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REGIONAL DISTRICT
OF BULKLEY-NECHAKO

AGENDA

MEETING NO. 11

July 19, 2018

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Strategic Priorities 2017-2019

Now

- Revenue Sharing (Northwest Resource Benefits Alliance (RBA))
- Waste Management Strategy – Board reading/reviewing
- Internet Connectivity
- Transportation – moving people between communities; First Nations relations; Community to Community Forum

Next

- Attraction/Retention – Residents, Businesses, Organisations, Communities

Board Advocacy

- Health Services (Regional Health Services Access – Local Access, Hospital construction)
- Wildfire Mitigation
- Nechako Watershed
- CN Emergency Meeting and Exercise
- Three Phase Power



Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Memo Board Agenda (Sup) – July 19, 2018

To: Chair Miller and Board of Directors
From: John Illes, Chief Financial Officer
Date: July 17, 2018
Re: Risk Management Grant Application for BV Pool

Attached to this memo is the Risk Management Grant from the Bulkley Valley Pool for the installation of 26 emergency lights for a total cost of \$4,995.00.

Funds from the Municipal Insurance Association are provided to each municipality's grant pool and are to be used for risk management projects. The current balance of the RDBN's grant pool is \$18,576.00.

This small project meets the intended use of these risk management funds and covers an important need at the Bulkley Valley Pool.

I would be pleased to answer any questions.

Recommendation:

(All/Directors/Majority)

"That the Board of the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako receive the Chief Financial Officer's memo dated July 17, 2018 titled "Risk Management Grant Application for BV Pool" and further that

"That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako submit the grant application to MIA for consideration."

**Municipal Insurance
Association of British Columbia**

200 - 429 West 2nd Ave.
Vancouver, BC V5Y 1E3
Toll-Free: 1-855-683-6266
Fax: 604-683-6244

miabc.org



Risk Management Grant Application

Member: Bulkley Valley Regional Pool and Rec Centre - Regional District of Bulkley- Nechako

Requested by: Tamara Gillis

Phone #: 250-847-4244

E-Mail: tgillis@bvpool.com

Date: July 10, 2018

Amount requested: \$ 4,955.00

New Initiative: Yes, this is something we have not done before and no funds have been set aside for this initiative.

Goods or services
being purchased:

Replacement of our emergency lighting, including battery packs and lights. Total of 26 units.

How will this initiative
help reduce liability
or property claims?

Replacing the emergency lighting units will allow light for a longer period of time (30-60 minutes) in the event of power-outages. The quality of the light will be improved with the replacement. Increasing visibility during periods of non-emergency power outages will allow patrons to comfortably shower and get dressed out of their wet bathing clothing before leaving the building. This will decrease patron stress and increase comfort. Having emergency lighting in-place during all power-outages (especially during winter months when day-light is reduced) will also reduce the risks of slips and falls and help staff implement evacuation procedures and clear the building.

Submit form to: Municipal Insurance Association of BC
#200 - 429 West 2nd Avenue, Vancouver, BC V5Y 1E3
Fax: (604) 683-6244 | E-mail: sackerman@miabc.org

If approved, a cheque payable to the local government will be mailed to you.



Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Board of Directors SUPPLEMENTARY
July 19, 2018

To: Chair Miller and the Board of Directors
From: Corrine Swenson, Manager of Regional Economic Development
Date: July 18, 2018
Regarding: Business Façade Program

The deadline to apply for Business Façade funding was June 30, 2018. This first intake was focused on businesses along Highway 16 as priority. Staff visited businesses along Highway 16 and informed them of the Business Façade funding as well as provided application packages. In addition posts were made on social media and the information was uploaded to the website.

Two applications were received. One did not qualify for funding and the second was Honeysuckle Garden Centre who is eligible for \$2,500 in funding. Honeysuckle intends to paint the store, add signage and add a covered entrance to the store.

As there was not the uptake anticipated from Highway 16 businesses, Staff are recommending that the program be opened up for all eligible businesses in the rural areas. Staff will visit business wherever possible to bring the information packages, will post on social media and in the economic development newsletter.

RECOMMENDATION:	(All/Directors/Majority)
That the Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako Board of Directors authorize entering into an agreement with Honeysuckle Garden Centre for the Business Façade Funding Program and furthermore, agrees to expand the eligible communities to include applications from all eligible businesses within the electoral areas.	

