Notice of Environment Act Proposal

Conservation and Water Stewardship has received a proposal pursuant to *The Environment Act* regarding the following operation and invites public participation in the review process:

HESPLER ENTERPRISES LTD. RESERVOIR EXPANSION - FILE: 5651.00

A proposal has been received from Hespler Enterprises Ltd. for the expansion of an irrigation operation south of Rosebank in the Rural Municipality of Thompson. An off channel reservoir in SW 5-5-5W would be expanded to a volume of 150 cubic decameters, and nearby owned and rented land would be irrigated in a one year in three rotation when potatoes were grown. The total project landbase would be approximately 300 hectares. Water would continue to be pumped into the reservoir during the spring runoff period from a tributary of Graham Creek. The reservoir expansion is planned for the summer/fall of 2013.

Anyone likely to be affected by the above operation and who wishes to make a representation either for or against the proposal should contact the Department, in writing or by E-mail (bruce.webb@gov.mb.ca), not later than JULY 18, 2013. Further information is available from the Public Registries located at: Legislative Library, 200 Vaughan St., Winnipeg; Millennium Public Library, 4th Floor, 251 Donald St., Winnipeg; Manitoba Eco-Network, 3rd Floor, 303 Portage Ave., Winnipeg; R.M. of Thompson, 531 Norton Avenue, Miami; Online Registry: http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/eal/registries/index.html or by contacting Bruce Webb, Water Development and Control Assessment Officer at 204-945-7021.

Information submitted in response to this proposal is considered public information and will be made available to the proponent and placed on the public registry established in accordance with Section 17 of *The Environment Act*.

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