

October 14, 2020

Coastal GasLink Pipeline Ltd.  
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Attention: Coastal GasLink Pipeline Ltd.

**RE: Determination of Application Number 100111665**

**Permit Holder:** Coastal GasLink Pipeline Ltd.  
**Date of Issuance:** October 14, 2020  
**Effective Date:** October 14, 2020  
**Application Submission Date:** October 5, 2020  
**Application Determination Number:** 100111665  
**Approved Disturbance Footprint:** 2.878 ha

**ACTIVITIES APPROVED**

<b>Associated Oil &amp; Gas Activity No.:</b> 00207479	<b>Type:</b> Workspace
<b>Changes In and About a Stream:</b> 0006305	

**GENERAL AUTHORIZATIONS AND CONDITIONS**

**AUTHORIZATIONS**

**Land Act**

1. The BC Oil and Gas Commission (the "Commission") pursuant to section 39 of the *Land Act* hereby authorizes the Permit Holder referenced above to construct and operate a related activity(s) as detailed in, Activities Approved table above and the Activity Details table(s) below, when applicable, for the purposes of carrying out oil and gas activities as defined in the *Oil and Gas Activities Act* (OGAA); subject to the conditions set out herein.
2. The authorizations granted under this permit are limited to the area identified in the spatial data submitted to the Commission in the permit application as identified and dated above; herein after referred to as the 'activity area'.
3. The Commission, pursuant to section 39 of the *Land Act*, hereby authorizes the occupation and use of any Crown land located within the activity area.
  - a. A licence authorized under section 39 of the Land Act for the Crown land portion of this application will follow. The permit holder is subject to the conditions contained in the Licence.
  - b. The authorization to occupy and use Crown land under the Licence expires two years from the date of issuance, unless the Commission has received notice of construction start, or this permit is otherwise extended, suspended, cancelled, surrendered or declared spent.

- c. The authorization to occupy and use Crown land does not entitle the permit holder to exclusive possession of the activity area.
- d. The total disturbance within the activity area must not exceed the total approved disturbance footprint as referenced above.

### **Water Sustainability Act**

4. The Commission, pursuant to section 11 of the *Water Sustainability Act*, authorizes the Changes In and About a stream, as detailed in the Activities Approved table above, within the activity area for construction and maintenance activities, unless otherwise restricted by this authorization:
  - a. Instream works must be carried out in accordance with the methods and any mitigations, as specified in the application.

## **CONDITIONS**

### **Notification**

5. A notice of construction start must be submitted, as per the relevant Commission process at the time of submission, at least 48 hours prior to the commencement of activities under this permit.
6. Within 60 days of the completion of construction activities under this permit, the permit holder must submit to the Commission a post-construction plan as a shapefile and PDF plan accurately identifying the location of the total area actually disturbed under this permit. The shapefile and plan must be submitted via eSubmission.
7. The permit holder must notify the Blueberry River First Nations Lands Office two (2) working days prior to project commencement. Notification will be sent via email to lands@blueberryfn.ca, RShakya@blueberryfn.ca, jcalvert@blueberryfn.ca, compliance@blueberryfn.ca and oilandgas@blueberryfn.ca.

### **Environmental**

8. Construction activities must not result in rutting, compaction or erosion of soils that cannot be reasonably rehabilitated to similar levels of soil productivity that existed on the activity area prior to the construction activities taking place.
9. Any temporary access must be constructed and maintained in a manner that provides for proper surface drainage, prevents pooling on the surface, and maintains slope integrity.
10. The permit holder must make reasonable efforts to prevent establishment of invasive plants on the activity area resulting from the carrying out of activities authorized under this permit.
11. Following completion of construction associated with the associated activities set out in the authorized Activities table above, the permit holder must, as soon as practicable
  - a. decompact any soils compacted by the activity;
  - b. if natural surface drainage pattern was altered by the carrying out of the activity, the permit holder must restore, to the extent practicable, to the drainage pattern and its condition before the alteration;
  - c. re-vegetate any exposed soil on the activity area including, where necessary, using seed or vegetative propagules of an ecologically suitable species that:
    - i. promote the restoration of the wildlife habitat that existed on the area before the oil and gas activity was begun, and
    - ii. stabilize the soil if it is highly susceptible to erosion.
  - d. any retrievable surface soils removed from the activity area must be redistributed so that the soil structure is restored, to the extent practicable, to its condition before the activity was begun.

