

Federal Coordination Regulations
Section 6 - Record of Determination

Project Title: Jeanne d'Arc Basin Seismic Program, 2012-2015
Location: Jeanne d'Arc Basin
Proponent: Western Geco Canada

FEDERAL AUTHORITY: Department of National Defence
NAME & TITLE: Carol Lee Giffin, Formation Safety and Environment Officer
SIGNATURE: [Redacted] DATE: 16 Jan 12

In accordance with the Section 6 of the Federal Coordination Regulations, under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA), the Federal Authority identified above, has reviewed the project description and advises you of the following:

- (a) it is **likely** to require an environmental assessment of the project
- Trigger Proponent Funding
 Land Transfer Law List

Law List Trigger: _____

- (b) it is **not likely** to require an environmental assessment of the project
- (c) it is **in possession** of specialist or expert information or knowledge that is necessary to conduct the environmental assessment of the project

1. DND is likely to be operating in the vicinity of the study area in a non-interference manner during the project timeframe.

2. A search of the UXO records was conducted to determine the possible presence of UXO within the Proponent's survey area.

Our records indicate no wrecks are present within the survey area.

Given our understanding of the survey activities to be conducted, the associated UXO risk is assessed as negligible. Nonetheless, due to the inherent dangers associated with UXO and the fact that the Atlantic Ocean was exposed to many naval engagements during WWII, should any suspected UXO be encountered during the course of the Proponent's operations, it should not be disturbed/manipulated. The Proponent should mark the location and immediately inform the Coast Guard. Additional information is available in the 2011 Annual Edition - Notices to Mariners, Section F, No.37.

In the event of activities which may have contact with the seabed (such as drilling or mooring), it is strongly advised that operational aids, such as remote operated vehicles, be used to conduct seabed survey in order to prevent unintentional contact with harmful UXO items that may have gone unreported or undetected.

Further UXO general information is available at our website at *www.uxocanada.forces.gc.ca

OR

- (d) additional information is required to make a determination
- [Redacted Box]

If the answer to (d) is "yes", the Regulations require that the additional information be requested within 10 days after making the determination.

Identify the contact person for the environmental assessment, if different from above.

Name & Title: _____
Address: _____
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e-mail: _____