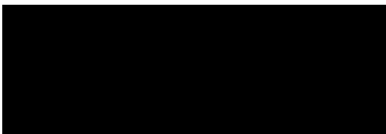


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August 16, 2019



Re: Your request for access to information under Part II of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015* [Our File #: MAE/153/2019]

This is to confirm that on August 12, 2019, the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment received your request for access to the following records/information:

"Information regarding aquaculture and fishing farming on Rencontre East, including environmental assessments. Time period: 2010 to date of this request."

Please be advised that the Deputy Minister has reviewed this request and the Department of Municipal Affairs and Environment has no records responsive regarding environmental assessments for Rencontre East since 2010. Completed and ongoing environmental assessment projects can be viewed online at https://www.mae.gov.nl.ca/env_assessment/projects/index.html. Also, we have confirmed with the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources that they have responsive records regarding aquaculture and fish farming in Rencontre East and that they are working with you to get these records.

The *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* requires us to provide an advisory response within 10 days of receiving the request. As this request has been completed prior to day 10, this letter also serves as our Advisory Response.

Please be advised that you may ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review the processing of your access request, as set out in section 42 of the *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (the *Act*). A request to the Commissioner must be made in writing within 15 business days of the date of this letter or within a longer period that may be allowed by the Commissioner.

The address and contact information of the Information and Privacy Commissioner is as follows:

Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner
2 Canada Drive
P. O. Box 13004, Stn. A
St. John's, NL. A1B 3V8

Telephone: (709) 729-6309
Toll-Free: 1-877-729-6309
Facsimile: (709) 729-6500

You may also appeal directly to the Supreme Court Trial Division within 15 business days after you receive the decision of the public body, pursuant to section 52 of the *Act*.

Please be advised that responsive records will be published following a 72 hour period after the response is sent electronically to you or five business days in the case where records are mailed to you. It is the goal to have the responsive records posted to the Completed Access to Information Requests website within one business day following the applicable period of time. Please note that requests for personal information will not be posted online.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me by telephone at 709-729-1589 or by e-mail at EmmaMeulenkamp@gov.nl.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Emma Meulenkamp".

EMMA MEULENKAMP
ATIPP Coordinator (Secondary)
Municipal Affairs and Environment