

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: Brandon Hills Estates Mobile Home Park
NAME OF DEVELOPMENT: Brandon Hills Estates Mobile Home Park
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: Two
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Waste Treatment – Sewage Treatment Plant
CLIENT FILE NO.: 5645.00

OVERVIEW:

The Proposal was received on April 9, 2013. It was dated April 2, 2013. The advertisement of the proposal was as follows:

“A proposal has been received from Cumming and Dobbie on behalf of Brandon Hills Estates Mobile Home Park (Worbets Enterprises) for the repair and continued operation of an onsite wastewater treatment and disposal system for the mobile home park, which is located on Highway 10 approximately 16 km south of Brandon. The park services 35 mobile home units, and the wastewater treatment and disposal system includes two septic tanks, with each tank discharging to two disposal fields. Repairs to one disposal field are proposed for the spring/summer of 2013.”

The Proposal was advertised in the Brandon Sun on Saturday, May 4, 2013. It was placed in the online public registry as well as the Legislative Library, Millennium Public Library (Winnipeg), Eco-Network, and Western Manitoba Regional Library public registries. The Proposal was distributed to TAC members on May 2, 2013. The closing date for comments from members of the public and TAC members was June 3, 2013.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No public comments were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Sustainable Resource and Policy Management Branch and Lands Branch

No concerns.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Lands Branch

No concerns.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Parks and Natural Areas Branch

No comments.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Wildlife Branch

No concerns.

Conservation and Water Stewardship – Environmental Programs and Strategies Branch, Air Quality Management Section

No comment. The proposal has no significant impact on air quality.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Fisheries Branch

Given the location and work involved as long as the repairs meet environmental standards it does not appear that there are any fisheries concerns with this request.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Office of Drinking Water

Information of file at ODW indicates the domestic water source for this facility is a well on the property. While the EAP does not specifically note the distance from the septic fields to the well, it does state the septic fields are installed in accordance with all Manitoba regulatory setback requirements.

Based upon this, Office of Drinking Water does not see any cause for concern for safety of public water systems with this EAP or the proposed work.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Water Use Licensing

The proponent should contact the section concerning the need for a Water Rights Licence for the operation.

Disposition:

This request was forwarded to the proponent and consultant.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Water Control Works and Drainage Licensing

No concerns.

Manitoba Infrastructure and Transportation - Highway Planning and Design Branch, Environmental Services Section

No concerns.

Manitoba Health – Medical Officer of Health, Prairie Mountain Health

I have reviewed the proposal and have the following general comments, please ensure:

1. Odour control and monitoring if needed.
2. Any discharge of effluent is in compliance with Manitoba Environment's guidelines.
3. Ongoing reporting and appropriate disposal of all hazardous wastes.
4. Containment design provides the best possible groundwater protection for the area.
5. Prevention of pollutant or contaminated wastewaters from entering sewage disposal and municipal ditch systems.
6. Fencing, gates, and warning signs included to ensure public safety, in case of unsupervised public access to the development/repair.
7. Availability for review of an emergency response plan.

Disposition:

Since the treatment and disposal system does not involve the discharge of effluent to a surface drainage system, several of these suggestions do not require direct follow-up. Spills and leakage that could lead to off-property discharges can be addressed through licence conditions. With respect to an emergency response plan, a malfunction of the system would be addressed in the same manner as the present situation, with wastewater truck hauled to an alternate treatment location. This can also be addressed through licence conditions.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

No additional information was required to address Technical Advisory Committee comments.

PUBLIC HEARING:

As no requests for a public hearing were made, a public hearing is not recommended.

CROWN-ABORIGINAL CONSULTATION:

The Government of Manitoba recognizes it has a duty to consult in a meaningful way with First Nations, Métis communities and other Aboriginal communities when any proposed provincial law, regulation, decision or action may infringe upon or adversely affect the exercise of a treaty or Aboriginal right of that First Nation, Métis community or other Aboriginal community.

The proposal involves a repair in the existing wastewater treatment and disposal system and the continued operation of the system on privately owned land developed as a mobile home park. Since resource use is not affected by the project, it is concluded that Crown-Aboriginal consultation is not required for the project.

RECOMMENDATION:

No comments received on the Proposal require follow-up, and the Development can be addressed through standard licence conditions for an operation of this type. Therefore, it is recommended that the Development be licensed under *The Environment Act* subject to the limits, terms and conditions as described on the attached Draft Environment Act Licence. It is further recommended that enforcement of the Licence be transferred to the Western Region of the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch.

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