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Welcome to

the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board's

Scoping Session for the

Tamerlane Pine Point Project EA



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Overview

- It's about Information!
- What is the Review Board?
- Background to Tamerlane Environmental Assessment (EA)
- How this Environmental Assessment works
- Scoping: the purpose of this session
- Next Steps
- Today's agenda



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It's about Information!

We (the Review Board) Provide Information!

- One page development description available
- Agendas available
- Public Registry information (www.mveirb.nt.ca)
- Review Board information available at back of room
- Talk to me or other staff directly if you need more info about development

We Want Information!

- Comment Cards on chairs
- Written submissions; provide to Renita Schuh
- Your comments and questions are what drive this session



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What is the Review Board?

Co-management board created by the *MVRMA*

- Half of Board members nominated by Aboriginal groups, half by government
- Job: Conduct EAs and EIRs of proposed developments
- Responsibility: Determine whether significant adverse impacts or significant public concern are likely to occur as a result of developments
- Reports findings to: Federal and responsible ministers for final decision



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Background of Tamerlane Environmental Assessment

Developer will walk through the project description

- Tamerlane applied for Land Use Permit and Water License from MVLWB in May/June 2006
- Referred to EA by Environment Canada on June 28, 2006 on basis development “*might have significant adverse impacts on the environment*”
- Scoping is the first phase of the EA Process



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How this Environmental Assessment Works



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**WE ARE
HERE**



Preliminary Screening



Information Requests



Developer's Assessment Report



**Technical Sessions
and/or Technical Reports**



Hearings



**Report Writing and
Decision Making**



Responsible Ministers



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Scoping Sessions



Scoping

Review Board determined that scoping sessions required in

- August 16 – Hay River
- August 17 – Fort Resolution

Purpose: to assist the Review Board in the preparation of its *Terms of Reference (ToR)* for the EA

- Parties identify important issues that need to be focused on
- Parties identify what information they think is missing from Tamerlane's *Project Description Report*

KEY: focus on things that are important **and** likely to be impacted by the development



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Next Steps

- Staff will compile notes from discussions at Scoping Sessions and distribute
- Review Board will use this information and written submissions to develop *Draft ToR*
- *Draft ToR* will be distributed to all parties on distribution list in September for comment period
- Review Board will finalize *ToR* and give them as instructions to Developer for developing their *Developer's Assessment Report*



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Any questions?????



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Today's Agenda

- 2 sessions: 1-5pm; 6-?pm
- Dinner provided for participants from 5-6pm
- Developer will first present Project Overview
- Developer will then give short presentations on projected impacts on different environmental components
- After each presentation, the floor will be open for the public to present questions, comments, issues that need to be addressed in ToR

ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE AGENDA?