From: Fountain, Jeff (SD)
Sent: July-04-17 1:29 PM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)

Subject: FW: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season

Road Linking Manto Sipi Cree Nation, Bunibonibee Cree Nation and God's Lake First Nation

File: 5897.00

Darrell,

No comments regarding this proposal.

Jeff Fountain

Regional Supervisor Northeast Region Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch 28-59 Elizabeth Dr.

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From: Prawdzik, Tim (SD)
Sent: July-04-17 1:21 PM
To: Fountain, Jeff (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season Road Linking Manto Sipi

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Then privide no comment to Darryl

From: Fountain, Jeff (SD) Sent: July-04-17 1:20 PM To: Prawdzik, Tim (SD)

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Not that I am aware of. I have been working with MIT to advise them on petroleum contaminated soils handling and treatment methods as well as providing info on mobile camp reqs.

Jeff Fountain

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From: Frost, Laurie (SD)
Sent: July-21-17 8:15 AM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)
Cc: Phipps, Graham (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season

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The Groundwater Management Section has no concerns.

Regards,

Laurie Frost, M.Sc., P.Eng. Hydrogeologist Groundwater Management Section (204) 945-3737



Sustainable Development

From: Webb, Bruce (SD) Sent: June-30-17 2:16 PM

To: Labossiere, Don (SD); Smiley, Donna (SD); Cunningham, Neil (SD); Molod, Rommel (SD); Kiss, Brian (SD); Janusz, Laureen R (SD); Kelly, Jason (SD); Keenan, Phil (SD); Missyabit, Ron (SD); Frias, Winifred (SD); Miller, Glenn (SD); Shabaga, Greg (SD); Phipps, Graham (SD); Drimes, Daniel (SD); Matthews, Rob (SD); Lee, Mark (SD); +WPG574 - HRB Archaeology (SCH); Crone, Jim (GET); Beaumont-Smith, Chris (GET); Lowdon, Keith (MMR)'; Roberecki, Susan (HSAL); Browne, Helen (HSAL); +BEA208 - Beausejour CRP (IMR); +WPG969 - MIT Environmental Services Section (MI); Sigurdson, Shauna [CEAA]

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From: +WPG1212 - Conservation Circulars (SD)

August-09-17 7:51 AM Sent: Ouimet, Darrell (SD) To:

Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 - All-Season Road Subject:

Linking Manto Sipi Cree Nation, Bunibonibee Cree Nation and God's Lake First Nation File:

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Good morning

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For further clarification on the comments please directly contact David Hastman Regional Land Manager for the North East region at 204-679-0987

Thank you for the opportunity to review

Winifred Frias

Crown Land Programs Administrator Lands Branch Department of Sustainable Development 200 Saulteaux Crescent, Box 25 Winnipeg, Manitoba R3J 3W3 CANADA Phone: (204) 945-4524

Facsimile: (204) 948-2197







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From: Webb, Bruce (SD) Sent: June-30-17 2:16 PM

From: Hastman, David (SD)
Sent: August-08-17 1:30 PM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)

Cc: Webb, Bruce (SD); Frias, Winifred (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season

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David Hastman

From: Miller, Glenn (SD)

Sent: Tuesday, July 04, 2017 4:11 PM

To: Hastman, David (SD)

Subject: FW: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 - All-Season Road Linking Manto Sipi

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I have advised Bruce that this is your area.

Glenn Miller (204) 345-1452 Eastern Region

A/Regional Crown Lands Manager

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From: Drimes, Daniel (SD)
Sent: July-31-17 1:20 PM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season

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Hi Darrell,

ODW reviewed the above noted EAP and found no cause for concern respecting drinking water quality or safety.

Regards,

Daniel Drimes, C.E.T.
Approvals Technologist, Office of Drinking Water
Department of Sustainable Development
1007 Century St.
Winnipeg, MB, R3H 0W4

Cell: 204-945-8315 Fax: 204-945-1365

The Earth is Our Mother, Treat her With Respect. Paper is trees.

