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THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF ALBERTA

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**ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ENHANCEMENT
(CONSERVATION AND RECLAMATION)
AMENDMENT ACT, 2007**

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First Reading

Second Reading

Committee of the Whole

Third Reading

Royal Assent

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(Assented to _____, 2007)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the
Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

Amends RSA 2000 cE-12

1 The *Environmental Protection and Enhancement Act* is amended by this Act.

2 The following is added after section 137:

Review of regulation and practices

137.1(1) For the purposes of this section, “specified land” is limited to specified land that is located in that part of Alberta designated as Green Area on the map annexed to

- (a) a Ministerial Order dated May 7, 1985 and made pursuant to the *Public Lands Act*, as that Order is amended from time to time, or
- (b) any order made in substitution for that Order, as amended from time to time;

(2) A committee must be appointed by the Minister within 1 year of this section coming into force and every 5 years thereafter to review any regulation made governing the practices and criteria for conservation and reclamation of specified land including, but not limited to, the *Conservation and Reclamation Regulation* (AR 115/93).

Explanatory Notes

- 1** Amends chapter E-12 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta 2000.
- 2** New section regarding review of regulation and practices added.

- (3) The committee reviewing regulations under subsection (2) must ensure that the regulation incorporates best forest management practices for specified land to be reclaimed.
- (4) A committee appointed under this section shall consist of 7 members appointed by the Minister.
- (5) The committee must report to the Minister within 6 months after commencing their review under subsection (2).
- (6) The committee's report may propose amendments to the regulation in addition to any other recommendations.
- (7) The Minister must make public a response to the committee's report not later than 3 months after the date on which it is received.
- (8) When completed, the committee's report and the Minister's response must each be presented in the Legislative Assembly if it is sitting or, if it is not sitting, within 15 days of the next sitting of the Assembly.

3 This Act comes into force on Proclamation.

3 Coming into force.

