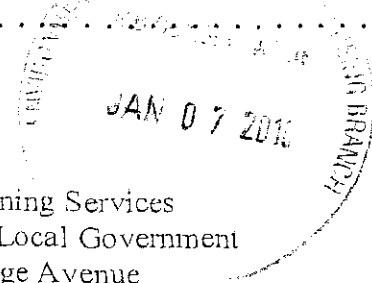


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The Department of Local Government staff has reviewed the above-noted proposal. The project is located on the east side of Lake Winnipeg and includes some land within organized territory and primarily in Northern Manitoba, which have or are in the process of adopting land use development plans. Land use planning documents have policies and maps that help guide land use planning decisions within their communities (in accordance with *The Planning Act*). Please ensure that the following local Councils are consulted and their documents referred if there are any forestry activities being implemented in their vicinity.

Part of the Rural Municipality of Alexander is included in the project area. Alexander is a member of the Winnipeg River Planning District which administers the Winnipeg River Planning District Development Plan By-law No. 14/90. This Development Plan is currently being updated and reviewed. The following Northern Affairs Communities also participates in land use planning. The Manigotagan Basic Planning Statement By-law No. 19/87 currently guides land use in the area and is currently being reviewed and updated. Bisset has a Basic Planning Statement and Seymourville is currently in the process of adopting a development plan for its community.

In addition, as you are aware, an "All-Season Road" is being planned from PR 304 to Berens River and a separate EIA is currently being reviewed for this road. The establishment of this road will have an impact on the accessibility of the subject lands for forestry.

We note that Section 6 (Socioeconomic Analysis) of this study is using data from Manitoba Model Forest that is rather outdated. Much of the information is from 1996 (13 years old). We strongly encourage the use of more up to date data to complete an accurate analysis. Also, please ensure that the Department of Aboriginal and Northern Affairs is consulted on the proposal. Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment.


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