

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: City of Thompson
PROPOSAL NAME: Thompson Waste Disposal Ground
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 2
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Class 1 Waste Disposal Ground
CLIENT FILE NO.: 5848.00

OVERVIEW:

Manitoba Sustainable Development received a Proposal on June 3, 2016 for the expansion and continued operation of a waste management facility on part NW ¼ 18, S ½ and NW 19 in TWP 77-3 WPM and in part SE ¼ 24-77- 4 WPM in the Local Government District of Mystery Lake, Manitoba.

The Department, on September 21, 2016, placed copies of the Proposal in the Public Registries located at Legislative Library (200 Vaughan Street), the Winnipeg Millennium Public Library and online at <http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/eal/registries/5848thompson/index.html>. Copies of the Proposal were also provided to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members. A notice of the Environment Act proposal was also placed in the Thompson Citizen on September 21, 2016 and the Thompson Nickel Belt on September 23, 2016. The newspaper and TAC notifications invited responses until October 24, 2016.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No Comments

SUMMARY of COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

No	Technical Advisory Committee Member	Response Provided
1	Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency	
2	Manitoba Agriculture – Land Use Branch	
3	Manitoba Sustainable Development –	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Compliance and Enforcement Branch • Climate Change and Air Quality Branch • Wildlife and Fisheries Branch • Parks and Protected Spaces Branch • Forestry Branch • Indigenous Relations Branch • Lands Branch • Water Quality Management Section • Groundwater Management Section • Office of Drinking Water • Water Use Licensing Section • Water Control Works Licensing Section • Regional Services Branch 	<p>See below</p> <p>No concerns</p> <p>No comment or concerns</p> <p>No concerns</p> <p>No concerns</p> <p>No concerns</p> <p>See below</p>
4	Manitoba Sport, Culture, and Heritage – Heritage Branch	See below
5	Manitoba Growth, Enterprise and Trade	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mines Branch • Petroleum Branch • Office of Fire Commissioner • Work Place Safety & Health 	No comment or concern
6	Manitoba Infrastructure	No concerns
7	Manitoba Indigenous and Municipal Relations	
8	Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living – Environmental Health Unit	

A copy of the responses and the additional information provided can be viewed at the following link:

<http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/eal/registries/5848thompson/index.html>

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Manitoba Sustainable Development– Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch

Comments were presented regarding the capacity of the leachate evaporation ponds, alternative disposal methods for the leachate and strength of the leachate. Also in terms of the use of the sludge drying beds and the requirement for an Operations and Maintenance Plan.

Disposition:

Information forwarded to proponent. Developing an Operations Manual is a requirement of the Regulation, and is included in the licence.

Manitoba Sustainable Development– Water Control Works Licensing Section

Any water control works (drains, culverts, dykes, dams, etc) associated with this project will require licensing under the *Water Rights Act*.

Disposition:

Information forwarded to proponent.

Manitoba Sport, Culture, and Heritage – Heritage Branch

In the event of any archaeological site is encountered during development the branch must be contacted immediately.

Disposition:

Information forwarded to proponent.

PUBLIC HEARING:

A public hearing is not recommended.

CROWN-INDIGENOUS CONSULTATION:

The Government of Manitoba recognizes that it has a duty to consult in a meaningful way with Indigenous communities when any proposed provincial law, regulation, decision or action may infringe upon or adversely affect the exercise of the Indigenous rights of that community.

This facility is currently operating as a waste disposal ground and the only alteration is developing additional waste disposal cells adjacent to existing cells. There would be no infringement of Indigenous rights under Section 35 of the Constitution Act, 1982. Therefore, it is concluded that Crown-Indigenous consultation is not required for the project.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Proponent should be issued a Licence for the continued operation and development of a Class 1 waste disposal ground and associated activities in accordance with the specifications, terms and conditions of the attached draft Licence. Enforcement of the Licence should be assigned to the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch of Manitoba Sustainable Development.

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