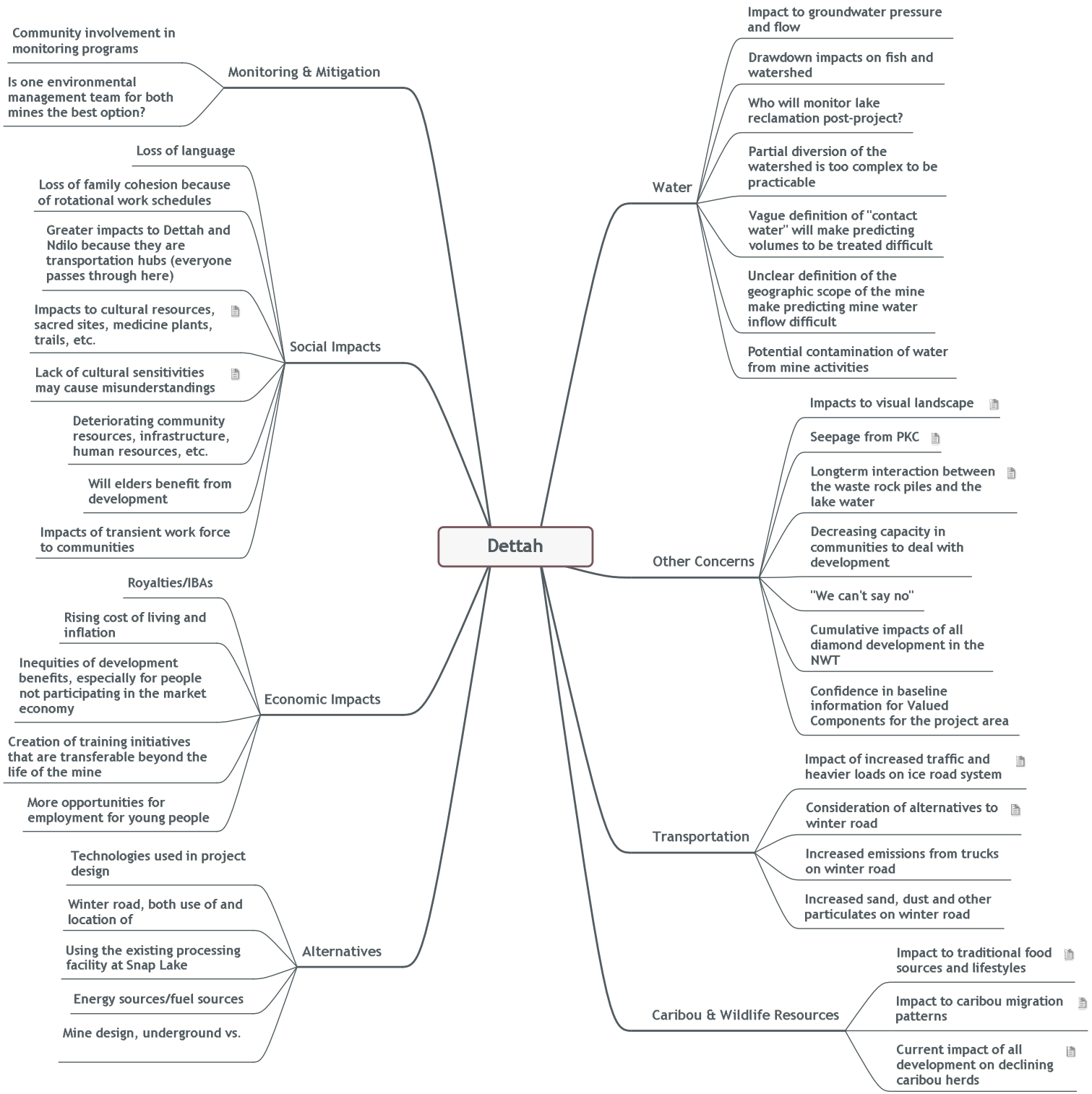
Dettah
Monitoring & Mitigation
Community involvement in monitoring programs
Is one environmental management team for both mines the best option?
Social Impacts
Loss of language
Loss of family cohesion because of rotational work schedules
Greater impacts to Dettah and Ndilo because they are transportation hubs (everyone passes through here)
Impacts to cultural resources, sacred sites, medicine plants, trails, etc.
Lack of cultural sensitivities may cause misunderstandings
Deteriorating community resources, infrastructure, human resources, etc.
Will elders benefit from development
Impacts of transient work force to communities
Economic Impacts
Royalties/IBAs
Rising cost of living and inflation
Inequities of development benefits, especially for people not participating in the market economy
Creation of training initiatives that are transferable beyond the life of the mine
More opportunities for employment for young people
Alternatives
Technologies used in project design
Winter road, both use of and location of
Using the existing processing facility at Snap Lake
Energy sources/fuel sources
Mine design, underground vs.
Water
Impact to groundwater pressure and flow
Drawdown impacts on fish and watershed
Who will monitor lake reclamation post-project?
Partial diversion of the watershed is too complex to be practicable
Vague definition of "contact water" will make predicting volumes to be treated difficult
Unclear definition of the geographic scope of the mine make predicting mine water inflow difficult
Potential contamination of water from mine activities
Other Concerns
Impacts to visual landscape
Seepage from PKC
Longterm interaction between the waste rock piles and the lake water
Decreasing capacity in communities to deal with development
"We can't say no"
Cumulative impacts of all diamond development in the NWT
Confidence in baseline information for Valued Components for the project area
Transportation
Impact of increased traffic and heavier loads on ice road system
Consideration of alternatives to winter road
Increased emissions from trucks on winter road
Increased sand, dust and other particulates on winter road
Caribou & Wildlife Resources
Impact to traditional food sources and lifestyles
Impact to caribou migration patterns
Current impact of all development on declining caribou herds