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File: S24L8-003

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Sent by email

Dear Chaudary Murtaza,

Re: Oscar Creek Bridge Relocation Project – Issuance Package – Water Licence S24L8-003 – Miscellaneous – Mackenzie Valley Winter Road, NT

The Sahtú Land and Water Board (Board) met on August 23, 2024 and considered the Application Package from Government of the Northwest Territories – Department of Infrastructure (GNWT-INF) for Water Licence (Licence) S24L8-003 for the Oscar Creek Bridge Relocation Project near KM1054.4 Mackenzie Valley Winter Road, in accordance with the *Waters Act*.

The Board has approved Water Licence S24L8-003 (attached) for a term of seven years, effective September 06, 2024 and expiring September 06, 2031. The Licence is supported by the Board's Reasons for Decision. These documents are posted to the Board's Public Registry.¹

Submission Requirements

Please refer to Attachment A of the Licence for a complete summary and timetable of submissions required for the Licence. The Board's decisions on submissions that were considered in conjunction with the Application Package are set out below.

¹ See SLWB Online Registry www.slwb.com for [S24L8-003](#).

Management Plans – Approved

The Board has approved the following Plans:

Condition Number and Title	Title of Plan (Version)
Part B, Condition 20, ENGAGEMENT PLAN	Engagement Plan (V1.0) ²
Part F, Condition 5, WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN	Waste Management Plan (V1.0) ³

Management Plans – Revisions Required

The Board requires that the following Plans be revised to include all changes detailed in the Reasons for Decision and submitted by the dates outlined in the following table. The revised Plans will be considered to be approved when the Licensee receives written confirmation of conformity from Board staff. The Licensee may not commence Project activities until the Plans are approved.

Condition Number and Title	Title of Plan (Version)	Version and Date Revision Due
Part H, Condition 2, SPILL CONTINGENCY PLAN	Spill Contingency Plan (V1.0) ⁴	V1.1; December 06, 2024
Part F, Condition 3, EROSION AND SEDIMENTATION CONTROL PLAN	Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan (V1.0) ⁵	V1.1; December 06, 2024

Inspectors

The Inspectors referred to in the Licence can be contacted at the regional GNWT-ECC offices.⁵

Analyst

The Analyst referred to in the Surveillance Network Program in Schedule 1 of the Licence can be contacted at the Taiga Environmental Laboratory.⁶

² See SLWB Online Registry for Oscar Creek Bridge Relocation Project – [Engagement Plan](#) – Version 1.0 – May14_24.

³ See SLWB Online Registry for Oscar Creek Bridge Relocation Project – [Waste Management Plan](#) – Version 1.0 – May14_24.

⁴ See SLWB Online Registry for Oscar Creek Bridge Relocation Project – [Spill Contingency Plan](#) – Version 1.0 – May14_24.

⁵ See SLWB Online Registry for Oscar Creek Bridge Relocation Project – [Erosion and Sedimentation Control Plan](#) – Version 1.0 – May14_24.

⁶ See GNWT-ECC Regional Offices webpage (<https://www.ecc.gov.nt.ca/en/regional-offices>) for regional contact information.

⁷ See GNWT-ECC Taiga Environmental Laboratory webpage (<https://www.ecc.gov.nt.ca/en/services/taiga-environmental-laboratory>) for contact information.

Licence Processes and Additional Information

Sections 5 and 6 of the Land and Water Board (LWB) *Guide to the Water Licensing Process*⁷ (Guide) contain detailed information on licence enforcement and potential post-issuance processes, such as amendments to conditions, and assignment to another company. Please be familiar with these sections of the Guide and reach out to Board staff with any questions about LWB processes related to the Licence.

Full cooperation of SLWB is anticipated and appreciated. Please contact [Natalie Lipka](#) via email or at (867) 598-2325 with any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Yours sincerely,



Valerie Gordon
Chair, Sahtú Land and Water Board

BCC'd to: Tulit'a District Distribution List
Erin Goose – Inspector, GNWT-ECC
Rick Walbourne – Director, Regulatory and Permitting – GNWT-ECC

Attached: Water Licence S24L8-003
Reasons for Decision

⁸ See SLWB Policies and Guidelines webpage for LWB [Guide to the Water Licensing Process](#).