

APPENDIX F

Agency Responses to November 2005 Letter

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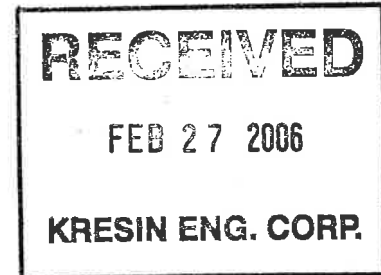
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FEB 20 2006

Mr. Chris Kresin, M.Sc.(Eng.), P.Eng.
Consulting Engineer
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Dear Mr. Kresin:

Re: Town of Blind River Landfill Expansion – Environmental Assessment, Terms of Reference

Thank you for your letter dated November 2, 2005 regarding the above noted project.

The mandated responsibilities of the Ontario Secretariat for Aboriginal Affairs (OSAA) include conducting land claim negotiations and finalizing and implementing land claim settlement agreements on behalf of the Province. In light of this mandate, OSAA has reviewed the materials and notes that it is not aware of any First Nation land claims submitted to the Government of Ontario that will have an impact on this project.

Further, for your information, OSAA notes that the proposed project could impact or be of interest to Aboriginal peoples. OSAA recommends that you contact the following First Nations:

Serpent River First Nation
48 Indian Road
Cutler, ON P0P 1B0
Tel: (705) 844-2418
Fax: (705) 844-2757

Sagamok Anishnawbek
PO Box 610
Massey, ON P0P 1P0
Tel: (705) 865-2421
Fax: (705) 865-3307

Naotkamegwaning
(Whitefish Bay)
Pawitik, ON P0X 1L0
Tel: (807) 226-5411
Fax: (807) 226-5389

Zhiibaahaasing First Nation
Silver Water, ON P0P 1Y0
Tel: (705) 283-3963
Fax: (705) 283-3964

Mississauga First Nation
PO Box 1299
Blind River, ON P0R 1B0
Tel: (705) 356-1621
Fax: (705) 356-1740

In addition, OSAA recommends that you contact the following organization that represents a number of First Nations to ask whether there are any other First Nations to be contacted who could be interested in the project and wish to provide comments.

Anishinabek Nation / Union of Ontario Indians
Nipissing First Nation
PO Box 711
North Bay, ON P1B 8J8
Tel: (705) 497-9127
Fax: (705) 497-9135

As well, the Government of Canada sometimes receives claims that Ontario does not receive, or with which Ontario does not become involved. For information about possible claims in the area, we recommend you call or write to the following federal contacts:

Maryanne Pearce
A/Sr Claims Analyst
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
Ontario Research Team
10 Wellington St.
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4
Tel: (819) 953-1940
Fax: (819) 997-9873

Louise Trepanier
Claims East of Manitoba
Comprehensive Director
Claims Branch
Indian and Northern Affairs Canada
10 Wellington St., 8th Floor
Gatineau, QC K1A 0H4
Tel: (819) 994-1211
Fax: (819) 953-3109

OSAA notes that sometimes projects fall within an area subject to litigation. For further information on the nature of possible litigation, its status and the litigation process, OSAA recommends you call or write the following Ministry of the Attorney General contact:

Robert Ratcliffe
Deputy Director, Crown Law Office - Civil
Ministry of the Attorney General
8th floor, 720 Bay St.
Toronto, ON M5G 2K1
Tel: (416) 326-4128
Fax: (416) 326-4181

Please contact ~~Barry Silver~~, Senior Policy Advisor, OSAA at (416) 326-2364 if you have any further inquiries.

Yours truly,



Richard Saunders
Director
Negotiations Branch

c: Barry Silver



Great Lakes Forestry Centre
1219 Queen St. East
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario
P6A 2E5

Centre de foresterie des Grands Lacs
1219, rue Queen est
Sault Ste. Marie (Ontario)
P6A 2E5

December 2, 2005

Your file Votre référence
0508.01

Our file Notre référence
SS-05-3100

Mr. Chris Kresin
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Dear Mr. Kresin:

Subject: Town of Blind River Landfill
Expansion of Landfill Capacity
Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference

Fisheries and Oceans Canada, received your project introduction letter on November 7, 2005 concerning the Town of Blind River Landfill Capacity Expansion and Environmental Terms of Reference. It has been assigned the following file numbers and title:

Referral File No.: **05-HCAA-CA4-000-003100**
Habitat File No.: **SS-05-3100**
Referral Title: **Expansion of Landfill Capacity, Blind River**

Please refer to them on any subsequent correspondence.

