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November 12, 2010

MVEIRB File Number: EA1011-002

Nicole Spencer **Environmental Assessment Officer** Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board P.O. BOX 938 YELLOWKNIFE NT X1A 2N7

Via email

Re: TNR Gold - Moose Property Hearing November 19, 2010

Dear Ms. Spencer:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide additional information to the public registry for the TNR Gold Corp. Ltd. Moose Property environmental assessment in advance of the public hearing scheduled for November 19, 2010. INAC does not see a need to make a formal presentation at the public hearing since INAC's views on the proposed development are already on the public registry; however INAC will be attending the hearing and will be available to answer questions related to the proposed development should any questions arise.

Throughout the preliminary screening and environmental assessment process for the TNR Gold Corp. Ltd, Moose Property, INAC has participated as outlined below.

INAC provided preliminary screening comments to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board on June 29, July 1 and July 7, 2010 (attached).

INAC's participation in the environmental assessment process to date includes:

- Submitting scoping recommendations, comments on the Draft Work Plan, and a response to the Requests for Ruling;
- Representatives attending the N'dilo, Lutsel'Ke and Fort Resolution information sessions;
- Providing follow-up information to the Review Board on the DeStaffany Mine remediation planning process;
- And reviewing all information posted to the Review Board's public registry.

Following up on our attendance at the community information sessions, INAC would like to comment on the developer's commitment to leave tent frames on site, with the written consent of Aboriginal parties. Leaving tent frames on site is prohibited by the *Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations, Section 16, Removal of Buildings and Equipment*, unless INAC offers a surface disposition or expressly assumes responsibility for these items. Land use permits typically contain provisions related to site restoration and the developer would be bound by the terms of its land use permit.

Based on INAC's review of the project description, including the developer's commitments, and our participation in the preliminary screening and environmental assessment process to date, INAC has not identified any potential significant adverse impacts within our mandate for land and water management that cannot be addressed by land use permit terms and conditions and the legally allowable developer's commitments.

If you have any questions about the above information, please do not hesitate to contact Krystal Thompson at 669-2595 or via email at krystal.thompson@inac-ainc.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,

Teresa Joudrie

Director, Renewable Resources and Environment

Attachments: INAC correspondence to Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board

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ATTENTION: Shannon Hayden

Dear Ms. Hayden:

Re:

LUPA MV2010C0015 - TNR Gold Corp.

Mineral Exploration Moose Property, NT

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada (INAC) reviewed the land use permit application submitted by TNR Gold Corp. Comments and recommended conditions for the proposed project were forwarded via e-mail on June 29, 2010 by our Inspector, Nahum Lee, for your review. Further comments were forwarded July 1, 2010 by Clint Ambrose.

Comments received from the Lands Administration office indicate no concerns.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this application. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding our recommended conditions or require further information, please contact our Land Use Inspectors, Clint Ambrose at (867) 669-2794 or Nahum Lee at (867) 669-2757.

Yours truly,

Marty Sanderson

Acting District Manager South Mackenzie District

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#### Elaine Briere - MVLWB

From: Shannon Hayden - MVLWB [shayden@mvlwb.com]

**Sent:** Friday, July 02, 2010 9:07 AM

To: permits@mvlwb.com

Subject: FW: MV2010C0015 Application Inspectors Comments

Attachments: YELLOWKN-#403667-v1-MV2010C0015 - TNR GOLD CORP .DOC

#### Registry please,

#### Thanks!

From: Nahum Lee [mailto:Nahum.Lee@inac-ainc.gc.ca]

Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2010 12:27 PM

To: Shannon Havden

Cc: Charlene Coe; Clint Ambrose; Marcy Paykeekoot; Nahum Lee

Subject: MV2010C0015 Application Inspectors Comments

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Sincerely,

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## CONDITIONS ANNEXED TO AND FORMING PART OF LAND USE PERMIT NUMBER MV2010C0015

#### Part A: Scope of Permit

- 1. This permit entitles TNR Gold Corporation to conduct the following activities:
  - a) Mineral exploration activities including camp construction, fuel caching and diamond drilling in the area described in the permit application.
- 2. The Permit is issued subject to the conditions contained herein with respect to the use of land for the activities and area identified in Part A, Item 1 of this permit.
- 3. Compliance with the terms and conditions of this permit does not absolve the Permittee from responsibility for compliance with the requirements of all applicable Federal, Territorial and Municipal legislation.

