

TECHNICAL WORKSHOP DRAFT AGENDA

Water Licence Amendment Application and Land Use Permit Applications	
File Number	W2012L2-0001, W2021X0004, and W2021D0005
Company	Arctic Canadian Diamond Company Ltd. (Arctic)
Project	Point Lake
Location	Lac de Gras, NT
Activity	Mining and Milling, Miscellaneous, and Mining

Technical Workshop Information	
Location(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In person at the Chateau Nova - Caribou Room, Yellowknife NT; and • Virtually via Zoom
Date(s)	September 7, 2021: 9am to 4:00pm September 8, 2021: 9am to 1:00pm September 9, 2021: 9am to 4:00pm
Any individuals and organizations wishing to attend in person should know that they will be required to undergo COVID Screening in order to enter the venue. Anyone wishing to join virtually must contact Rhiana Bams at 867-765-4583 for the log-in information by September 2, 2021.	

Purpose:

This Technical Workshop is meant to provide a forum where Parties can discuss their concerns about the Applications directly with the Applicant and their consultants. It is the Wek'èezhii Land and Water Board (Board)'s hope that such a discussion, as facilitated by Board staff, will increase each Party's understanding of the issues as well as of the perspectives of others. In our experience, technical sessions and workshops can be useful both in focussing the content of Parties' subsequent interventions to the public hearing and in reducing the number of outstanding issues between Parties. Although it would be helpful if some issues are resolved during this Workshop, there is no requirement to do so; Board staff will guide questions and discussions to ensure Parties have sufficient information to submit evidence that the Board can use to amend the Water Licence and establish Land Use Permit conditions. Discussions at this Workshop may also reveal the need for further information requests of the Applicant or other Parties. The Work Plan for this regulatory proceeding includes time for Parties to fulfill information requests, if required, prior to the deadline for public hearing interventions.

Please note that a technical workshop is not a public hearing, and Board members and their legal counsel will not be participating. It is the Board's wish that this Workshop be as informal as possible to promote discussion. Recommendations for the Water Licence and Land Use Permit should be made in the formal written interventions submitted to the Board prior to the Public Hearing, and in Parties' Closing Arguments prior to the end of the proceeding.

General Reminders:

- Organization and timelines of the Technical or Workshop are at the discretion of the facilitator.
- There will be breaks in the morning, over lunch, and in the afternoon.
- No hard copies of any materials will be available at Workshop – participants should bring everything they need with them.
- Participants that are attending by phone or videoconference are asked to call or sign on early to participate in a scheduled test run of audio and/or video (see agenda below). Presenters should also be prepared to conduct a screen-sharing test run.
- Before the Workshop, participants should download all relevant documents, such as presentations, from the Board’s Public Registry [[W2012L2-0001](#), [W2021X0004](#), and [W2021D0005](#)]. This is especially important if a participant is only dialing in by phone, and not participating via videoconference.

Agenda:

All times are approximate. The Applicant will provide short introductory presentations to help initiate discussion for each topic listed below. Participants are encouraged to have questions prepared in advance for each topic and take the opportunity to follow up on issues raised in the Review Comment Table. References to specific reviewer comments from the Review Comment Table are provided in the agenda below, and the following abbreviations are used in these references.

Abbreviation	Reviewer
DKFN	Deninu K’ue First Nation
ECCC	Environment and Climate Change Canada
DFO	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
GNWT-NSR	Government of the Northwest Territories – Department of Lands - North Slave Region Inspector
GNWT-Lands	Government of the Northwest Territories – Department of Lands
IEMA	Independent Environmental Monitoring Agency
NSMA	North Slave Métis Alliance
TG	Tłı̨chǫ Government
WRRB	Wek’èezhìi Renewable Resources Board
WLWB	Wek’èezhìi Land and Water Board Staff