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July 9, 2018

Chair Bill Miller
Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako
Box 820
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REGIONAL DISTRICT OF
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Dear Chair Miller:

Re: 2018 Resolutions

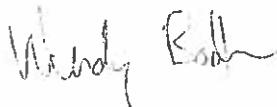
UBCM confirms receipt of the attached resolution(s) endorsed by your Board and submitted directly to UBCM by the June 30 deadline.

The resolution(s) will be presented to the UBCM membership for their consideration at the 2018 UBCM Convention in September.

Please feel free to contact Jamee Justason, Information & Resolutions Coordinator, if you have any questions about this process.

Tel: 604.270.8226 ext. 100 Email: jjustason@ubcm.ca

Sincerely,



Director Wendy Booth
President

Enclosure

Expansion of Community Forest Program

Bulkley-Nechako RD

Whereas there is a critical need to plan for wildfire and take action to reduce the risk to residents, and the Report and Findings of the BC Flood and Wildfire Review recommended that the Government of British Columbia expand the community forest program to communities where interest and capacity exist;

And whereas community forests have the mandate, the ability, and the interest to manage the threat of wildfire to create more resilient communities and forests and half of the existing community forests are held by First Nations or a partnership between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities. The expansion of the community forest program has great potential to lead to more such partnerships:

Therefore be it resolved that the Government of British Columbia be petitioned to expand the community forest program by increasing both the number and size of community forests to help achieve wildfire protection, promote rural development, and strengthen relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

Convention Decision:

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FORM F.1 Weekly Field Review Report

GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION**Date of Report:** July 09, 2018**Client Name:**RDBN**Job Number:**1266-011**Project Name:**Fort Fraser Water Distribution Improvements**Contractor:**Infracon**Reviewer:**ALEESE KRYZANOWSKI**Date of Field Reviews:**July 02 – July 07, 2018

STATUS OF WORK: Construction to date appeared to be in general conformance with the Issued for Construction drawings. The following is a list of observations, comments, and work progress made while on-site.

True Consulting Work Tasks:

- Completed quality assurance during construction of the new water system.
- Prepared alignment change on Alexandra Street to avoid installing the watermain underneath a property-owner's fence.
- Assisted the Contractor with tools to close valves during a watermain break event.

Infracon Work Tasks:

- Installed watermain along 5th Avenue to Alexandra Street, and completed install on Alexandra Street to 6th Avenue.
- Removed existing trees and brush on Alexandra Street, and hauled off-site.
- Earthworm Drilling on site completing new water service installs for far side services and the long service line off of Corporation Street.
- Completed Hydro Vac excavation along 5th Avenue west of Alexandra Street to confirm existing watermain alignment and depth.
- Started install of watermain from 6th Avenue at Corporation Street, working west towards Royal Street.
- Installation of water services on 5th Avenue and Royal Street.
- Completed repair of existing AC sanitary sewer pipe on Royal Street near Royal Apartments.
- Continue watering and cleaning roads within the construction area.

Delays/Work Interruptions:

- The drilling crew cracked the existing 100mm dia. AC watermain on Corporation Street at approx. 4:00pm on July 3rd. Backfill and pipe crew were able to repair watermain on Corporation Street and water was restored at approx. 6:30pm.
- During the work on Royal Street on July 5th to re-expose the existing sewer main and water crossing, and the crew found the existing AC sewer main was cracked and had to complete a repair on the AC main. The repair was completed on July 6th.

- On July 6th, at approx. 10:10am the pipe crew hit an existing 100mm AC watermain on 6th Avenue. The Contractor completed repair of the existing water main and water was restored the residents at 12:30pm.

Extra Work Claims:

- No extra work claims were brought forward by the contractor. However, future claims were discussed regarding the watermain break at Corporation Street and the sewer main break on Royal Street.

FIELD INSPECTION PHOTOS:



