

THE HONOURABLE SHANE THOMPSON
MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES

Public Access to Forestry Decisions and Decision-Making

Mr. Speaker, I have a Return to Written Question asked by the Member for Frame Lake on February 7, 2023, regarding public access to forestry decisions and decision-making.

The Member enquired about the number of instances where decisions and authorizations have been made under the *Forest Management Act* and the *Forest Protection Act* and if they are publicly available. In addition, the Member also requested “an explanation of how the department intends to implement the provisions of the Open Government Policy as part of the new Forest Act.”

Later today, at the appropriate time, I will table this information.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.