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RE: Pine Point Mine Project Environmental Assessment – Rescheduling Public Scoping Meetings in your community

The Mackenzie Valley Review Board (Review Board) is currently in the issues scoping phase for the environmental assessment of the Pine Point Mine Project. In this phase, we ask the public in communities to help focus the environmental assessment on issues that matter most. We unfortunately had to cancel previously scheduled meetings at the end of April.

Public meetings in communities are critical to environmental assessment because they allow the Review Board to hear first-hand what people really think and feel about a project. This is important because people in communities near the project are more likely to be affected by the project. The Review Board can make sure that the environmental assessment of the Pine Point Mine focuses on the things that matter most to you and the public in your community.

Community scoping meetings are **open to the public**. The Review Board is asking you how and when public community scoping meetings can take place in your community. We recognize that in-person meetings are currently not wanted due to active COVID-19 cases in Yellowknife and other NWT communities. Despite this, there may be online options that you can help us organize that can be held in a way that is protective of the health and well-being of the participants and your community.

We ask you to help us organize a meeting, so that Review Board staff can hear from the greatest number of people in your community who want to have a say in the Pine Point Mine Project. We prefer to have these meetings soon. Please tell us:

- how we can best facilitate this online meeting with the public in your community
- location or locations in your community where an online public meeting could take place while respecting COVID-19 restrictions
- a contact in your community to assist with meeting logistics



Review Board staff will be in contact with your staff for meeting planning and logistics. Please contact me at 867-766-7055, or mcliffephillips@reviewboard.ca if you have questions.

Sincerely,

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Mark Cliffe-Phillips Executive Director

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