FIGURE 1 – TREES AND BRUSH ON ALEXANDRA STREET



FIGURE 2 – CLEARING AND GRUBBING ON ALEXANDRA STREET



FIGURE 3 – DRILL RIG SET UP FOR CORPORATION STREET LONG SERVICE



FIGURE 4 – WATERMAIN REPAIR ON CORPORATION STREET



FIGURE 5 – 50MM DIAMETER DRILLED WATER SERVICE LINE FROM CORPORATION STREET

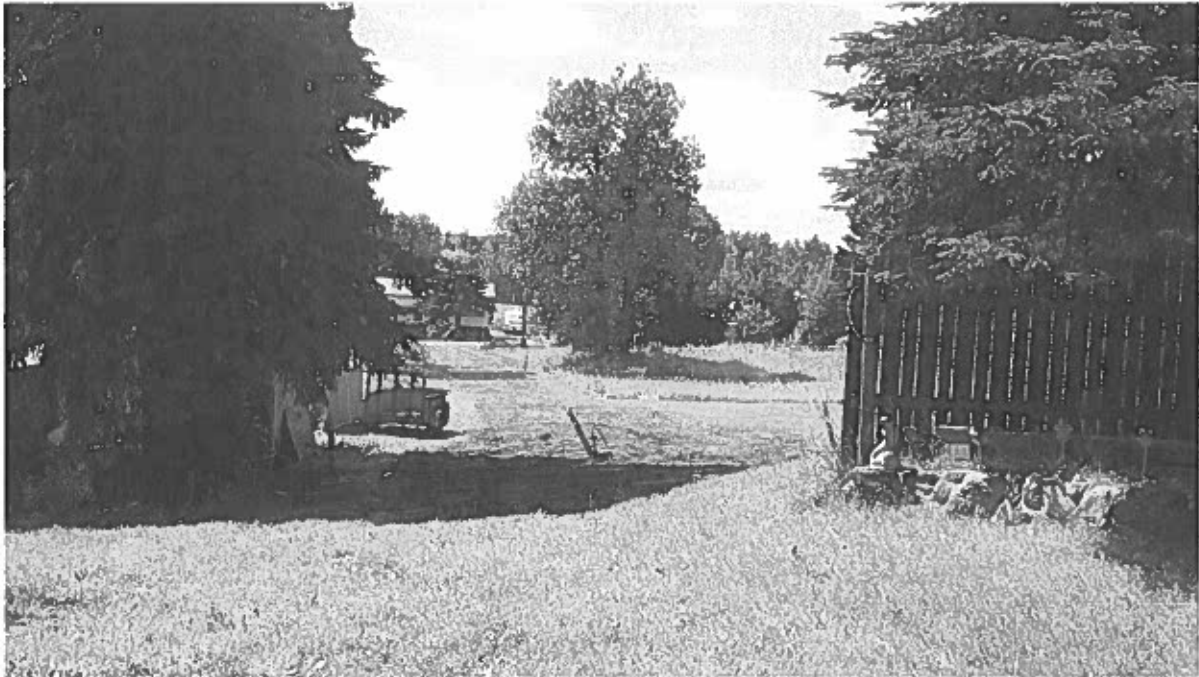


FIGURE 6 – BACKFILL COMPLETE IN ALLEYWAY NEAR CORPORATION STREET



FIGURE 7 – WATERMAIN TRENCH ON ALEXANDRA STREET



FIGURE 8 – JOINT PROTECTION ON EXISTING SEWER MAIN AND WATER MAIN ON ALEXANDRA STREET

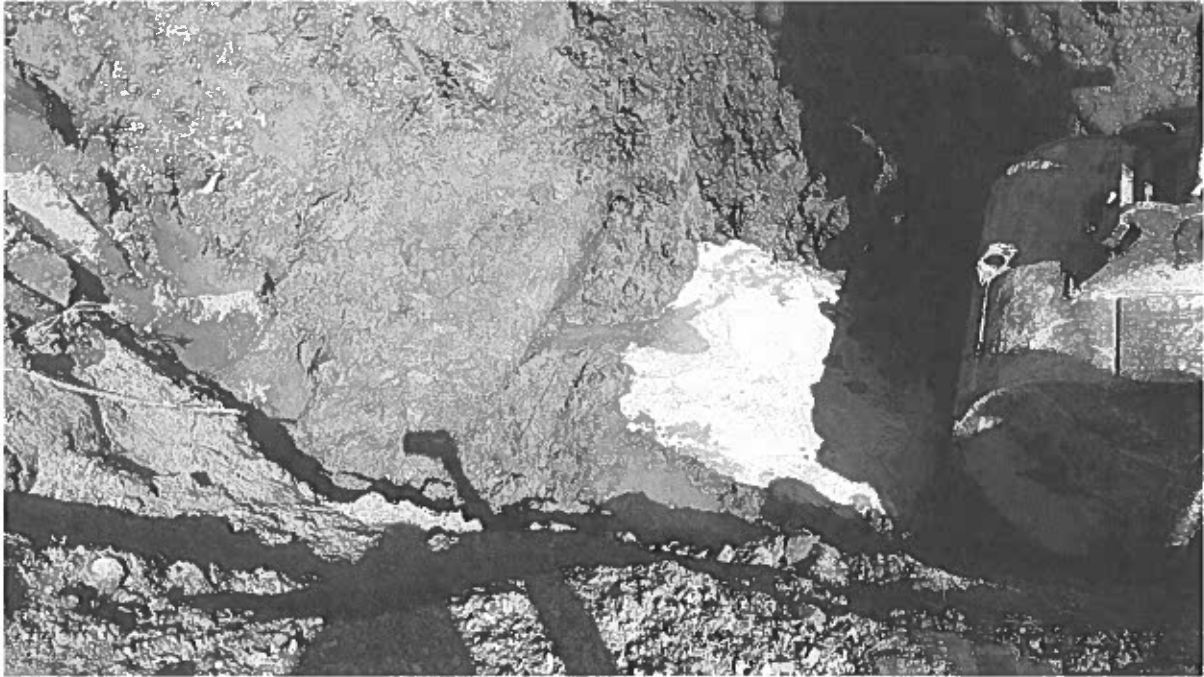


FIGURE 9 – CRACKED AND LEAKING AC SEWER MAIN ON ROYAL STREET



FIGURE 10 – REPAIRED AC SEWER MAIN ON ROYAL STREET



FIGURE 10 – VAC TRUCK EXPOSING EXISTING WATERMAIN TO DETERMINE TYPE AND LOCATION



FIGURE 11 – VAC TRUCK LOCATING THE WATERMAIN ON 5TH AVENUE



FIGURE 2 – BROKEN WATERMAIN ON 6TH AVENUE



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GENERAL PROJECT INFORMATION

Date of Report: July 15, 2018

Client Name: Regional District of Bulkley Nechako

Project Engineer: TRUE Consulting

Contractor: Infracon (formerly LNB Construction)

Previous Week Report Period: July 09th to July 15th

Current Week Report Period: July 16th to July 22nd On-site Contact: Sheldon 1 867-446-9277

Future Week Reporting Period: July 23rd to July 29th

STATUS OF WORK:

Previous Week Progress:

- Watermain was installed on 6th Avenue from the Fire Hall to Alexandra Street.
- Royal Street water main installation postponed until a later date.
- The Fire Hall 50mm diameter service connection was installed.
- One existing watermain had to be repaired on 6th Avenue on July 9th. Residents on part of 6th Avenue were out of water for 1 hour.

Current Week Schedule:

- Continue with watermain installation on 6th Avenue (working west) near Alexandra Street.
