

Draft Regulations

Draft Minister's Order

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

Extension of the setting aside of land for three proposed ecological reserves

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the draft Order respecting the extension of the setting aside of land for three proposed ecological reserves, appearing below, may be made by the Minister on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Order extends the setting aside of land for three proposed ecological reserves for 4 more years. Such extension is necessary to keep in force the temporary protection assigned to that land, with a view to completing the steps necessary to assign permanent protection status, including the holding of all the required consultations. The draft Order provides that the setting aside of the land will expire on 19 December 2016.

Further information on the draft Minister's Order may be obtained by contacting Patrick Beauchesne, Director, Direction du patrimoine écologique et des parcs, Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, édifice Marie-Guyart, 675, boulevard René-Lévesque Est, 4^e étage, boîte 21, Québec (Québec) G1R 5V7; telephone: 418 521-3907, extension 4783; email: patrick.beauchesne@mddep.gouv.qc.ca; fax: 418 646-6169.

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Minister's Order is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to Patrick Beauchesne, Director, Direction du patrimoine écologique et des parcs, Ministère du Développement durable, de l'Environnement et des Parcs, at the above-mentioned address.

PIERRE ARCAND,
*Minister of Sustainable Development,
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Order of the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks

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THE MINISTER OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT,
ENVIRONMENT AND PARKS,

CONSIDERING section 88 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act (R.S.Q., c. C-61.01), which provides that the ecological reserves existing on 19 December 2002 are maintained, that they are deemed to have been set aside, in accordance with Title III of the Act, for a period of 4 years beginning on 19 December 2002 and that they are governed, as of the same date, by the provisions of the Act;

CONSIDERING the Minister's Orders made in accordance with section 28 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act by the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks, on 23 November 2006 (2006, *G.O.* 2, 3913) and 5 November 2008 (2008, *G.O.* 2, 5153), whereby the setting aside of the following land has been extended until 19 December 2012:

- the proposed Matamec ecological reserve (northern portion);
- the proposed Ruisseau-Clinchamp ecological reserve;
- the proposed Paul-Provencher ecological reserve;

CONSIDERING that it is necessary to extend the setting aside of land for a period of 4 years to complete the steps that may lead to the assignment of permanent protection status for those territories;

CONSIDERING section 28 of the Natural Heritage Conservation Act which provides that the renewals or extensions of the setting aside of land may not, unless so authorized by the Government, be such that the term of the setting aside exceeds 6 years;

CONSIDERING Order in Council 762-2012 dated 4 July 2012 whereby the Government authorized the Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and Parks to extend the setting aside of the land for a period of 4 years beginning on 19 December 2012;

ORDERS AS FOLLOWS:

The setting aside of the following land is hereby extended for a period of 4 years beginning on 19 December 2012:

- the proposed Matamec ecological reserve (northern portion);
- the proposed Ruisseau-Clinchamp ecological reserve;
- the proposed Paul-Provencher ecological reserve.

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