

Environment and Climate Change

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Environmental Assessment Bulletin

The Honourable Dr. Scott Reid, Minister of Environment and Climate Change, has announced the following relative to Environmental Assessment - Part 10 - of the **Environmental Protection Act**.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT REQUIRED AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE APPOINTED:

Toqlukuti'k Avalon Isthmus Green Energy Project (Reg. 2368)
Proponent: Toqlukuti'k Wind and Hydrogen Ltd.

The Minister has advised the Proponent that an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required for the Project. Additional information is needed to inform the Minister.

An Environmental Assessment Committee has been appointed to provide scientific and technical advice to the Minister and to draft guidelines for the Proponent in preparing the EIS. The public will be invited to provide comment on the draft guidelines. For further information on this Project, please contact Eric Watton at (709) 729-0834 or email ericwatton@gov.nl.ca.

UNDERTAKINGS RELEASED:

CBPPL Zone 5, District 10 Five-Year Forestry Operating Plan (2026-2030)
Proponent: Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited (CBPPL) (Reg. 2367)

The project has been released from environmental assessment subject to conditions as outlined in the Minister's decision letter available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project_2367/.

Barachois Brook Sand Quarry (Reg. 2366)
Proponent: Farrell's Excavating Ltd.

The project has been released from environmental assessment subject to conditions as outlined in the Minister's decision letter available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project_2366/.

Happy Valley-Goose Bay South Branch Road Quarry (Reg. 2365)
Proponent: Nunatsiavut Construction Inc.

The project has been released from environmental assessment subject to conditions as outlined in the Minister's decision letter available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project_2365/.

Port Saunders Northern Minerals Limited Quarry
Proponent: Northern Minerals Limited

(Reg. 2364)

The project has been released from environmental assessment subject to conditions as outlined in the Minister's decision letter available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project_2364/.

PLANS ACCEPTED:

Howse Property Direct Shipping Ore Mine
Proponent: Howse Minerals Limited

(Reg. 1751)

On September 10, 2025, the Minister advised the proponent that the Benefits Plan and Gender, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Plan for the project are accepted. These plans were required as conditions of release from environmental assessment. The Minister also advised that the condition to submit an updated Environmental Preview Report document has been met. Project information is available on the Department of Environment and Climate Change website at: <https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/projects/project-1751/>.

Learn More

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Environmental assessment information is available at:

<https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/env-assessment/>

https://www.gov.nl.ca/ecc/files/GUIDE-TO-THE-PROCESS_Aug-2025.pdf

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Project comments may be sent to: EAProjectComments@gov.nl.ca

Anyone submitting comments on a project under environmental assessment should notify the Department of Environment and Climate Change if they DO NOT wish to have their comments shared with the project proponent.

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