Day 1: September 7, 2021

Time	Topic	Review Comment References
8:30 – 9:00am	Arrival Time and Test Run: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect on Zoom (for those joining virtually) Audio/video/screensharing test run (for those joining virtually and for presenters) Coffee and snacks provided 	
9:00 – 9:15am	Opening Prayer and Health and Safety	
9:15 – 9:30am	Round Table Introductions and Opening Statements (Board staff)	
9:30 – 10:00am	Project Description <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project Overview by Applicant 	
10:00am – 3:45pm (Breaks are scheduled as required)	Engagement and Traditional Knowledge (TK) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant Presentation (10 mins) 	
	Use of TK	IEMA: ID-7 WRRB: ID-2 WLWB: ID-9, 10
	TK Plan	DKFN: ID-4 NSMA: ID-1 TG: ID-3
	Wildlife and Wildlife Habitat <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant Presentation (10 mins) 	
	Caribou	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WEMP/WMMP 	DKFN: ID-2,3 GNWT-Lands: ID-28,29
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Monitoring 	DKFN: ID-4,11,12
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Barriers to movement 	DKFN: ID-2,8 IEMA: ID-3,4,5,6 WRRB: ID-3,4 WLWB: ID-8
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Removal of Jay Project 	DKFN: ID-9 WRRB: ID-5
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other 	DKFN: ID-13,14 TG: ID-3
	Bear Habitat and Monitoring	DKFN: ID-6,7
	Sensitive Habitat	WLWB: ID-2
	Waste Rock Storage Area (WRSA) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant Presentation (10 mins) 	
	Configuration	DKFN: ID-10,13 TG: ID-4 WLWB: ID-6
	Design Report	GNWT-Lands: ID-6, 21, 22
	Geochemistry, Seepage, and Post-closure Water Quality	GNWT-Lands: ID-1, 23 IEMA: ID-8 TG: ID-7, 8, 9, 10 WLWB: ID-5
Closure and Reclamation	TG: ID-5, 11, 12, 13	
3:45pm	Final Day 1 Comments and Information Requests	
4:00pm	Day 1 Adjourned	

Day 2: September 8, 2021

Time	Topic	Review Comment References
8:30 – 9:00am	Arrival Time and Test Run: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect on Zoom (for those joining virtually) • Audio/video/screensharing test run (for those joining virtually and for presenters) • Coffee, snacks and COVID screening provided 	
9:00 – 9:15am	Round Table Introductions and Recap of Agenda and Day 1 (Board staff)	
9:15 – 10:00am	Continuation of Discussion from Day 1 (if needed)	
10:00am – 12:45pm (Breaks are scheduled as required)	Overburden Stockpile - Applicant Presentation (5 mins)	
	Seepage Monitoring and Effects	ECCC: ID-4, 5
	Closure and Reclamation	TG: ID-6
	Fish and Fish Habitat - Applicant Presentation (10 mins)	
	Dewatering	DFO: ID-2,3,7 WLWB: ID-3
	Blasting	DFO: ID-5
	Fish-out Protocols	DFO: ID-6
	Closure and Reclamation	DFO: ID-4
	Monitoring and Management Plans - Applicant Presentation (10 mins)	
	Dewatering Plan	ECCC: ID-2 GNWT-Lands: ID-5, 15, 17, 18, 19 WLWB: ID-4, 11
	Water Management	WLWB: ID-12
	AQMP	DKFN: ID-5
	AEMP/SNP	ECCC: ID-3, 4 WLWB: ID-1
	WPKMP	GNWT-Lands: ID-7
	SCP	GNWT-Lands: ID-16
	Archaeological Management Plan	GNWT-Lands: ID-27
12:45pm – 1:00pm	Final Day 2 Comments and Information Requests	
1:00pm	Day 2 Adjourned	

Day 3: September 9, 2021	Time	Topic	Review Comment References
	8:30 – 9:00am	Arrival Time and Test Run: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connect on Zoom (for those joining virtually) • Audio/video/screensharing test run (for those joining virtually and for presenters) • Coffee, snacks, and COVID screening provided 	
	9:00 – 9:15am	Round Table Introductions and Recap of Day 2 (Board staff)	
	9:15 – 10:00am	Continuation of Recap of Day 2	
	10:00am – 3:30pm (Breaks are scheduled as required)	Closure and Reclamation - Applicant Presentation (10 mins)	
		Pit Flooding	DFO: ID-4 GNWT-Lands: ID-24 WLWB: ID-13
		Security	GNWT-Lands: ID-9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 25, 26
		Reclamation Research	TG: ID-14
		Other - Applicant Presentation (10 mins)	
		Draft Land Use Permits Revisions	GNWT-NSR: ID-1 to 24 GNWT-Lands: ID-2, 8
Draft Water Licence Revisions		GNWT-NSR: ID-25 GNWT-Lands: ID-3	
Physical/Terrestrial Environment		DKFN: ID-1	
Surface Leases		GNWT-Lands: ID-20	
Socio-Economics		TG: ID-15, 16, 17, 18	
	Future Inclusion of Jay Pit	TG: ID-2 WLWB: ID-7	
3:30 – 4:00pm	Final Comments and Confirmation of Information Requests		
4:00pm	Meeting Adjourned		

