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**File Ref No. 200.20.3493**  
**Application No. 163115**

Project: Crooked Pond ATV Trail Extension – 163115  
Location: Crooked Pond, near Blaketown

Attn: Director of Environmental Assessment:

Please find enclosed the EA Registration Document for the proposed ATV trail extension undertaking located near Crooked Pond, Blaketown.

I trust you will find everything is in order. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Shamus Kealey

## ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT REGISTRATION FORM

### NAME OF UNDERTAKING:

Crooked Pond ATV Trail Extension

### PROPONENT:

- i. **Name:** Shamus Kealey
- ii. **Chief Executive Officer:** Shamus Kealey  
**Official Title:** Owner
- iii. **Principal Contact Person:** Shamus Kealey

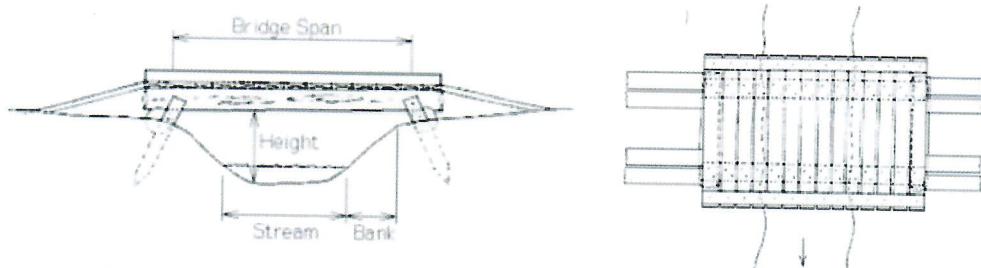
### THE UNDERTAKING

- i. **Name of the Undertaking:** Extension of the existing 400m ATV trail to a remote cabin lot owned by the proponent approximately 2.0 kilometers from the end of the existing ATV trail, for a total distance of 2.4 kilometers around Crooked Pond.
- ii. **Purpose/Rationale/Need for the Undertaking:** The trail provides access to the proponent's remote cabin lot.

### DESCRIPTION OF THE UNDERTAKING

- i. **Geographical Location:** The existing ATV trail begins at the end of Juniper Drive, located in the Holiday Hill area, near Blaketown, NL. Waypoint N47.4675243 W53.5161440 indicates the beginning of the existing 400m ATV trail, waypoint N47.4704316 W53.5172296 indicates the end of the existing 400m ATV trail. The extension of the existing trail will begin, and continue 2.0 kilometers around Crooked Pond to remote cabin lot located at N47.4731746 W53.5104792, for a total distance of 2.4 kilometers once completed. See attached document from Crown Lands, LUA indicating application 163115 highlighted. ATV trail will not interfere with any other land applications/titles. Existing cabins indicated on attached map.
- ii. **Physical Features:** Use existing ATV trail for 400 meters, then extend ATV trail approximately 2.0 km to remote cabin lot. The ATV trail will be approximately 2.4 kilometers in overall length, with a width of 3 meters, totalling 6000-7200m<sup>2</sup> of cleared land. There are three existing cabins along the trail extension as indicated on the attached map. Vegetation along the proposed route consists of low brush and spruce trees with minimal sloping dry ground. Wildlife in the area would include trout, moose, coyote, beaver and loon. There are no threatened/endangered species to note.
- iii. **Construction (if applicable):** Construction required for this undertaking will be limited to clearing vegetation along the proposed route. Equipment being used are all terrain vehicles, chainsaws and hand tools only, no heavy equipment.

The two small bridges will be constructed of spruce logs, no treated material will be used. The basic design uses two heavy logs laid on flat rocks or a log sill. 2"x6" non-treated boards are nailed across the logs. A curb or toe-board will be provided to help guide the wheels and keep the ATV from running off the open edges. See below.



Logs used for the construction of these bridges will be cut onsite and have the bark removed. The 2"x6" non-treated deck boards will be transported in to the bridge construction sites. There will be no excavation required to build these bridges. Potential sources of pollutants during the construction phase would be limited to exhaust from atv and chainsaws, as well as minimal risk of fuel spillage during refuelling operations. To reduce environmental damage in the event of a fuel spill, on-site spill kits will be readily available for both the chainsaw refuelling as well as the ATV refuelling. There will be no fuel stored onsite.

There will be no gravel/substrate introduced to the trail.

There will be no leveling/excavating required for the trail construction.

Extend the existing 400m ATV trail by 2.0 kilometers, for a total of 2.4 kilometers in length. The width of the trail will be approximately 3 meters, totalling 6000-7200m<sup>2</sup> of cleared land.

Planned to start late Fall 2024, and to last approximately 4 weeks.

iv. **Operation:** The trail will be followed via the map attached if approved and marked with pegs for visual reference. The trail will be maintained by the proponent. This is a low traffic area and is mainly used by the proponent and possibly cabin owners within the Crooked Pond area.