- Construction crew will be conducting watermain flushing on phase one of the project.
- Construction crew plans to complete watermain install on Alexandra Street north of 6th Avenue and then take 7 days off.

Future Week Tentative Schedule:

- Planned days off for the Construction crew are Friday, July 20th to Friday, July 27th.
- Watermain construction will continue on Saturday, July 28th.



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Geraldine Craven

From: Penny Goodacre <pgoodacre@smithers.ca>
Sent: July 17, 2018 10:49 AM
To: Penny Goodacre
Subject: Town of Smithers - Open House Invitation
Attachments: Open House Invitation - library gallery.pdf

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Good Morning,

Please find attached the "Open House Invitation" to help design a New Library/Art Gallery/Park.

Open House #1: Concept Development

July 25th, 2018

4 – 6:30 pm (5 pm presentation)

Smithers Municipal Office (1027 Aldous Street)

Open House #2: Concept Refinement

August 20th, 2018

4 – 6:30 pm

Smithers Municipal Office (1027 Aldous Street)

More information can be found on the **Town of Smithers website:**
[New Library & Art Gallery Concept Design & Business Case Project](#)

Regards,

Penny Goodacre
Municipal Records Clerk

Town of Smithers
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Help Design a New Library + Art Gallery + Park

Have ideas for creating great spaces & places in Smithers?
You're invited to stop by Smithers Town Hall for two community
events to review, comment + discuss plans for a new shared Public
Library/Art Gallery facility + redesign of Veteran's Peace Park.

Open House 1: Concept Development

Wednesday, July 25
4-6:30 pm Open House
5 pm Presentation

Smithers Town Hall
1027 Aldous St.

Open House 2: Concept Refinement

Monday, Aug. 20
4-6:30 pm Open House
5 pm Presentation

Smithers Town Hall
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For more information visit www.smithers.ca



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June 28, 2018

ALC File: 56680

Gina Hidber
DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

Dear Ms. Hidber:

Re: Reasons for Decision – North Panel Panel, Resolution #164/2018

This is further to the Agricultural Land Commission's letter dated May 28, 2018 which forwarded the *Reasons for Decision of the North Panel*, recorded as Resolution #164/2018. In the letter the Commission advised as follows:

Please note that pursuant to s. 33.1 of the Agricultural Land Commission Act, the Chair may direct the executive committee to reconsider any panel decision if, within 60 days from the date of this decision, he considers that the decision may not fulfill the purposes of the commission as set out in s. 6, or does not adequately take into consideration s. 4.3.

You will be notified in writing if the Executive Committee is directed to reconsider your decision. The Commission advises you to take this 60 day period into consideration prior to proceeding with any actions upon this decision.

I am writing to advise you that Commission Chair, Mrs. Jennifer Dyson, has reviewed the *Reasons for Decision of the North Panel*, recorded as Resolution #164/2018 and has referred this matter to the Executive Committee of the Commission under s. 33.1 of the *Agricultural Land Commission Act* (the "ALCA") which provides the following:

Reconsideration of decisions of panel

- 33.1(1) The chair of the commission may, in writing, direct the executive committee to reconsider a decision made by a panel established under section 11(1) respecting an application or other matter allocated to the panel by the chair of the commission, including a panel's reconsideration of a decision under section 3(1), if
- (a) the chair considers that the decision
 - (i) may not fulfill the purposes of the commission as set out in section 6, or
 - (ii) does not adequately take into consideration the considerations set out in section 4.3, if applicable, and
 - (b) the chair makes the direction to the executive committee within 60 days of the decision being made.

- (2) If the chair of the commission directs the executive committee to reconsider a decision under subsection (1), the chair must give notice of the reconsideration to any person that the chair considers is affected by the reconsideration.
- (3) If the chair of the commission directs the executive committee to reconsider a decision under subsection (1), the executive committee must confirm, reverse or vary the decision.
- (4) For the purposes of subsection (3), the executive committee has all the powers, duties and functions of the commission.
- (5) A decision by the executive committee under subsection (3) is for all purposes a decision of the commission.

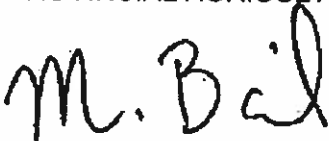
The Chair has directed the reconsideration on the basis that he considers that the Decision may not fulfill the purposes of the Commission as set out in section 6 and that the decision does not adequately take into consideration the considerations set out in section 4.3, the latter of which apply in Zone 2. The Chair has also directed me to make clear that this referral to the Executive Committee under s. 33.1(1) is just that, a referral, and does not represent the Chair's final conclusion on the proper outcome of the reconsideration. The final decision by the Executive Committee (consisting of the Chair and the 6 Vice-chairs of the Commission) will be made by the Executive Committee with each member being responsible for exercising their independent judgment as part of the Executive Committee as a decision-making body after deliberation, discussion and consideration of all the information, evidence and submissions.

The Executive Committee will consider the reconsideration at the first available meeting opportunity.

Please direct further correspondence with respect to this application to Marli Bodhi at Marli.Bodhi@gov.bc.ca.

Yours truly,

PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURAL LAND COMMISSION



Marli Bodhi, Land Use Planner

cc: Regional District of Bulkley-Nechako (File: ALR 1197); Attn: Jennifer MacIntyre

David Merz, Chair, North Panel

Ross Ravelli, Member, North Panel

James Garnet Berge, Member, North Panel



File: 30200-20/BGOL-05-06

Reference: 317218

June 26, 2018

SENT VIA EMAIL

Tim Bekhuys
Director, Blackwater Project
New Gold Inc.
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Vancouver, BC V7X 1M9
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Dear Mr. Bekhuys:

This letter provides an overview of the work undertaken in considering New Gold Inc. (New Gold) effects assessment for caribou for the proposed Blackwater mine project (Blackwater) as well as what the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) expects New Gold to submit as part of the revised assessment and considerations for habitat offsetting.

The EAO wrote New Gold on March 3, 2017 and on December 5, 2017, regarding the EAO's outstanding comments on New Gold's assessment of Blackwater's effects on Southern Mountain caribou (SMC). The comments raised by the EAO centred on the accuracy of the effects assessment, the assumptions used by New Gold in the mapping of caribou habitat, and New Gold's assessment of cumulative effects.

