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# Welcome to

## the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board's

### Scoping Session for EA0809-002

### Canadian Zinc Corporation's Prairie Creek Mine



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# Scoping Sessions Overview

- It's about Information!
- Background to the Prairie Creek Mine Environmental Assessment
- Scoping Questions
- Next Steps
- Today's agenda



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# It's about Information!

The Review Board provides information

The developer provides information

The Review Board **needs your** information!

- Your comments and questions drive this session
- Comment cards
- Written submissions; provide by October 14



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# Background of Prairie Creek Mine Environmental Assessment

- Canadian Zinc Corp. applied for 3 Land Use Permits and 1 Water License from MVLWB on May 28, 2008
- Referred to Environmental Assessment by INAC on August 8 on its own accord and on behalf of the Nahanni Butte Dene Band on basis development “*might have significant adverse impacts on the environment*” in NBDB traditional territory
- Later referred by Environment Canada, DFO and MVLWB



# Scoping Sessions



Scoping

Scoping sessions are being held in

- Nahanni Butte
- Fort Liard
- Wrigley
- Fort Simpson (2 sessions)
- Yellowknife

Purpose: to assist the Review Board in determining the scope of development and scope of assessment for the environmental assessment

- Parties identify important issues that need to be focused on
- Parties identify what information they think is missing from the developer's initial project description and impact assessment
- Parties identify what aspects of the project itself need assessing

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



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# Four Scoping Questions

1. What biophysical, socio-economic and cultural issues should be considered during the environmental assessment and why?







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# Scoping Questions

2. What physical works and activities should be considered during this environmental assessment (in other words, what is the scope of the proposed development)?





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# Scoping Questions

3. What are appropriate time periods and distances from the development for consideration of potential impacts?







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# Scoping Questions

4. What evidence from previous studies, management plans, or environmental assessments should be moved onto the public record for this environmental assessment, and why?



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This is an informal session;  
you are welcome to:

- ask presenters questions
- Write comments on note cards and put them on wall
- Tell us your concerns about the proposed development

**This is not a public hearing!**





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# Next Steps

- Review Board staff will compile notes from Scoping Sessions and distribute; no attribution
- Deadline for written scoping submissions is October 14
- Review Board will use all scoping information to determine how to move forward in the process
- Parties will have many other opportunities to contribute



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# Today's Agenda

- Developer will first present Project Overview and field questions on that
- Developer will then give presentation on projected impacts on different valued components, feel free to ask questions or provide your opinion
- Finally, the floor will be open for the public to present questions, comments, about issues to be considered during the environmental assessment



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*Any questions?????*