### Clearing/Forest Act

12. The permit holder is permitted to fell any trees located on Crown land within 1.5 tree lengths of the activity area that are considered to be a safety hazard according to Workers Compensation Act regulations and must be felled in order to eliminate the hazard. Trees or portions of these trees that can be accessed from the activity area without causing damage to standing timber may be harvested.

### Water Course Crossings and Works

13. Stream, lake and wetland crossings must be constructed in accordance with the methods and any mitigations, as specified in the application.
14. In-stream activities within a fish bearing stream, lake or wetland must occur:
  - a. during the applicable reduced risk work windows as specified in the Northeast Region-Reduced Risk Work Windows;
  - b. in accordance with alternative timing and associated mitigation recommended by a Qualified Professional and accepted by the Commission; or
  - c. in accordance with an authorization or letter of advice from Fisheries and Oceans Canada that is provided to the Commission.
15. At any time, the Commission may suspend instream works authorized under this permit. Suspensions on instream works will remain in place until such time as the Commission notifies permit holders that works may resume. Reasons for suspension of works may include, but are not limited to, drought conditions and increased environmental or public safety risks.
16. Equipment used for activities under this Permit must not be situated in a stream channel unless it is dry or frozen to the bottom at the time of the activity.
17. The permit holder must ensure any instream works related to maintenance are planned and overseen by a qualified professional. This individual must assess and determine whether planned works pose a risk to any of the features listed below, and is responsible for developing and implementing mitigation measures to reduce any potential impacts on these features, as required:
  - a. fish or important fisheries habitat;
  - b. species identified as special concern, threatened, or endangered under the federal *Species at Risk Act*; or
  - c. species identified by Order as a species at risk under the *Forest and Range Practices Act* or the *Oil and Gas Activities Act*.

This assessment must be provided to the Commission upon request.

18. Following initial construction, stream, lake and wetlands crossings are authorized for necessary maintenance activities on the activity area except for:
  - a. works within the boundary of a provincial park;
  - b. stream bank or stream bed revetment works in a stream classified as S1, S2, S3, S4 or S5;
  - c. permanent alteration of a stream bank;
  - d. works within a Temperature Sensitive Stream established by order under s. 27 of the Environmental Protection and Management Regulation; or
  - e. works within a Fisheries Sensitive Watershed established by order under s. 28 of the Environmental Protection and Management Regulation.

## Archaeology

19. If an artifact, feature, material or thing protected under the *Heritage Conservation Act* is identified within the activity area, the permit holder must, unless the permit holder holds a permit under Section 12.4 of the *Heritage Conservation Act* issued by the BC Oil and Gas Commission in respect of that artifact, feature, material or thing:
  - a. Immediately cease all work in the vicinity of the artifacts, features, materials or things;
  - b. Immediately notify the BC Oil and Gas Commission; and
  - c. Resume work in the vicinity of the artifacts, features, materials or things in accordance with direction from the BC Oil and Gas Commission.

## **ADVISORY GUIDANCE**

1. Construction Plan - CGE4703-MSI-G-MP-1655-Workspace Application for Erosion Control-Rev0.PDF is for the permit holder's internal reference only and was not reviewed as a decision tool for this permit, nor does it form an integral part of this permit.
2. Instructions for submitting notice of construction start, as required by regulation, can be found in the Oil and Gas Activity Operations Manual on the Commission's website.
3. Unless a condition or its context suggests otherwise, terms used in this approval have the same meaning as the Environmental Protection and Management Regulation under the Oil and Gas Activities Act.
4. Appropriate tenure may be issued upon acceptance of the post-construction plan. Submission of the original application and submission of the post-construction plan is considered an application for all subsequent applicable Land Act tenures. Upon the Commission's acceptance of the post-construction plan no further applications for replacement tenure are required.

All pages included in this permit and any attached documents form an integral part of this permit.



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Cierra Redel  
Authorized Signatory  
Commission Delegated Decision Maker

Copied to:

First Nations – Horse Lake First Nation, McLeod Lake Indian Band, Saulteau First Nations, West Moberly First Nations