
Record of Recipients

Organization Carrying out the Public Review: Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

Project: Hay River Various Geotech Drilling Type A Land Use Permit

File(s): MV2025S0013

Proponent: Town of Hay River

Type of Review: New Application

Item Description:

The Town of Hay River (the Applicant) has submitted a complete Application for a type A Land Use Permit (Permit). The purpose of the Application is to conduct geotechnical investigations to support engineering of several municipal projects over the next 5 years. To streamline these programs the Town is submitting this application. Work will consist of drilling, collection of soil samples, and installation of thermistors in boreholes at various locations within the municipal boundaries.

Using the Online Review System (ORS), reviewers are invited to submit comments and recommendations on the documents linked below by the review comment deadline specified. Reviewers may also wish to consider providing an overarching recommendation regarding whether the Board should approve the Application, to provide context for the comments and recommendations and assist the Board with its decision. If reviewers seek clarification on the Application, they are encouraged to correspond directly with the Applicant prior to submitting comments and recommendations.

Preliminary Screening (Part 5 of the MVRMA): Under the Preliminary Screening Requirement Regulations, the Board must conduct a preliminary screening for a proposed development, unless it is exempt from preliminary screening in accordance with the Exemption List Regulations. Reviewers are encouraged to provide comments and recommendations (e.g., on impacts and mitigation measures) to assist with the Board's preliminary screening determination.

Draft Permit: A draft Permit has been developed by Board staff, based on the previous permit and the LWBs' current Standard Land Use Permit Conditions Template, to allow reviewers and the Applicant to comment on possible conditions. These draft materials are not intended to limit in any way the scope of reviewers' comments. The Board is not bound by the contents of the draft Permit and will make its decision at the close of the proceeding on the basis of all the evidence and arguments filed by all Parties.

Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat: Please be advised that comments made by reviewers regarding impacts of this Project on wildlife and wildlife habitat in this preliminary screening will inform the GNWT Minister of Environment and Natural Resources' determination regarding whether a Wildlife Management and Monitoring Plan will be required for this project as per section 95 of the Wildlife Act.

All documents that have been uploaded to this review are also available on our public Registry. If you have any questions or comments about the ORS or this review, please contact Board staff identified below.

Comments Due Date: July 18, 2025

Responses Due Date: July 25, 2025

Documents:

https://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/MV2025S0013/Hay%20River%20-%20Various%20Geotech%20-%20Application%20-%20Jun18_25.pdf

https://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/MV2025S0013/Hay%20River%20-%20Various%20Geotech%20-%20Engagement%20Plan%20-%20Jun18_25.pdf

https://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/MV2025S0013/Hay%20River%20-%20Various%20Geotech%20-%20Spill%20Contingency%20Plan%20V1.0%20-%20Jun18_25.pdf

https://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/MV2025S0013/Hay%20River%20-%20Various%20Geotech%20-%20Waste%20Management%20Plan%20V1.0%20-%20Jun18_25.pdf

https://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/MV2025S0013/Hay%20River%20-%20Various%20Geotech%20-%20Wildlife%20Management%20and%20Monitoring%20Plan%20-%20Jun18_25.pdf

<https://registry.mvlwb.ca/Documents/MV2025S0013/Hay%20River%20-%20Various%20Geotech%20-%20DRAFT%20-%20Board%20Staff%20-%20Land%20Use%20Permit%20Conditions.pdf>

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