We are unable to provide you with advice concerning the impacts of the proposed work on fish habitat based on the information you made available to us. As a minimum, the following information will be needed before meaningful advice can be given:

- *Project description*
- *1:20 000 scale map showing the location of the proposed landfill expansion and the location of any waterbodies.*
- *A description of the local environment which will be impacted by the proposed expansion, including both flora and fauna, in particular aquatic species.*
- *Proposed mitigation for potential detrimental environmental impacts of the expansion.*

Please note that works or undertakings resulting in the harmful alteration, disruption or destruction of fish habitat are prohibited unless authorized by the Minister of Fisheries

and Oceans pursuant to subsection 35(2) of the *Fisheries Act*. In keeping with the Department's Policy for the Management of Fish Habitat, no such authorizations are issued unless acceptable measures to compensate for the habitat loss are developed and implemented by the proponent. The proposed issuance of an authorization under subsection 35(2) of the *Fisheries Act* is a trigger for the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*. The information provided to date is not sufficient to enable us to determine whether an authorization is required.

With respect to the ToR for this project, *Fisheries and Oceans Canada* will be available to review the ToR when it is completed.

Should you have any questions or comments, please contact me directly by phone at (705) 941-2012, or by fax at (705) 941-2013.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Hallett". The signature is fluid and cursive, written in a professional style.

Jennifer Hallett
Fish Habitat Biologist



Environmental Health Assessment Services
Safe Environments Programme
5th Floor
AL 4905B
269 Laurier Avenue
Ottawa, ON K1A 0K9

Your file Votre référence

Our file Notre référence

November 29, 2005

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Subject: Health Canada Review of the Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference for the Town of Blind River Expansion of landfill Capacity

Dear Mr. Kresin,

Thank you for your letter of November 2, 2005 providing Health Canada with notice regarding the above project.

In view of the available information, it has been determined that Health Canada should not be included as a member of the Government Review Team (GRT), as Health Canada only participates in federal or multi-jurisdictional assessments under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA). Should CEAA be triggered by a federal agency, Health Canada determines that it could act as a Federal Authority (FA) under section 12(3) of CEAA, if requested to do so by the Responsible Authority.

However, regardless of whether CEAA is triggered, Health Canada would like to encourage that any environmental assessment include a health impacts assessment. Health Canada promotes a holistic definition of human health,¹ and considers the state of complete physical, mental and social well-being, and

¹ The World Health Organization defines human health as "state of complete physical, mental and social well-being, and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity" (World Health Organization, 1984). Therefore, when assessing human health, all aspects of well-being need to be considered, including physical, social, emotional, spiritual and environmental impacts on health. Human health is influenced by a range of factors, such as the physical environment (including environmental contaminants), heredity, lifestyle (smoking, drinking, diet and exercise), occupation, the social and economic environment the person lives in, or combinations of these factors. Exposure to environmental contaminants is one among many factors that contribute to the state of our health (Health Canada, 1997).

not merely the absence of disease or infirmity. In conducting an environmental assessment of a landfill expansion, the following basic considerations should be undertaken in the assessment to ensure that no significant health impacts would be caused by the project. These considerations are relevant for both the construction and operational phases of the residual waste management project:

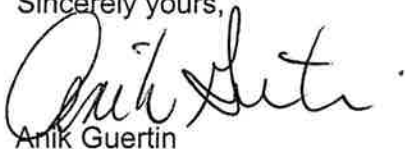
- Risk of fire;
- Risk of explosion;
- Gas emission (biogas, CO₂, CH₄, VOCs, CO, SO₂, HCl, dioxins, furans, heavy metals, and particles);
- Liquid Emissions (leachate, heavy metals, organic compounds, and microorganisms);
- Noise;
- Odours;
- Airborne wastes;
- Vermin; and
- Aesthetics.

For these considerations, the assessment, if there are effects, should describe the duration, time-of-day, magnitude, and permanence of the effects. It is assumed that the health and safety of workers would be subject to the appropriate federal and provincial occupational health and safety legislation, as well as industry specific standards.