Potential sources of pollutants during operation would be limited to exhaust from ATV's, as well as minimal risk of fuel spillage during refuelling operations. To reduce environmental damage in the event of a fuel spill or leak, on-site spill kits will be readily available.

v. **Occupation:** ATV Trail will be constructed/occupied by proponent and family, and possibly cabin owners in the Crooked Pond area.

vi. **Project Related Documents:** See attached maps and waypoints for the existing ATV trail and proposed ATV trail extension indicating location of 2 bridges and the existing cabins along the trail extension.

Domestic Wood Cutting Permit 24-01-66784, Cutting area 1 D01-I-16D-Dark Hills

**PENDING APPROVAL OF THE UNDERTAKING**

The permit required for the undertaking is a Crown Lands License to Occupy, to be issued by the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture.

**SCHEDULE:**

All related work activities will commence late Fall 2024 subject to the approval of all regulatory bodies.

**FUNDING:**

The cost of construction will be paid by proponent approximately \$500.



ATV Trail

Saint-Augustin

White Bay

Deer Lake

Corner Brook

Stephenville

Grand Falls

Gander

Channel-Port aux Basques

Cabot Strait

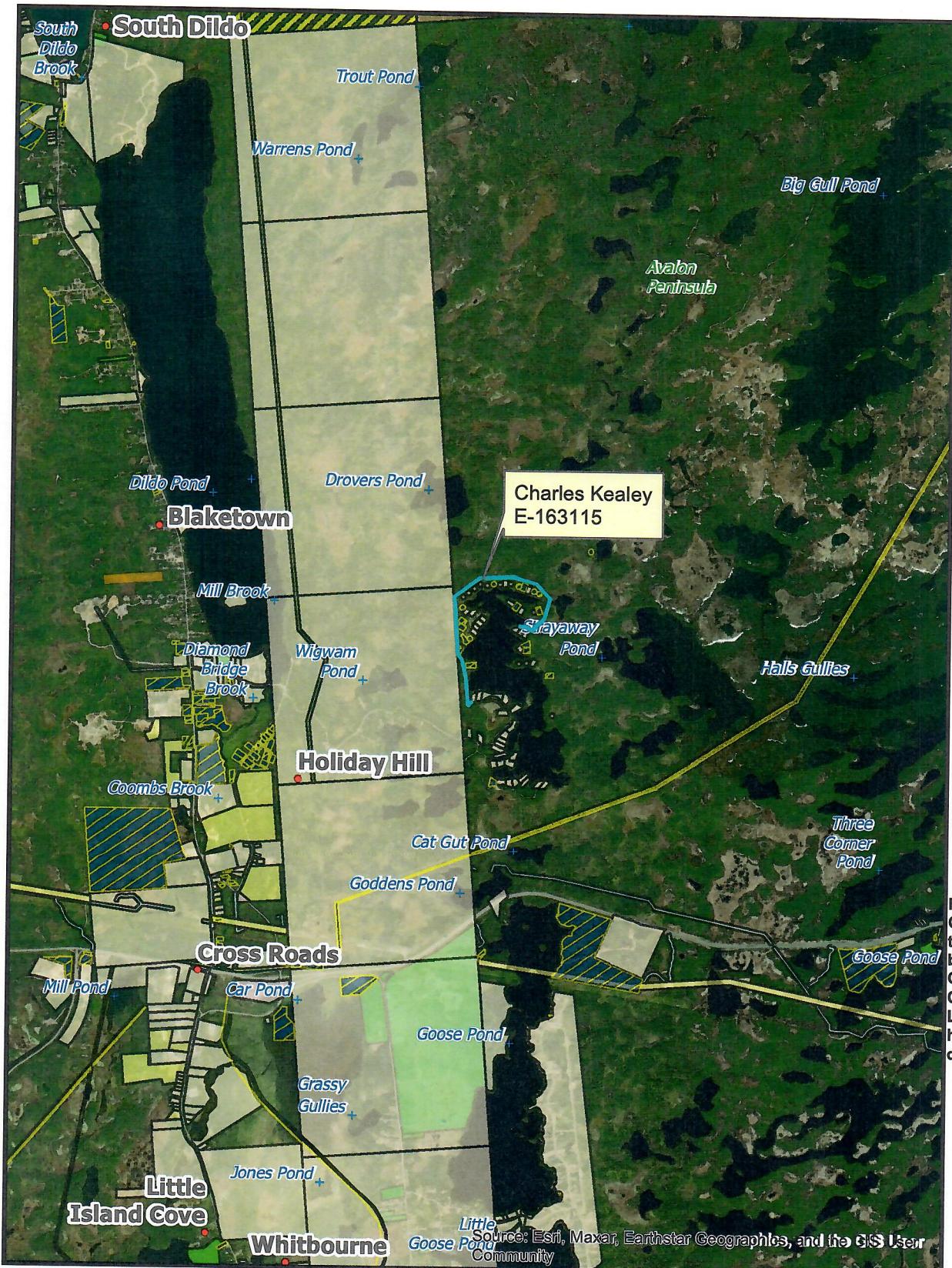
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