Logistics for Remote Session:

Set-up:

- Each participant should prepare and test their video and audio ahead of time, and each time they log in to the session, to ensure their devices are functioning properly and are fully charged or plugged in.
- Zoom will download automatically when the participant starts or joins the first Zoom meeting and is also available for manual download [here](#). Participants should download the current version of Zoom before the Session to ensure all functions are available.
- For assistance using Zoom, participants can review the following [Zoom Video Tutorials](#).
- To participate only by phone, participants can call one of the Zoom teleconference lines (provided in the Zoom link from Board staff).
- Participants that are experiencing technical difficulties due to poor internet connections can limit videoconference participation to audio only or call in by phone as noted above.
- Each participant is asked to use the following as their screen name: first and last name, followed by the acronym of their respective organization (e.g., Paula Green – WLWB)
 - This can be accomplished by selecting the three dots in the upper right-hand portion of the viewing pane and selecting “rename.”
- Each organization will need to identify a representative, who will act as the liaison for all participants in that organization during the session. Each organization should provide their representative’s contact information to Board staff prior to the session (or to the facilitator at the start of the session if not known in advance).
- [Screensharing](#) in Zoom will be used during presentations. The presenter will share their screen to display their presentation (note that this can be done by the facilitator instead if requested in advance). Presenters should state the document name and page numbers to ensure all participants can follow along.

Etiquette:

- A session facilitator will guide the order of presentations, turn-taking, time limits, and breaks. To minimize disruption, participants are asked to follow all instructions on turn-taking, and only speak when the facilitator has indicated it is their turn. Each organization/participant will be given opportunities to speak.
- If a participant would like to speak or has a follow-up question, they can use the Zoom group chat (visible to everyone) to notify the facilitator, who will add them to the speaking order.
 - DO NOT USE the ‘Raise Hand’ function.
- To minimize background noises and feedback, participants should always keep their microphone/headset muted when not speaking. Participants should **only unmute when the facilitator has indicated it is their turn to speak.**
- The Zoom meeting will be recorded to ensure the transcription is accurate. **In accordance with privacy legislation, participants must not record the session or take screen shots.**

- A remote session can cause participation fatigue. The Board appreciates participants' civility, professionalism, cooperation, communication, and collaboration during the session.

Technical Difficulties:

- In the event of a disruption to the session or technical difficulties, Board staff will contact the representative of each organization by cell phone, text, or e-mail to communicate the contingency plan if necessary.
- If a participant is having technical difficulties, they should notify the representative of their organization. The representative should contact Board staff directly or through the Zoom group chat.

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Covid-19 Protocol for Participants Attending In-Person:

- Participants that are attending the session in person, as well as the support staff, are required to undergo the following COVID-19 screening protocol upon arrival.
 - YOU ARE NOT ALLOWED TO ENTER THE MEETING ROOM IF YOU ANSWER YES TO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:
 1. Are you required to self-isolate due to travel from outside the NWT? Is anyone in your household required to self-isolate due to travel outside of the NWT?
 2. Have you been advised to isolate or self-isolate by ProtectNWT or a healthcare provider in the last 14 days?
 3. Have you had close contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the past 14 days?
 4. Do you have ANY of the following symptoms?
 - Shortness of breath, or difficulty breathing?
 - Fever
 - New or worsening cough
 - New loss or decrease in your sense of taste or smell
 - Generally feeling unwell
 - Chills
 - Muscle aches
 - Fatigue or weakness
 - A sore throat
 - Runny nose
 - Headache
 - Diarrhea, nausea, or vomiting
 - Loss of appetite
 - Abdominal pain
 - Skin changes or rash
- Participants **must** bring masks to wear whenever they are moving around the room and/or if they are less than 6ft/2m from another person.
- Those attending in person must sign in and provide contact information in case subsequent contact tracing is required.