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Ms. Claudine Lee
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Dear Ms. Lee,

Re: Complete Type "A" Land Use Permit Application – Sable Pit Development, Lac de Gras, NT

This acknowledges receipt of DDEC's Land Use Application on March 30, 2016. The Wek'èezhì Land and Water Board will be processing your application as per Section 22 (2) of the Mackenzie Valley Land Use Regulations.

Within forty-two (42) days of the date of this letter, the Wek'èezhì Land and Water Board will take one of the following actions:

1. Issue a Type "A" permit, subject to any conditions included pursuant to Subsection 26(1) of the MVLUR;
2. order, pursuant to Subsection 24 of the *Mackenzie Valley Resource Management Act* (MVRMA), that a hearing be held or further studies or investigations be made respecting the lands proposed to be used in the land-use operation;
3. refer any part of the application which is not exempt from Preliminary Screening to the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board for an environmental assessment pursuant to Subsection 125(1) of the MVRMA; or,
4. where a requirement set out in Section 61(2) or 62 of the MVRMA has not been met, refuse to issue a permit.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (867) 765-4581 or email eberrill@wlwb.ca.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Elissa Berrill". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "E".

Elissa Berrill
Regulatory Specialist

Copied to: Erin Anderson for Scott Stewart, GNWT-Department of Lands