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Subject: TG's comment on Nighthawk draft work plan
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Hi Meaghan,

Tłıchǫ Government (TG) has reviewed the Work Plan shared by the Board for Nighthawk's applications that include a new federal type A Water Licence (W2021L2-0005), a new non-federal type A Water Licence (W2021L2-0004), and a new Type A Land Use Permit (W2021C0009).

TG has no concerns with the work plan, if anything changes or if any major schedule conflict is noted in future, TG will communicate that to the Board. We do recommend that all events that requires Elders participation should be provided with adequate translators.

Please update item a) on scope of the project in the work plan as it appears to be incomplete, "advanced mineral exploration, including the of water and deposit of waste for a camp, use of satellite camps, and use of water for drilling".

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Dear Ms. Jokela,

**Re: Nighthawk Gold Corp.
Indin Lake Gold Project
Water Licence (W2021L2-0005) and (W2021L2-0004)
Type A Land Use Permit (W2021C0009)**

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Government of the Northwest Territories has reviewed the draft workplan developed by board staff and have one comment to provide:

Topic: Pre-Hearing Conference & Intervention Deadlines

Comment:

The draft work plan outlines that the Pre-Hearing Conference will occur on March 10, 2022 and the deadline for interventions is March 21, 2022. ENR notes that having the Pre-Hearing Conference after the deadline for interventions would allow the Board to identify which parties have submitted interventions and allow parties to have a better idea whether they intend to attend the public hearing and how long they require to present their intervention to the Board.

For reference, ENR refers to the recent work plans from the MVLWB for [Pine Point Mining Ltd](#) and the [City of Yellowknife](#) where the Pre-Hearing Conference was held a few days after the intervention deadline. As stated above, it is ENR's opinion that this allows for a much more well-informed and effective Pre-Hearing Conference.

ENR is supportive of the rest of the dates proposed in the workplan.

Recommendation:

ENR recommends the Pre-Hearing Conference occur after the deadline for interventions.

Should you have any general questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the Environmental Assessment and Monitoring unit at gnwt_ea@gov.nt.ca.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'LAM', is positioned above the typed name.

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**LAND USE PERMIT AND WATER LICENCE APPLICATION FOR THE NIGHTHAWK GOLD CORP
INDIN LAKE GOLD PROPERTY – RESPONSE TO DRAFT WORK PLAN**

Dear Mr. Mantla,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the Draft Work Plan for the above applications. The Company would like to thank the Board staff for developing a Draft Work Plan that is two months less than the usual nine months for the review process. This is greatly appreciated by Nighthawk Gold Corp. and speaks to the willingness to work together on timely permitting applications.

Nighthawk believes that given the purpose for the Land Use License application: increasing the amount of fuel required, the addition of some pieces of equipment, and the small increase in numbers of persons at camp, that the amount of time for Nighthawk to respond to reviewers will not be required to be as much as Board Staff have budgeted in the Draft Work Plan.

In addition, given the reason for the Type A Water License applications (federal and non-federal), for the increase in water use for the addition of two drills, and updating the Water Use Plan, that the amount of time for Nighthawk to respond to reviewers will not be required to be as long as Board Staff have budgeted.

Due to the nature of the scope of the applications, Nighthawk and Golder have been diligently working with stakeholders in hopes that many concerns and questions can be resolved quickly. The Company anticipates that the technical hearings, as well as public hearings will not be required and that all parties will be satisfied with willingness to work together on achievable collaborative solutions ahead of permit issuance.

I look forward to working with the Board Staff and all reviewers on the license applications.

Kind regards,

Denise Lockett,
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