

## **UPDATED WORK PLAN – FEBRUARY 2017**

On May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, Canadian Zinc Corporation's (CanZinc) proposed Prairie Creek all season road project was referred to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board (Review Board) by the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board for an environmental assessment (EA). The analytical phase is complete and the EA is entering the hearing phase.

The table below provides a summary of the key past and future dates for the EA. Events in the near future are tentatively scheduled, but depend on the information provided at each step. If the information provided is not received by the identified deadline or is insufficient for the EA to proceed, the EA steps identified in the table may be delayed.

The timing and dates for future steps will be re-evaluated after key milestones in the EA process.

## Work Plan for the environmental assessment of the Prairie Creek All Season Road Project, EA1415-01

Process step	Cumulative Board process time	Completion date/ Estimated completion date	
	(months)	Estimated completion date	
SCOPING PHASE			
Referral to EA	0	May 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2014	
Scoping	2.5	September 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2014	
Final Terms of Reference Issued	2.5	September 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2014	
ANALYTICAL PHASE			
Developer submits its Developer's Assessment	_	April 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2015	
Report (DAR)	_		
Review Board's adequacy review of the DAR	3.5	May 22 <sup>nd</sup> , 2015	
Developer's response to adequacy review	-	December 4 <sup>th</sup> , 2015	
Review Board issues Reasons for Decision on the		December 21st, 2015	
adequacy of the DAR	4.0		
- Review Board required CanZinc to respond to	1.0		
outstanding adequacy items			
DAR review by parties (Information request	6.0	February 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	
round 1)			
Developer's response to outstanding adequacy	_	April 12 <sup>th</sup> , 2016	
items			



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Developer response to party information requests	-	May 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Technical sessions	7.0	June 13 – 16 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Undertakings Responses	-	August 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Undertaking #7 (U#7) Final Response	-	September 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Information requests (round 2), preparation by Board and parties (except U#7, GNWT letter)	7.5	September 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2016
Developer response to information requests (round 2) (except U#7, GNWT letter)	-	October 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Information requests (round 2) related to undertaking #7 and the Sept. 22nd GNWT letter	-	October 7th, 2016
Developer response to undertaking #7 and Sept. 22nd GNWT letter information requests (round 2)	-	November 2, 2016
Risk assessment report from Oboni Riskope	8.0	November 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2016
Developer response to Oboni Riskope's risk assessment	-	February 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
HEARING PHASE		
Technical reports from parties	9.0	March 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Developer response to technical reports	-	April 7 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Pre-hearing conference	-	April 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Hearing presentations from parties	-	April 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Hearing presentations from developer	-	April 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Community hearing in Nahanni Butte	-	April 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Community hearing in Fort Simpson	-	April 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Formal hearings in Fort Simpson	9.75	April 26-28 <sup>th</sup> , 2017
Hearing undertakings (developer, parties)	-	TBD
Closing arguments	-	TBD
Closure of public record	-	TBD
DECISION PHASE		
Decision and Report of EA issued	-	TBD
Ministers Response	-	TBD

TDB = to be determined