

Tłıchǫ and Caribou

Community Presentation:
Jay Projects Public Hearing
MVEIRB EA1314-01
September 17, 2015
Behchokǫ



Tłıchǫ Ndek'awoo



Tłıchǫ Government

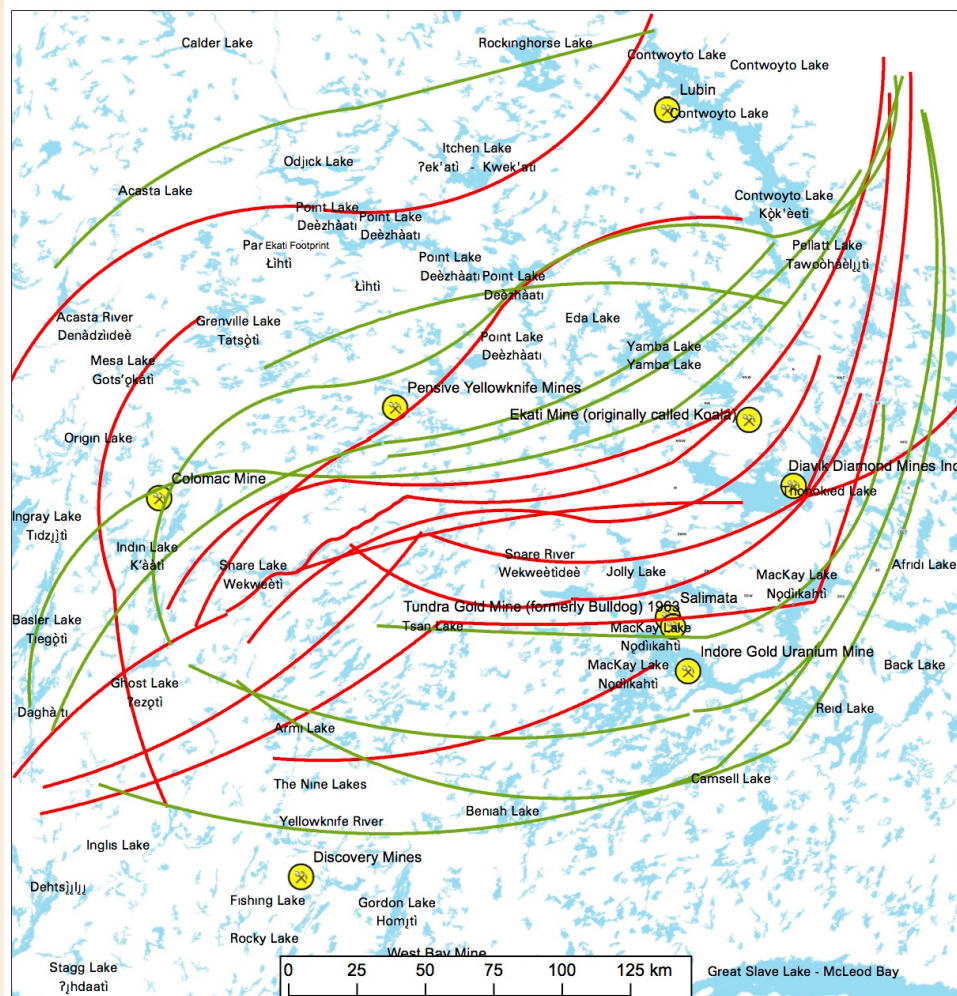


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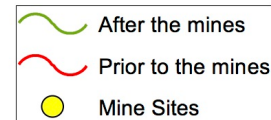
- Proposed location of the Jay Project is within an important migration and habitat area for caribou.
- Present state of and future protection of the **Bathurst caribou herd** a priority for the Tłıchǫ Government.
- Any new stressors for caribou must be avoided.

Existing Impacts



Bathurst Caribou Migration Trails

Tłı̨chǫ Traditional Knowledge



SOURCE: Tłı̨chǫ Research and Training Institute, 2013.

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Issues Raised

1. Tłıchq Access to caribou
2. Dust
3. Jay Road
4. Waste Rock Piles

Recommendations



- Tłıchǫ Government has made recommendations for 13 measures related to caribou to be included in the report of EA.
- Overall, the proponent needs to work with Tłıchǫ and Tłıchǫ Elders to:
 - Better understand existing impacts to caribou.
 - Avoid and/or minimize any additional impacts to caribou.

Recommendations



- The Tłıchǫ Government has also requested that a determination of a significant adverse cumulative impact of the Jay Project on the Bathurst caribou herd be made by MVEIRB.
- And that compensatory mitigation be required as part of the developer's Wildlife Management Plan.