

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS/RECOMMENDATIONS

PROPONENT: Carroll Holding Co. Ltd.
NAME OF DEVELOPMENT: Oakland Colony Wastewater Treatment Lagoon
CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: Two
TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT: Wastewater Treatment Lagoon
CLIENT FILE NO.: 5704.00

OVERVIEW

The Proposal was received on March 24, 2014. It was dated March 13, 2014. The advertisement of the proposal was as follows:

“A Proposal has been filed by Burns Maendel Consulting Engineers Ltd. on behalf of Oakland Colony (Carroll Holding Co. Ltd.) for the construction and operation of a wastewater treatment lagoon to treat domestic wastewater from the Colony. The facility would consist of a two cell facultative lagoon with a synthetic liner in W 9-8-19W, approximately 5 km northeast of Carroll. The facility would discharge once or twice annually to a tributary to the Little Souris River within the period between June 15 and October 31. Construction of the facility is proposed to take place in the summer of 2014.”

The Proposal was advertised in the Brandon Sun on Saturday, April 12, 2014. It was placed in the Legislative Library, Millennium Public Library (Winnipeg) and online public registries. The Proposal was distributed to TAC members on April 4, 2014. The closing date for comments from members of the public and TAC members was May 12, 2014.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No public comments were received.

COMMENTS FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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

- The proposal is not expected to have a significant impact on air quality.
- The odour clause is suggested to be included in the Licence.

Disposition:

This suggestion can be addressed through a licence condition.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Lands Branch

No concerns with the proposal since the parcels are under private ownership.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Parks and Protected Spaces Branch

No comments or concerns to offer as it does not affect any provincial parks, park reserves, ecological reserves, areas of special interest or proposed protected areas.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Wildlife Branch

No concerns or any further comments to add regarding this proposal.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship – Office of Drinking Water

The EAP notes that there are no public water systems downstream of the proposed lagoon discharge until Portage la Prairie. As such, ODW has no concerns with this EAP or the proposed development.

Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship - Water Use Licensing Section

No concerns as the population of the colony is currently too small to trigger a requirement for a water rights licence for their groundwater supply well.

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

Any water control works (drains, culverts, dykes, dams, etc.) associated with this project will require licensing under the *Water Rights Act* – an application is attached for the proponent's convenience. Any inquiries in this regard may be directed to the local *Water Resource Officer*. Their contact information may be found at:

http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/waterstewardship/licensing/pdf/areas_of_focus_jan_23_12.pdf

Disposition:

This information was provided to the proponent's consultant for follow-up.

Manitoba Municipal Government – Community and Regional Planning Branch

I have reviewed this Proposal on behalf of the Community and Regional Planning Branch. The RM of Oakland Development Plan contains the following policy:

3.3.(20) New solid waste disposal sites and sewage lagoons shall comply with the following development criteria:

- (a) Sites shall comply with provincial environmental site and design standards.
- (b) Sites shall not adversely affect the recreational amenities of the area.
- (c) Sites shall not be located in close proximity to residential areas and other non-compatible uses.
- (d) Sites shall be designed and operated in such a manner so as to ensure that waste is not scattered onto adjacent properties.
- (e) In order to minimize human exposure to the undesirable effects of such uses as sewage lagoons and solid waste sites, development in the vicinity of these facilities should be limited to open space, agricultural and industrial uses.
- (f) Existing and proposed solid waste disposal sites and sewage lagoons shall be considered as a Conditional Use.

We recommend that the proponent contact the RM of Oakland regarding compliance of the proposed lagoon with this policy and application for conditional use approval.

Disposition:

This information was provided to the proponent's consultant for follow-up.

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

No concern.

Manitoba Health – Medical Officer of Health

No further concerns.

Office of the Fire Commissioner

No concerns or comments.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

No additional information was required to address Technical Advisory Committee comments. Clarification was requested concerning some design parameters of the facility to ensure that standard design parameters were used. Revised drawings reflecting the design adjustments were received on July 9, 2014.

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 small wastewater treatment facility on private land with a planned effluent release once or twice annually. Adverse effects on surface water or habitat for wildlife or fisheries are not anticipated.

Since resource use is not affected by the project, it is concluded that Crown-Aboriginal consultation is not required for the project.

RECOMMENDATION

All comments received on the Proposal that require follow-up have been addressed through the provision of information to the proponent's consultant, clarification on design parameters or through licence conditions. 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 retained by the Environmental Approvals Branch until construction is completed. After the facility becomes operational, the licence should be assigned to the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Branch.

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