

EA File: EA1415-01

December 1, 2016

## Note to File

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Prairie Creek All Season Road, Canadian Zinc Corp.

To: Parties

Re: Parks Canada request to Canadian Zinc Corp. to clarify management of grey and brown water systems within Nahanni National Park Reserve

On December 1, 2016, the Review Board received a letter from Parks Canada asking Canadian Zinc Corp. (CanZinc) to clarify water management strategies at camps proposed within Nahanni National Park Reserve. The letter is attached.

Answers to the questions in the letter will allow for a clear understanding between Parks Canada, other parties to EA1415-01 and the Review Board on how grey and brown water will be managed at proposed camps within Nahanni National Park Reserve. The Review Board asks CanZinc to respond to the questions in Parks Canada's December 1 letter and submit them to the Review Board for the public registry for the benefit of all parties.

The due date for a response is December 16, 2016.

Review Board staff contact for EA1415-01 is Chuck Hubert, A/Manager of EA, 867-766-7052, <a href="mailto:chubert@reviewboard.ca">chubert@reviewboard.ca</a> or Catherine Fairbairn, EA Officer, 867-766-7054, <a href="mailto:cfairbairn@reviewboard.ca">cfairbairn@reviewboard.ca</a>.

Attachment: December 1 letter from Parks Canada





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**Attention:** Chuck Hubert

Re: Grey and Brown Water Disposal Systems

Dear Chuck:

Parks Canada is currently reviewing the available information regarding brown and grey water systems for the proposed Prairie Creek All Season Access Road (EA1415-01). Following Canadian Zinc's commitment to either treat brown water using an onsite treatment facility or remove brown water from the site for disposal during the construction phase of the project, Parks Canada is requesting that Canadian Zinc provide the following information to provide clarity on the proposed water management strategies and roll up the existing information into one document for review.

- Confirm the number of occupants who will be housed at the road construction camps, and expected time the camps will be in operation. Indicate whether the camps will be used year round or seasonally. For camps which operate on a seasonal basis indicate the dates of occupancy and whether the camp will be used in subsequent years or seasons.
- 2. Confirm the daily water usage for the camps separating the anticipated volumes of grey water and brown water.
- 3. Will grey water be treated through the onsite brown water treatment system (if this is the method of brown water management selected)? If grey water is not treated through an on-site brown water system will there be any pre-treatment of grey water (settling tank) prior to discharge into the sump?
- 4. If wastewater is to be treated using an onsite system describe how the wastewater will be collected and the proposed treatment methods. Provide details on the design criteria such as flow and loads, effluent disposal methods. Describe effluent objectives and reference any guidelines or regulations which will be used to establish the effluent objectives.



- 5. Provide preliminary engineering reports or studies used to develop grey and brown water disposal systems, along with any preliminary designs for the systems.
- 6. Provide an overview of how are potable water and wastewater are currently managed at the Prairie Creek Mine site including the capacity of the system?
- 7. Provide preliminary details outlining how effluent will be monitored and which effluent parameters will be monitored i.e. TSS, Turbidity, BOD<sub>5</sub>, Faecal coliform, TP, TN, and Ammonia-N

Should there be any uncertainty regarding the questions above Parks Canada would be pleased to provide clarity. Please contact Allison Stoddart at (819) 420-9188 or <a href="mailto:allison.stoddart@pc.gc.ca">allison.stoddart@pc.gc.ca</a> for more information.

Sincerely,

Jonathan Tsetso

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