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From: Webb, Bruce (SD)
Sent: July-10-17 10:30 AM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)

Subject: FW: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 ? All-Season

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From: Kelly, Jason (SD) Sent: July-04-17 8:20 AM

To: Webb, Bruce (SD); Labossiere, Don (SD); Smiley, Donna (SD); Cunningham, Neil (SD); Molod, Rommel (SD); Kiss, Brian (SD); Janusz, Laureen R (SD); Keenan, Phil (SD); Missyabit, Ron (SD); Frias, Winifred (SD); Miller, Glenn (SD); Shabaga, Greg (SD); Phipps, Graham (SD); Drimes, Daniel (SD); Matthews, Rob (SD); Lee, Mark (SD); +WPG574 - HRB Archaeology (SCH); Crone, Jim (GET); Beaumont-Smith, Chris (GET); 'Lowdon, Keith (MMR)'; Roberecki, Susan (HSAL); Browne, Helen (HSAL); +BEA208 - Beausejour CRP (IMR); +WPG969 - MIT Environmental Services Section (MI);

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No comments or concerns.

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From: Scarlett, Sarah (SD)
Sent: July-18-17 12:30 PM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season

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File: 5897.00

Hi Darrell,

I believe Phil has sent you his comments on this EAP which address some of my concerns as well. In addition to his comments I have a few to add with respect to the potential impacts to wetlands/peatlands:

- 1. I agree with Phil that wetland/peatland specific road construction methods are needed. The documents he has suggested are reputable and well tested by other industries.
- 2. Where the EAP presents 3 options for the road segment near Manto Sipi Cree Nation, I agree that these alternative options should be considered instead of the initial path which follows the winter road and bisects a large peatland complex. Although Option 1 is the longest route, from the imagery, it appears to most closely follow upland features and natural flow patterns.
- 3. Under section 5.2 the EAP describes that disturbed areas will be re-vegetated. It is described that topsoil will be spread in these areas and/or seeded/planted if required. I would be interested in the operator's plans for revegetation in peatland areas (if any). Natural re-vegetation strategies could probably suffice if the site is prepared appropriately.

Regards,

Sarah Scarlett

Peatlands Specialist
Forestry and Peatlands
Manitoba Sustainable Development
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From: Kiss, Brian (SD)
Sent: August-08-17 2:33 PM
To: Ouimet, Darrell (SD)
Cc: Webb, Bruce (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 – All-Season

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Hey Darrell,

The Wildlife component of the Wildlife and Fisheries Branch has review the P6 Scoping Document and Project Description and would like to provide the following comments:

- 1) Scoping Document We appreciate seeing the ecological attributes listed in section 4.1.4, and Manitoba Infrastructure's consideration of them during baseline studies. We cannot however comment on species specific monitoring which is currently occurring, since this level of detail is not provided. MI is encouraged to continue ongoing consultations with the Wildlife and Fisheries Branch and Northeast Region wildlife staff to determine adequate baseline data collection for this project area. These conversations should continue to occur well before the EIS is being compiled to ensure that appropriate time is left to address wildlife issues and collect data for incorporation into the EIS for a proper effects assessment.
- 2) **Scoping Document, 4.1 Biophysical Environment** Based on comment 1, we suggest that the statement "field investigations using methodologies reviewed by MSD" be included for all sections, not just **4.1.7 Mammals**.
- 3) **Project Description, 2.5.4 Pre-construction & 2.5.5 Construction** Going forward with the development of the Environmental Protection Plans mentioned, MI should be cognisant of potential for human-wildlife conflict. The EnvPP should address how attractants (food, garbage, etc.) will be managed in construction camps, and if any mitigation measures to prevent beaver damage to the roads (beaver deceivers and pond levelers) will be required and used.
- 4) **Project Description, 4.3.9 Other (Manitoba)** We suggest that this section also includes wildlife encounter safety training that will be provided for employees and contractors working in remote areas, which will be in accordance with regulations under *The Workplace Safety and Health Act*.

-Brian Kiss

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 From:
 Webb, Bruce (SD)

 Sent:
 June-30-17 3:24 PM

 To:
 Ouimet, Darrell (SD)

Subject: FW: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 ? All-Season

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From: Matthews, Rob (SD) Sent: June-30-17 3:05 PM To: Webb, Bruce (SD)

Subject: RE: Request for review/comment - EAP Manitoba Infrastructure Project 6 ? All-Season Road Linking Manto Sipi

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No concerns.

