



MEDIA ADVISORY
November 14, 2019

Press Conference: Key Stakeholders Respond to Northern Pulp Focus Report

Pictou, Nova Scotia: Four major stakeholders will speak jointly to the media on Tuesday, November 19 at 11 am in Pictou. This will be the first time any of the groups have spoken to media since the public comment period on Northern Pulp's Focus Report closed on November 8.

The Town of Pictou, Pictou Landing First Nation, the Fishermen's Working Group, representing 3000 fishermen from Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and PEI, and Friends of the Northumberland Strait (FONS) will present their main findings on Northern Pulp's Focus Report during a joint press conference at the Decoste Centre in Pictou.

"It has been an intense 36 days, trying to weed through thousands of pages of documents," says Jill Graham-Scanlan, President of FONS. "Each group has its own concerns with the Focus Report, and we have also reached some common conclusions."

The Focus Report was required by Nova Scotia Environment to fill in critical information that was missing from Northern Pulp's original environmental assessment registration document. Northern Pulp's plan to release up to 85 million litres of treated effluent daily into the rich fishing grounds of the Northumberland Strait has been hotly debated since it was introduced almost two years ago.

When: Tuesday November 19, 11am

Where: Decoste Centre, 99 Water St, Pictou

Stakeholder Presenters:

- Jill Graham-Scanlan, Friends of The Northumberland Strait
- Jim Ryan, Mayor, Town of Pictou
- Brian Hebert, Legal Council, Pictou Landing First Nation
- Jamie Simpson, Legal Council, Fishermen's Working Group for Northern Pulp file

Optional: Boat Tour to the outfall location

- Media are invited to board a fishing boat for a short trip to the location of Northern Pulp's proposed effluent outfall.
- The boat will leave Caribou Harbour Wharf at approximately 12:30pm.
- Expect a short ride through the fishing grounds of Caribou Harbour to see exactly where the proposed effluent outfall is located.

- Space is limited. Please reserve your spot with number of passengers at info@friendsofthenorthumberlandstrait.ca.
- Caribou Wharf is approximately a 10 minutes drive from the Decoste Centre
- Address: 119 Fisherman Road, Caribou (beside the Caribou Wood Islands ferry wharf)
- Boat tour is weather permitting. Media will be notified the morning of November 19 if the boat tour must be cancelled.