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**RE: Email Request - Additional Clarification on DEMCo Land Use Permit Application Reviewer
Comments and Status Update on AANDC-CARD Denison Winter Road Land Use Permit Application**

Dear Ms. Sturman –

Thank you for providing AANDC-CARD with the opportunity to provide further clarification on the comments submitted to the SLWB (the Board) for the DEMCo Land Use Permit (LUP) Application, specifically, regarding ID 7: Cache Location Map.

The comment submitted by CARD stated, “AANDC-CARD recommends that the location map be updated to a scale that depicts how the proposed fuel cache areas overlap with the existing LUP held by AANDC-CARD”. It has been brought to CARDs attention that the scale of the map does meet the SLWB requirements. The mitigation CARD is seeking is that the placement of fuel caches are not within areas that would impede project tasks, which is difficult to determine from the existing map. An alternative solution could be for CARD to be included in the discussions with the Inspector on any proposed fuel cache areas. This approach would support continued communication between the two permit holders, and ensure neither projects are compromised.

AANDC-CARD has communicated to DEMCo the proposed schedule and locations of the 1516 field campaign, which includes activities occurring from 16 August – 12 September 2015. The proposed tasks include:

- Site Wide Hazard Assessment, including a potential airstrip assessment to determine upgrading requirements (Terra and satellite sites);
- Mill Assessment (Terra);
- Barrel Consolidation Program (collecting barrels from satellite sites to be consolidated at Terra, within the existing barrel containment area);
- Water Quality Monitoring (Terra); and
- Impacted Soil Collection Program (Sawmill Bay).



To eliminate any health and safety concerns, single party use of the site should be coordinated between the permit holders, through the use of an Operational Agreement/Plan.

In relation to the Boards request for an update on the outstanding Land Use Permit application for the Dension Winter Road, it's CARD's intention to finalize the application prior to procuring the GBL remediation work.

If the Board requires any additional clarification or would like to discuss any of the identified issues in more detail, please do not hesitate to contact me at Melissa.Tokarek@aandc-aadnc.gc.ca, or (867) 445-5226.

Regards,

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