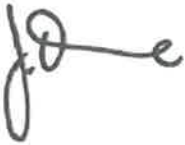


On October 28, 2022, the Minister of ENV received an application from the Saanich Inlet Protection Society requesting that the Bamberton Projects be designated as reviewable under Section 11 of the *Environmental Assessment Act*. The Designation Application describes the Bamberton Projects as the Quarry Expansion Permit, Foreshore Lease Expansion, and the Soil Deposit authorization from the Cowichan Valley Regional District. The Designation Application is currently being reviewed by the Environmental Assessment Office and has been uploaded to their Project Information Centre located at <http://www.projects.eao.gov.bc.ca/p/63654a5d99a2870022a0621b/project-details>.

Applications like these undergo rigorous review, which includes environmental impacts as well as consultation with First Nations and affected residents. I want to assure you that statutory decision makers within my Ministry will give due consideration to all relevant input.

Thank you, again, for taking the time to write.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Josie', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

Josie Osborne
Minister