As the responsibility for health lies primarily with the Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, it is assumed that the appropriate provincial authorities will be involved in addressing any related issues and concerns. Health Canada is primarily responsible for the health of First Nations and has an interest in the health and well being of all Canadians and it is in this spirit that we may be of assistance.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at (613) 952-8712, Anik_Guertin@hc-sc.gc.ca.

Sincerely yours,



Anik Guertin

Environmental Assessment Officer

cc: Diane McClymont Peace
Atis Lasis
Stefania Trombetti



Transport Canada Transports Canada

Programs and Divestiture
4900 Yonge Street, 4th Floor
Toronto, ON
M2N 6A5

November 28, 2005

Your file Votre référence
KEC Ref. 0508.01

Our file Notre référence
EA 1027

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Subject: Town of Blind River Landfill – Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference

Thank you for your letter regarding the above environmental assessment. Please in future forward correspondence on this environmental assessment to the undersigned.

We have reviewed the information, and note the following:

- Transport Canada is responsible for the administration of the Navigable Waters Protection Act, which prohibits the construction or placement of any “works” in navigable waters without first obtaining approval. If any of the related project elements or activities may cross or affect a potentially navigable waterway, you are requested to prepare and submit an application in accordance with the requirements as outlined in the attached Application Guide. Any questions about the NWPA application process should be directed to Rick Thomas, NWP Officer, at (705) 774-9095
- Transport Canada is also concerned with the risks posed by impacts between aircraft and birds. For this reason, waste facility proposals are regularly reviewed to determine their potential to influence the probability, frequency and severity of this problem. It is our position that all waste facility projects should include the implementation of a bird management plan which addresses aviation safety criteria, and that these facilities should commit to operating as bird-free sites.

Since this study is at a very early, strategic planning stage, we recognize that it would be impractical and financially prohibitive to undertake a detailed evaluation of bird hazards for each of the alternatives under consideration. Therefore, we

recommend that you proceed with the selection of a preferred alternative, while keeping in mind the following general guidance:

- Seek to avoid developments that would attract birds into proximity with airports. Specifically, Transport Canada cautions against the siting or expansion of landfills within 15 km of an airport, where risks are highest. One of the compliance criteria included in Transport Canada's new Wildlife Planning and Management regulation is based on waste disposal facilities situated within 15 km of the airport geometric center. These airports will be required to conduct a risk assessment and have in place a wildlife management plan.
- Since birds are known to travel up to 60 km between roosting and feeding sites, strict bird hazard management plans may need to be developed for waste facilities within this zone.
- Risks are greatest where an airport lies between a water body and a landfill, as this may cause bird flight paths to cross aeronautical flight paths
- Once a preferred alternative is known, we would be pleased to review this proposal and offer case-specific recommendations regarding the need for a bird hazard assessment and the criteria to include in such a study. We can also offer guidance on the implementation of appropriate management practices to help mitigate bird hazards associated with waste disposal operations.

Please note that certain approvals under the Navigable Waters Protection Act or Railway Safety Act trigger the requirement for a federal environmental assessment under the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act. You may therefore wish to consider incorporating CEAA requirements into your provincial environmental assessment.

Please contact the undersigned should you wish to discuss this further.

Sincerely,



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Environmental Officer
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F: (416) 952-0514
earlr@tc.gc.ca

cc: Monique Mousseau, Regional Manager, Environment & Engineering, Transport Canada
Bruce MacKinnon, Specialist, Wildlife Control, Transport Canada



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Ontario Region
&
Prairie & Northern Region

NAVIGABLE WATERS PROTECTION ACT

APPLICATION GUIDE



Navigable Waters Protection
201 Front Street North
Suite 703
Sarnia, Ontario, N7T 8B1

Phone (519) 383-1865 Fax (519) 383-1989

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APPLICATION GUIDE

INTRODUCTION

The Navigable Waters Protection Act (NWPA) revised Statutes of Canada, 1985, is one of the oldest pieces of federal legislation. It first became law on May 17, 1882. The principle objective is to protect the public right of navigation by prohibiting the building or placement of any "work" in, upon, over, under, through, or across a navigable water without the authorization of the Minister of Transport. The jurisdiction of the legislature begins at the high water mark. Therefore structures that are between low and high water marks will require approval under the NWPA. The administration of the NWPA was recently transferred to Transport Canada.

