



**Department of Environment**

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Mr. Fred Benere  
President, Gallant Aggregates Limited  
PO Box 10  
100 Bedrock Lane  
Elmsdale NS B2T 1C6

Dear Mr. Benere:

**Re: Environmental Assessment - Sand and Gravel Pit Extension, Cooks Brook,  
Halifax County, Nova Scotia**

The environmental assessment of the proposed Sand and Gravel Pit Extension, Cooks Brook, Halifax County, Nova Scotia, has been completed.

This is to advise that I have approved the above project in accordance with Section 40 of the *Environment Act*, S.N.S., 1994-95 and subsection 13(1)(b) of the Environmental Assessment Regulations, N.S. Reg. 348/2008, made under the Act. Following a review of the information provided by Gallant Aggregates Limited and the information provided during the government and public consultation of the environmental assessment, I am satisfied that any adverse effects or significant environmental effects of the undertaking can be adequately mitigated through compliance with the attached terms and conditions.

This approval is subject to any other approvals required by statute or regulation, including but not limited to, approval under Part V of the Nova Scotia *Environment Act* (Approvals and Certificates section).

If you have any questions regarding the approval of this project, please contact the Acting Manager, Environmental Assessment Branch, Ms. Helen MacPhail, at (902) 424-3960 or via e-mail at [macphahf@gov.ns.ca](mailto:macphahf@gov.ns.ca).

Sincerely,

***Original Signed By***

Sterling Belliveau  
Minister

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