

**ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PUBLIC NOTICE  
AND INVITATION TO COMMENT ON**

**AN APPLICATION FOR THE  
SLOCAN-LP OSB PROJECT**

Slocan-LP OSB Corp. has made an application for a project approval certificate under the *Environmental Assessment Act* (Act) for the Slocan-LP OSB Project. The application is for approval of an Oriented Strand Board (OSB) plant to be located on the southeast side of Fort St. John, approximately one kilometre southwest of the airport.

Review under the Act will provide for assessment of the environmental, economic, social, cultural, heritage, and health effects of the project. Slocan-LP OSB Corp. cannot proceed with project development or obtain any statutory permits or approvals until the environmental assessment is complete and a ministerial or cabinet project approval certificate is issued.

For the purpose of the environmental assessment review, the Slocan-LP OSB Project includes the following:

1. One main building housing all processing equipment (approximately 45,000 m<sup>2</sup>);
1. A log yard with tandem portal cranes;
2. Two fire ponds;
3. A log-yard retention pond for surface water run-off; and
4. Road and other infrastructure access.

The application may be viewed between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. (Monday - Friday) at the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) Project Registry on the 1st Floor, 836 Yates Street, Victoria, BC, V8V 1X4, (250) 356-7441, and at:

**Fort St. John Public Library  
10015 - 100<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Fort St. John, BC V1J 1Y7**

**Dawson Creek Municipal Library  
1001 McKellar Avenue  
Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4W7**

The application, as well as information regarding the environmental assessment process and projects under review, are available online at <http://www.eao.gov.bc.ca>.

Public comment is invited on the application to ensure that public issues are identified and addressed as part of the environmental assessment process. All comments will be considered as part of the review. The public comment period on the application begins on September 18, 2001 and ends on November 19, 2001. The review of the application will result in a decision to approve or reject the project, or to require further information in the form of a project report from the proponent before making a decision.

Comments on the application for the Slocan-LP OSB Project must be received at the EAO by **November 19, 2001**. All comments will be available to the general public through the EAO Project Registry as originally submitted and required by the Act and potentially also on the EAO website. If your comments do not indicate that you wish your personal information (full address, e-mail address, and telephone number) to be treated in confidence, it will be made public. Also, unless you indicate otherwise, your name and personal information will be added to the EAO Database and you will be provided with information on any further opportunities for public involvement.

Please send your comments to:

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A guide to the environmental assessment process that includes guidelines for public participation in environmental assessment reviews is available on the EAO website at <http://www.eao.gov.bc.ca>.