

Sovereign Resources Quarry Expansion Project

Project Highlights

- Proponent: Sovereign Resources Inc.
- Location: Rocky Lake Drive, Bedford, Nova Scotia
- Class: I
- Project Status: Approved with conditions

Description

On August 2, 2005, Sovereign Resources Inc., a subsidiary of Municipal Enterprises Limited, submitted an Environmental Assessment Registration Document for the proposed expansion of its existing quarry footprint on the east side of Rocky Lake Drive in Bedford, Nova Scotia.

The proposed undertaking is a result of long-term quarry development and planning exercises and will include such as clearing, grubbing and stripping of overburden, drilling, blasting, and hauling. The quarry is currently permitted for an area of approximately 19 hectares (44 acres) including rock crushing. Sovereign Resources now proposes to expand the permitted quarry boundary to include a total of 199 hectares (492 acres) of land under the company owner's control to allow long-term quarry development to proceed in the future. The estimated lifespan of the project is 50 years.

Under the Environmental Assessment Regulations, a pit or quarry in excess of 4 hectares in area primarily engaged in the extraction of ordinary stone, building or construction stone, sand, gravel or ordinary soil, is defined as a Class I undertaking.

Minister's Decision

On August 29, 2005, the Minister of Environment and Labour released a decision (PDF: 20k) concerning this project. The Minister has decided to approve the undertaking in accordance with Section 13(1)b of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, pursuant to Part IV of the *Environment Act*.

The undertaking has been approved subject to a number of conditions (PDF: 24k).

The proponent is required to obtain all other necessary approvals, permits or authorizations before commencing the undertaking.

Opportunities for Public Input

Public comments regarding this project were accepted from August 2, 2005 to August 16, 2005. Comments on the Registration Document are available at the [Nova Scotia Environment Library](#).

Project Documents

- [Minister's Decision](#) (PDF: 20k)
- [Terms and Conditions of Approval](#) (PDF: 24k)

Registration Document

- [Public Notice](#) (PDF: 79k)
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