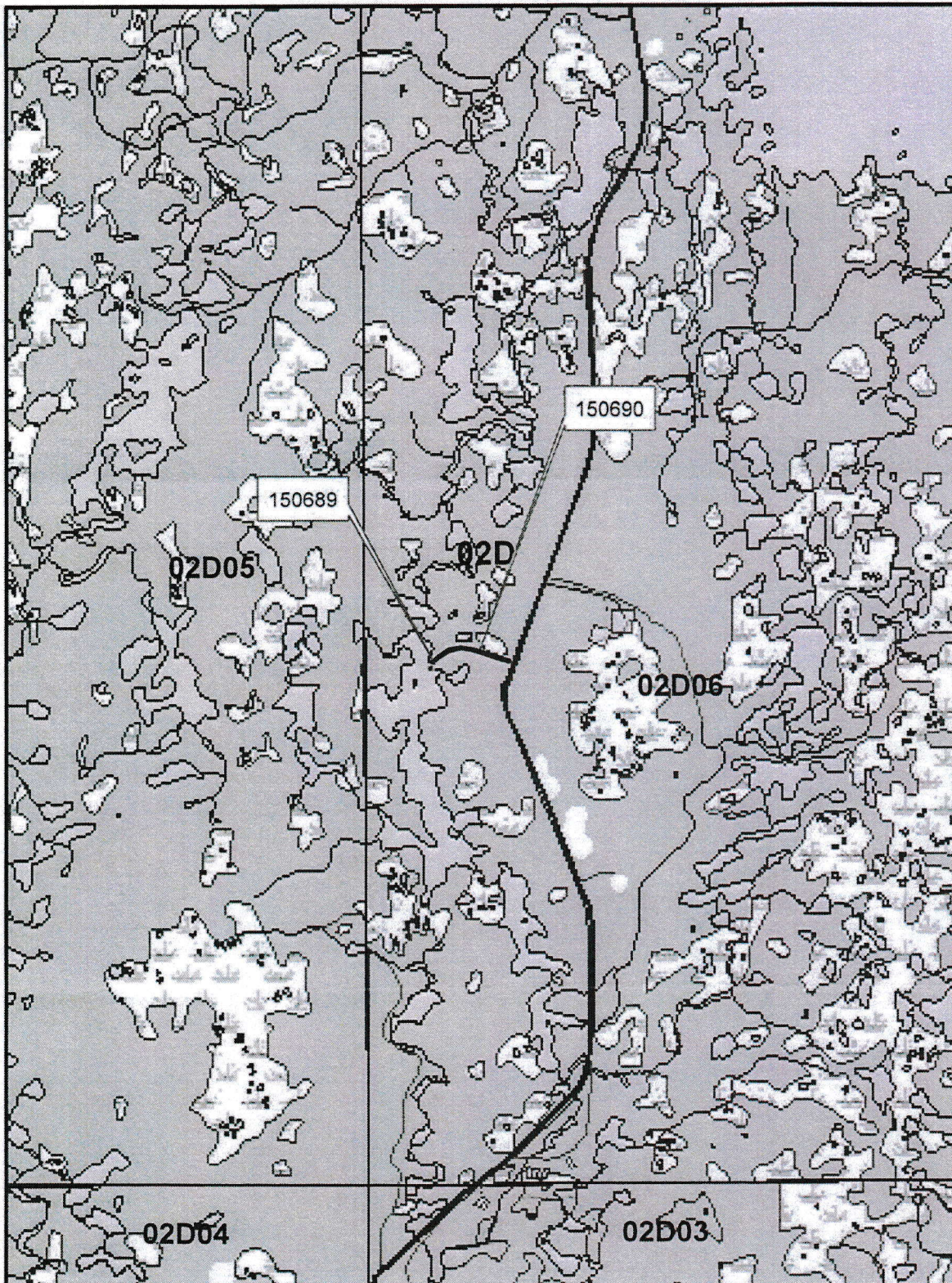
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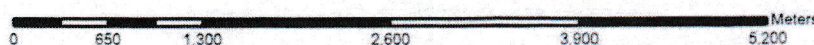
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