Important Notice

An approval granted by the Minister is neither a general approval of construction nor an authorization in respect of any law, excepting the Navigable Waters Protection Act. An authorization may also be required from the Minister under the Fisheries Act; you should contact the Department of Fisheries & Oceans for such a determination. In addition, contact should also be made with local municipal, provincial and other government offices to determine if other approvals will be required for the proposal.

What is a Navigable Waterway?

A navigable water is any body of water capable of being navigated by floating vessels of any description for the purpose of transportation, commerce or recreation. This includes both inland and coastal waters. The authority to determine the navigability of a waterway and consequently the requirement for an application under the NWPA, rests with the Minister of Transport or his/her designated representative.

Examples of Some Types of "Works" Requiring Authorization

- any bridge, boom, dam, causeway, wharf, dock, boathouse, intake, outfall, etc.;
- dredging; dumping of fill, retaining wall, groyne, breakwater;
- submarine or overhead cables, tunnel, pipeline;
- aquaculture facilities;
- any other device, structure, or thing whether similar in character to the above or not.

Permit Process

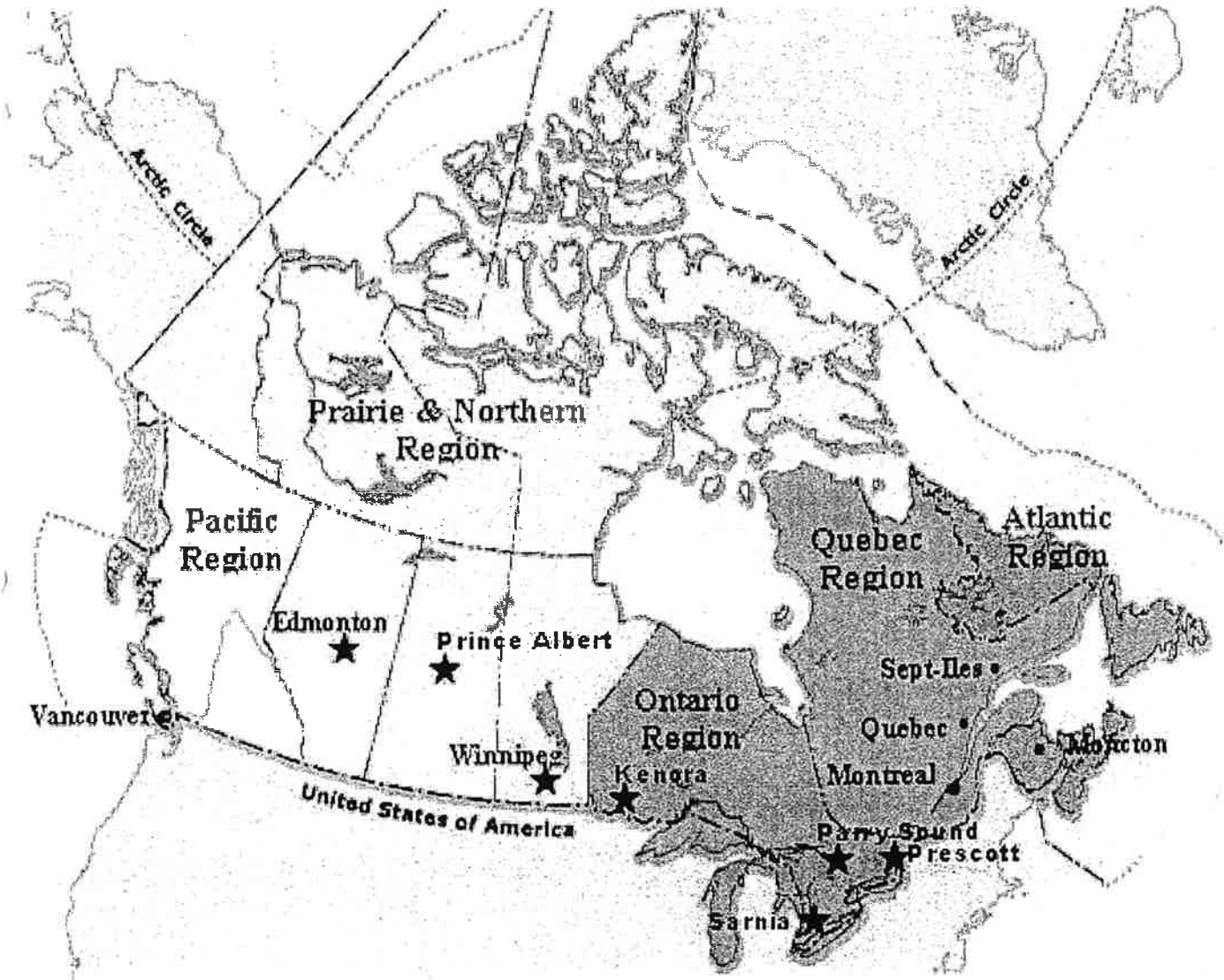
There are basically two types of processes followed in reviewing an application under the Act:

