



## **BIRCH MOUNTAIN RESOURCES HAMMERSTONE LIMESTONE QUARRY NEAR FORT MCKAY ALBERTA**

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### **Reference Numbers**

Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry: *07-01-25921*

Fisheries and Oceans Canada: *05-HCAA-CA1-000-000297*

### **Environmental Assessment Type**

Screening

### **Other Assessment Process**

Government of Alberta

### **Responsible or Regulated Authorities**

Fisheries and Oceans Canada

### **Reasons for a Federal Assessment**

On February 7, 2007, it was determined that an environmental assessment was required in relation to the project because Fisheries and Oceans Canada considered taking action in relation to subsection 35(2) of the *Fisheries Act*.

### **Project Description (as posted in the Notice of Commencement)**

The Hammerstone Project consists of an integrated limestone quarry, aggregate, reagent limestone, quicklime and cement production facilities, as well as spent lime reprocessing. The Hammerstone Project will mine through fish bearing waters and involve the creation or enhancement of fish habitat within the Muskeg River watershed. For the purposes of the CEEA assessment, DFO has identified the scope of the project as follows: 1. The destruction of fish habitat within the foot print of the mine site located in the Muskeg River Watershed; 2. The construction and operation of any fish habitat compensation structures as required by DFO in relation to the Project. 3. All associated approaches and related works, or other undertakings directly associated/impacting fish habitat/fish bearing waters within vicinity of the mine.

### **Final Decision**

The environmental assessment was terminated on January 23, 2012 because the project as proposed by the proponent no longer triggered the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*.