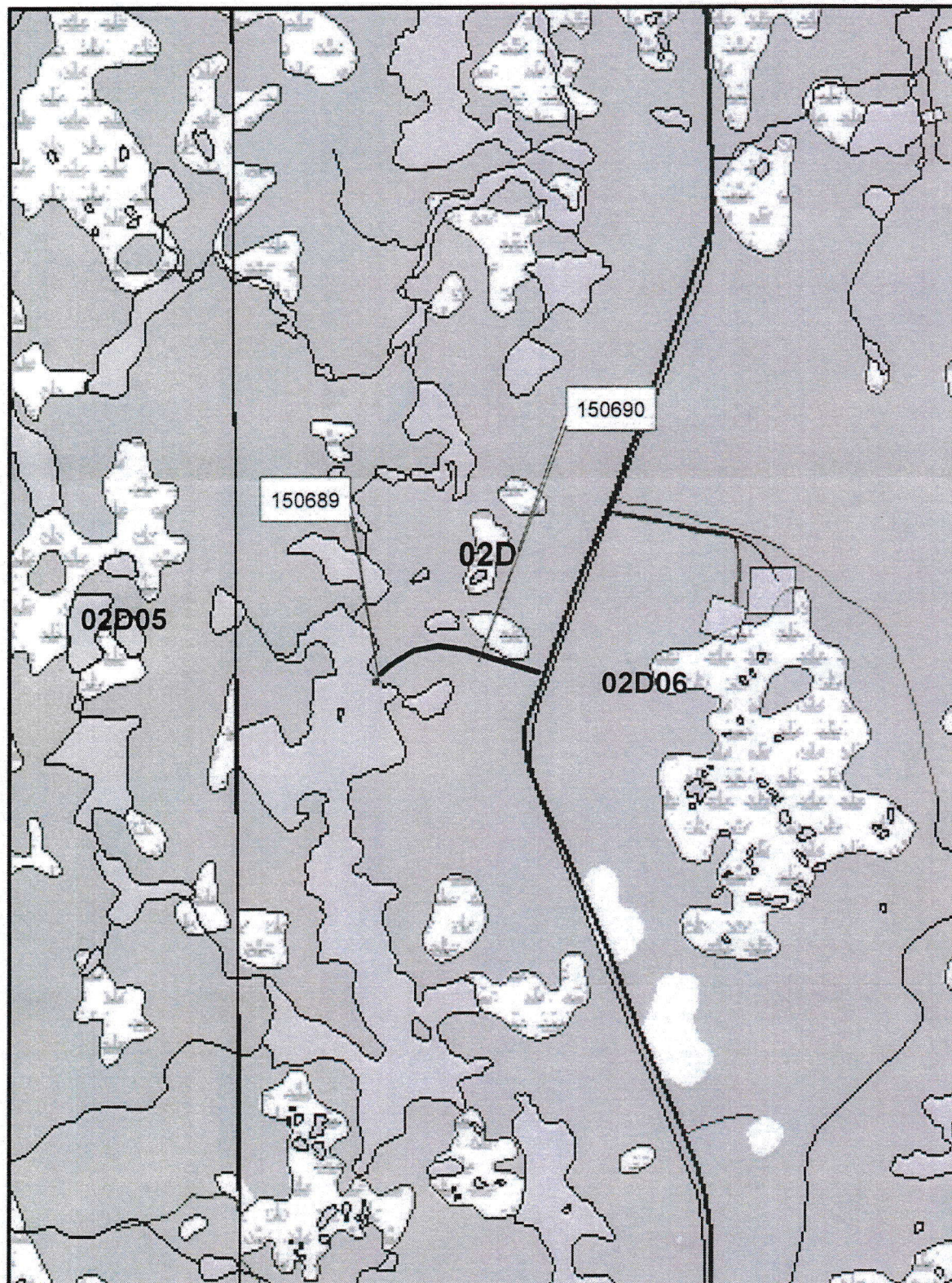
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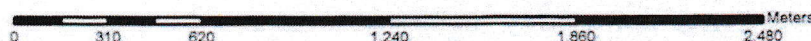
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