- **Formal Approval**
The formal approval process is followed when NWPA officials determine that your work or project poses a substantial interference with navigation. Under the requirements of the Act all bridges, booms, dams, and causeways must be processed by formal approval.
- **Letter of Exemption**
The exemption process is followed when NWPA officials determine that your work or project does not pose a substantial interference with navigation.

Where to Make an Application

In accordance with the map below, please submit applications for approval to the addresses listed on Annex A "Navigable Waters Protection Act Application Addresses".

Ontario Region & Prairie & Northern Region NWP PROGRAM – AREA OFFICES



Annex A
Navigable Waters Protection Act
Application Addresses

To apply for approval of works or for additional inquiries about the Navigable Waters Protection Act or Program, please contact the appropriate office below.

NWP Regional Office - South Western Ontario, Nunavut & Northwest Territories

Navigable Waters Protection Program
201 Front Street North, Suite 703
Sarnia, ON N7T 8B1

NWPA Prescott Office - Eastern Ontario

Navigable Waters Protection Program
P.O. Box 1000
401 King St. W
Prescott, ON K0E 1T0

NWPA Parry Sound Office - North Eastern Ontario

Navigable Waters Protection Program
28 Waubeek St.
Parry Sound, ON P2A 1B9

NWPA Kenora Office - North Western Ontario

Navigable Waters Protection Program
P.O. Box 649
1100 3rd Ave. S
Kenora, Ontario P9N 3X6

NWP Winnipeg Office - Manitoba

Navigable Waters Protection Program
Freshwater Institute
501 University Crescent
Winnipeg, MB R3T 2N6

NWP Prince Albert Office - Saskatchewan

Navigable Waters Protection Program
125 - 32nd Street West
Prince Albert, SK S6V 7H7

NWP Edmonton Office - Alberta

Navigable Waters Protection Program
4253 - 97th Street
Edmonton, AB T6E 5Y7



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Transports Canada
Maritime

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**Ministry of Northern
Development and Mines**

Corporate Policy Secretariat
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Room 5630, Whitney Block
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Fax: (416) 327-0634

**Ministère du Développement
du Nord et des Mines**

Secrétariat de la politique ministérielle
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Local 5630, édifice Whitney
Toronto ON M7A 1W3
Téléphone: (416) 327-0630
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M05-0417

November 24, 2005

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Dear Mr. Kresin:

**Re: Town of Blind River Landfill
Expansion of Landfill Capacity
Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference**

Thank you for informing the Ministry of Northern Development and Mines (MNDM) of the *Town of Blind River Expansion of Landfill Capacity Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference (ToR)*. This is to confirm the ministry's interest in being included as a member of the Government Review Team for the ToR, as indicated by the Ministry of the Environment.

MNDM's interest relates to our mandate of promoting northern economic development and mineral resource development throughout the province. MNDM would therefore be interested in reviewing the ToR upon its completion.

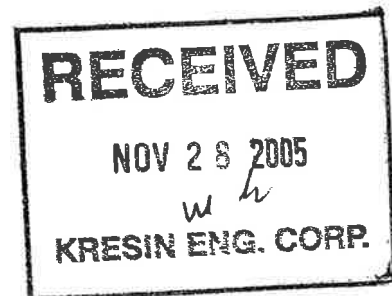
If you have any questions, please contact Saba Ferdinands, EA Coordinator, at (416) 327-0619.

