

October 15, 2020

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Dear Marlene Gifford:

The department is in receipt of comments and concerns raised by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the public regarding the proposed CanWhite Sand Processing Facility by CanWhite Sands Corp. To address the concerns raised in a timely and transparent way, CanWhite is requested to hold a facilitated public meeting at an accessible location.

The public meeting must include a third-party facilitator and an agenda that clearly addresses the TAC and public concerns that have been raised during the assessment process related to both the proposed sand processing facility and the sand extraction project to be proposed at a later date.

Additionally, the facilitated public meeting process should include the following:

- a minimum of 10 days advanced notice to the public and the Environmental Approvals Branch which includes the date, time and location;
- provision for options to meet virtually and in-person while maintaining social distancing and following provincially-recommended COVID-19 protocols;
- a presentation regarding the project and responses to concerns and requests for information from TAC and the public;
- an opportunity for those in attendance and those participating virtually to ask questions and state concerns regarding the information presented;
- responses to questions and concerns presented; and
- a written report to the Environmental Approvals Branch, within two weeks of the public meeting which summarizes the presentation, the questions and concerns and all responses.

The Environmental Approvals Branch will forward the notice of the meeting to everyone who has participated in the assessment and licensing process and post it on the online public registry. Compliance with these conditions is required as part of the environmental assessment and licensing process. No licensing decision will be made prior to the receipt and review of the required written report. Representatives from the Environmental Approvals Branch may attend the public meeting as observers.

If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Winsor, P.Eng. at <u>Jennifer.Winsor@gov.mb.ca</u> or 204-945-7012.

Yours sincerely,

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Shannon Kohler Director The Environment Act

cc: Feisal Somji, CanWhite Sands Corp. Jennifer Winsor Public registry