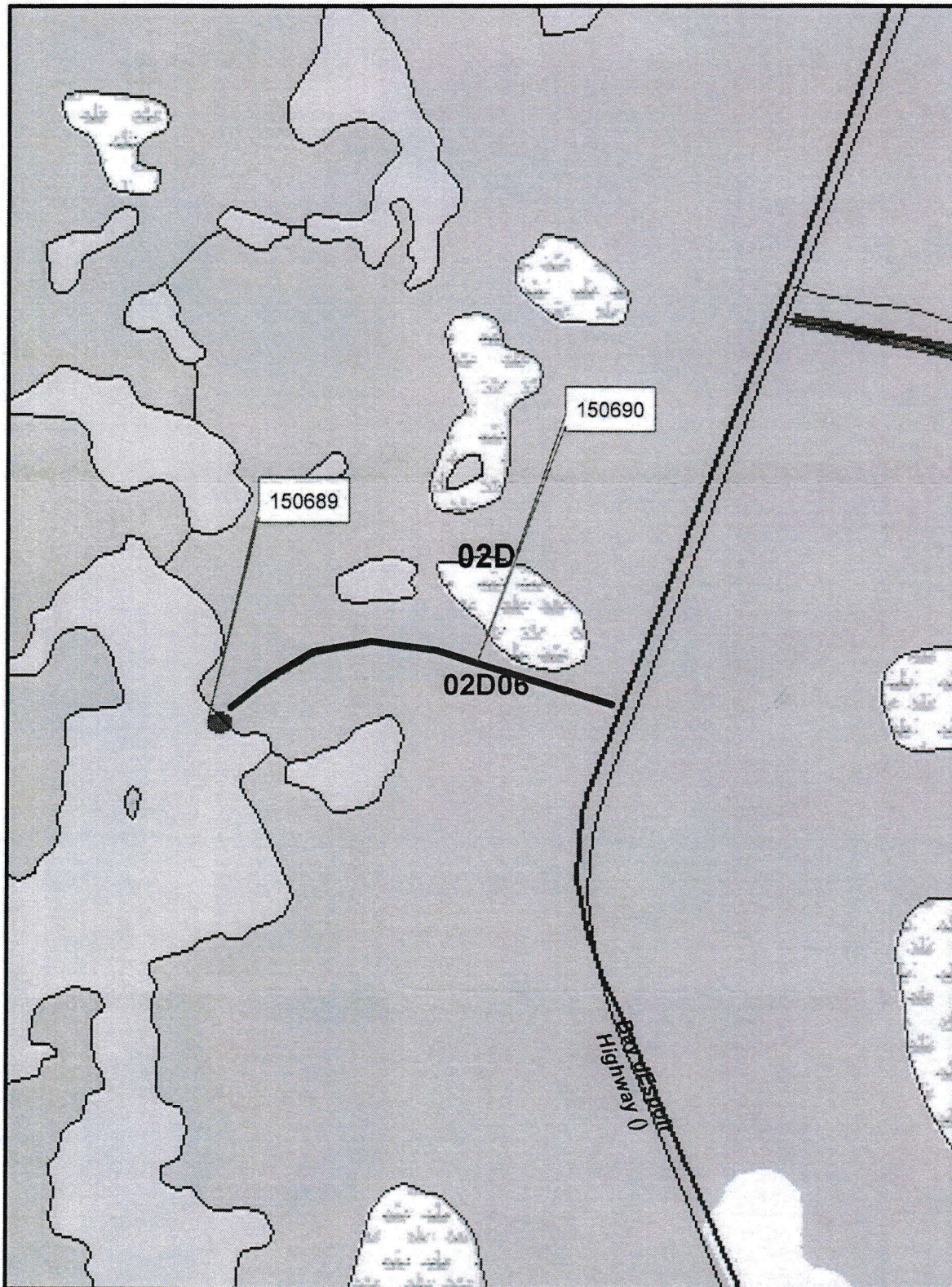
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**Project:** Access road  
**Location:** Bay D'Espoir Hill

Please be advised that The Environmental Assessment Regulations, 2003, Section 35(1)(b) define your project as an undertaking requiring environmental review pursuant to the Environmental Protection Act, SNL 2002, cE-14.2.

You are therefore required to register your undertaking with this Department. The attached booklet entitled Environmental Assessment: A Guide to the Process provides the registration format and other information to assist you. It is recommended that a draft of the registration document be submitted for review.

Please be aware that under provisions of the Act, undertakings may not proceed and other government agencies may not issue any relevant authorizations until a decision is rendered by the Minister. A decision by the Minister will be provided to you within 45 days following receipt of your registration.

Please be advised that, in accordance with Government's Proactive Disclosure Initiative, all Ministerial decision letters related to your project will be posted online subject to any exceptions to disclosure provided under the Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015.

If you have any questions, please contact John Reynolds at (709) 729-0090, toll free at 1-800-563-6181 or email at [johnreynolds@gov.nl.ca](mailto:johnreynolds@gov.nl.ca). Our staff is always ready to assist you.

Sincerely,

Susan Squires  
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**Environmental Assessment Registration**

**Cottage Access Road from Bay D'Espoir Highway**

**Nov 16, 2018**



## **1. Name of undertaking:**

Michael Strickland propose to construct an access road to recreational cottage lot located on the Bay D' Espoir Highway.

## **2. Proponent:**

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## **THE UNDERTAKING:**

### **Nature of Undertaking:**

To provide access to a cottage lot (application no.:150689) which will be 636m long, 5m wide and 3183m<sup>2</sup>. There are no brooks, streams or bog that has to be crossed.

### **Purpose / Rationale / Need for undertaking**

The intended purpose is to build a cottage for recreational use. This would be done in a safe and environmentally friendly manner. Also it will be done as to not to disturb surrounding area as the intent of the cottage is to enjoy the beautiful area and wildlife.



## **DESCRIPTION OF UNDERTACKING:**

### **1.Location**

The access road will be concreted about 80km North of Bay D'Espoir and 636m from the Bay D'Espoir Highway. It is located in a wooded area with small timber and a few open areas.

The access road will be 5m wide , 636m long , 3183m<sup>2</sup> and will be carried out by a local contractor (J&G contractor) which take approximately 3 days.

Start of road 48°17'19.34N / 55°29'1.30W

End of road and lot 48°17'21.05N / 55°29'31.36W

### **2.Attached Map**

Attached map was obtain through Crown Lands

### **3.Physical Features:**

This project will consist of 1 cottage 45mx90m or approved by crown lands. the new access road will be 636m long and 5m wide. The cottage will have a shoreline frontage, the landscape consists of dry flat land with black spruce. The access road will take you through some black spruce and shrubs the land is dry with no brooks, streams. The nearest bog is 50m away which is located at the beginning of the access road.

### **4.Construction:**

The construction will consist of clearing of trees from right of way by use of chain saw all wood will be used for firewood. Equipment used will be an excavator and dump truck which will be own and operate by J&G's Contractor. All work will be complete with in government regulations and take approximately 3 days.

The planned start date will be based on approval and guidelines set within.

### **5.Occupation**

Direct hiring of a contractor company who will be responsible for the hiring of the equipment operator and oversee the road development and sediment control. All bush and wood cutting and other related debris will be completed by applicant.

### **Approval of undertaking**

The proponent will require the approval of permits and licences from all of the following Provincial Government agencies.

Crown Land Application for land #150689

Crown Land Application for access road #150690

Government service Center – Septic System

Forestry Division- Cutting Permit

### **Funding:**

This undertaking will be funded by Michael Strickland estimated cost is \$7000.00.

### **Schedule:**

The start date will be after all approvals and permits are granted and any guidelines with in.

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Date

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