

Attachment B
Regulatory and Technical Advice from Government Departments/Divisions

EA #: 2355 Great Coastal Trail – Quirpon to Goose Cove (the Project)
Great Northern Trail Association (the Proponent)

1 Climate Change Branch (CCB), Department of Environment and Climate Change (ECC)

- 1.1 Proponent is advised to consider provincial climate change projections for St. Anthony in Project planning and that clearing of trees and brush can contribute to climate change.
- 1.2 Proponent is advised to operate heavy-duty equipment in a manner that maximizes fuel efficiency, thereby reducing greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change. For further information, please contact the CCB at (709) 729-1485.

2 Pollution Prevention Division (PPD), ECC

- 2.1 Proponent is advised that all waste material generated on site shall be removed and disposed of at an approved waste disposal facility.
- 2.2 Registration may be required for devices or tanks used to separate and remove oily wastes from oil and water mixtures under the Used Oil and Used Glycol Control Regulations.
- 2.3 Spill response equipment must be readily available on-site to ensure a quick and effective response to a spill event. Proponent should consider developing a spill event contingency plan specific to the proposed undertaking. Any spill or leak of gasoline or associated product must be reported immediately by calling the Environmental Emergencies Telephone Line at 1-800-563-9089.
- 2.4 Proponent is advised to ensure that waste disposal options, including organic wastes, utilize approved facilities for the type and quantity of material. For further information, please contact PPD at (709) 729-5782.

3 Water Resources Management Division (WRMD), ECC

- 3.1 Proponent must apply for and obtain a Water Use License under the **Water Resources Act** for any non-domestic water use prior to the start of construction.
- 3.2 Any effluent or runoff leaving the site must conform to the Environmental Control Water and Sewage Regulations, 2003.
- 3.3 Proponent must apply for and obtain a permit under Section 48 of the **Water Resources Act** for any work in or within 15 metres of a body of water (including wetlands) prior to the start of construction.

3.3.1 The following water crossings and mitigations for the Project have been identified as follows:

- Little Brehat Trail (#163346) leading to Grandchain Island near the community of Great Brehat crosses waterbodies at two locations and a stream at one location.
- Square Bay Trail (#163344) near the communities of St. Carols and Great Brehat crosses streams at four locations.
- Cape St. Anthony Trail (#163343) near the communities of St. Anthony Bight and St. Carols crosses streams at two locations and a waterbody at one location. It is recommended to reroute the trail to avoid the waterbody crossing at location #2.
- Goose Cape Trail (#163342) near the community of Goose Cape, crosses streams at four locations. It is recommended to reroute the trail at crossings #1 and #2 to avoid crossing the same stream twice in close proximity.
- Quirpon Trickle Lookout Trail (#163341) near the community of Quirpon does not cross any stream or waterbodies.

Mapping of stream crossing locations are included in Attachment C – Comments for the Proponent. For further information, please contact WRMD at (709) 729-2563.

4 Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture (FFA)

- 4.1 Proponent is advised that Crown titles (Licence to Occupy) must be issued for this undertaking prior to any development and the Proponent must follow all terms and conditions of the approvals as well as conditions set out in the issued titles.
- 4.2 Proponent is advised that private land may be owned in this area that is not on record with the Crown Lands Division. Any work proposed on private lands would require permission from the landowners.
- 4.3 Proponent is advised that Crown lands application #163346 is plotted across multiple issued grants. Each of the grants have a trail/path reserved for trail access, and the Crown land application area encompasses these reserved paths. However, the proponent should be aware that the trail point of commencement (application #163344) is located near lands that are potentially subject to an adverse claim under Section 36 of the **Lands Act**.
- 4.4 Proponent is advised that there are several intrusions onto shoreline reservations of various waterbodies along the trail and that a Notice of Intent is required if the trail is within the 15-metre shoreline reservation. Any activities that occur within the 15-metre shoreline reserve of any water body must adhere to the regulations in Section 7 of the **Lands Act**.
- 4.5 Proponent is advised of permits required for cutting and removal of timber under Section 3 of the Cutting of Timber Regulations under the **Forestry Act**.