Sincerely,

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Brian K. Smithies, Director

c: Eileen Forestell
Saba Ferdinands





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and Oceans

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et Océans

Ontario – Great Lakes Area
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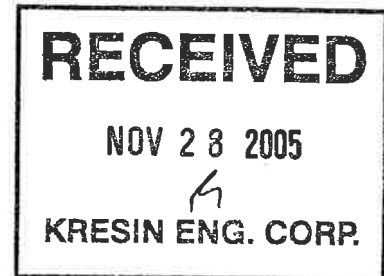
Secteur de l'Ontario et des Grands Lacs
1219 rue Queen e
Sault Ste. Marie, ON
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Your reference:

Our reference: SS-05- 3100

Tuesday, November 22, 2005

Town of Blind River
Kresin Engineering Corporation
536 Fourth Line East
Sault Ste. Marie, ON
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Dear Sir;

Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Ontario – Great Lakes Area (DFO-OGLA) would like to acknowledge receipt of your proposed **Expansion of Landfill Capacity on November 21, 2005**. This proposal has been assigned file numbers **SS-05-3100**. Please refer to this file number in future inquiries.

A Fish Habitat Biologist will be assigned to review this proposal and will contact you if additional information is required.

For your information, electronic versions of Guidelines and Fact Sheets pertaining to fish habitat and working around water can be obtained at our web site <http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/canwaters-eauxcan>. If you are unable to access our site, please contact this office and information can be mailed or faxed to you.

Yours truly,

Julie Fontaine
Administrative Assistant
Ontario Great Lakes Area
Phone Number: (705) 522-1697
Fax Number: (705) 522-6421

Cc: Chris Kresin, Kresin Engineering Corporation

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8th Floor, 5700 Yonge Street
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5700, rue Yonge, 8e étage
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November 18, 2005

Mr. Chris Kresin, M.Sc(Eng.),P.Eng.
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Dear Mr. Kresin:

Re: Town of Blind River Landfill, Expansion of Landfill Capacity, Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference

Dear Mr. Kresin:

Thank you for your letter with regard to the above Environmental Assessments (EA).

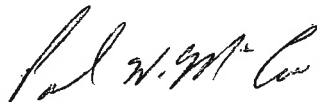
Although the Public Health Division is interested in the public health aspects of this EA and wish to be kept informed of any further developments, we recommend that you request input from the local Medical Officer of Health for the health unit in which the EA is located.

Dr. Allan Northan
Medical Officer of Health
Algoma Health Unit
6th Floor, Civic Centre, 99 Foster Drive
Sault Ste. Marie ON P6A 5X6

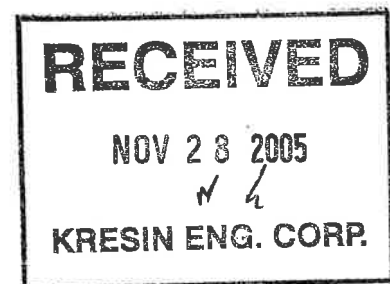
Telephone(705) 759-5421 Fax(705) 759-1534
E-mail: allan_northan@ahu.on.ca

We appreciate you taking the time to bring this EA to our attention.

Yours truly,



Paul W. McCue, C.P.H.I.(C)
Senior Public Health Inspector Consultant
Environmental Health and Toxicology,
Food Safety and Safe Water Unit



Dr. Allan Northan, Medical Officer of Health, Algoma Health Unit

Chris

From: Info [info@kresinengineering.ca]
Sent: November 17, 2005 4:16 PM
To: chris@kresinengineering.ca
Subject: FW: Blind River landfill

-----Original Message-----

From: Andrew.Hinshelwood@mcl.gov.on.ca [mailto:Andrew.Hinshelwood@mcl.gov.on.ca]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2005 4:02 PM
To: info@kresinengineering.ca
Subject: Blind River landfill

Ministry of Culture

Ministère de la Culture



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Heritage and Libraries Branch
Heritage Operations Unit
andrew.hinshelwood@mczcr.gov.on.ca

Chris Kresin
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November 16, 2005

Dear Mr. Kresin

Re: Project Name/No. Town of Blind River Landfill
Expansion of Landfill Capacity
MCL File 2005-57WS001

A principal concern of this Ministry is the adverse effects that undertakings such as the above may have on cultural heritage values. If a preferred alternative is determined to have the potential to have an impact on cultural heritage values, then this Ministry recommends that an archaeological assessment be prepared as part of the Environmental Assessment. If any significant cultural heritage features are identified, then any potential adverse impacts would have to be mitigated prior to the commencement of ground disturbing activities associated with the undertaking.

