

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 132-2007, 14 February 2007

Natural Heritage Conservation Act
(R.S.Q., c. C-61.01)

Authorization to extend the setting aside of three lands as proposed aquatic reserves and of sixteen others as proposed biodiversity reserves

WHEREAS, under section 28 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (R.S.Q., c. C-61.01), the renewal or extension of the setting aside of land under section 27 of the Act may not, unless authorized by the Government, be such that the term of the setting aside exceeds a term of six years;

WHEREAS, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, and as provided in the Minister's Order dated 18 March 2003 (2003, *G.O.* 2, 1404), the following land has been set aside for a term of four years beginning on 7 May 2003:

Proposed aquatic reserves:

- Ashuapmushuan river
- North Harricana river
- Moisie river

Proposed biodiversity reserves:

- Boatswain bay
- Muskuuchii hills
- Pasteur lake
- Sabourin lake
- Ministikawatin peninsula
- Missisicabi plain

WHEREAS, under section 90 of the Act, the following land is deemed to have been set aside as proposed biodiversity reserves in accordance with Title III of the Act for a term of four years beginning on 19 June 2003:

Proposed biodiversity reserves:

- Guernesé lake foothills
- Lac aux Sauterelles knolls
- Brador hills
- Harrington Harbour shore
- René-Levasseur island
- Bright Sand lake
- Gensart lake
- Belmont and Magpie lakes massif
- Monts Groulx
- Natashquan river valley

WHEREAS an additional term, longer than two years, will be necessary to complete the various steps necessary to grant permanent protection status to all or part of the land concerned;

WHEREAS that term will enable completion of the holding of public consultations provided for in the Act and the environmental and social impact assessment and facilitate continued exchanges with the persons and bodies concerned and determination of the objectives, directions and terms of the protection plan that will apply on the granting of permanent status;

WHEREAS it is expedient to authorize the Minister to extend the term of the setting aside of the nineteen proposed reserves for an additional term of four years;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks:

THAT the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks be authorized to extend the setting aside of the following land for a term of four years beginning on 7 May 2007:

Proposed aquatic reserves:

- Ashuapmushuan river
- North Harricana river
- Moisie river

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