- 4.6 Proponent is advised of the requirement for an Operating Permit during the forest fire season under Section 13 of the Forest Fire Regulations, under the **Forestry Act**.
- 4.7 Proponent is advised of the requirement for a Permit to Burn to ignite fires within 300 metres of forested land, under Section 3 of the Forest Fire Regulations, under the **Forestry Act**.
- 4.8 Proponent is advised to submit a digital GPS file of the final trail to FFAreferrals@gov.nl.ca for enforcement and mapping purposes.
- 4.9 Proponent is advised that several species listed under the **Endangered Species Act** and the **Species at Risk Act** are located within the region. The applicant is advised to operate under established legislation and regulations, such as the **Wild Life Act** and Wild Life Regulations, to avoid or minimize adverse impacts. If such species are found, mitigation measures may be required in consultation with the Wildlife Division. For further information, please contact FFA at (709) 637- 2950.

5 **Government Service Centre (GSC), Department of Government Modernization and Service Delivery (GMSD)**

- 5.1 A development permit is required under the Protected Road Zoning Regulations for any construction within 400 metres of the center line of the Trans-Canada Highway.
- 5.2 A permit under the **Urban and Rural Planning Act** is required for construction of access roads in protected areas or for any access onto a protected road.
- 5.3 All fuel storage tank system installations other than those connected to a heating appliance of a capacity of 2,500 litres or less are subject to the Storage and Handling of Gasoline and Associated Products Regulations and will require registration prior to installation.
- 5.4 Any proposed fuel cache will require approval by GMSD prior to installation.
- 5.5 The storage, handling, and disposal of used and or waste oil must be in compliance with the Used Oil and Used Glycol Control Regulations. For further information, please contact GSC at (709) 729-2008.

6 **Occupational Health and Safety (OHS), GMSD**

- 6.1 Proponent is advised to ensure all activities comply with the **Occupational Health and Safety Act** and its associated regulations. This includes ensuring that contractors hired to perform work also comply with the legislation. For further information, please contact OHS at 1 (800) 563-5471.

7 **Provincial Archaeology Office (PAO), Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts and Recreation (TCAR)**

- 7.1 The Proponent is advised that an archaeological impact assessment is required for the trail outlined in Crown land application #163346, Little Brehat Trail, prior

to any further ground disturbance. All required information shall be submitted to the TCAR-PAO. For further information, contact TCAR-PAO at (709) 729-2462.

8 Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC)

- 8.1 Proponent is advised to avoid vegetation clearing during the migratory bird nesting season (mid-April to mid-August) to prevent disturbance or destruction of nests and eggs protected under the **Migratory Birds Convention Act**.
- 8.2 Proponent should use native plant species for revegetation and implement measures to prevent the introduction of invasive species during all project phases.
- 8.3 Proponent is advised to develop the following plans:
 - A Contingency Plan that considers potential accidents and malfunctions, and site-specific conditions and sensitivities.
 - An Oil Spill Prevention and Response Plan.
 - A Wildlife Emergency Response Plan.
- 8.4 Proponent is advised to report any sightings of species at risk (e.g. Bank Swallow, Red Crossbill, Olive-sided Flycatcher, Short-eared Owl, Little Brown Myotis and Porsild's Bryum) to the Canadian Wildlife Service. For further information, please contact ECCC at (709) 772-4313 or (709) 853-1304.

9 Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)

- 9.1 Proponent is advised to refer to the Projects Near Water website for information about how to comply with the **Fisheries Act** as well as information on the project review process when conduction work in or near water. The 'Projects Near Water' website is located at <http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/index-eng.html>. For further information, please contact the Fisheries Protection Program at (709) 772-4140.

10 Transport Canada (TC)

- 10.1 The Proponent is advised the project involves the construction of watercourse crossings on non-scheduled waterways per the Canadian Navigable Waters Act (CNWA) and may require approval. For further information, please contact the Navigation Protection Program at: <https://www.tc.gc.ca/eng/programs-632.html> or at (506) 851-3113.