From:	Wedgewood, Jamie R. (MECP)
To:	Caitlin Port
Cc:	Bev Wicks; Craig Mann; Ed Lamb (elamb@waterfordgroup.ca)
Subject:	RE: Law Crushed Stone Licence Expansion
Date:	June 8, 2023 5:42:22 AM
Attachments:	image001.png

Hi Caitlin,

Thanks for sending that over, I appreciate it. I've reviewed Tarryn's comments as well as the Level 1-2 Assessment, June 2022.

The following note to be added to the Aggregate Resources Act Site Plan which the quarry operator will be legally obligated to abide by addresses MECPs requirements for the species at risk confirmed on site.

Prior to any development or site alteration occurring within the identified Whip-poor-whill Category 2 habitat and within 50m of the outer limit of the identified spoon leaved moss colonies, the Licensee shall consult with the MECP and obtain an authorization under the Endangered Species Act, if required.

Should any of the project activities change from what has been presented to MECP, please notify the ministry immediately (SAROntario@ontario.ca) to obtain guidance on whether the changes require authorization under the ESA 2007 in order to remain in compliance with the Act. Failure to carry out the project as described to MECP could potentially result in contravention of the ESA 2007. The proponents remain responsible for ensuring compliance with the Act and may be subject to prosecution or other enforcement action if activities result in any harm to SAR species and/or habitat.

The ministry's position is based on the SAR habitat assessment that has been provided on behalf of the proponents. Should information not have been made available and considered in our review, or new information comes to light that changes the conclusions made, or if on-site conditions and circumstances change so as to alter the basis for the conclusions, or if any of the mitigation measures or MECP recommendations cannot be completed, please contact the ministry (SAROntario@ontario.ca) as soon as possible to discuss next steps.

Kind regards,
Jamie Wedgewood

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From: Caitlin Port <cport@mhbcplan.com>

Sent: June 7, 2023 10:18 AM
To: Wedgewood, Jamie R. (MECP) <Jamie.R.Wedgewood@ontario.ca>
Cc: Bev Wicks <bev@rsenviro.ca>; Craig Mann <craig@rsenviro.ca>; Ed Lamb (elamb@waterfordgroup.ca) <elamb@waterfordgroup.ca>
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Hi Jamie – Thanks for your response. Attached is the correspondence received by MECP in January 2023. Let me know if you would like a copy of the Application documents circulated to MECP on November 10, 2022.

Happy to hop on call and provide additional information.

Regards,
Caitlin

From: Wedgewood, Jamie R. (MECP) <Jamie.R.Wedgewood@ontario.ca>
Sent: June 7, 2023 10:12 AM
To: Caitlin Port <cport@mhbcplan.com>
Subject: RE: Law Crushed Stone Licence Expansion

Good morning Caitlin,

I'm new to this file and the first correspondence I've had was to respond to Bev's general question regarding the two year timeline. I can see that MECP provided comments to the application but I cannot see the actual comments. Would you mind forwarding that email to me? I apologize for the inconvenience but I want to ensure I have all of the background information before I confirm if the note addresses the comments.

Thank you,
Jamie

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From: Caitlin Port <cport@mhbcplan.com>
Sent: May 31, 2023 1:56 PM
To: Wedgewood, Jamie R. (MECP) <Jamie.R.Wedgewood@ontario.ca>
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Jamie – Thank you for your comments below on the proposed Law Crushed Stone Quarry Extension.

We understand that any required ESA authorization will be required prior to undertaking any activities that may impact or disturb SAR habitat. Once Licenced, and based on the quarry phasing, impacts to the identified SAR habitat may not occur for 5+ years.

To address MECP's requirements, the following note will be added to the Aggregate Resources Act Site Plan which the quarry operator will be legally obligated to abide by:

Prior to any development or site alteration occurring within the identified Whip-poor-whill Category 2 habitat and within 50m of the outer limit of the identified spoon leaved moss colonies, the Licensee shall consult with the MECP and obtain an authorization under the Endangered Species Act, if required.

Can you please confirm that this will address MECP comments on this Aggregate Resources Act Application?

Regards,

Caitlin Port, MES, MCIP, RPP | Associate

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From: Wedgewood, Jamie R. (MECP) <Jamie.R.Wedgewood@ontario.ca>

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 1:49 PM
To: Bev Wicks <bev@rsenviro.ca>
Subject: RE: Law Crushed Stone Licence Expansion

Good afternoon Bev,

An ESA permit will be required to extract from areas that will impact species at risk and your activity needs to be authorized prior to causing impacts. The two year timeline is not a set rule, however MECP's general recommendation is that it takes an average of 12-15 months from the submission of an information gathering form to a decision of a permit (this timeline may be extended due to a variety of factors).

Please let me know if you require further information.

Kind regards,
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