New Gold provided a response to those comments on December 5, 2017. The EAO responded on December 20, 2017 that New Gold's submission did not address the information required by the EAO. Rather than reiterating the comments, the EAO committed to working with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (the Agency), The Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (FLNRORD), Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC), and Indigenous Groups (Lhoosk'uz Dene Nation, Ulkatcho First Nation, Nadleh Whut'en First Nation, Saik'uz First Nation, and Stellat'en First Nation) to provide clarity to New

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Gold in the information required by the EAO to assess the nature and extent of the impacts of Blackwater on SMC.

Since that time, the EAO has worked closely with those parties in a series of discussions. This work was informed by a field trip to the Project site (April 18, 2018) to confirm characterisation of the caribou habitat affected by Blackwater and subsequently the mitigations and offsetting proposed by New Gold.

On April 24, 2018, FLNRORD and ECCC provided a verbal overview of their shared view on the characterization of critical habitat in the project area. FLNRORD and ECCC have determined that "the mine site footprint falls within Matrix Type 1 critical habitat with high elevation attributes, and there is high elevation winter range at the top of Mount Davidson that is outside the mine site footprint but within a disturbance buffer". With this shared view on the critical habitat in the project area, FLNRORD and ECCC were able to complete their technical review of the information provided in New Gold's March 16, 2018 submission. This resulted in technical comments from FLNRORD and ECCC which were shared with New Gold as well as with the EAO Blackwater Advisory Working Group (AWG) by email on May 28, 2018.

Those comments are also included as the following appendices to this letter:

- I. ECCC report Evaluating NG response Caribou
- II. FLNRORD Comments on Mitigation and Offsetting
- III. FLNRORD Comments on Critical Habitat Mapping
- IV. Addendum to FLNRORD Comments on Critical Habitat Mapping

The EAO/Agency subsequently arranged a meeting with a sub-group of the Blackwater AWG on June 11, 2018 to discuss the comments and provide further clarity to New Gold in developing a response.

EAO expectations regarding revised caribou effects assessment:

The expectations laid out below are based on the comments provided by FLNRORD, and ECCC and from discussions at the Blackwater caribou sub working group meeting of June 11, 2018. They are also consistent with my discussions with New Gold over the past several weeks.

Considering the ECCC and FLNRORD comments, the EAO expects New Gold to provide an updated assessment of the direct, indirect, and cumulative effects of Blackwater on SMC and critical habitat, and identify additional measures to mitigate those effects. This is to include the following:

1. Consideration of the changes made to Blackwater during the EA to avoid and minimize impacts to caribou, including changes to project components and activities, and the duration of these, and their effects to caribou.

2. A descriptor of how caribou habitat is now viewed where Blackwater components are located, along with an appropriate-scale map identifying that habitat within the project area as well as within the 500 m buffer suggested by FLNRORD.
3. Updated areas of spatial overlap between the project area and the types of critical habitat as well as within the 500 m buffer suggested by FLNRORD.
4. The current state of caribou habitat within the local population unit (LPU) as well as the current status of past, present and future projects that may interact cumulatively with Blackwater.
5. A description of the proposed mitigation measures broken down by caribou habitat type, by type of effect (direct or indirect).
6. A revised effects assessment and significance determination for direct as well as cumulative effects to SMC and its critical habitat, taking into account the characterization of critical habitat in the project area and the 500 m buffer.
7. Additional measures to mitigate the effects to SMC resulting from effects to critical habitat. Both habitat-based and non-habitat measures should be considered.

In determining the adequacy of the information required above, the EAO will be consulting with the AWG and Indigenous Groups. As Blackwater is undergoing a cooperative EA with the Agency, the EAO will be coordinating with the Agency in the development of a revised work plan and review schedule.

The Blackwater EA is temporarily suspended as of August 15, 2016 at New Gold's request. Consistent with the EAO letter of January 17, 2018 the suspension will remain in effect until the EAO has completed the assessment of all of the Valued Components and is satisfied that the assessment of potential adverse effects and the information needed for a decision by Ministers on the Application for an Environmental Assessment Certificate is complete.

EAO will be posting this letter as well as sharing directly with the AWG so they are aware and prepared to engage in the review. There may be additional expectations from the AWG which I will forward as appropriate. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by telephone at 250 638-5172 or by email at Tavis.McDonald@gov.bc.ca.

Yours truly,



Tavis McDonald
Project Assessment Manager

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