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July 31, 1998

VIA: **Fax No.**

Dear West Kitikmeot

**Re: Your comments on campsite application  
NIRB file no. 98C03N115**

**Project:**

cc. David Porter, License Administrator, NWB

Enclosed please find a new access permit for exploration campsite at Contwoyto Lake in the West Kitikmeot. Please use the above NIRB file no.98C03N115, and the contact person listed below in all future correspondence regarding this application.

Please assess the project proposal for the potential effects on the ecosystemic and socio-economic environments using your knowledge of the area or your field of expertise.

Please forward your comments and recommendations to NIRB by **Friday, September 4, 1998.**

Your input is greatly appreciated

Yours truly,

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## PROJECT OVERVIEW

July 31, 1998

To: Distribution List via fax.

Re: NIRB file no. 98C03N115

Project: Exploration Campsite

Proponent: Ashton Mining of Canada Inc.

Region: West Kitikmeot

Location: 65° 29' 15 N, 110° 16' 00 W

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### Project Overview:

Ashton Mining of Canada Incorporated would like to set up an 8 person camp at Contwoyto Lake in the West Kitikmeot. The set up of the camp would begin August 6, 1998 to September 13, 1998. The camp will support a regional sampling program to be undertaken on Ashton's Con claims. The program associated campsite is currently under KIA Land Use Permit I96C103.

The camp consists of five Weatherhaven type tents to house eight people. It is located along the eastern shore of Contwoyto Lake and is situated on an esker to minimize the potential impacts of vocal vegetation.

They anticipate that the campsite will have a minimal impact on the surrounding environment. Each tent has a footprint of approximately 20m<sup>2</sup> so the total footprint of the campsite should not exceed 150m<sup>2</sup>. As they intend to place the camp upon the esker, any effect upon vegetation should be minimized.

The camp will be supported by float-based twin engine Otter aircraft on a regular basis, a Bell 2056 Jet Ranger helicopter will be situated at the camp during its occupation.

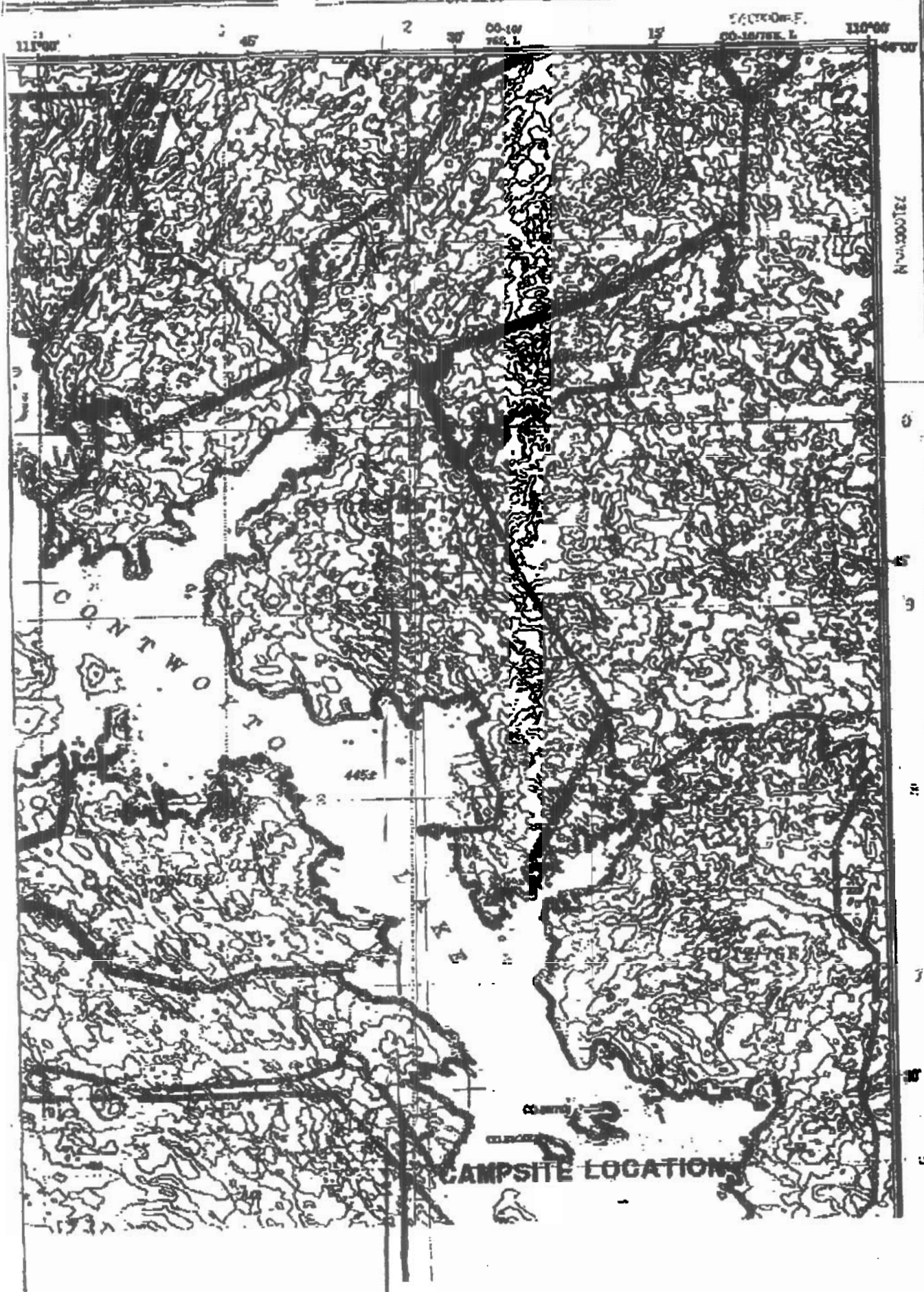
### Proposed Waste Disposal Methods:

Combustible garbage will be properly stored and burned daily in a suitable container. Non-combustible garbage and debris including any metal waste will be removed from the site by aircraft.

Sewage and gray water will be deposited into a sump away from water courses. The sump will be restored to the natural contours of the land prior to expiry of the permit.

As this is initially a fly in/fly out operation, no large scale or long term storage of petroleum fuels will be required. They intent to store a maximum of nineteen 45 gallon drums of fuel at the campsite to support the camp and aircraft involved in the sampling program (Jet B aviation and diesel). Fuel at the campsite will be stored at safe distances (at least 12 metres away) from drainage systems and bodies of water.

Upon completion of the campsite, all material and equipment will be removed from the site. Any lands affected by the campsite will be restored, to the most reasonable extent possible, to their original and natural state. All sumps will be restored to the natural contours of the land prior to the expiry of the permit.



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CAMP SITE LOCATION