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## Staff Report

<b>Applicant:</b> Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada – Giant Mine Remediation Project	
<b>Location:</b> Yellowknife, NT	<b>File Number:</b> MV2019X0007 and MV2007L8-0031
<b>Date Prepared:</b> February 10, 2021	<b>Date of Board Meeting:</b> February 25, 2021
<b>Subject:</b> Administrative Updates	

### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this Report is to present to the Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board (MVLWB/the Board) administrative updates to Land Use Permit MV2019X0007 (Permit) and Water Licence MV2007L8-0031 (Licence) held by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada – Giant Mine Remediation Project (CIRNAC-GMRP).

### 2. Background

- August 7, 2020 – Effective Date of Permit MV2019X0007;
- September 18, 2020 – Effective date of Licence MV2007L8-0031;
- **February 25, 2021 – Administrative updates presented to the Board for decision;**
- August 6, 2025 – Expiration of Permit MV2019X0007; and
- September 17, 2040 – Expiration of Licence MV2007L8-0031.

### 3. Discussion

#### Administrative Update

Between August 7 and September 18, 2020, the Board issued a Type A Land Use Permit (MV2019X0007) and Type A Water Licence (MV2007L8-0031) to Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada – Giant Mine Remediation Project (CIRNAC-GMRP) to begin active remediation of the Giant Mine site.

Following issuance of the authorizations, CIRNAC-GMRP staff and Board staff both noted several minor mistakes and inconsistencies in the Permit and Licence. Conditions, Schedule items, and Surveillance Network Program items that have been corrected are identified in the attached (Marked-up versions) of

the Permit and Licence. Edits that did not change the substance of the conditions, such as bolding plan names or italicizing guideline references have not been identified.

Table 1, below, provides several examples of the more significant changes made because of these administrative updates:

**Table 1:** Examples of Administrative Updates

<b>Change</b>	<b>Purpose</b>
Including “Non-Hazardous” or “City of Yellowknife” to all Landfill references.	To match the definition provided in the authorizations as well as to clarify which facility is being referred to.
Remove Schedule title references from conditions.	To maintain conciseness and consistency throughout the authorizations.
Consolidate itemized lists in the schedules into one more detailed requirement where only one hanging requirement was listed.	To maintain conciseness and consistency throughout the authorizations.
Remove Schedule 1, condition 2 l).	To reflect the discussion and Board decision made during the Draft Licence review.
Fixing incorrect cross-references.	To address errors.
Added effective date to Surveillance Network Program (SNP).	To reflect the effective date of Ministerial approval of the Licence.
Added or edited SNP coordinates.	To reflect the location of SNP stations added since issuance or to address errors.
Removed status of SNP stations from station titles.	To maintain conciseness and consistency throughout the authorizations.
Added Public Access Plan to Annex B: Concordance of Item Requiring Submission table.	To address errors.
Added or adjusted the wording of definitions.	To ensure definitions across authorizations were the same.

The attached Licence and Permit, indicated by the file name “marked up”, highlight all of the proposed changes in this administrative update.

#### **4. Comments**

Not applicable.

#### **5. Public Review**

Not applicable.

#### **6. Security**

The status of security for this Project will not be affected by the Board’s decisions related to the Request.

#### **7. Conclusion**

Board staff conclude there are no outstanding issues or concerns with these administrative updates.

## 8. Recommendation

Board staff recommend that the Board **acknowledge the administrative updates to Permit MV2019X0007 and Licence MV2007L8-0031.**

A draft letter is attached.

## 9. Attachments

- Permit MV2019X0007 Conditions – Marked Up
- Permit MV2019X0007 Conditions – Clean
- Licence MV2007L8-0031 Conditions – Marked Up
- Licence MV2007L8-0031 Conditions – Clean
- Draft Decision Letter from the Board

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'SA', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Shannon Allerston  
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