



Fwd: DFO Review Comments on file 8BC-GJO Application for a New Water Licence

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Subject: RE: DFO Review Comments on file 8BC-GJO Application for a New Water Licence
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Hi Sonia,

DFO's main concern would be with the fall timing window for char as I am not aware of grayling being present. DFO would recommend that any in-water work (construction of the bridge abutments) be completed between July 1 and Aug 15. If grayling are present then any in-water work should be completed between July 15 and Aug 15. If the proponent is not able to complete the work during those times we can look at amending it. For example, if the watercourse is frozen to the bottom where the work is going to be completed then it is not a concern as no fish are present. We could also look at extending it in the fall if needed. Fording the watercourse is not a concern since the site is an active crossing now used by the community and fording is to be kept to the minimal required for construction of the bridge.

Correct Links

<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/index-eng.html>

<http://www.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/pnw-ppe/measures-mesures/index-eng.html>

Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Gary

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Hi Gary

I am the tech assigned to this file, I have some questions regarding the DFO comments during the review of this Application.

1) DFO comments sent to the NIRB during the file review process expressed concerns regarding fish and their habitat. There are periods of restriction for activities related to fish-bearing streams; these periods of restricted activity are determined according to the species of the fish in the Water body. The Applicant proposes to finish the work in August 2016 (the starting date was August 2016); meaning that he will complete the work any time between now and August 2016. Do you have any recommendation regarding the timing window of the Project?

2) Links provided to the Applicant in the DFO's recommendations are invalid. Please, could you provide the updated links? They are useful for the Applicant and to the NWB staff too.

Thanks

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