Rob Matthews WULS

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David Chartrand, LL.D. (Hon)

President

August 3, 2017

VIA E-MAIL

Mr. Darrell Ouimet Environment Officer - Environmental Approvals Branch Manitoba Sustainable Development 123 Main Street, Suite 160 Winnipeg, MB R3C 1A5

Dear Mr. Ouimet,

Re: Manitoba Infrastructure - Project 6 – All-Season Road Linking Manto Sipi Cree Nation, Bunibonibee Cree Nation and God's Lake First Nation File: 5897.00

The Manitoba Metis Federation (MMF) is responding to the Notice of Environment Act Proposal posted by Manitoba Sustainable Development (MSD) on the Environmental Approvals Branch Registry on June 30, 2017 regarding the proposed Manitoba Infrastructure (the Proponent) for Project 6 - All-Season Road linking Manto Sipi Cree Nation, Bunibonibee Cree Nation & God's Lake First Nation Project (the Project). MSD's notice invites anyone likely to be affected by the Project and who wishes to make a representation either for or against the proposal should write to MSD.

The Project is located within a region with known contemporary and historical use by the Manitoba Métis Community (Community) for fishing, hunting, trapping and cultural purposes. Furthermore, based on the MMF's involvement in the recent East Side Road Authority Project 4 – All-Season Road from Berens River to Poplar River First Nation, we anticipate that the proposed Project 6 will similarly impact our harvesters' ability to exercise their Aboriginal rights.

The MMF is very concerned that, to date, the environmental assessment process has failed to consider the lack of Metis-specific information within the EAP. Without Metis-specific information the EAP fails to adequately and accurately assess the impact to all Indigenous groups affected by the Project and in doing so, fails to consider the appropriate measures necessary to sufficiently mitigate those impacts. Given this, a full, proper and meaningful engagement and consultation process with our Community needs to be undertaken to best understand the potential impacts of the Project on our Community.

The MMF is the self-governing representative for the Métis Nation's Manitoba Métis Community, and as such, must promote, protect, and advance the collective rights of its citizens. The MMF represents the citizens and harvesters of the Community, who use the lands, waters and resources throughout the province of Manitoba — including the area in which this project is being proposed. It is of significant importance that the rights, claims and interests of the Community be recognized and respected.

Further to the MMF's responsibility in this regard, the MMF's 2007 Resolution No. 8 sets out a process for the MMF's engagement in discussions with governments, industry and other proponents in matters that relate to the interests and rights of the Community. The MMF Home Office is the central point of contact for all consultation and engagement on behalf of the Community. In engaging the MMF, on behalf of the Community, the Resolution No. 8 Framework calls for the implementation of five phases:

Phase I: Notice and Response; Phase II: Funding and Capacity;

Phase III: Engagement and Consultation;

Phase IV: Partnership and Accommodation; and

Phase V: Implementation.

As we believe the Project may have an impact on the rights, interests, and claims of the Community, the process as set out above will need to be followed.

The MMF is aware of the necessity behind the proposal and while the MMF is not opposed to the construction of Project 6, the need for the road should not supersede the duty to consult. The construction of the Project will have a lasting impact on the Indigenous Community, and if this lack of Metis-specific information is not remedied, this oversight will set a precedent of ignoring our Community in provincial environmental assessment processes, which does not align with Manitoba's duty to consult requirements as the Crown.

The MMF would like to arrange a meeting between representatives of the MMF and MSD to discuss the Project and a process for ensuring the MMF and the Manitoba Métis Community is appropriately informed as to the Project's potential impacts to our Community's use of the lands, waters and resources. The MMF looks forward to hearing your response and working collaboratively with MSD on this Project to ensure Metis-specific information and concerns from the Community are incorporated into full, proper and meaningful engagement and consultation processes with our Community.

Please contact me at your earliest opportunity via telephone at 204-586-8474, ext. 234 or via email <u>jasmine.langhan@mmf.mb.ca</u> to schedule a meeting to further discuss the Project, the Resolution No. 8 process, or if you require any further clarification on any matters raised in this letter.

Me-quetch,

Donald Roulette Executive Director

Manitoba Metis Federation

Cc: MMF President's Office

Jasmine Langhan – MMF Engagement and Consultation Coordinator Jack Park – MMF Minister Responsible for Energy and Infrastructure

Marci Riel – MMF Director of Energy and Infrastructure

Janet Scott – Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency