Department of the Environment *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999*

Notice is hereby given that the Minister of the Environment, pursuant to section 127 of the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act, 1999* (CEPA), is issuing disposal at sea permit no. ATL-00446-1, authorizing the loading for disposal and the disposal of waste or other matter at sea. The permit is published in the Canadian Environmental Protection Act Registry on Tuesday, February 20, 2024. All documents referenced in this permit are available upon request by email at <u>immersionatl-disposalatseaatl@ec.gc.ca</u>.

- 1. Permittee: Fisheries and Oceans Canada, Tracadie-Sheila, New Brunswick.
- 2. Waste or other matter to be disposed of: dredged material.

2.1. Nature of waste or other matter: dredged material consisting of gravel, sand, silt, clay, and seaweed.

3. Duration of permit: The permit is valid from March 1, 2024, to February 28, 2025.

4. Reference document: Appendix A of the document titled "2019 Management Plan for Disposal at Sea Sites Serving Small Craft Harbours Dredging Projects, Gulf of St. Lawrence, New Brunswick" (revised 2023).

- 5. Loading sites:
- a. Loggiecroft, New Brunswick, bound by 46.84246° N, 64.92361° W; 46.84800° N, 64.91309° W; 46.83256° N, 64.89287° W; and 46.82669° N, 64.90343° W North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83)
- b. Blacklands Gully, New Brunswick, bound by 46.77292° N, 64.87145° W; 46.77025° N, 64.86610° W; 46.77068° N, 64.84490° W; 46.75973° N, 64.84471° W; and 46.76816° N, 64.87441° W (NAD83)
- c. Blacklands Gully (Pointe à Maxime), New Brunswick, at approximately 46.78352° N, 64.88526° W (NAD83)
- d. Barre-de-Cocagne, New Brunswick, bound by 46.41096° N, 64.60430° W; 46.40755° N, 64.60299° W; 46.40560° N, 64.61391° W; and 46.40897° N, 64.61517° W (NAD83)
- e. Cap-des-Caissie, New Brunswick, at approximately 46.31259° N, 64.50975° W (NAD83)
- f. Chockpish, New Brunswick, at approximately 46.58287° N, 64.71859° W (NAD83)
- g. Cap-Lumière, New Brunswick, at approximately 46.67320° N, 64.71054° W (NAD83)





- h. Escuminac, New Brunswick, at approximately 47.08231° N, 64.88781° W (NAD83)
- i. Saint-Édouard-de-Kent, New Brunswick, at approximately 46.54043° N, 64.69758° W (NAD83)
- 5.1. The loading sites are as described in the document identified in paragraph 4.
- 6. Disposal sites:
- a. Loggiecroft (CA-AT-D081), New Brunswick, bound by 46.84246° N, 64.92361° W; 46.84800° N, 64.91309° W; 46.83256° N, 64.89287° W; and 46.82669° N, 64.90343° W (NAD83)
- b. Blacklands Gully (CA-AT-D015), New Brunswick, bound by 46.77292° N, 64.87145° W; 46.77025° N, 64.86610° W; 46.77068° N, 64.84490° W; 46.75973° N, 64.84471° W; and 46.76816° N, 64.87441° W (NAD83)
- c. Blacklands Gully (Pointe à Maxime) [CA-AT-D213] New Brunswick, within a 100-metre radius of 46.78602° N, 64.89028° W (NAD83)
- d. Barre-de-Cocagne (CA-AT-D006), New Brunswick, bound by 46.41096° N, 64.60430° W; 46.40755° N, 64.60299° W; 46.40560° N, 64.61391° W; and 46.40897° N, 64.61517° W (NAD83)
- e. Cap-des-Caissie (CA-AT-D023), New Brunswick, within a 200-square-metre boundary of of 46.31087° N, 64.51119° W (NAD83)
- f. Chockpish (CA-AT-D035), New Brunswick, within a 200-square-metre boundary of 46.58067° N, 64.71808° W (NAD83)
- g. Cap-Lumière (CA-AT-D022), New Brunswick, within a 200-square-metre boundary of 46.67128° N, 64.70872° W (NAD83)
- h. Escuminac (CA-AT-D183Z3), New Brunswick, bound by 47.07919° N, 64.88874° W; 47.07982° N, 64.88948° W; 47.08027° N, 64.88865° W; and 47.07964° N, 64.88791° W (NAD83)
- i. Saint-Édouard-de-Kent (CA-AT-D140), New Brunswick, within a 200-square-metre boundary of 46.53967° N, 64.69250° W (NAD83)
- 6.1. The disposal sites are as described in the document identified in paragraph 4.
- 7. Method of loading: Dredging will be carried out using a suction dredge.

