

Our File: EA1415-01

May 7, 2015

## Note to File

EA1415-01

Prairie Creek All Season Road and Airstrip Project, Canadian Zinc Corporation (CanZinc)

---

To: Distribution List

### Re: Work Plan

The Review Board received CanZinc's Developer's Assessment Report (DAR) for the proposed all season road and airstrip project on April 23, 2015.

The Review Board is currently conducting its adequacy review of the DAR. The Review Board's adequacy review is anticipated to be completed by May 22, 2015. A reference bulletin describing the adequacy process will be released in the coming weeks. At this time, parties are encouraged to review the DAR in preparation for the information request deadline on July 9, 2015. A work plan outlining the anticipated dates for key steps is attached. The work plan will be re-evaluated after key milestones in the environmental assessment.

If you have any questions the contact for the Project is:

Sachi De Souza  
Environmental Assessment Officer  
Mackenzie Valley Review Board  
Ph: (867) 766-7054  
Fx: (867) 766-7074  
sdesouza@reviewboard.ca

## WORK PLAN

On May 22, 2014, Canadian Zinc Corporation's (CanZinc) proposed Prairie Creek all season road and airstrip project was referred to the Review Board by the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board for an environmental assessment (EA). The Review Board released its final Terms of Reference on September 12, 2014. CanZinc submitted its Developer's Assessment Report (DAR) on April 23, 2015.

Below is a summary of the key dates for the EA. Future dates will be re-evaluated after key milestones in the EA process. The dates depend on the information provided at each step. If the information provided is insufficient for the EA to proceed, the process may be delayed.

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

Process step	Cumulative Board process time (months)	Completion date/ Estimated completion date
<b>SCOPING PHASE</b>		
Referral to EA	0	May 22, 2014
Scoping	2.5	September 12, 2014
Final Terms of Reference Issued	2.5	September 12, 2014
<b>ANALYTICAL PHASE</b>		
Developer's Preparation of the DAR	-	April 23, 2015
Adequacy review of the DAR	3.5	May 21, 2015
Developer's response to adequacy	-	June 18, 2015
DAR review by parties (Information request round 1)	4.5	July 9, 2015
Developer response to party information requests	-	July 30, 2015
Technical sessions	5.5	August 24 – 27, 2015
Undertakings	-	mid-September, 2015
Information requests (round 2), preparation by Board and parties (if required)	6.5	Early October, 2015
Developer response to information requests (round 2)	-	Late October, 2015

Process step	Cumulative Board process time (months)	Completion date/ Estimated completion date
<b>HEARING PHASE</b>		
Interventions (parties)	7.5	Late November, 2015
Developer response to interventions	-	mid-December, 2015
Public hearing preparation (Board, parties) and pre-hearing conference	8.5	December 2015 - February, 2016
Hearings	8.5	February 2016
Hearing undertakings (developer, parties)	-	mid-March, 2016
Closure of public record	9	Late March, 2016
<b>DECISION PHASE</b>		
Decision and Report of EA issued	12	June, 2016
Ministers Response	-	