#### Part B: Definitions

"Act" means the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act;

- "Board" means the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board established under Part 4 of the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act;
- "Inspector" means an Inspector designated by the Minister under the Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act;
- "Sump" means a man-made pit, trench hollow or cavity in the earth's surface used for the purpose of depositing waste material therein:

## <u>Part C: Conditions Applying to All Activities (the headings correspond to Subsection 26</u> of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations)

#### 26(1)(a) LOCATION AND AREA

1. The Permittee shall not conduct this land use operation on any lands not designated in the accepted application unless otherwise authorized in writing by an Inspector.

PLANS

2. The Permittee shall locate all camps on gravel, sand or other durable land.

CAMP LOCATION

3. When the Permittee is drilling within one hundred (100) metres of the ordinary high water mark of a water body, they must employ a recirculating drill and ensure that cuttings do not enter any water body.

LOCATION OF DRILLSITES

4. Prior to the commencement of diamond drilling the Permittee shall submit to the Inspector, proposed drill targets on a 1:50,000-scale map with coordinates and map datum.

DRILL LOCATIONS

### 26(1)(b) TIME

5.	The Permittee's Field Supervisor shall contact an Inspector at (867) 669-2794 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the commencement of this land use operation.	CONTACT INSPECTOR
6.	The Permittee shall advise an Inspector at least ten (10) days prior to the completion of the land use operation of (a) the plan for removal or storage of equipment and materials, and (b) when final clean-up and restoration of the land used will be completed.	REPORTS BEFORE REMOVAL
7.	The Permittee shall provide in writing to the Inspector, at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to commencement of this land use operation, the following information:	IDENTIFY AGENT
	<ul> <li>(a) person, or persons, in charge of the field operation;</li> <li>(b) alternates; and</li> <li>(c) all methods for contacting the above person(s).</li> </ul>	
8.	The Board and/or Inspector reserve the right to impose closure of any area to the Permittee in periods when dangers to natural resources are severe.	CLOSURE
	26(1)(c) TYPE AND SIZE OF EQUIPMENT	
9.	The Permittee shall not use any equipment except of the type that is listed in the accepted application unless otherwise authorized in writing by an Inspector.	ONLY APPROVED EQUIPMENT
	26(1)(d) METHODS AND TECHNIQUES	
10.	The Permittee shall not clear areas larger than identified in the accepted application.	MINIMIZE AREA CLEARED
11.	The Permittee shall not store material other than that required for immediate use on the ice surface of water bodies.	STORAGE ON ICE
12.	The Permittee shall remove or cut off and seal all drill casings at ground level immediately upon completion of drilling.	REMOVAL AND SEALING OF DRILL CASINGS
	26(1)(e) TYPE, LOCATION, CAPACITY AND OPERATION OF ALL FACILITIES	
13.	The Permittee shall not locate any sump within one hundred (100) metres of the ordinary high water mark of any water body, unless otherwise authorized in writing by an Inspector.	SUMPS FROM WATER
14.	The Permittee shall ensure that the land use area is kept clean at all times.	CLEAN WORK AREA