8. Route to disposal sites and method of transport: most direct navigational route from the loading sites to the disposal sites via pipeline.

9. Method of disposal: Disposal will be carried out by pipeline.

10. Total quantity to be disposed of:

a. Loggiecroft: not to exceed 30 000 cubic metres, place measure

b. Blacklands Gully: not to exceed 30 000 cubic metres, place measure

c. Barre-de-Cocagne: not to exceed 12 000 cubic metres, place measure

d. Cap-des-Caissie: not to exceed 12 000 cubic metres, place measure

e. Chockpish: not to exceed 30 000 cubic metres, place measure

f. Cap-Lumière: not to exceed 20 000 cubic metres, place measure

g. Escuminac: not to exceed 6 000 cubic metres, place measure

h. Saint-Édouard-de-Kent: not to exceed 30 000 cubic metres, place measure

11. Fees: The fee prescribed by the *Disposal at Sea Permit Fee Regulations* must be paid by the permittee in accordance with those regulations as modified according to the provisions of the *Service Fees Act*. The applicable fee rates for April 1, 2023, are in effect for the duration of this permit.

12. Inspection and records:

12.1. Pursuant to Part 10 of CEPA, the permittee and its contractors are subject to inspection by enforcement officers designated under CEPA.

12.2. The permittee must keep records of all loading and disposal activities aboard any powered ship involved with the disposal operations. The records must be accessible to enforcement officers designated under CEPA.

12.3. At all times, a paper or digital copy of this permit and of the document referenced in paragraph 4 must be available at the loading sites and on all powered ships directly engaged in the loading and disposal operations. The documents must be accessible to enforcement officers designated under CEPA for the duration of this permit.

12.4. The permittee must retain records of all loading and disposal activities at its principal place of business in Canada for the duration of the permit and for 5 years following the expiry of the permit.

12.5. The loading or disposal at sea referred to under this permit must not be carried out by any person without written authorization from the permittee. The authorization must be accessible to enforcement officers designated under CEPA.

13. Reporting and notification:

13.1. The permittee must provide the following information, in writing, no later than 48 hours before loading and disposal activities commence and no sooner than 7 days before loading and disposal activities commence: name or identification number of powered ships, platforms or structures to be used to carry out the loading and/or disposal, name of the contractor, including corporate and on-site contact information; measures to estimate quantities of dredged material disposed at each disposal site and expected period of loading and disposal activities. The above-noted information must be submitted to:

a. Christa Skinner

Permit Officer Environmental Protection Operations Directorate Department of the Environment Atlantic Region 45 Alderney Dr Dartmouth NS B2Y 2N6

Email: immersionatl-disposalatseaatl@ec.gc.ca

b. Annick Savoie

Enforcement Officer Environmental Enforcement Directorate Department of the Environment Atlantic Region 33 Weldon St Moncton NB E1C 0N5

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c. Sydney Roberts

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d. Renelle Doucette
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For Loggiecroft and Blacklands Gully only:

e. Daniel Gallant Parks Canada Agency 187 Route 117 Kouchibouguac NB E4X 2P1

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13.2. The permittee must notify the Canadian Coast Guard Marine Communications and Traffic Services (MCTS) in Sydney (<u>navwarn.mctssydney@innav.gc.ca</u>), in writing, in advance of the commencement of work so that appropriate navigational warnings may be issued.

13.3. The permittee must submit a written report to the minister, as represented by the regional director of the Environmental Protection Operations Directorate, Atlantic Region, care of Christa Skinner, as identified in paragraph 13.1a, within 30 days after the expiry of the permit. This report must provide the names and location of the loading and disposal sites used, the total number of hours of night dredging conducted at each loading site, the quantity of matter disposed of at each disposal site, and the dates on which disposal activities occurred.

14. Special precautions:

14.1. The permittee must carry out project activities authorized by this permit in accordance with all procedures and mitigation measures outlined in the document identified in paragraph 4.

On behalf of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change

Mona Sidarous Regional Director Environmental Protection Operations Directorate Atlantic Region

Signed on February 12, 2024