Consequently, this Ministry recommends that a licensed consulting archaeologist be retained to prepare a detailed evaluation of potential) for the areas which will suffer impacts from construction. This will define areas for which further field assessment will be required. Where such areas are determined to require further testing, a licensed archaeological consultant should carry out such work according to the standards outlined in this Ministry's Archaeological Assessment Technical Guidelines.

Cultural heritage resources include all materials or features of historical, architectural, or archaeological interest. All archaeological work must be performed by a consultant licensed by this Ministry and all work must be conducted in accordance to this Ministry's *Archaeological Assessment Technical Guidelines* (1993). Prior to the clearance of this concern, this office will require an opportunity to review the results of the archaeological resource assessment, as well as the results of any subsequent mitigation programs.

Please feel free to contact me regarding this project should you have any questions.

Yours,

Andrew Hinshelwood
Heritage Planner (Archaeologist)



Canadian Environmental
Assessment Agency

55 St-Clair Avenue East
9th Floor, Room 907
Toronto, Ontario
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d'évaluation environnementale

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"Government Review Team"



November 16, 2005

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Dear Chris Kresin:

**Re: Town of Blind River, Landfill Expansion of Landfill Capacity,
Environmental Assessment Terms of Reference**

Thank you for your letter of November 2, 2005 regarding the above.

As you may be aware, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (Agency) shares the responsibility for the administration of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* with federal authorities. This legislation requires federal authorities to undertake environmental assessments of projects when they are proponents, or when they are proposing to take one of the following actions which would enable a project to proceed, in whole or in part:

- providing some form of financial assistance to the project;
- having the administration of federal lands and selling, leasing or otherwise disposing of those lands or any interest in those lands; or,
- issuing a permit, license, authorization or other regulatory approval listed on the *Law List Regulations*.

In the case of projects that are subject to the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*, if there is uncertainty as to whether the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* may also apply, the Agency can help proponents answer this question. For projects that are subject to the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*, the Agency will act as the federal environmental assessment coordinator and facilitate the involvement of the federal authorities in a co-ordinated assessment aimed at meeting all agencies' needs simultaneously.

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In order for the Agency to undertake either of these roles, it must have a project description that can be distributed to various federal authorities to determine their interest in the project. It is recognized that at the early stages of the planning process, there may not be much detailed information to provide. However, proponents should try to provide some information on:

- the nature of the project and its location;
- federal issues relevant to the project, such as fisheries habitat, navigable waters, migratory birds, etc.
- whether federal funding is being contemplated or federal lands are required.

To better assist proponents, the Agency has developed an Operational Policy Statement, which provides guidance in preparing project descriptions. This is available on the Agency's website at:
http://www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca/013/0002/ops_ppd_e.htm

If your purpose in sending us notification of your project is to identify any federal interests, please be aware that simple notification will not be sufficient. A project description will be required. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the undersigned at 416-952-6063.

Sincerely,



Cathy Hainsworth, Senior Program
Officer
Canadian Environmental Assessment
Agency, Ontario Region

CH/mct

Chris

From: Info [info@kresinengineering.ca]
Sent: November 15, 2005 3:27 PM
To: mike@kresinengineering.ca; chris@kresinengineering.ca
Subject: Blind River landfill

-----Original Message-----

From: Walsh, Sheila (MNR) [mailto:sheila.walsh@mnr.gov.on.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, November 15, 2005 3:07 PM
To: info@kresinengineering.ca
Cc: Gatien, Ernie (MNR)
Subject: I: Blind River landfill

Mr. Kresin,

Please be advised that the MNR-SSM District would like to participate on the "Government Review Team" for the work you are undertaking related to the Town of Blind River's landfill. As adjacent landowners we have an interest in how planning progresses for the existing landfill area, and potential expansions to same.

Please be advised that Ernie Gatien in our Blind River Area office will take the lead on this file. His contact info is provided below:

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Thank you for the invitation to participate in this initiative.

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APPENDIX G

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