

## **SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS**

**PROPONENT: Manitoba Sustainable Development – Parks and Protected Spaces Branch**

**PROPOSAL NAME: Opapiskaw Campground Water Treatment Plant Upgrades**

**CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: 1**

**TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Water treatment plant wastewater**

**CLIENT FILE NO.: 5893.00**

### **OVERVIEW**

The Proposal was received on April 10, 2017. It was dated February 15, 2017. The advertisement of the Proposal was as follows:

“A proposal has been received from Associated Engineering on behalf of the Parks and Protected Spaces Branch of Manitoba Sustainable Development for the construction and operation of an upgraded water treatment plant at the Opapiskaw Campground within Whiteshell Provincial Park. The plant would withdraw up to 0.50 liter per second of water from Nutimik Lake between May to September, treat it using a filtration/ion exchange treatment process, disinfect it using ultraviolet and chlorine disinfection, and distribute it within the campground. Backwash water from the treatment process (about 62 cubic metres per year) would be discharged back to Nutimik Lake while the regeneration water (upwards of 30 cubic metres per year) would be directed to the campground’s wastewater lagoon. Full operation commenced at the start of 2017.”

The Proposal was advertised in Winnipeg Free Press on Saturday, June 10, 2017. It was placed in the following public registries:

- Legislative Library (Winnipeg)
- Millennium Public Library (Winnipeg)
- Online: <http://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/eal/registries/5893opap/index.html>

The Proposal was distributed to Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) members on June 8, 2017.

The closing date for comments from members of the public and TAC members was July 11, 2017.

### **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

No public comments were received on the Proposal.

## **COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) responses are summarized in Table 1 below. Substantive comments and their dispositions follow the table. TAC comments are provided in full in the public registries.

Table 1 Manitoba Sustainable Development - Parks and Protected Spaces Branch - Opapiskaw Campground Water Treatment Plant Upgrades Technical Advisory Committee Comments

<b>No</b>	<b>Technical Advisory Committee Member</b>	<b>Response Provided</b>
1	Manitoba Agriculture – Land Use Branch	No response
2	Manitoba Sustainable Development –	
	Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch	No comment or concern
	Climate Change and Air Quality Branch	No response
	Wildlife and Fisheries Branch	No wildlife concern
	Parks and Protected Spaces Branch	No comment or concern
	Forestry Branch	No response
	Indigenous Relations Branch	No response
	Lands Branch	No comment or concern
	Water Science and Management Branch:	
	Water Quality Management Section	No response
	Groundwater Management Section	No concern
	Office of Drinking Water	July 11, 2017
	Water Use Licensing Section	No concern
	Water Control Works and Drainage Licensing Section	No concern
	Eastern Region Integrated Resource Management Team	No response
3	Manitoba Sport, Culture, and Heritage – Heritage Branch	No response
4	Manitoba Growth, Enterprise and Trade –	
	Office of the Fire Commissioner	June 20, 2017
5	Manitoba Infrastructure – Highway Planning and Design Branch	No concern
6	Manitoba Indigenous and Municipal Relations	No objection
7	Manitoba Health, Seniors and Active Living – Medical Officer of Health	No response

### **Office of Drinking Water – Sustainable Development**

Sustainable Development has the following comments as regards Opapiskaw Campground Campground File: 5893.00:

The Office of Drinking Water has reviewed the above-noted EAP and would like their licence to include a clause to notify known water users downstream on Nutimik Lake in case of a significant discharge of filter effluent that could affect other water intakes. The water users include Barrier Bay and the LGD of Pinawa, known surface water intake sites.

Disposition:

The comment is included in the Emergency Response Plan that will be incorporated in the licence.

**Office of the Fire Commissioner**

The OFC recommends that the applicant obtain, the required building and occupancy permits from the AHJ for any additions and new buildings, and an Emergency Plan be filed and approved by the local Fire Department prior to Occupancy in accordance Section 2.8 of the Manitoba Fire Code.

Disposition:

This information has been forwarded to the Licencee as information and for their attention.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

As no requests were received for a public hearing, a public hearing is not recommended.

**CROWN-INDIGENOUS CONSULTATION**

The Government of Manitoba recognizes 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.

The proposal involves the upgrade of an existing water treatment plant within a provincial park, using the water from Nutimik Lake as source. Regeneration water from the new ion exchange units will be directed to a sedimentation tank and then pumped to the campground lift station, then will be directed to the campground's wastewater lagoon; the backwash water from the multimedia filters is to be discharged back to Nutimik Lake.

Since resource use is not affected by the project, it is concluded that Crown-Indigenous consultation is not required for the project.

**RECOMMENDATION**

As Technical Advisory Committee concerns have been forwarded to the Proponent for information and follow up, standard licence conditions for similar projects will apply to

the project. It is recommended that the Development be licensed under The Environment Act subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached Draft Environment Act Licence.

It is further recommended that administration of the Licence be assigned to the Eastern Region of the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch, Manitoba Sustainable Development.

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