

DECISION

Transport Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada and Environment Canada have taken the following course of action on October 1st, 2013 relating to the screening-type environmental assessment of the New Bridge for the St. Lawrence. The authorities may exercise any power or perform any duty or function with respect to the project because, after taking into consideration the screening report and taking into account the implementation of appropriate mitigation measures, the authorities are of the opinion that the New Bridge for the St. Lawrence Project is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects.

Implementation of mitigation measures is required for the project to address:

- Soil, sediment and groundwater
- Surface water quality and hydrology
- Air quality (local scale)
- Air quality and greenhouse gases (GHG)
- Vegetation and wetlands
- Fish and habitats
- Terrestrial wildlife
- Avifauna
- Infrastructure and buildings
- Commercial navigation
- Recreational / tourist activities and recreational boating
- Sound environment
- Heritage and archeology
- Project integration with its environment

A follow-up program to verify the accuracy of the environmental assessment and/or determine the effectiveness of any measures taken to mitigate the adverse environmental effects is required for this project.