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Sent by email

Dear Kristin Moore,

Re: Colomac – PCMMP Version 6.0 – Water Licence W2021L8-0003 – Miscellaneous – Colomac Mine Site, NT

The Wek'èezhì Land and Water Board (Board) met on March 19, 2025 and considered Version 6.0 of the Post-Closure Monitoring and Maintenance Plan (PCMMP)¹ for the Colomac Mine Remediation Project (Project) submitted by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada – Contaminants and Remediation Division (CIRNAC-CARD) on February 27, 2025, as required by Water Licence (Licence) W2021L8-0003.²

The Board's Reasons for Decision for Version 5.0 of the PCMMP required CIRNAC-CARD to complete the remediation of the over-steepened banks in the Spot Lake Channel prior to submission of Version 6.0 of the PCMMP and to include the proposed objectives of this remediation inspection and monitoring frequency in Version 6.0 of the PCMMP.³ In Version 6.0 of the PCMMP, CIRNAC-CARD indicated that remediation activities at the Spot Lake Channel are planned to occur in fiscal year 2026/27. In the cover letter of the submission, CIRNAC-CARD explained it was submitting Version 6.0 before completion of

¹ See WLWB Online Registry (www.wlwb.ca) for [Colomac - Post-Closure Monitoring and Maintenance Plan - Version 6.0 - Feb 27 25](#)

² See WLWB Online Registry for [Colomac - Issuance Letter and Water Licence - Jan 24 22](#)

³ See WLWB Online Registry for [Colomac - PAR and PCMMP - Version 5.0 - Decision Letter and Reasons for Decision - Aug 30 22](#)

remediation of the over-steepened banks in the Spot Lake Channel because it is the most current Long Term Monitoring Plan followed for the Colomac site, and because it contains updates necessary to understand the full scope of the Phase II Monitoring at the Colomac site. A conformity check for all other requirements from the Board's Reasons for Decision for Version 5.0 was conducted and it was determined that the submission meets the requirements set out in the Board's Decision Letter.

CIRNAC-CARD's cover letter also indicated that additional administrative updates were included in Version 6.0. These updates include noting site accessibility changes, updating the status of monitoring locations (i.e., the addition of re-established SNP stations and the removal of those locations that have met their endpoints), and the correction of clerical errors mentioned by reviewers.

As Version 6.0 includes only administrative updates and incorporation of Board requirements, with the exception of submission timing related to the Spot Lake Channel remediation (as explained above), the submission was not distributed for public review. The Board has decided to approve PCMMP Version 6.0 and to carry forward the timing requirements related to the Spot Lake Channel remediation to Version 7.0 of the PCMMP.

Full cooperation of CIRNAC-CARD is anticipated and appreciated. Please contact Janelle Vandenbrink via [email](#) or at (867) 765-4582 with any questions or concerns regarding this letter.

Yours sincerely,



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