

Notice of Environment Act Proposal

Conservation and Water Stewardship has received a proposal pursuant to *The Environment Act* regarding the following operation and invites public participation in the review process:

TOWN OF VIRDEN - WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT UPGRADES – FILE: 5697.00

A proposal was filed by the Town of Virden for the replacement of the existing sewage treatment plant that is located at Lot 13, Block 170, Plan 197 (BLTO) in the Town of Virden. The replacement is proposed to be completed in two phases. Proposed to occur in 2014, a primary component of Phase I work consists of the construction of a new headworks with fine screening prior to primary treatment and the installation of a belt filter press for temporary primary treatment. Chlorination/dechlorination will be used for Phase I disinfection. Potentially occurring in 2015, primary components of Phase II work consist of extending the headworks facility with new concrete basins and building for a new equalization tank, sequencing batch reactor tanks and UV disinfection equipment. The belt filter press from Phase I will be re-purposed for biosolids thickening while new tankage with aeration equipment will be installed for biosolids stabilization in the original facility. Additional information regarding the work associated with each phase is presented in the proposal. As with the existing sewage treatment plant, the new sewage treatment plant will discharge to a ditch that flows into Gopher Creek that flows into the Assiniboine River.

Anyone likely to be affected by the above operation and who wishes to make a representation either for or against the proposal should contact the Department, in writing or by E-mail (robert.boswick@gov.mb.ca), not later than MARCH 28, 2014. Further information is available from the Public Registries located at Legislative Library, 200 Vaughan, Winnipeg; Millennium Public Library, 4th Floor, 251 Donald St., Winnipeg; Online Registry <http://www.gov.mb.ca/conservation/eal/registries/index.html> or by contacting Robert Boswick, Environmental Engineer at 204-945-6030.

Information submitted in response to this proposal is considered public information and will be made available to the proponent and placed on the public registry established in accordance with Section 17 of *The Environment Act*.

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