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Subject: Dec 14: RE: oct 28: AIA requirements-MJWW2015W0018 Digaa
Date: Wednesday, December 14, 2016 1:37:40 PM
Attachments: [image002.png](#)

Thank you Julian for this important clarification (that an Archaeological Impact Assessment, AIA, is not required for Digaa's Land Use Permit).

We thank Glen and Norm as well for their time and efforts. Glen identified there was a terminology issue that made things unclear for Digaa in the AOA report.

John

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Hi John,

Please see the below emails regarding the need for an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA) in accordance with condition 55 of Land Use Permit MV2015W0018. I have received correspondence from the Inspector and Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre, and both have stated that an AIA is not required.

Let me know if you have any questions.

Julian Morse

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Subject: RE: oct 28: AIA requirements-MJVW2015W0018 Digaa

Hi Julian,

Sorry for the delay on this response. We will accept the recommendation of the Inspector in regard to the AIA requirements for Digaa. Technically, there were no areas of high potential identified in Digaa's proposed cut blocks by the AOA study. The misalignment between the recommendations in our review letter for the AOA report, which basically concurred with the recommendations for AIA-level studies provided in the report itself, and the wording of the AIA-High Potential land use permit condition arose because the AOA study commissioned by Digaa used four potential categories (low, low-moderate, moderate, high) while the standard AIA-High Potential condition requires that development footprints be divided into areas of low or high potential. This resulted in recommendations for AIA requirements that do not quite fit with the wording of the AIA-High Potential standard condition. We are working on Archaeological Overview Assessment Guidelines that will clarify this issue by requiring that all AOA studies use only low and high potential categories. We hope to share these with the Board early in the New Year. Thanks,

Glen

From: Julian Morse [<mailto:jmorse@mvlwb.com>]
Sent: Monday, December 12, 2016 11:16 AM
To: Glen MacKay
Cc: Shelagh Montgomery
Subject: RE: oct 28: AIA requirements-MJVW2015W0018 Digaa

Hi Glen,

Just checking in on this email I sent last month. Did you have a chance to talk to Norm McCowan? Do you have any concerns with his recommendation? Please let me know if this was resolved.

Thanks.

Julian Morse

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From: Julian Morse**Sent:** Wednesday, November 9, 2016 4:37 PM**To:** 'Glen_Mackay@gov.nt.ca' <Glen_Mackay@gov.nt.ca>**Cc:** Shelagh Montgomery <smontgomery@mvlwb.com>**Subject:** FW: oct 28: AIA requirements-MJVW2015W0018 Digaa

Hi Glen,

Digaa Enterprises has approached our office with questions regarding your recommendation that they need to perform an Archaeological Impact Assessment in order to maintain compliance with Land Use Permit MV2015W0018. I have obtained the below opinion from the Inspector for this file. Please review the Inspector's opinion, and please follow up with him if you have any concerns.

Let me know if you have any questions. Thank you.

Julian Morse

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Subject: RE: oct 28: AIA requirements-MJVW2015W0018 Digaa

Hi Julian,

In accordance with Permit Condition #55, An Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIS) is required for all areas identified in the Archaeological Overview as having high potential for archaeological or burial sites. The AIS is not required for areas of moderate potential for archaeological or burial sites. The Archaeological Overview did not identify any areas of high potential for archaeological or burial sites therefore it is my opinion that a AIS is not required.

If you require any additional information, I can be reached at (867) 874-6995 ext. 24 or by email.

Norm

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Hi Norm,

Please see the below email and attached materials from John Bartlett of Digaa Enterprises. Based on the results of Digaa's Archaeological Overview Assessment, the Prince of Wales Northern Heritage Centre has recommended an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA). Can you please review the attached materials in the context of Land Use Permit MV2015W0018 and advise whether you are of the opinion Digaa is required to perform an AIA to maintain compliance with the Permit?

Thank you, and please feel free to get in touch if you have any questions.

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Julian, Digaa is quite concerned with the position being taken by Mr. Glen Mackay (PWNHC) regarding the interpretation of the LUP (Term 55) and the need for an Archaeology Impact Assessment (AIA), per attached letter "AOA Kleanza ..." to

Kleanza Consulting (April 05, 2016).

As a matter of protocol, Kleanza Consulting was on contract to Digaa to conduct the AOA, in order to be compliant to the LUP #54 Term.

Mr. MacKay's letter was sent to Kleanza Consulting. The letter contained making commitments on Digaa's behalf without any discussions or advisement with Digaa, the LUP Permittee. PWNHC's letter came to Digaa's attention during preliminary budget discussions with Kleanza recently.

I previously prepared a "2015 Dec 02 TK Note to File" for guidance to Kleanza. I reviewed the AOA report, the LUP, the Reasons for Decision, and Mr. Mackay's letter to Kleanza. I prepared some "AIA requirements-LUP..." notes.

Digaa's position is that an AIA is NOT required to meet the Conditions of the LUP MVW2015W0018.

Please advise on the position that Digaa has taken within the context of their LUP.

Digaa is of course open to further discussions with the MVLWB and PWNHC to ensure it supports the intent of the LUP.

Thank you

John

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