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Staff Report

Applicant: Blachford Lake Lodge	
Location: Blachford Lake, NT	File Number: MV2017L3-0005 and MV2017J0029
Date Prepared: January 28, 2019	Date of Board Meeting: February 7, 2019
Subject: Waste Management Plan Version 2 and Spill Contingency Plan Version 2	

1. Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to present to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB/the Board) the following items submitted by Blachford Lake Lodge (Blachford), in accordance with the conditions of their Land Use Permit MV2017J0029 (Permit) and their Water Licence MV2017L3-0005 (Licence):

- a) Waste Management Plan Version 2 (WMP V2): Part G, condition 2 of the Licence and Part C, condition 23 of the Permit; and
- b) Spill Contingency Plan Version 2 (SCP V2): Part H, condition 1 of the Licence and Part C, condition 40 of the Permit.

2. Background

- October 25, 2017 – Issuance of Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005;
- November 15, 2018 – WMP V2 and SCP V2 received;
- November 22, 2018 – Reviews commenced;
- December 7, 2018 – Responses received;
- December 13, 2018 – Reviewer comments and recommendations due;
- January 10, 2019 – Responses due;
- **February 7, 2019 – WMP V2 and SCP V2 presented to the Board for decision;** and
- October 24, 2024 – Expiration of Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005.

3. Discussion

Submission History and Permit and Licence Requirements

Blachford had previously submitted Waste Management and Spill Contingency Plans with their water licence and land use permit applications; the Board required both Plans to be revised and resubmitted for staff confirmation of conformity in the October 25, 2017 issuance letter (attached). Versions 1.1 of each Plan were approved on November 30, 2017 (attached).

Blachford is required to annually review their Waste Management Plan (Part G, condition 2 of the Licence and Part C, condition 23 of the Permit) and Spill Contingency Plan (Part H, condition 1 of the Licence and Part C, condition 40 of the Permit), and submit any necessary revisions to the Board for approval. Blachford did not submit any revisions associated with their Engagement Plan (as required by Part B, condition 11 of the Licence and Part C, condition 52 of the Permit).

Description of Submissions

Blachford submitted the revised Waste Management Plan (Version 2) and Spill Contingency Plan (Version 2) on November 15, 2018, along with a cover letter that includes a summary of changes table. Changes to the SCP included only revised contact information; changes to the WMP were also minor and included the addition and description of self-contained composting toilets and an outhouse to the operation, as well as the addition of a water usage meter, automatic bleach injector and filters to the water intake system.

4. Comments

Although the two Plans were posted for review separately, due to minimal review comments and concerns being posted, Board staff have combined the two reviews into one Board package for the sake of efficiency.

5. Public Review

By December 13, 2018, comments and recommendations on the WMP V2 and SCP V2 were received from Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), the Government of the Northwest Territories Department of Environment and Natural Resources (GNWT-ENR), and Indigenous and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC).

Blachford responded on December 7, 2018 to the comments posted at that time; they did not provide a response to either of the GNWT-ENR 'No Comment' letters posted after that date, as none was required. The Review Summaries and Attachments (attached) present the lack of concerns identified through these reviews.

6. Security

The status of security for this Project will not be affected by the Board's decisions related to the WMP V2 and the SCP V2.

7. Conclusion

Board staff conclude that the Waste Management Plan Version 2 and the Spill Contingency Plan Version 2, as submitted, are in conformity with the requirements of Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005 and can be approved. Board staff conclude there are no outstanding issues or concerns with these submissions.

8. Recommendation

Board staff recommend the Board:

- a) **Make a motion to approve the Waste Management Plan Version 2** as required by Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005; and
- b) **Make a motion to approve the Spill Contingency Plan Version 2** as required by Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005.

A draft decision letter is attached. Board staff recommend including the following text in the decision letter:

- The Board notes and appreciates Blachford's efforts to submit requirements in accordance with Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005.

9. Attachments

- [Waste Management Plan Version 2](#)
- [Spill Contingency Plan Version 2](#)
- Waste Management Plan Version 2 Review Summary and Attachments
- Spill Contingency Plan Version 2 Review Summary and Attachments
- [October 25, 2017 issuance letter from Board for Permit MV2017J0029 and Licence MV2017L3-0005](#)
- [November 30, 2017 staff confirmation of conformity for revisions to Waste Management Plan \(Version 1.1\) and Spill Contingency Plan \(Version 1.1\)](#)
- Draft Decision Letter from the Board

Respectfully submitted,



Erica Janes
Regulatory Specialist

Review Comment Table

Board:	MVLWB
Review Item:	Blachford Lake Lodge - revised Waste Management Plan Version 2 (MV2017L3-0005 and MV2017J0029)
File(s):	MV2017J0029 MV2017L3-0005
Proponent:	Blachford Lake Lodge
Document(s):	MV2017L3-0005 and MV2017J0029 - Blachford Lake Lodge - Waste Management Plan Version 2 - Nov15-18 (2.0 MB)
Item For Review Distributed On:	Nov 22 at 09:45 Distribution List
Reviewer Comments Due By:	Dec 13, 2018
Proponent Responses Due By:	Jan 10, 2019
Item Description:	<p>Blachford Lake Lodge has submitted a revised Waste Management Plan (Version 2), in accordance with Part G, condition 2 of their Water Licence MV2017L3-0005 and Part C, condition 23 of their Land Use Permit MV2017J0029. This submission is for Board approval.</p> <p>Reviewers are invited to submit questions, comments and recommendations on the Waste Management Plan Version 2 by December 13, 2018.</p> <p>If you have questions or comments regarding this review or the Online Review System, please contact Erica Janes at (867)766-7466 or ejanes@mvlwb.com.</p>
General Reviewer Information:	<p>In addition to the email distribution list, the following organization received review materials by fax:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NWT Metis Nation: Tim Heron, NWTMN IMA Coordinator: (867)872-3586
Contact Information:	<p>Erica Janes 867-766-7466 Heather Scott 867-766-7463 Jen Potten 867-766-7468</p>

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Environment and Climate Change Canada: Richard Bingley				
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GNWT - ENR: Central Email GNWT				
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Dear Ms. Janes,

**Re: Blachford Lake Lodge and Wilderness Resort
Water Licence – MV2017L3-0005
Revised Waste Management Plan Version 2
Revised Spill Contingency Plan Version 2
Request for Review and Comments**

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Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Patrick Clancy, Environmental Regulatory Analyst at (867) 767-9233 Ext: 53096 or email patrick.clancy@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

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