# 26(1)(f) CONTROL OR PREVENTION OF PONDING OF WATER, FLOODING, EROSION, SLIDES AND SUBSIDENCE OF LAND

15.	(a) The Permittee shall, where flowing water from bore holes is encountered, plug the bore hole in such a manner as to permanently prevent any further outflow of water; and	PLUG ARTESIAN WELLS
	<ul><li>(b) the artesian occurrence shall be reported to the Inspector immediately.</li></ul>	
16.	The land use operation shall not cause obstruction to any natural drainage.	NATURAL DRAINAGE
17.	The Permittee shall not ford wet streams.	NO FORDING OF STREAMS
18.	The Permittee shall prepare the site in such a manner as to prevent rutting of the ground surface.	PREVENTION OF RUTTING
19.	The Permittee shall suspend overland travel of equipment or vehicles at the first sign of rutting.	SUSPEND OVERLAND TRAVEL
	26(1)(g) USE, STORAGE, HANDLING AND ULTIMATE DISPOSAL OF ANY CHEMICAL OR TOXIC MATERIAL	
20.	The Permittee shall not use chemicals in connection with the land use operation that were not identified in the accepted application.	APPROVAL OF CHEMICALS
21.	The Permittee shall deposit all drill waste into a natural depression or sump.	DRILL WASTE
22.	The Permittee shall remove all drill waste off ice surfaces.	DRILL WASTE DISPOSAL
23.	When drilling on ice, the Permittee shall use a closed circuit drilling system with the disposal of cuttings into a land-based sump.	DRILLING ON ICE
24.	The Permittee shall dispose of all combustible waste petroleum products by incineration or removal.	WASTE PETROLEUM DISPOSAL
25.	The Permittee shall report all spills immediately to the 24 hour Spill Report Line (867) 920-8130, which is in accordance with instructions contained in "Spill Report" form N.W.T. 1752/0593.	REPORT CHEMICAL AND PETROLEUM SPILLS
	26(1)(h) WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES HABITAT	
26.	The Permittee shall minimize damage to wildlife and fish habitat in conducting this land use operation.	HABITAT DAMAGE
	26(1)(i) STORAGE, HANDLING AND DISPOSAL OF REFUSE OR SEWAGE	

27.	The Permittee shall dispose of all sewage and grey water as proposed in the accepted application.	SEWAGE DISPOSAL
28.	The Permittee shall remove all non-combustible garbage and debris, including plastics from the land use area to a disposal site as specified in the accepted application.	REMOVE GARBAGE
29.	The Permittee shall burn all combustible garbage and debris, except plastics, daily, in a container acceptable to an Inspector.	INCINERATION
30.	The Permittee shall use a forced-air fuel-fired incinerator to burn all combustible garbage except plastics.	INCINERATORS
31.	The Permittee shall remove all scrap metal, discarded machinery, parts, barrels kegs, plastics, and building materials as specified in the accepted application.	REMOVE WASTE MATERIAL
	26(1)(j) PROTECTION OF HISTORICAL, ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND BURIAL SITES	
32.	The Permittee shall not conduct a land use operation within 30 m of a known monument or a known or suspected historical, archaeological site or burial ground.	OPERATE VEHICLE
33.	The Permittee shall immediately suspend operations should a suspected historical, archaeological site or burial ground be discovered and notify the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board at (867)669-0506 or an Inspector at (867)669-2794.	CONTACTS
	26(1)(I) SECURITY DEPOSIT	
34.	The Permittee shall deposit with the Minister a security deposit in the amount of \$ pursuant to Section 32 of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations.	SECURITY DEPOSIT
35.	The Permittee shall be liable for any cost of damages over and above the amount of the security deposit.	LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES
36.	All costs to remediate the area under this permit are the responsibility of the Permittee.	RESPONSIBILIT Y FOR REMEDIATION COSTS
	26(1)(m) FUEL STORAGE	
37.	The Permittee shall report in writing to an Inspector the location and quantity of all fuel caches within ten (10) days of their establishment.	REPORT FUEL LOCATION
38.	The Permittee shall not place any fuel storage containers within one hundred (100) metres of the normal high water mark of any water	FUEL BY STREAM
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51.	The Permittee shall use existing lines or roads to the extent identified in the accepted application.	EXISTING LINES ROADS

From: "Shannon Hayden" <shayden@mvlwb.com>

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**Date:** 11/10/2010 3:55 PM

Subject: FW: MV2010C0015 Application Inspectors Comments

Hi Krystal,

This is the only comment I received from Clint on July 1.

Elaine, can you make sure this e-mail below is on the registry as well?

Thanks,

Shannon

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Thanks Shannon and have a good day

Clint

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